

Friends of Iffley Village

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Parking controls

On May 31st the County Council approved the City Council's proposal to impose 'no waiting at any time' restrictions in two places in Iffley. One location is the blind bend on Church Way at the corner of Meadow Lane; the other is at the corner of Iffley Turn and Anne Greenwood Close. The proposal stemmed from the FOIV 2018 AGM.

The decision followed a public consultation. Fourteen replies were received. Nine were in support, there were no objections and three expressions of concern, including a call for a disabled parking bay on Meadow Lane for users of Lucas and Remy Place. The implementation date has not yet been fixed.

The Friends of Iffley Village receives many complaints about the parking and traffic congestion further down Church Way, near the Prince of Wales and the shop -- another stretch with a blind bend. We've had several suggestions either for restricting parking or for restricting traffic in this area. The issues here are complex, with sets of conflicting interests to take into account. We have set up a small task group to analyse and assess the suggestions and will report back on the findings. We've also received two renewed requests for parking restrictions in Mill Lane.

Isis Farmhouse

The Council and the Police have responded to complaints from nearby residents about noise and other issues relating to The Isis Farmhouse. The licensing authority, the Police and Environmental Health officers are to review its entertainment licence conditions.

FOIV event

The Iffley Village Film group is following its popular French film event last year with a weekend of four Western European films. Kathryn Wilkinson, who leads the group, says: "This year it seems more important than ever to engage with the rich culture of European cinema. While most films these days are co-productions, there is still something unique about the film powerhouses of our European neighbours."

European Film Weekend

*September 13th, 14th and 15th
Iffley Church Hall*

Including the Italian classic, **The Bicycle Thieves**, directed in 1948 by Vittorio de Sica, and the Spanish film, **The Olive Tree**, directed in 2017 by Iciar Bollain.

Autumn in Iffley: some diary dates

September 21 st	Friends of St Mary's	AGM and lecture by architectural historian, Tim Tatton-Brown 3 pm Church Hall
September 27-29	Living Stones	Talks, tours and stone carving Iffley Church and Churchyard
October 1 st	Film Night	'The Ladykillers', Alec Guinness 7 pm Church Hall
October 6 th	Music Society	Concert: London Brahms Trio 3 pm Church Hall
October 15 th	History Society	AGM and lecture 7:30 pm Church Hall
November 1 st	Peggy Seeger folk concert	7:30 pm Church Hall
November 3 rd	Music Society	Concert: Tedesca String Quartet 3 pm Church Hall
November 5 th	Film Night	7 pm Church Hall
November 19 th	History Society	Lecture, 7:30 pm Church Hall

After the triumph of the Living Stones' medieval Mystery Play, directed by David Wiles, will Iffley now revive amateur dramatics? We certainly saw plenty of acting talent.

Rose Hill and Donnington Advice Centre

This charity, which provides advice on benefits and debt management to its community, marked its 30th anniversary this summer. Local MP Anneliese Dodds, who formerly chaired it, was the principal guest at a celebration event in June. Now financed by an Oxford City Council grant as well as by donations, the Centre was originally founded by Sue Tanner, its current Secretary, and Phil Powell. Sue pays tribute to the support the Centre has received from Iffley over the years, "through donors, board members, legal and financial advisers, fund-raising events and charitable help from St Mary's Church."

Iffley Community Shop

The Shop needs to recruit more volunteers to serve behind the counter. Pictured here is Emily Williams, having her first day's training under the guidance of Cheryl Sharp. New volunteers receive as many sessions of training as they need, usually around three, and help is nearby on their first day going solo. "It's a great way of meeting people", says Emily. "The shift between 11 am and 1 pm is normally the busiest but there's always time to be sociable".



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