



Kidmore End Parish Council

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Preliminary Report on SOTIG Survey

SOTIG (South Oxfordshire Transport Innovation Group) is a group comprising Parish Councillors from Kidmore End, Harpsden, Shiplake, Binfield Heath, Eye and Dunsden, Sonning Common and Mapledurham. This group arranged to have a survey distributed to establish views of parishioners on Reading Borough Council's bid for £340 million to fund transport improvements in the Reading urban area and in the neighbouring counties of Berkshire and Oxfordshire. The bid outlined Reading's proposals which included a third Thames crossing, park and ride schemes in possibly Playhatch and Mapledurham, congestion charging, improvements in public transport and cycle routes.

The preliminary findings of the survey showed that :

- Almost one third of the surveys distributed were completed and returned, which is a high return rate.
- The response to the question asking about consultation of the bid revealed overwhelmingly that Reading Borough Council (RBC) had not consulted within South Oxfordshire.
- The very positive message from the survey was strong support for better and improved public transport, with suggestions of how this could be achieved.
- There was no clear majority for a new river crossing, for either all or public transport use only.
- The majority of people said that they would not use a park and ride scheme.
- There was no support for RBC or others imposing a congestion charge.
- The conclusions from the survey are to be sent to relevant parties including our MP, South Oxfordshire District Council and Oxfordshire County Council in the first instance, with press releases and information sent to Reading Borough Council.

The survey is going to be of paramount importance to ensure that it is clear that people in South Oxfordshire had not been consulted about the TIF, consultation being a compulsory

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Report from The Chairman of the Parish Council

Dear Resident,

Following some very hot weather at the end of May and the European monsoon season, through June to August, we are now in an Indian Monsoon and watching everything turn brown. It seems to be an annual cycle.

Your Council operates to a similar annual cycle. The "municipal" year starts in May (because that is when elections are usually held), even though all councils operate to an April to March financial year. At our Annual Meeting in May, I was re-elected, by my fellow councillors, as Chairman, while Roddy Young was appointed as Vice-Chairman. I hope that I repay the faith your councillors appear to have in me.

We are pleased to tell you that Nick Popham of Mill Lane has been co-opted onto the council to replace Trevor Morris, who sadly died earlier this year.

The Reading Travel to Work Area Transport Innovation Fund (TIF) bid remains a very important issue for your Council and, as you will see, we have placed the up to date state of things on the front page of this newsletter. Susan Biggs and John Swift represent the Council at the joint meetings of southern South Oxfordshire parish councils. You

will find that the consultation that Reading purports to have done with people in the surrounding areas did not, from popular perception, appear to include South Oxfordshire. There will clearly be much more to say and do on this, but we still do not really know the details of Reading's proposals as they are available only in draft form.

In this vein, your Council also responded to the draft Core Strategy of the District Council's Local Development Framework. This is the document which will replace the existing Local Plan, and in the same way that the Regional Spatial Strategy, the South East Plan, which has recently been approved by the Government, will replace the Oxfordshire Structure Plan. We were broadly supportive of the Core Strategy, but you can see our full comments in the Minutes of our April meeting, which are available on the website - www.kepc.info.

On the subject of planning, your Council was, in May, alerted to a planning application submitted for replacement aircraft hangars at Whittles Farm, Mapledurham, which is about half a mile from the Parish boundary in Cane End. There is a rumour that the extra hangarage is being sought to

facilitate the flying of micro lights from the airstrip there, which airstrip was deemed legal, for planning purposes, in 1994. Your Council felt that it should restrict any comments to actually addressing the planning application, but has advised the District Council of its concerns, if the replacement hangars were to lead to additional aviation activity. That said, aircraft noise cannot, I gather, be treated as a statutory nuisance under the Environmental Protection Act 1990. The application was subsequently withdrawn, but we might expect it to re-emerge in the future.

On a totally different issue, tenders have been sought and received for building the replacement Pavilion at the Gallowstree Common Recreation

Ground, so everything is moving forward on that front. Finally, I hope you like the historic pictures in this newsletter. We hope to run many more old ones in subsequent editions.

