



April Update

Dear

Welcome to our April newsletter. If you are reading this as one of our tenants, you will see there are plenty of events coming up in and around Overbury over the coming month. Be sure to click on the diary dates link for dates further into the summer.

If you are reading this as a potential resident or you live in a neighbouring village, you are very welcome to come and enjoy any of these events with us or use Overbury Hub if you need some quiet work space.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Yew Tree, Conderton – Saturday 29th April

We are delighted to welcome Jack, Will and their team to the Yew Tree at Conderton and look forward to supporting them. They would like to invite all Overbury and Conderton residents to the pub tomorrow evening (Saturday 29th) to enjoy music and food between 7pm and 10pm to celebrate their opening.

<https://yewtree.pub/>

Coco Orchard Blossom Day - Sunday 30th April

Come along and enjoy a family afternoon in the orchard this Sunday. 2pm to 4pm weather permitting. Plants for sale, treasure hunt and refreshments.

Overbury & Conderton Open Gardens - Saturday 3rd June

We are looking forward to welcoming lots of people to Overbury and Conderton Open Gardens on Saturday 3rd June. Admission is £5 with free parking and BBQ and refreshments throughout the day. Gardens around the villages will be open between 11am and 4pm and dogs are welcome on leads.

Coronation Lunch - Saturday 7th May

This event is now full and promises to be a great day. Polish off your crowns and best royal finery – and if you don't have a crown, get creating! There is a prize for best regal dress and best crown. The dog show has been postponed and the cricket event has been paused in favour of continuing the party in the village hall, in case the weather is inclement. We look forward to seeing everyone there and if you didn't get a ticket but wanted to, please email OverburyCoronation@gmail.com to be put on the waiting list in case someone can't make it.

Overbury Bowling Club – Sunday 28th May

Message from the club - If you have thought about playing bowls, but aren't sure where to start, Sunday 28th May is the perfect time to find out. Overbury Bowling

Club is having an open day between 2pm and 5pm when you can go along and have a go. All equipment is provided – just wear shoes with no heel. Bowls England has described the club as 'One of the most scenic clubs in the country'!

<http://www.overburybowling.net/>

If you would like to join before the open day, new members are very welcome even if you haven't played before and there are a few other village residents now in the club. Contact Christine Dickson if you would like any further information chrisdickson5@hotmail.com.

Cricket Club

The casino night has been postponed until later in the year, however the team is getting prepared for a busy season ahead. If you would like to know more or possibly get involved contact the club here <https://overbury.play-cricket.com/Aboutus> . New players are always welcome.

Pop Up Shop - Wednesday 17th May, 1.30pm - 3pm

Our pop up shop is coming back for spring and summer! Padstow Fish <https://padstowfish.co.uk/> will be there on this date and our garden team are nurturing plenty of plants for you to add to your home and garden, or just ask them for some advice. We will have Overbury Apple Juice and honey too. If you have your own small business or sell any craft items or anything else for that matter, we would love you to join us. We are also hoping to have coffee and maybe even cake! If you know of any traders that might like to come then please let us know soonest.

Christmas Bulb Sale – early notice!

Early notice - Bulb sale! - The famous, fabulous and hugely popular Overbury bulb sale will take place again in early December (and this year it will also have handmade Christmas wreaths). If you have any pots or baskets that you'd like to get rid of, we'd love to use them for this event - anything that will house a bulb/bulbs can be used. They can be collected or can be delivered to Norlands. Please let us know. Mary Gopsill 07958 713571.

ENVIRONMENT

Is your dog allowing nature to thrive?

Whilst we love everyone enjoying the footpaths around Overbury and Conderton and most dog owners are responsible and ensure their dog is under close control to protect wildlife and sheep, we look to our community to set an example to visitors. Our game & wildlife and farming teams are still coming across walkers who are allowing their dogs to run free a considerable way ahead of them and not necessarily on the footpath. This frightens our ewes and lambs, even if your dog is not in the field with them, as the dog runs up the side of the hedgerow, and also disturbs nesting birds. Whilst we all enjoy giving our dogs a good free run, please do this elsewhere and keep them on a lead to enjoy the nature and wildlife around the fields and hill. Click here for some excellent advice from Farmer Jake <https://www.instagram.com/p/Cp0S3JHvBvu/>

Spotted Flycatchers

This rare summer visitor will hopefully be arriving around the hill again from mid-May onwards. We are restarting the Bredon Hill Spotted Flycatcher count this year, started by the late John Clarke who was often seen around gardens with his long pole and a mirror checking for these elusive birds. Could your garden become a new nesting site? If you have a quiet wall or creeper, get in touch with Juliet Vines 01386 725316.

As part of logging nesting sites, Ros, Juliet and John's widow Pamela will be peering over hedges looking for sites. If you would rather they didn't pop into your garden unannounced, please let Juliet or Pamela know. To find out more about these rare visitors, see here <https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/bird-a-z/spotted-flycatcher/>

CHURCH NEWS

In order to make sure St Faith's is available for christenings, weddings, funerals, and memorials, as well as regular services, it has to generate a huge amount of money. Along with a huge number of volunteers who give their care and time in so many ways, donations are always very gratefully received. Thank you SO MUCH to those who have already responded to the letter that went out earlier in the month. Your generous contributions are wonderful. If you haven't set up any regular giving yet but would like to, please email Mary Gopshall mary.gopshall@gmail.com - and help us to keep St Faith's open.

