



CHALGROVE  
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Dear New Resident

Welcome to Chalgrove.

Please find attached a selection of useful information which we hope will make your transition to Chalgrove life a little easier. Any feedback would be gratefully received, good or bad.

You will find a list of shops, local eating places, regular meetings, and an outline of waste collection. A map of Chalgrove has been produced by the History Group, one of many interesting groups in the village, and is available at the Red Lion Inn.

The Link, the village magazine, is full of useful information. This is delivered monthly, free of charge, to every home, and also available in Londis and the paper shop.

Another source of useful information is [www.chalgrove.info](http://www.chalgrove.info) with links to various village groups, and there is also the Parish Council website. It is handy to get on their e- mailing list, which will keep you well informed on a regular basis.

You might also be interested in maps of nearby walks of which several are available from shops in Watlington.

Yours sincerely

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## **LOCAL SHOPS**

Post Office	PO services, Car tax, currency etc, plus Stationery, gifts, jewellery, cards and handmade cards 9 – 5.30, Saturday 9 – 12.30 Closed Tues & Wed 1.00 p.m. – 2.15
Londis	Wide range of groceries, some fruit and veg, and off-licence. Papers, sweets, stationery, cards, sundries, Paypoint Open 365 days, Mon – Sat 6 a.m. – 7.30 p.m. Sunday 6 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Chemist	Mon – Fri 9 – 6 : Closed for lunch Sat 9 – 1 p.m.
The Village Store (next to PO)	Groceries and off-licence, photocopier and cash point. 6.45 a.m. – 9.45 p.m.
Posies and Presents –	Fruit, Veg, Gifts and Flowers (Teleflorist Agent). Mon – Fri 8.30 – 6 Sat 8.30 – 1pm
Outside shops	mobile fish van, Thursdays 1130 for a few minutes.

## **ELSEWHERE**

### Watlington

Butcher, Co-op, kitchen shop, library, design shop, post office, delicatessen, Chocolatier  
Greengrocers - Tuesday, Thurs, Sat, in the undercroft; Hairdresser. Barber.  
Shops are mostly close at lunch with half day closing Wednesday.

Petrol

Market Garden - Tony Gee at Garden Cottage, Pyrton, OX49 5AN  
Flower plants, veg plants, tubs and baskets, herbs, sundries

### Benson

Co-op, butcher, greengrocer and pet food, off-licence, card and gift shop, chemist, small furnishing/design, hairdresser. Petrol

### Stadhampton

Petrol station with shop small supermarket

Large supermarkets in the area: Tesco, Sainsbury, Waitrose, Asda (all of which deliver)

Markets in the area: Wallingford (Fridays 0830 -1200), Thame (Tuesdays, closes 1500),

Farmers markets: Grt. Haseley, Cowley.

Farm shops: Red Lion at Britwell Salome, Crazy Bear at Stadhampton,  
Acorn Nursery, on the road to Thame, a little north of Stadhampton.

## LOCAL RESTAURANTS

### Chalgrove

The Red Lion	Not the cheapest, but yummy food.
The Crown	Includes Chinese takeaway
The Lamb	Under new management. Indian food.
Picnic Hamper	On the Business Park, the other side of the Bypass Coffee, daytime meals, wi-fi.
Fish and Chip Van	Wednesday and Saturday evenings outside Londis.

### Stadhampton

The Crazy Bear - Thai and English  
The Crown

### Cuxham

The Half Moon - under new management – mostly Italian food

### Chiselhampton

The Coach and Horses

### Watlington

House of Spice

Various pubs and a fish and chip shop

### Berrick Salome

The Chequers – under new management

### Roke

The Home Sweet Home

### Little Milton

The Lamb

### Benson

The Waterfront Café and various pubs  
House of Spice  
The Village Plaice – eat in and take away

### Brightwell Baldwin

The Lord Nelson

### Britwell Salome

The Red Lion

### Great Milton

Le Manoir aux Quat' Saisons (v. posh)

And many more.