Giles Martin (Chairman, Kidmore End Parish Council)

New Allotments

There is a waiting list for allotments at Gallowstree Common so the Parish Council is considering opening additional allotments at Cane End. If you are not already on the waiting list and would be interested in one of the new allotments please contact the Allotments Manager: Sue Rowland on 972 3107

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component and that improving public transport was the priority for the majority of people. The following local Reading Chronicle article outlines Reading Borough Council's Transport Innovation Bid. In it you will see that the Third Bridge and park and ride schemes both of which will have a significant impact on the road system and villages in South Oxfordshire are a central component of Reading's Transport Innovation Bid.

SOTIG will be emphasising the priority for people living in South Oxfordshire is not development of road systems but improved public transport, which is also in line with environmental policy.

(Find the full article in the Reading Chronicle for Wednesday, 23rd September, 2009, online)

READING has cleared the first hurdle in its £300m bid for Government transport cash. The council's 'draft document' is in, which should soon become a formal bid to the Transport Innovation Fund (TIF) for the money for public transport improvements and potential congestion charging. Transport leader Cllr Tony Page told the Chronicle: "The bid is in, with supporting documentation in 18 box files and supporting CDs. We're doing everything we can to make sure it's successful." Building a third Thames bridge near Thames Valley Park is very much part of the plans. A centrepiece of the plan is three new park and ride sites surrounding Reading. Most controversially, the proposals are linked to congestion charging, which could happen after 10 years if the other measures fail to shift congestion. The idea is a peak-time, inbound only charge, payable only by those who live outside Reading. It is unclear whether this will include people living in the nearby towns and villages like Earley, Woodley, Theale, Pangbourne and Sonning Common.

Cllr Page said: "It is a key principle that people in Reading will be exempt, as will some in the wider area, but that is still to be discussed."

Editor's Notes

As we were coming up to this 100th edition, I asked a few people if they would kindly share with us their recollections of change within their part of the parish over the last 25 years. They, almost unanimously, couldn't think that many changes had taken place! Of course, this is because most changes are gradual and, taken one at a time, are unnoticed. But, over time, they mount up. One good indication of this is the number of planning permissions. There are over a hundred in this small parish each year. Twenty five years of such changes begins subtly to alter the face of the parish. Other changes are equally gradual and yet mount up.

Brian Knapp (Editor)

The numbers of cars on the nation's roads has quadrupled over the period we are thinking of. But over time, it mounts up until traffic is now an issue. So much of an issue is it that we are holding the press' for the absolute latest about the Reading third bridge (TIF initiative). Look at it in this edition. It may well affect us all as Reading has now submitted its 18 boxes of material to the government.

A few changes affect the community instantly. You will find this with the closure of a post office or, from time to time, one of our pubs. However, compared with the changes that have taken place in cities we have remained comparatively in a time capsule.

But even this lack of change causes change, as people outside the parish realise that this slower pace of change has left an attractive environment which, as weekend tourists, they visit us to enjoy.

There is too much of this kind of detailed change to put in just one volume, and I thought it would also be nice to set these quarter century of changes in a context of a much longer timeline, so we begin in this issue with a focus on the Gallowstree Common to Cane End part of the parish, and we will move south in the forthcoming editions.



The Gallowstree Common to Cane End story

Recent changes (you may care to walk the route looking for these!) :
Here are some recollections. Do let us know if you can fill in any gaps.

- 1) Loss of shop and post office to the residential property now known as Oakley Barn, The Hamlet circa 1988. the shop was owned by Ted Platt.
- 2) Loss of village garage (repairs and petrol sales) and the bungalow that went with it in Horsepond Road/Reades Lane to three residential properties. The garage closed on 1st April 1995 and the 3 houses were built on the site in 1997.
- 3) Loss of the Chapel, Horsepond Road, for conversion to residential house.
- 4) Major fire to listed property known as The Orchard (Starmer-Smiths lived there then), which needed rebuilding.
- 5) The horrific and very tragic loss of Chris Myhill, from a petrol vapour flash fire at the old village garage due to an electrical fault in a lead light, 22nd December 1986.

- 6) Car parking, which used to be allowed in front of the village well for patrons of the shop (now Oakley Barn). Subsequently the Parish Council built the brick and flint wall to protect the well and make it part of the well feature.

- 7) First the red BT phone box outside of the village shop across into Hazelmere Lane was replaced with a modern public phone, then the phone was removed altogether.

