

Siddington Village News

April 2022

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Siddington C of E Primary School

I would like to invite all the Siddington community to visit our website and look at the exciting new proposed development for our school. The Corinium Education Trust, Bathurst Development Limited, and Gloucestershire County Council, have worked together to develop plans to dramatically improve the facilities for the children of Siddington. This will offer us a new school hall, office, and workspace. This is a great opportunity for the school to improve the provision and environment for the children. The plans and a short questionnaire (to gain residents' views) can be found at: <https://www.siddington.gloucs.sch.uk>

www.coriniumeducationtrust.net, www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-planning-and-projects/ and www.thesteadingscirencester.co.uk

In addition to these exciting developments, we have been working with our parent volunteers and STEM ambassadors to promote and explain the jobs that they do, as part of our science week. We have provided a range of science activities around the theme of 'growth', culminating in a science exhibition held for parents at the school. We also began to 'grow' our new reflection garden and the children worked with their parents to begin planting. The garden will also house the benches created by the children in a Prayer Space afternoon, offering the whole school a place to sit quietly, reflect, and enjoy nature.

Years 3 – 6 took part in an inter-school cross country event held at Cirencester Deer Park school. The children demonstrated incredible team spirit and should have got first prize for supporting and encouraging each other! It was a great sight to see the children running alongside those racing, supporting them all the way to the end. Well done to everyone involved.

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS – MEETING 8TH MARCH 2022

PLANNING MATTERS

Planning applications at Cotswold District Council to 3rd March 2022

- **21/02544/FUL**

Applicant: Carrefour Holdings Ltd, c/o agent, Mathewson Waters, The Old Surgery, Crowle Road, Lambourn, Hungerford, RG17 8NR

Proposal: Proposed dwelling at Siddington House, Siddington, GL7 6EU

Consultation expiry date: 28th February 2022

ADDITIONAL DETAILS - NO FURTHER COMMENT

- **22/00393/FUL**

Applicant: Mr Mark Pope & Miss Rebecca Arnold, c/o agent Mr Ian Sullivan, Ian Sullivan Architecture, 101 Victoria Road, Swindon, SN1 3BD

Proposal: Erection of 5 Holiday lodges and associated works at Oakleaze, Cirencester Road, Siddington, GL7 6HT

Consultation expiry date: 10th March 2022

The Council agreed to object to this application on the following grounds:

- Overdevelopment.
- Lodge design does not follow the Cotswold Design Code and is inappropriate for this location.
- Safety and sustainability – the site is on a busy road, there are no safe footpaths from the site and no attractions nearby so all journeys will have to be by motor vehicles, thereby increasing traffic.

OBJECTION

- **22/00539/FUL**

Applicant: Mr Robert Armitage, c/o agent Mr Nigel Packer, 7 Rodbourne Road, Swindon SN2 2AG

Proposal: Erection of a rear extension at Lonsdale, Siddington Road, GL7 1PD

Consultation expiry date: 14th March 2022

NO OBJECTION

- **22/00641/FUL**

Applicant: Mr E Tanir, c/o agent Mr Andrew Pywell, Plan-A Planning And Development Ltd, Suite B, 45 Dyer Street, Cirencester, GL7 2PP

Proposal: Alteration and conversion of existing garage/workshop building to create 1 x new dwelling with ancillary development at The Byre, Siddington

Consultation expiry date: 22nd March 2022

NO OBJECTION

Applications permitted at Cotswold District Council to 3rd March 2022

- **21/04411/LBC**

Retailing a single roof slope above the East Elevation and external works to replace a UPVC soil stack in heritage cast iron, realigning a cast iron gutter, lead work. fitting new rooflights and re-pointing at Church Farmhouse, Church Avenue, Siddington, GL7 6EZ.

- **22/00375/DD**

Reduce the canopy and main scaffold branches to lime tree to a height of 10m from ground level at 12 Fraziers Folly, Siddington, GL7 6HR

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AND HEALTH & SAFETY MATTERS

Bathurst Estate are planning to temporarily site the new Steadings primary school at Siddington School, which would leave the resultant legacy building for the ongoing use of Siddington School. As part of this development the Estate would be looking at establishing a foot/cycle path from the Severells Field area alongside the new business park to Spratsgate Lane and a safe crossing into The Steadings development, and also to upgrade the existing footpath from Park Way to create a safe cycle path link. Public consultation on the temporary siting of the Steadings school at Siddington would begin at the end of March.

Bathurst Estate are also developing plans for the old Talland site, which may include some workshops, housing and uses for the tithe barn, and also a cycle/footpath.

LITTER PICKING

Cotswold District Council has provided the Parish Council with litter picking equipment (litter grabbers, gloves, sacks). If anyone would like to carry out litter picking around the village, please contact the Clerk. Thank you.

Full draft minutes of meetings may be viewed on the council website. Meetings usually take place in the Committee Room at the Village Hall. The next meeting is planned for Tuesday 12th April 2022 in the committee room at the village hall. The agenda will be published on the website and on the notice board outside the post Office.

Robert Cowley – Parish Clerk

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News from the cricket club

As the Siddington Playing Field will be unavailable for cricket the foreseeable future and the ground at Ampney Crucis not available on a Sunday, Siddington Cricket Club will be playing home matches at Meysey Hampton this season.

The opening game is Sunday 25th April against Selsley & Rodborough. Followed by Wednesday 28th against Wanborough. Both games at home.

SIDDINGTON with PRESTON WI

Thursday 21st April, 2022



Childhood on the Island of Sark

A talk by Mandie Cran on growing up on the Island of Sark.