Volunteer cleaners are needed to help clean the church. This is not a big task – taking approximately 1 hour and as long as there are enough volunteers, you are only on a rota four times a year. If you can help, please contact Anna Horton on 07765 968091.

OVERBURY ENTERPRISES

Overbury Grasshoppers

Could you help us be greener? Do you ever have any scrap paper, rolls of wallpaper, tissue paper – anything which would be good for making and creating? Grasshoppers would love to take it off your hands. As you can see from the photos, the children love their crafting sessions and are always in need of extra bits and pieces. Please drop any paper into the nursery or email manager@overburygrasshoppers.co.uk if you have anything else you think might be useful for crafts.



Conderton Close – Residential Development – Monday 15th May

You will shortly see an application has just been submitted to Wychavon for a range of five houses on the former Conderton Close site. This project has been deliberately designed to ensure it complements the neighbouring houses and offers a range of property sizes. George (Bossom) has worked hard to make sure that the existing orchard is retained and there will be three, three bed, one four bed and one five bedroom home. If you would like to know more about this exciting plan where we can show you the visuals and talk you through the approach then please come to a meeting in the Old Village Shop on Monday 15th May at 19:30. We would like to share our ideas with you and look forward to hearing your thoughts. Please register with the office if you would like to attend.



Manor Farmhouse

Did you know we have a luxury holiday cottage in the village? Manor Farmhouse can add a touch of luxury whether you are planning a family get together or need a beautiful venue for a mid-week team building event with colleagues. Do contact us and have a look at our website <https://www.manor-farmhouse.co.uk/> if you are looking to book a beautiful stay for an event or for family members to visit.

Overbury Hub

Do you work from home and occasionally need a little extra space with high speed, reliable internet? Maybe you are a student wanting a quiet place to revise for exams, or do you need to host or attend a meeting, either in person or online? Overbury Hub, incorporating The Old Village Shop and The Old Smithy, offers smart office and meeting space in a friendly, relaxing rural setting, combining spacious, light rooms with high-spec technology.

We are really keen to develop our Hub and are excited about what we can offer you as an individual requiring some quiet space for paperwork or a Teams call, or if you run your own small business and would like somewhere inspiring to work or become part of a thriving co-working space where you could meet like minded people and share help and ideas. We would really love to chat with you and see what facilities you would like, in addition to what we already offer.

We currently have three meeting rooms available for hire for full /half days or by the hour. We also have co-working space in the Old Smithy where you are welcome to use a desk for a day or longer. Free tea and coffee is available to you all day. If you prefer a more private office, we have the Attwood Room in the Old Village Shop which can be used on an ad hoc basis. It has a desk and a small meeting table and stunning views over Overbury.

Please contact Andrea or Jo at the Estate Office for a chat to let us know what you would like at Overbury Hub, what would help you and to come and have a look around. See the website www.oldvillageshop.co.uk.

Electric car charging points

You may have noticed some electric charging points appearing in the village. We are really keen to support cleaner energy and progress to the zero carbon economy. The installation of these charging points has been an exciting development to help those Overbury residents who choose to have an electric car either now or in the future. We appreciate not everyone can charge a vehicle directly outside their home and therefore we have installed the charging points in the Rose Cottage Car Park <https://w3w.co/method.prom.whirlpool>

There are three 7kW type 2 chargers and you are welcome to use them to charge your EV. You will need to download the EO app on your phone and register for an account. There is a £1 connection charge and the cost is currently £3.86 per hour with a maximum charge period of 24 hours. Please use them respectfully and remember as they get busier others might want to use the space so if you could move your vehicle once it is charged that would help everyone - speak to us if you would like further details or to know a bit more.

Diary Dates

For the latest dates list, visit www.overbury.org or click [here](#)

Job Opportunities

We have four exciting vacancies offering opportunities in three different Enterprise areas.

Grasshoppers nursery is looking to recruit an enthusiastic new team member who loves the outdoors and has a passion for early years education. They are also happy to consider this on an apprenticeship basis.

Assistant Build Manager - Our building and maintenance team has an vacancy for an assistant build manager/maintenance operative. This is a new role and offers the opportunity for a self-starter to join the existing team and assist with both hands on maintenance as well as taking responsibility for managing small works and standing in for the build manager as required.

Finance Manager - In the Estate Office, we also have an exciting vacancy for an innovative and forward thinking Finance Manager.

Farm Team - We will also shortly have an opportunity for a keen individual to join our farming team. Keep an eye on our website for details.

See <https://www.overburyenterprises.co.uk/jobs.html> and please share if you know anyone who might be a good fit for Overbury.

Other Jobs

Yew Tree Pub - The Yew Tree is also looking to for enthusiastic front of house staff to join their team. Contact the pub if you would like to know more <https://yewtreepub.com/>

Parish Administrator - Administrator needed for the Beckford group of parishes, including Overbury. Contact Revd Kathryn Lecluzio for more details 01386 710394

If you live in the village and would like to keep up to date there are two WhatsApp groups you can join. [Overbury Events](#) to keep up to date with events in Overbury and Conderton and for general chat there is [Overbury Chatter](#)

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