

Milcombe Parish Council
October 2021
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Play Equipment – The installation of the new equipment will take place during November 2021 and the play area will be closed for the whole of the month. Please do not enter the site whilst the installation is taking place.

Gigaclear Fibre Broadband – Gigaclear will be rolling out fibre broadband in the village, starting in October/November 2021. If there are any issues, please contact the Parish Council and the Clerk will make contact with Gigaclear on your behalf.

Wheelie Bins – Residents are kindly requested not to block the footpaths with their wheelie bins, where possible. If they could also be collected back in as soon as they had been emptied, this would avoid the footpaths being blocked for those pedestrians with pushchairs or wheelchair users.

Bus Shelters/Benches – The two bus shelters and three benches in the village will be cleaned in the next few weeks.

Snow Warden/Grit Bins – If anyone in the village would like or care to volunteer to be a Snow Warden to help clear the footpaths in adverse weather conditions, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council. Grit bins are all full and grit may be used on slippery public footpaths and roads only. It should not be used for private property use.

Civil Parking Enforcement – Civil Parking Enforcement Officers are being employed by Cherwell District Council and it is hoped they will visit the village and check for dangerous and illegal parking, especially those vehicles blocking pavements and junctions.

Highways – Repairs which were required to potholes should be reported to the County Council's Fix My Street web site. <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/> New road markings had been painted on the road by the junction at the Horse and Groom.

Trees/Bushes/Hedges - Residents were reminded that trees/bushes/hedges should not be causing an obstruction because they were overhanging a boundary onto a footpath or road. If an obstruction was occurring in the village, it should be reported to <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Dog Waste Bin –The dog waste bin at the entrance to The Green will be replaced and bin will be located at the entrance to The Dovecote.

Adverse Weather:

Oxfordshire County Council works closely with all its partners to monitor the weather and as a reminder there are some numbers that you can call to report weather related issues if you become aware of them:

- To report fallen trees or other debris which pose a risk to your safety or the safety of others, please call 999
- To report fallen trees or other debris which doesn't pose such a high risk but still needs to be dealt with, please call 101
- If you lose power or can see that a power line has come down please report it by calling 105
- If you are concerned about flooding, you should visit the Oxfordshire Flood Toolkit online - <https://www.oxfordshirefloodtoolkit.com> – and I will summarise the key numbers to call below:
- If you have a flooding emergency which is a threat to someone's life, contact Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service on 999
- To report flooding relating to a highway such as blocked ditches, blocked drains or flooding on a road call Oxfordshire County Council Floodline on 0345 310 1111
- To report flooding from a main river contact the Environment Agency through the Floodline (Tel: 0345 988 1188 or 0800 80 70 60) or visit their website

- If your property is at immediate risk of surface water flooding please contact Thames Valley Police on 101

Planning applications and comments could be viewed on Cherwell District Council's web site at: <https://www.cherwell.gov.uk/info/115/planning/443/see-or-comment-on-a-planning-application23as>

Meeting Dates – It was hoped that all future meetings, starting at 8.00pm would be held in person and not on Zoom. However please check the agendas on the Parish Council web site the week prior to the meeting.

- Tuesday 2 November 2021
- Tuesday 4 January 2022

All welcome to attend!

Agendas and minutes are available on www.milcombe.com or please contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, at milcombepc@gmail.com or ring 01295 710965 during normal office hours.

Reminders:

Roads (including potholes)/footpaths/street lighting/overhanging trees/hedges: Report to Oxfordshire County Council <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>

Faulty Street Lights: Report on freephone 0800 317802 giving exact destination and pole number if possible.

Dog Bags: These are available from New Road Stores and in the Church porch. Please clear up after your dog - it is an offence not to.

Electricity: SSE 0800 294 3259 or text phone 0800 316 5457, UK Power Networks – 0800 169 9970, Western Power Distribution – 0800 096 3080

Water: Thames Water 0800 009 3652 or text phone 0800 316 6899, Anglian Water 03457 91 91 55

Power failure: If there's a power cut call the free number 105 to check what's happening with your local provider

Cherwell District Council Local Plan Consultation - Impact on Milcombe

Cherwell District Council has published the Local Plan Review Options Consultation Paper for public consultation.

<https://www.cherwell.gov.uk/info/33/planning-policy/407/planning-policy-consultation>

The Options Consultation Paper proposes a place and people-based vision for the district with a focus on developing a sustainable local economy, meeting the climate change challenge and healthy place shaping. The paper includes a place-based discussion of Banbury, Bicester, Kidlington, Upper Heyford and the rural areas. Comments on the Options Consultation Paper and the interim Sustainability Appraisal Report can be sent to planningpolicyconsultation@cherwell-dc.gov.uk

Please take a look at the proposed sites for Milcombe and submit your comments to Cherwell DC by 10 November 2021.