- 8) Cyril and Jean Young retired as licensees of the Reformation Public house after 33 years of continuous service as licensees to the community. They took over the Reformation on the 12th December 1957 and left on the 31st July 1990. In those days the only food served was crisps, plus cheese rolls on darts night!

- 9) The only major development has been the four properties in Orchard field.

- 10) Loss of the last remaining builders yard, Paddicks, Withy Copse, Horsepond Road, in the late 80's. The other builders yard, Callis's, Fair View, Horsepond Road, ceased many years previously.

- 11) Loss of the farmyard of Common Farm, often referred to as the "Smelly Pig Farm" for conversion to the residential Lovegroves Barn, Wyfold Road, in 1987.

- 12) Major fund raising and refurbishment of the recreation ground's children's play area. The fund raising and most of the works were done by local residents circa 15-18 years ago.

- 13) There were two pubs: the Crown and the Reformation. Now just the Reformation survives (and thrives)

- 14) The Fox at Cane End (made famous as the name of a bus stop) went through a number of ownerships and styles before recently becoming an Indian restaurant.



Coxes Cottage with Mr & Mrs Paddick

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The longer timeline:

Kidmore End Parish (which in itself is not that old, but more of that in a later episode) represents a curious paradox: because it is mainly on poor, heavy soils it has always been sparsely populated, yet it has a long history of occupation because it is close to important regional connecting roads. If you wander down Wyfold Lane the remains of an Iron Age burial chamber (marked Tumulus on maps) hidden in the woods tells of the Ancient British burying their chief. So here is parish occupation centuries before the Romans. Kidmore End also lies close to the route between Silchester and Dorchester, both important Roman settlements.



Cottages at Cane End

The parish and village names probably came into existence much later. In his History of Kidmore End, published in the 1930s the author, Rev J E Smith-Masters suggests an ancient Celtic origin for the name. Kid, from Coed, meaning wood and more from Mawr meaning great. Kidmore would then mean Great Wood and end would mean marking a boundary. But Saxon 'more' also means a wet place and the heavy clay soils would have certainly made it that, so that another

possible interpretation would be 'on the edge of a mere'. We shall, of course, never know.

Things get a little clearer after Domesday. Cane End has the oldest recorded history of any settlement in the parish. It was founded in 1158 as Canons End as a residence for the Augustinian abbot and canons of the abbey of Notley in Buckinghamshire. When the monasteries were dissolved by Henry VIII the Canon End estate was bought by Sir Anthony Brigham, who was a paymaster to King Henry's household. Cane End house is Queen Anne and built in 1704.