### Regular Meetings of Chalgrove Groups

<b>Mondays</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> in the month 3 <sup>rd</sup> in the month	Chalgrove History Group	John Hampden Hall	7.30 p.m.
<b>Tuesdays</b>	Age Concern	Village Hall	10 a.m. – 2p.m.
1 <sup>st</sup> in the month	Chalgrove Festival Committee	Red Lion	7.30 p.m.
	Parish Council Surgery	Parish Office	9 a.m – 12 noon
3 <sup>rd</sup> in month	Chalgrove Book Group	Red Lion	8.30 p.m.
4 <sup>th</sup> in month	Chalgrove District Flower Club	John Hampden Hall	7.30 p.m.
4 <sup>th</sup> in the month	Mah-jong	Red Lion	8.00 p.m.
In term time	Circle Dancing	St. Leonards Hall, Watlington	7 p.m.
<b>Wednesdays</b> weekly	Mobile Library	Car park by school (alternate weeks at the Acreage)	2.15 – 3.45 p.m.  (3.50 - 4 p.m.)
	Play days	John Hampden Hall	9.30 – 11.30 a.m.
2 <sup>nd</sup> in the month	Women’s Institute	John Hampden Hall	8.00 p.m.
Weekly	Tai Chi	Village Hall	9.15– 10.30 a.m.
weekly	Scrabble Club	John Hampden Hall	2 – 4.30
<b>Thursdays</b>	Coffee and internet café and computer assistance	John Hampden Hall	10 – 12 a.m .
1 <sup>st</sup> in month	Parish Council	Village Hall	7.30 p.m.
1 <sup>st</sup> in month	Folk and Blues Club	Red Lion	8.30 p.m.
2 <sup>nd</sup> in month	Chalgrove Cavaliers FC	Red Lion	8 p.m.
Last in month	Royal British Legion	Red Lion	7.45 p.m.
<b>Fridays</b>	Chalgrove Parent and Toddler	Community Hall	9.30 – 11.55 a.m.
	Parish Council Surgery	Parish Office	9 – 12 a.m.
	St. Mary’s Church Choir	Church/John Hampden Hall	7.30 – 9 p.m.
	Chalgrove Health Walks	Various	a.m. tel: 890730

There are many more groups, including football, netball teams, and zumba classes Chalgrove Wildlife and Conservation Society (CWaCS for short!) Cleaner Chalgrove, and Chalgrove Communicating. Watch the notice boards, ask around, and read the Link for more information.

Groups will always welcome new members.

Churches - St Mary’s C of E, in Church Lane.



## COMMUNITY WASTE SERVICE

Rubbish is collected weekly, alternating landfill and recycle. Dates for each month are published in the Link.

The **grey** wheelie bin is landfill – anything that can't be recycled

The **green** wheelie bin is recycling - paper, card, glass, and plastics – but not film or expanded polystyrene.

The **small green bins** are for food waste only, which should be wrapped in paper or compostable bags (available at supermarkets). The tiny one is for inside, the bigger one for outside. The handle pushed over the front locks the bin, keeping contents away from passing animals.

The brown wheelie bin is for garden waste (compostable and not too chunky for the council shredder) – you have to pay a fee for this.

The grey goes one week, the brown and green go the alternate week. The list is published in the Link, or look to see what your neighbours are putting out and go with the majority.

Food waste is collected every week.

Bins need to be left on the outside of the property, or just a step inside. They don't walk up paths, unless special arrangements are made for the less able. They can come early, so evening is the best time to put them out.

### Other methods of disposal

Bottle bank – in the village car park by the school.

Clothing - in the car park of the Lamb

Dump - Oakley Wood (through Ewelme and keep going)

Redbridge (adjacent to Park and Ride, and near Sainsbury's)

Bins various – Tesco in Cowley, and Asda in Wheatley have bottle/paper/can banks.

## GARAGES

Chalgrove: - John Boyd near the Business Park, and some travelling mechanics.

