



**East
Hagbourne
Parish
Council**

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GRASS CUTTING UPDATE

Thank you to all who completed the grass-cutting survey and provided comments. It is clear that both village appearance and biodiversity are of importance, and we will work to achieve this in the best way possible. There was a clear preference that our grass-cutting should continue at the basic 2/3-week schedule, with consideration of allowing longer grasses in selected spaces in amenity areas. We are evaluating the information provided by OCC to decide whether to take over some of their responsibilities within the village and also considering the situation along rural roads. The new schedule, when finalised, will be retendered in preparation for the 2024 growing season.

We are also focusing our attention on improving the appearance along Main Road and are currently liaising with OCC and SODC.



CHAIRMAN'S SURGERY – NO SURGERY AT THE FLEUR IN DECEMBER

Iain Duff will not be holding his surgery in December, please email the clerk with any queries or concerns.



ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Winter Warm Spaces are available at Didcot Library and the Didcot Wave, see further info [here](#) for opening times and other nearby venues

Oxfordshire Age UK's online Winter Hub is accessible [here](#) with advice on Oxfordshire County Council's Resident Support Scheme and other useful guidance

SOFEA Didcot Community Larder is open on Thursdays see [here](#) for information

Didcot Emergency Foodbank is open on Tuesdays and Fridays, see [here](#) for information

Cost Of Living Crisis An SODC page with a range of advice and support can be found [here](#)

The Community Hub can assist with isolation and financial help. Details can be found [here](#)

Hagbourne Charities – hagbourne.charities@gmail.com or 01235 814024

East and West Hagbourne Fund – Contact David Stainthorp on 07711 802887 or email hagbournevillagefund@gmail.com

East Hagbourne (Coronavirus) Community Support Group - easthagbournecovid19@gmail.com or 07568 395228



DEFIBRILLATORS

The village defibrillators are available 24/7 at the following locations:

Outside the Village Shop at 114 New Road

Hagbourne Village Hall (next to the main entrance)

Hagbourne Bowls Club on The Croft (defibrillator is wall mounted outside the gate)

In an emergency, call 999 – they will give you the access code.



USEFUL INFORMATION

<https://www.fixmystreet.com/> for reporting a wide variety of issues from potholes to fly tipping.

<https://publicrightsofway.oxfordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx> can be used to report an issue with a countryside path or public right of way.

<https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/south-oxfordshire-district-council/recycling-rubbish-and-waste> for information on waste services and reporting missed bin collections.

Get the **Binzone** app on your mobile to receive notifications of bin services in East Hagbourne

<https://one.network/> for checking roadworks in the area

Planning applications received since the last newsletter:

P23/S3662/HH 35A Blewbury Road - Proposed ground floor rear extension. Proposed new detached garage.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 7th December 2023 at The Pavilion, Great Mead.

All Council meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation.

Agendas and Minutes of previous meetings are published at www.easthagbourne.net

Football in East Hagbourne

Hagbourne United Football Club are looking for new players to play in the North Berks league divisions 4 & 5. The Club currently fields two men's teams for age 16+, but will be pleased to hear from players of all ages and abilities.

Contact John Symonds at jesymonds29@gmail.com or call 07831 714 076.