As usual visitors and guests are welcome. There will be tea, biscuits and a raffle.

We will be meeting this month at Preston Village Hall < Preston at 7.30pm. Please contact Ann on 01285 641469 for more information.

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Deadline:	Friday 15 th April 2022



STONEWOOD
DISTINCTIVE NEW HOMES

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WORK is progressing steadily on the new community of 88 sustainable homes at Orchard Field on the edge of Siddington.

The homes have been designed to be as low energy as possible without compromising the high standards of finish and craftsmanship housebuilder Stonewood Partnerships has produced in its other award-winning developments.

The new homes have been designed by award-winning architects Stonewood Design, with input from leading environmental engineer Greengauge Building Energy Consultants.

Each Cotswold stone or red brick home will have solar panels embedded into the roof, 45cm thick walls filled with eco-friendly insulation, triple glazing and airtight interiors to eliminate draughts and allow the energy-efficient heating system to cut bills by up to 70 per cent compared to standard -new-built houses.

Each of the 11 contemporary Cotswold styles of home in the community has been designed to meet stringent Association for Environment Conscious Building standards that demand excellent construction and low energy consumption.

Mr Arbuthnott (Architect) said the key to making the one, two, three, four and five bedroomed homes as low energy as possible is in their design. "We call it a fabric-first approach – which means if you get the building right in the first place you make it energy efficient. The timber-frames will be pre-assembled and insulated and pieced together on-site so there will be far more quality control and they will be quicker to build," he said. "Using timber will mean far less concrete which also reduces the embodied carbon."

Ground-floor underfloor heating fuelled by an air source heat pump and the use of mechanical ventilation heat recovery, which removes warm air from the kitchen and bathroom and uses it to heat air flowing into the living room and bedrooms, will keep the homes warm in winter and cool in summer. Small-bore pipes will deliver rapid hot water to sinks and showers to reduce heat loss and water waste.

Up to 12 solar panels integrated into each traditional slate-tiled roof will be able to work with smart technology in fridges, freezers and hot water cylinders to maximise the energy generated throughout the day. Every

home with a driveway will have an electric car charging point and other charging points will be available in communal parking areas.

Mr Arbuthnott said his vision is of a community that lives seamlessly together – with the majority of homes facing each other to increase the sense of togetherness and a focus on communal spaces.

He said: “That is why we have included lots of public open spaces in four courtyards planted with fruit trees.” The woodland-bordered site is 35 acres in total but just 11 acres will be developed. Hundreds of trees will be planted across the community, beginning with an orchard to the west of the development and dozens more lining the parkland road into Orchard Field. Two new ponds have already been built on a two-acre nature reserve away from the homes to provide a haven for Great Crested Newts, birds and other wildlife.

A new dropping off point will be created for parents bringing children to nearby Siddington C of E School. The new community is expected to provide at least 30 new pupils for the 105-pupil school and Stonewood hopes to be working with it on some educational projects in the coming months.

Stonewood has already opened a sales office onsite, which has been inundated with enquiries about the new homes.

“We have a fly-through video of the development to showcase what the homes will look like,” said Head of Sales & Marketing Jasmine Endersby. “We can also arrange plot visits when pre-booked to give our customers a feel for the lovely views around the site and the space throughout the neighbourhood.”

“We have been overwhelmed by the interest in the scheme and made a number of reservations, we think we’ve had such high interest because it’s a really special development with high sustainability credentials, coupled with the design and build quality of a Stonewood home.

“Siddington is a beautiful village and its location at the gateway to the Cotswolds makes it such a desirable place to live. We are so proud to be able to offer such beautiful homes, all surrounded by meadows and a chance to really be part of a community. It’s something the whole team here is passionate about.”

For more details about Orchard Field go to www.stonewoodpartnerships.co.uk

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For further details contact Gary Lawrence on 07866 422308 or gary@meadowcomms.co.uk



Five things to do in the garden in April



1. Weed around the rose stems and add a layer of mulch so that all the nourishment feeds the roses, not the weeds. Do the same for carnation and other perennial flowers.
2. From April it is safe to mow the lawn everywhere, it is also a good month to sow a new lawn if you need to renew any patches. Dig up the area, spread some topsoil, scatter some grass seeds and water well.
3. Plant rows of lettuces and salad leaves in pots in the greenhouse. Some hardy varieties like rocket can be sown directly outside. Little gem, romaine cos and butterhead are best left bit longer till the ground warms up.
4. Once the soil is warmer and not too wet, you can start planting root vegetables. Make sure to remove any big stones and do not add manure.
5. You can start planting sweetcorn in pots indoors in April or directly into the prepared beds in May.

A message of thanks from Reverend McKenzie

A big thank you to everyone who kindly made a donation towards the roof works needed at St Peter's Church in Siddington. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. The repairs to the roof have now been carried out. Thank you once again.

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News from St Peter's Church

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Sunday 3 rd April	11.15am	Family Service
Wednesday 13 th April	7.30pm	Holy Week Compline with Meditation
Friday 14 th April Good Friday	3.00pm	Meditations at the foot of the cross
Sunday 17 th April Easter Sunday	10.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 24 th April	11.15am	Morning Praise

Details of other services in the benefice can be found on the Churnside Benefice website. www.churnsidechurches.org.uk

Church spire illumination is only £5 per evening to sponsor, in memory of a loved one, anniversary, birthday, or just for yourself. Contact Michael Painter m: 07977 409260 e: spireview25@gmail.com

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