



Mollington Matters

Autumn 2025



Welcome to your update on developments in and around our village. Please contact a Parish Councillor or the Clerk to provide any comments / feedback on this edition of Mollington Matters or to raise any wider Parish Council village issue.

Vacancy for Parish Councillor

We urgently require a new Parish Councillor to meet operational requirements: would you like to be involved in the decision making for Mollington and the interests of our residents? Please contact the Clerk for more information.

Failure to ensure Mollington Parish Council has sufficient councillors will ultimately mean that the Council's responsibilities (including budgets and general maintenance) are completely handed over to an outside party – do villagers really want this to happen?



Establishment of the Mollington Task Force

There have been past events when the village could have been better prepared to manage “emergencies” – extreme weather conditions, lengthy utility outages or Covid type occurrences as examples. The Parish Council is therefore wishing to establish a group within the village - the Mollington Task Force - to help provide support to the wider community to meet such challenges and deal with any urgent or essential maintenance.

In the first instant we are looking for volunteers within the village to join the Task Force. Please note that by putting your name forward will not commit you to any activity – it would only be for a contact shortlist: clearly some events / activities would be more appropriate for you than others.

Please contact the Clerk or any Parish Councillor - details on back page - if you would be interested in joining the Task Force.

Potholes and Drainage

The Parish Council continues to raise concerns about the condition of the roadways within our village directly within Oxford County Council and other authorities. Working with our local Councillors and alongside villagers' continuing use of FixMyStreet, we are pressing for improvements in our road surfaces and drainage. We are pleased that some temporary resurfacing down the hill to March Road was completed over summer but we are seeking longer term solutions.

Trees

Mollington benefits from many natural features as well as their resulting challenges, not least our trees and hedgerows. There are occasions, unfortunately, when these can cause problems, particularly in stormy weather conditions. It is therefore important both from a health and safety standpoint as well as maintaining their aesthetics that these trees and hedgerows are maintained regularly and appropriately. In particular there will be the occasional need to cutback ivy and reduce the spread and height of some trees and hedges.

It should also be noted that you may be responsible for some trees that lie alongside the boundary to your property particularly next to roads and footpaths (even if you believe otherwise!) In particular, there continue to be examples within the village where Oxfordshire County Council has not taken responsibility for trees and vegetation growing beyond the area that the Council maintains leaving residents with the hassle (and cost) of any required rectification.

The Parish Council has met representatives from the Council to raise concerns about their responsibilities for the trees within the village. There is an expectation that some remedial work will follow.





Mollington Munch



About Mollington Munch

Mollington Munch was established in 2015 with the aim of bringing villagers together, providing a welcoming space for old friends to reconnect and for newcomers to meet others in the community. The event offers a lovely chance for everyone to enjoy friendly conversation over a delicious lunch.

The Munch celebrated its 10th Anniversary this year with a splendid summer buffet. The team were awarded the "Grand Order of the Second Helping" "by the diners, the team were both surprised and appreciative of this kind gesture.

When and Where

Now a staple in the village calendar, Mollington Munch takes place in the Village Hall on the second Tuesday of each month. Doors open with a welcome drink, followed by a home-cooked two-course meal. The menu features local ingredients wherever possible, ensuring a fresh and seasonal dining experience. For just £8 each, guests are invited to bring along a friend and a bottle of their choice to enjoy with their meal.

How to book

If you would like to attend, please contact Mary Farr on 07974 174290 no later than the Saturday before the event. The organisers are always pleased to welcome new faces and look forward to seeing you there.

Forthcoming Dates – always Tuesday

11th November, 9th December – Christmas Buffet don't miss it, 13th January, 10th February, 10th March, 14th April and 12th May.

The Munch Chefs

The event would not be possible without our team of talented chefs: Maureen, Mary F, Mary P, Dinny, Gail, Liz, and Val.



The Munch is a non-profit making community event and we have a Five Star rating from the Food Hygiene Authority.



Village Fete

A village fete and dog show is being planned for May 16th 2026.

It is proposed that the proceeds will be split between the Church and the Village Hall.

If you are interested/willing to help, there will be a meeting planned in January to look at the logistics.



The Green Man

Details of all our future events can be found on our Facebook page.

Forthcoming dates:

- 1st Wed of each month (5th Nov & 3rd Dec) – Pizza Night with Jojo's Dough on the Go
- Fri 14th Nov – Boozy Bingo
- Sat 29th Nov – Music night with AliKat
- Sat 13th Dec – Music night with Caroline

Jumble Sale

On Sat 8th Nov 10am–1pm in the Village Hall on behalf of the Church.

Entry £2, everyone welcome.

If you have any clothing or Accessories that you would like to donate for collection or delivery please let Judith Wright know (07802977734)



All Saints Restoration Fund Update

We would like to thank everyone who have been involved in helping raise money for the church renovations. The work has started and is due to be completed at the end of the year.