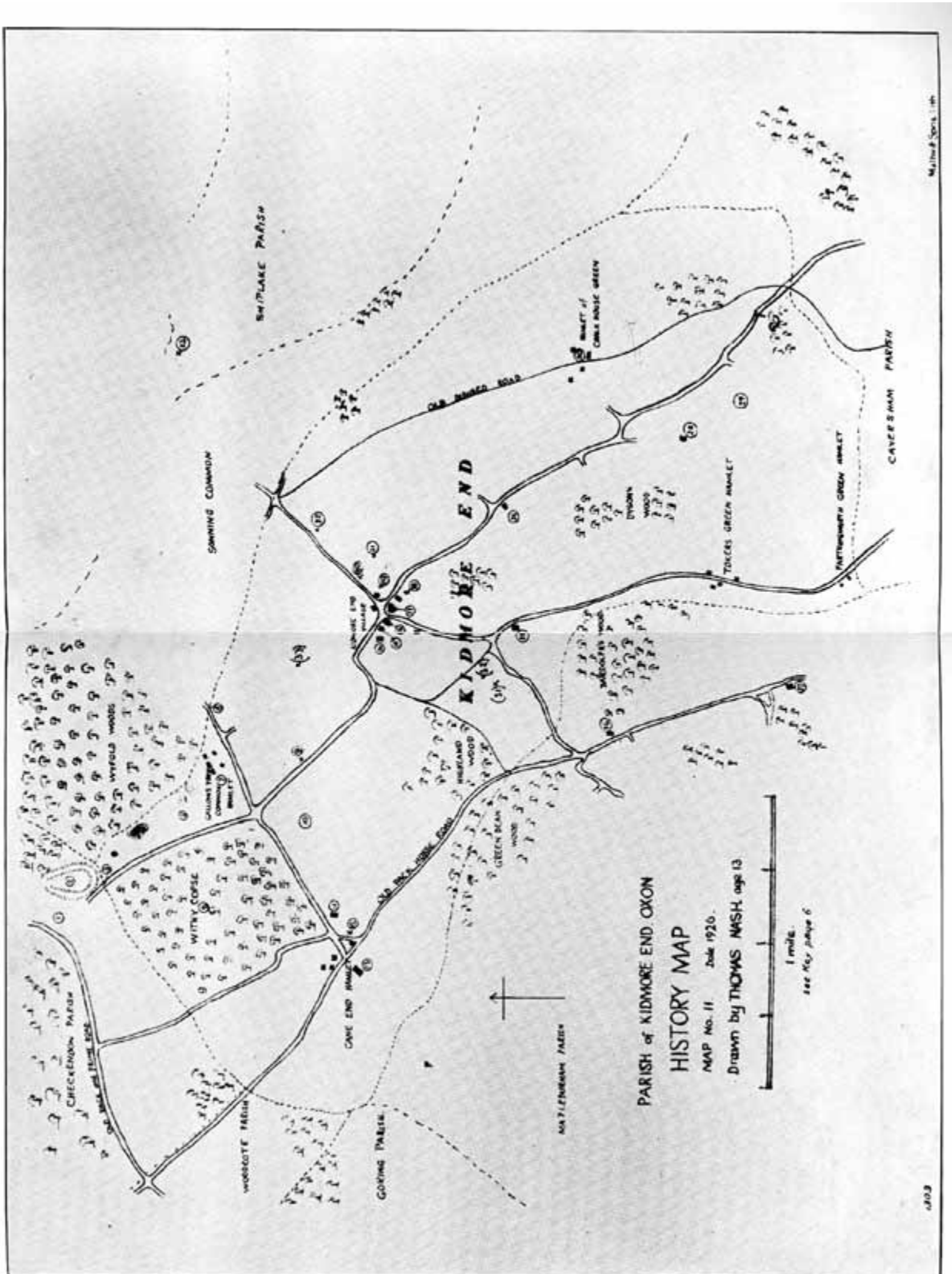
The Norman origins of ownership are also seen in Bardolf's Wood, which was owned by the lord of the manor of Mapledurham Gurney, which was eventually acquired by the Blounts of Mapledurham House. Chazey Heath was once the manor of Mapledurham Chausey. When the Blounts became owners of this, Mapledurham Gurney and Chausey were united.

The Fox at Cane End was originally the village smithy, relying on trade passing between Reading and Wallingford, and Henley. Cane End was in part common land and subject to the invasion of squatters, who, being left alone by the lord of the manor, gradually improved their accommodation into brick cottages and so founded that hamlet.

But as well as being on a road from Reading to Oxford, Cane End was also a point where that road was joined by one from Henley. For hundreds of years, goods were transported around the rapids of Goring by packhorses between Reading and Wallingford. Hence the pubs Pack Saddle and Pack Horse. The route that ran from Henley to Wallingford past Gallowstree Common and Cane End was known as the Pack and Prime road. This route can still be seen as a sunken way in part of the National Trust land at Greys Court. It ran on westwards past Wyfold Grange and close to the Smithy at Cane End.

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The Parish Church

The intention had been to advertise our Parish Gift Day in this issue of the Newsletter – the March issue being thought to be too early for an event being held in the latter part of June. By the time this is being read, however, the event will have come and gone, with many readers unaware of it. The Gift Day, it will be recalled, is an occasion when all parishioners – whether church members or not – can make a donation towards the support of St John's Church. There can be very few residents of Kidmore End, who do not value their village church, but the ever-increasing cost of maintaining its fabric is met by the relatively small number of church members, a considerable proportion of whom are from outside Kidmore End. So, in case anyone would like to make a belated Gift Day donation, cheques should be made payable to KESCPCC and sent to the Rectory; and for those who wish to Gift Aid their donation, appropriate envelopes are available. (Please contact Neil Scott, 0118 9723890) In the meantime, we extend our thanks to those who have donated.



