MOLLINGTON VILLAGE HALL USE IT OR LOSE IT! IT'S UP TO YOU....

The Village Hall, is a great asset for Mollington and offers a place for social gatherings including monthly coffee mornings and the monthly Mollington Munch, as well as a community facility for use by the scouts, cubs, table-tennis club, toddler drama club, band practises, to name just a few.

Over the years the Village Hall committee members have tried hard to organise events to cater for everyone in the village and surrounding area, to help raise funds which go towards the ongoing maintenance, running and upkeep of this important facility.

Whilst, we do have regular users and ad-hoc bookings throughout the year, income from these alone does not cover the ever-increasing running costs of the hall (oil, electricity, water rates, insurances, cleaning and the increasing maintenance of the fabric of the building). This is why we run other events throughout the year, not only to encourage a community spirit within the village, but to help cover this expenditure.

In addition, we have also been trying to raise funds to go towards replacing the roof and external cladding which are markedly deteriorating, and whilst we are accumulating a small amount towards this, often some of the funds raised must go towards the general running costs and to cover unexpected maintenance issues.

Whilst we would like to thank those 20 to 30 villagers who always support our additional events, support from the rest of the village has been limited, so much so, that some recent events have been cancelled and plans for future events, such as a Christmas pantomime have been shelved.

For the committee members, this is extremely disheartening, given organisation of the events and looking after the Village Hall doesn't just happen by magic and takes a lot of hard work and effort behind the scenes to make things happen.

If support of the Village Hall continues to dwindle, we will have no choice but to let the Village Hall tick over until the money runs out, and then a drastic decision on what happens to the Village Hall will have to be taken.

So as a small committee of five, we are asking for more support at any of the events we organise to keep your Village Hall running. As the saying goes, **USE IT OR LOSE IT!**

All our events are advertised on:

Facebook, posters around the village, the village notice board by the bus stop, by word of mouth and on the Mollington Village Hall website. In the past, we have put flyers through each letterbox, but even this has not been productive in generating interest and support; just been very time consuming for committee members.

NEXT EVENTS

24/11/2025 Monthly Coffee Morning

10.00 am – 12.00 pm Come and have a drink, cake and chat with other villagers. Also choose a book or jigsaw from our lending library

29/11/2025 Quiz Night

7.00 pm – 10.30 pm
Bar open and hot dogs on sale from 7 pm, pre-book for a cheaper ticket and to reserve your space

06/12/2025 Mollington Christmas Fayre

12.00 pm – 3.00 pm Come and find a unique Christmas present. Local crafts and lots more

26/01/2026 Monthly Coffee Morning

10.00 am - 12.00 pm

You can pay for your tickets (where applicable) and book the hall by visiting: www.mollingtonvillagehall.co.uk

If you are interested in joining the committee and would like to know more about what we do, or if you have any ideas for future events, please contact: admin@mollingtonvillagehall.co.uk

We look forward to seeing you at our events!

YOUR MOLLINGTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Information and contacts

FixMyStreet

FixMyStreet provides the tool to report issues around the village that require corrective action by either Oxfordshire County Council or Cherwell District Council. Typically, these will cover problems with potholes, drainage, lighting and trees within and alongside roads.

To ensure that your report receives the correct and appropriate follow up action, please follow the guidance on the information required and provide photographic evidence to pin point the location.

Link - https://www.fixmystreet.com

Continued thanks to the villagers who are able to help support and maintain our village amenities and open spaces, whether it be litter picking, leaf clearing, grass cutting, etc

Allotments

These are available in Mollington. Please contact Bob Wadsworth on 07531 471889.

For any enquiries about weddings or funerals please contact Sarah Fenby, our Vicar, on 07747 181868

Planned dates for roadworks, telephone line works etc in and around Mollington can be found online.

Link – https://www.one.network/uk/oxfordshire

Church events leading up to Christmas

November 9th 3pm Remembrance service

December 13th 10am-4pm Christmas tree festival set up

2pm-4pm messy church for children 5pm lights switch on with refreshments

December 14th 9.30am Communion service
December 21st 6pm Carol service in church
December 24th 5pm Crib Service in church
11.15pm Midnight Mass

Dogs

Please keep dogs on a lead around the village, especially on footpaths where there is livestock.

Dogs are not allowed in the two Childrens' play areas.

Pick up your dog's waste and put it in the waste bins provided (there are five dog waste bins within the village). Dog faeces pose a public health risk, as well as being unsightly. If you do not pick up after your dog then you are breaking the law for which Cherwell District Council's dog warden officers can issue a Fixed Penalty Notice. If you witness dog fouling that is not picked up this can be reported individually to Cherwell District

Council at: www.cherwell.gov.uk/info/193/dogs.

Warning - there has been a noticeable increase in dog waste in the Church Lane area and the dog warden has been put on notice!

All dogs should have an Identity tag.

Doctors Surgeries

Cropredy 01295 758372 Fenny Compton 01295 779885

Ability Community Bus 01327 604123

Volunteer Driver Service 0300 3030125

Dog Warden 01295 227007/221531

Oil Syndicate paul.gallagher@hotmail.com

Local Tip Shennington 01865 816043

Local Councillors / Member of Parliament

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Mollington Parish Council

Responsibilities

Phil John - Maylands, Church Lane Chair, Village Hall Representative, Grass & Tree Cutting

David Sullivan - 8 Chestnut Road Village Maintenance, Dogs and Footpaths

Peter Gorman - Inglenook, Whiteway Neighbourhood Watch and Police, Emergency & Highways

Tim Banister - Church Farm Cottage, Church Lane Vice-chair, Planning and Mollington Matters

Ginetta Best - Southview, 5 Church Lane Clerk — contact clerk@mollingtonoxon-pc.gov.uk