Watlington - FW 4 x 4 - (Ian Prior)

Copas Farms, Lys Farm Buildings, Watlington, OX49 5EP Tel: 01491 613303

Thame Road - RCP

**Nearest Petrol:** Stadhampton and Watlington –  
Supermarket sources at Tesco, Sainsbury, Asda.

## DOG WALKING

Dog walkers are, in the main, responsible, walking at all hours, around the streets or on the recreation grounds, or along the various footpaths around the village. Chalgrove is very well furnished with red bins for the disposal of dog waste, and poo bags can be bought in Londis.

The pubs are dog-friendly, as long as the dogs are too!

## **REGULAR EVENTS**

### Quizzes:

2 per year organised by the Church

2 per year by Age Concern

Regular quizzes at the Lamb in Chalgrove and at the Chequers in Berrick Salome (subject to change of ownership)

Chalgrove Midsummer Ball sadly no longer exists, due to lack of response this year. But could be revived with new interest.

Chalgrove Music Festival in August, in a field in Mill Lane.

Fun Dog show – at the May Festival, run by Cleaner Chalgrove, and possibly in September.

The Chalgrove Village Festival – on the May Day Bank Holiday - various entertainments for all the family on the Recreation Ground.

Litter picks: monthly by the Scouts, quarterly by Cleaner Chalgrove volunteers.

Swapshop: A **freecycle** event held 2 or 3 times per year.

You can bring items no longer required, but still serviceable, to the village hall.

But you don't have to bring something, you might just come along to see if there's an old microwave or garden chair that someone has no further use for, and that you need.

There is no charge, and no money changes hands.

The intention is to keep useable things out of landfill that are still of use. You may not need that old dinner service any more – but someone might. Bring it along, and it could find a new home.

No rubbish please, only useable items. All electrical items will be tested.

You can also bring along good clean unwanted clothes, and for each good item you will receive a token which you can swap for other people's good unwanted clothes.

Easter sometimes sees a plant swap.

Check the Link for details.

### **OVER 50s SPORTS:**

Table Tennis: every Thursday 1000 – 1100 at Chalgrove Village Hall Youth Centre. Fee £2

Zumba God for 60+: Fridays, 1100 – 1200, Chalgrove Village Hall. Fee £5

Senior Circuits: Fridays, 1000 – 1100, Watlington Memorial Club. Fee £4

Walking Football: Wednesday 1830 – 1930, Friday 1100 – 1200, Chalgrove Multi Games Court  
Fee £3 for 1, £5 for two.

Nordic Walking; Thursdays 1000 – 1100, Watlington Sports Pavilion. Fee £5



## **DENTISTS**

Searching the internet, there appear to be several NHS dentists in the Cowley/Headington areas, including one (Westbridge Dental Practice) in Templars Square in Cowley, which you can get to by bus. There is also one in Benson.

## **WINDOW CLEANERS**

There are several around.

One recommendation we have received is Lee West and his mobile: 07791 662193.

## **HAIRDRESSERS**

No salon in the village – One in Benson, one in Watlington.

However, there are at least three hairdressers who come to your home – see the Link or ask around.

## **Useful Phone Numbers**

Age Congern: Janet Betts		01844 279238
CHATS (Doctor/Hospital Transport)		07495 636744
Clerk to Parish Council Jo Donoghue		01865 890432 (office) 07946 383199 (mob)
Doctor's Surgery		01865 890760
When closed call		0845 345 8995
NHS direct		08 45 46 47
Minor Injuries Units	Abingdon	01865 425161
	Henley	01491 637435
First Aid Unit	Wallingford	01856 425200
Libraries	Watlington	01491 612241
	Benson	01491 838474
Police –		101
Chalgrove Neighbourhood Crimestoppers		0800 555111
Schools: Chalgrove Primary/ Nursery		01865 890385
Icknield Community College		01491 612691
South Oxon Dist. Council:		01491 823000
District Councillor Dave Turner		01865 891169
Vets: Larkmead in Benson, Didcot and Cholsey		
Medivet in Wheatley		
Vet in Watlington.		

CFAG – Chalgrove Flood Alleviation Group

We have no personal phone number to offer you, but they have their own website, or for information about the brooks, contact the parish council clerk, listed above.