During May, we held a most enjoyable quiz evening in the school – a fund-raising event, in support of Christian Aid. The proceeds from this, together with house-to-house collections and donations received in church, totalled £1,743.68. Our thanks to all who donated and/or helped in any way.

Little Lambs will have a summer break (July and August) and start up again on September 30th. This friendly church group, which meets in St John's, on the last Wednesday of the month, offers a short service, craft activity and refreshments, primarily for children under five and their parents/carers. Enquiries to Felicity Cooper, 0118 947 7862

On the occasion of this special issue of the Newsletter (100 not out!), the clergy and members of the Parish Church extend their best wishes to the Newsletter Editorial Board and thank them for all their efforts on behalf of the community.

Neil Scott (Lay Chairman, Parochial Church Council)

FISH

During summer as in previous years FISH organised a number of social days out on the big yellow bus. These trips were additional to the regular shopping, pub lunch, market and garden centre visits. The photo shows a group on a visit last year to Kew Gardens. We have also visited Savill Gardens and Wisley.

When you're passing the Sonning Common Village Hall, have a look at the currently planned trips or if that is not convenient call us on 0118 972 3986 – our village hall office is manned weekday mornings from 9.30 – 11.30. If the phone is engaged, leave a message and someone will call you back.

Do not forget our regular shopping trips to Reading and Henley – most shopping trips qualify for Bus Pass use – no petrol, no parking and door to door service.



Kidmore End Village Day 2009 and Kidmore End School Spring Fair

This year for the first time, Kidmore End Village Day and the School Spring Fair were combined into one huge event on Saturday 9 May 2009.

The day was hard to organise, and there were a few hiccups, but ultimately the event was a huge success. The wonderful WI did the teas, we had the Goring and Streatley Brass Band, and the school organised a Beer and BBQ tent. The day was warm and sunny, so the ice cream van did a great trade.

The children were able to play on the swing boats and bouncy castle, and a magician and Punch and Judy show were provided to entertain them too. Camilla Skinner did a fantastic job as KESA Chair in organising the school side of the event, and thanks must go to her and all her team for all their hard work. All those who attended had a wonderful time and the school playing field was full of people enjoying the event and the sunny weather.

Thank you to everyone who gave their time and donated items to make this event such a wonderful success. The School Association raised over £3,800 towards school funds, and the charity stalls also raised funds towards their causes. We hope to combine these two events in future years.

Thank you for all your support

Caroline Aldridge

(on behalf of the Kidmore End Village Day committee and Kidmore End School Association)

Young Authors

Dear Webmaster,

I note with great pleasure that both the Sonning Common Community website and our Parish Council have direct links to Kidmore End. I am asking as to the possibilities of providing another link on behalf of your budding under seventeen writers and perhaps a mention in your newsletter.

The Sonning Common catchment area Young Authors (2009) writing competition is airborne again after last year's success and we already have budding young writers registering. Last year all the prizes were swept up by our young ladies aged up to 16 (the youngest was 10!) so we are hoping to get a few more boys engaged this time.

Our competition website is comprehensive, including last year's winners, and details are also available at the Sonning Common Library.

The competition is sponsored by our website and this year also by local organisations impressed by last year's success, so the prizes will be quite impressive.

Website: www.SonningCommonParish.co.uk/Writing

Regards,

Dirk Jones. (Webmaster and co-sponsor, sonningcommonparish.co.uk) (972 2165)

Kidmore End Cricket Club

The 1st XI began the season with two victories in the Marrant Thames Valley League Division 2B, against Farnham Common and NPL Teddington. A defeat by Cove and a draw at Boyne Hill were the other results in May. The 2nd XI, competing in Division 5A after promotion last season, made much of the early running in that division with wins away to Stoke Green 2nds and at home against Cove 3rds and Wokingham 3rds.



The club is extremely grateful to have received a grant of £500 from the Chiltern Edge Community Association. The grant will be used to help pay for a new bowling machine for use in coaching the 200 children currently registered with the club.

Spectators are always welcome at any of the club's matches.

