# **UFTON NEWS**

#### May 2022 Diary

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Mon	2	Early May Bank Holiday
Tues	3	Ufton Parish Council
		Meeting VH 8.00 pm
Thurs	5	Thursday Th'ocial VH
		7.30 pm
Fri	6	Grey Bin
Mon	9	Tai Chi VH 7.30 pm
Thurs	12	Thursday Th'ocial VH
		7.30 pm
Fri	13	Blue and Green Bins
Mon	16	Tai Chi VH 7.30 pm
Thurs	19	Thursday Th'ocial VH
		7.30 pm
Fri	20	Grey Bin
Sat	21	Men's Breakfast VH
		8.30 am
Mon	23	Tai Chi VH 7.30 pm
Thurs	26	Thursday Th'ocial VH
		7.30 pm
Fri	27	Blue and Green Bins
Mon	30	Tai Chi VH 7.30 pm

#### **Housing Needs Survey**

Thank you to those people who completed and returned the Housing Needs Survey. Once the Parish Council is in receipt of the report, it will be made public via this Newsletter.

## UFTON VILLAGE HALL

Our two meetings in March and April were very well attended and we were delighted that so many people came forward to be part of a team, where we can rota and share the jobs. This means a core group of 5 or 6 and a wider number who can help where and when needed. We missed you if you couldn't make it and hope to see you soon.

Amanda (Milly) has managed to collate all the responses from the first gathering and found many common themes which will be prioritised in a phased plan:

1 Roles and Responsibilities 2 Jubilee Weekend – Treasure Hunt, Royal Quiz & Street Party are just some of the ideas... 3 Physical/Aesthetics

4 Events/Workshops/Courses Ideas 5 AOB

Our first task – agreed at the second gathering – is to have a weekly gettogether in the Village Hall every Thursday evening starting at 7.30pm and we hope these "*Thursday Th'ocials*" will prove to be very popular – (*lan, that's a terrible name -* please somebody, come up with a better one!) The format will be similar to the previous gatherings – small groups of table and chairs with tablecloths and candles to allow friendly discussion and socialising in a relaxed atmosphere and ALL welcome.

They start on 5<sup>th</sup> May so bring your own nibbles and booze (non-alcoholic if you prefer) and let's get the ball rolling!

### Men's Breakfast 8.30am Saturday 21st May in Ufton Village Hall

Whilst we may be a "Men's" Breakfast we like to ring the changes now and again and so our Speaker this month will be a lady with a very interesting story – for we shall be delighted to welcome Revd Ricarda Whitcombe, Lead Chaplain of South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust, which covers not only Warwick Hospital, but also those in Stratford, Shipston-on-Stour as well as the Leamington Rehabilitation Hospital - quite a brief!

As always, we shall be able to enjoy our "Full English for a Fiver" courtesy of Chef Roger, ably assisted by Sous-Chef Bill, Toast Monitor John, Waiters Derek and Edward, not forgetting Chief Cashier John – what a team!

Events have been oversubscribed in the past so get in early to guarantee your place NOW by contacting our very own GDBR man Barry – either via 01926 811254 and 07768 175682 or (ideally) via champagnebuff@gmail.com

NB Our June event will be earlier than usual – the 11<sup>th</sup> – get it in your diary now please!

#### **CHURCH IN CRISIS?**

Our open Invitation to our annual meeting (APCM) on 12<sup>th</sup> April produced just nine attendees. The current two PCC members offered their resignation, and no new names were put forward. With no PCC and no helpers to assist there will be no Services in church for the foreseeable future. Revd Andy should still be able to provide a team for future requests for Weddings and Funerals and he is hopeful that in the fullness of time new people will feel called to come forward and restart monthly Worship in Ufton once more. Contact details are 01926 714295 or rev.andyb@gmail.com

#### Mary Rose Croft

Mary very sadly passed away on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022 surrounded by her family.

Mary was born in 6 Ufton Fields in 1941. Aged ten she moved into 11 St Michaels Close, where she lived until she got married in August 1960. As Mary helped run the Cubs with a former village resident, Betty Allington, the Cubs and Brownies provided a Guard of Honour at Mary and John's Wedding in Ufton Church. As newlyweds, Mary and John moved into 13 Ufton Fields. Following the birth of Nick, they moved into 1 Broad Close. John's work took the family away from Ufton in 1962, until 1981 when John and Mary moved into Balliol.

Mary was always a very active member of the Ufton Community. She was part of the Ufton's Women's Institute and was their secretary for many years. She was a member of the Village Hall Committee and held the role of Booking Secretary and Treasurer. Mary was aways a willing helper at the Ufton Village Fete and usually found herself helping with the Teas. She also found time to help with the cleaning of the church, helping with the flowers or cleaning the brasses.

Mary loved Ufton and always considered it her home.

Mary's funeral will take place at 12 noon on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at Banbury Crematorium, Southam Road, Banbury, OX16 1ST

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