Keith Atkinson (972 2844)

Kidmore End Football Club

Both Kidmore End Football Club teams were able to celebrate at the end of last season: Kidmore End Firsts got promoted and the Reserves team won the Treasurers Cup on Sunday 17th May. The peace and quiet of this Sunday afternoon was briefly interrupted for residents in Gallowstree Common by the cheers, singing and car horns, as a tractor and trailer drove the Reserves team on a victory lap from The Reformation (one of the club's sponsors) and around The Hamlet! Fantastic news for the two local teams and wishing them good luck for next season.

www.the-reformation.co.uk (972 3126)

A Farmer's Diary: Spring in to Summer

A look back at the season's farming activities in the parish.

Cows and calves, Ewes and lambs could all be seen outside in the fields grazing and making full use of the nutritious summer grass.

The quite recent threat to cows and sheep from the Bluetongue disease means that we need to vaccinate against it. Flies are also a problem at this time of the year, particularly when the sun shines they can be very irritating to cows and sheep, as well as humans. On odd occasions, unless the farmer has very good fences, they might just even break out of their field in an attempt to get away from them!

Silage and haymaking work could be seen in many fields with the big bales of silage wrapped in different coloured cling film. Normal bales of hay which are just tied up with string have that wonderful sweet smell of summer.

Wheat, barley and Oil Seed Rape crops require fungicide spray treatments, to protect the ears of grain and seed from fungal diseases.

The grain store and the combine harvester were cleaned, serviced and made ready for the start of the harvest which took place a few weeks later.

Wildlife areas on the farm are being looked after to encourage greater diversity of species.

Even though the harvest climax gets earlier and earlier each year, the farmer has to be busy planning the cropping of the farm for next year. This includes buying in the new seeds and fertilisers that he will need for planting in September, which is the start of the next cropping year.



Roddy Young, Giles Martin.

Kidmore End Pre-School

During the summer the children learned about being 'Happy and Healthy', which involved lots of hand washing, exercise and healthy eating! The Parish room is looking wonderful with a selection of the children's artwork on the wall making a happy face. The children have been playing outside in the lovely weather, and they have been to see the ducks on the village pond. The children have planted up all the tubs around the Parish room with flowers and vegetables. To date, lots of peas and beans have germinated, and another pot is full of tiny carrot plants! The children have been very busy making smoothies with different fruits, making sandwiches and learning about healthy foods and eating.

Twenty children left this year to go to Kidmore End Primary school, and all term these

children had special 'taster' sessions on Mondays and Fridays in which they could visit Big School and do some number and letter work. We will certainly miss them at Pre-school in September.

We have been on lots of trips this summer. In May the whole Pre-school went to Odds Farm. We had a wonderful time. The children behaved beautifully and the weather was perfect. In June, we went to Legoland (well, the Parish room was used for the local elections, and it seemed an ideal time to go on another trip out), and we took part in the 'Big Toddle' in aid of Barnardos at Child Beale park in the middle of June.

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt at Gallowstree Common Pavilion on Sunday 5 April 2009 was a fantastic success. We raised



over £2,500. So many people gave their time and/or services to make this event so successful, so thank you, and thank you to everyone who bought a ticket and came along to support us on the day. Because we raised so much money this year, the committee decided to donate £100 to the charity 'Make my Mummy better', which raises money and awareness about breast cancer, and a further £150 to the Gallowstree Common Cricket Pavilion fund. Kidmore End Pre-school is part of the local community, and as such it is important for us to support local charities and fund raising.

Find out more by visiting our new revamped website at: www.kidmoreendpreschool.co.uk.

Best wishes

Caroline Aldridge (Pre-school Manager, 972 3700)

New Waste Service - How is it doing?

The first months recycling figures show an average of just over 70% - a huge increase compared to the rate of 42% before the contract changeover. The number of missed bins is now down to about 50 per day. All complaints about missed bins, spillage, bins not put back correctly, litter or flytipping are dealt with by the special telephone hotline 03000 610610 or by email admin.southoxford@verdant-group.co.uk.

Commercial Services are only dealing with changes to the service such as requests for bulky collection, additional bins, bigger or smaller bins, request for assisted collections or to subscribe to the garden waste service.

The agreed timescale for picking up missed bins is ...

The agreed timescale for picking up missed bins is 48 hours (not including Sunday) once reported to 03000 610610. New bin deliveries/sacks, collection of bins, delivery of brown bins/sacks should be within 5 working days once reported/logged.

SODC will be contacting residents who have requested additional bins and then once agreed and logged, there is five working days for delivery.

Robert Peasgood

Local Weather Report: Year 2009

	Average Minimum Temperature		Average Maximum Temperature		Rainfall	
	Cel	Fahr	Cel	Fahr	mm	in
February	0.3	32	7.2	45	85	3.4
March	1.1	34	12.5	54	27	1.0
April	4.0	39	16.1	62	40	1.6
Rainfall - 3 months to end of April					152	6.0



Total rainfall during the 12 months (May '08 to April '09) 790 31.1

This is 15 % above the normal average twelve month figure of 685mm (27 in) or 57 mm / 2 ¼ inches per month

The period opened with snowfalls amounting to very approximately 140 mm (5 ½ in) in the first 11 days of February, after which, the rest of the month was almost rain free. A further dry spell ran through half of March to almost the end of the month. April experienced two dry periods of a week each, at the beginning and during the latter half.

Lowest and highest temperatures during February to April

	Lowest		Highest	
	Cel	Fahr	Cel	Fahr
February	-7.4C	19F (3 rd)	14.2C	57F (27 th)
March	-3.4C	26F (21 st)	16.3C	61F (19 th)
April	-4.7C	24F (2 nd)	22.4C	72F (21 st)



There were 14 cold nights at the beginning of February, with the night time temperature below freezing. During March there were further intermittent spells of freezing temperatures, with the April figures managing to keep mainly above zero.

Derek Brown (972 3895)

Drivers Beware

A number of drivers have been issued with fixed penalty fines for parking misdemeanours around Kidmore End Primary School. Once again can we remind those of you who park in the area of the School and Pre-school to park legally and with consideration to the neighbouring houses and other road users

Gardening

Summer arrived with a colourful bang! The front gardens in the parish have looked lovely ever since, so I really think that most of you do not need my gardening tips!

Lawn care I heard on the radio that the wet winters have encouraged dandelions in lawns. I can agree with this! Dandelions are very difficult to dig out because of their long tap root. If you leave a tiny bit of root in the soil, lots of dandelions grow up where only one was before. Just do your best to dig out the small ones, and use a glyphosate-based weed pen or gun to 'spot' treat the larger ones. Beware that any run off will kill the grass, but this weed-killer biodegrades upon contact with the soil and is fine to use if you want to be 'organic'. Put a little grass seed mixed with compost in the holes that are left behind, and hopefully dandelions will be a thing of the past. Raise the blades on your lawn mower now. Your grass will remain in better condition during a prolonged period of drought and re-green quicker after rain if you do this.



Weeding The wet winter and spring have encouraged lots of annual weeds (and some pernicious perennials), but if your weeds have got out of hand, do not despair. On a dry day, it can be very relaxing removing weeds from the borders! Sometimes it is necessary to concentrate on one type of weed, particularly if it is flowering. Remove as many as possible. This will prevent it setting seed. Burn this debris, or allow it to dry on the patio before composting. Alternatively, invest in the Brown bin collection and let your council deal with it. The council is able to compost at much higher temperatures than amateur gardeners, and all weed seeds (and roots) will be killed during the composting process. Alternatively, if you feel like making a wonderful (but rather smelly, and I mean eye-wateringly pungent) fertilizer concoction out of your weeds, just weight them down in a black bin half filled with water. As the vegetation rots in the water, nutrients are released. After about a month, the debris can be composted, and the remaining liquid used to fertilize plants, but dilute it before use. This is also a way to reuse your old bin, now that our new waste collection system has started.

Beginners veggie patch Now that this is the second summer that you have been growing crops, you should be feeling less intimidated! Just remember to sow salad crops sequentially (or, in other words, 10 days to 2 weeks apart) to ensure a steady supply over the summer. Grow climbing beans as they do not need bees for pollination, although I have seen more bees in my garden this year than last year.

The most important thing to do in your garden during this Indian summer is to sit out in it and enjoy it.

Happy Gardening

Caroline Aldridge (972 3700, caroline_aldrige@btinternet.com)

Trees for Free

The District Council has a scheme under which they will supply bare rooted young trees to be planted in locations in the Parish of benefit to the general public. If anyone in the Parish has any thoughts on possible locations for a tree or two please contact Sue Rowland on 972 3107



