

## District Councillor Report for East Challow Parish Council 20250212

### Pothole

The pothole in Windmill Place has been filled by Highway Engagement. These people who are the outward-facing group within Highways are much more responsive than by using FixMyStreet but they will only respond to bad potholes, otherwise FMS goes through the usual channels.

### Hedge planting

The Challows and Childrey Hedgerow Group finished the 80m stretch either side of the old football car park on Feb 2nd.

### Warm/Community Space

The meeting on Feb 17<sup>th</sup> was very well attended with a talk by Wing Commander Mike Hadley on his work at the Air Accident Investigation Branch attached to the RAF. The next talk on Feb 14<sup>th</sup> will be "Canning Fruit" by David Illott. On April 11<sup>th</sup> Richard Shackleton will give us an update on the work of the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust.

### Mellor's Filling Station

The new filling station has had some very bright lights installed which could be seen as a bright halo from the B4507. Several people had spoken to the manager about this. Last Wednesday an electrician adjusted the angle of the lights to shine down rather than horizontally and this has improved the situation a great deal.

### Community bus No 68.

Childrey Parish Council were keen that school children should be able to use the bus to get to school so we asked OCC Transport whether this could be done. The new bus timetable has just been published and the first bus will start 10 mins earlier from April. The 15.30 from Wantage will now be 15.45 which will again allow school children to use the bus. There will also now be an extra bus stop at King Alfred's West site. I will print the timetable and post it on the village notice boards in March. The new times are:

Wantage Market Place (Stop A)	08:30	12:30	15:45	17:45
East Challow Sarajac Ave HAR (S-bound)	---	12:35	15:50	---
Letcombe Regis, Church	08:35	12:39	15:54	17:50
Letcombe Bassett, Gramps Hill	08:38	12:42	15:57	17:53
Childrey, opp Village Hall	08:44	12:48	16:03	17:59
Sparsholt, Bus Shelter	08:48	12:52	16:07	18:03
Westcot, Letterbox	08:50	12:54	16:09	18:05
Kingston Lisle, opp Telephone Box	08:55	12:59	16:14	18:10
Kingston Lisle, Hill View	08:56	13:00	16:15	18:11
Uffington, opp Green Lane	09:00	13:04	16:19	18:15
Fernham, adj Manor Farm Close	09:07	13:11	16:26	18:22
Longcot, Green	09:11	13:15	16:30	18:26
Faringdon, Market Place	09:21	13:25	16:40	18:36

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Longcot, Green	07:40	09:40	11:40	14:40
Fernham, opp Manor Farm Close	07:44	09:44	11:44	14:44
Uffington, Green Lane	07:51	09:51	11:51	14:51
Kingston Lisle, Hill View	07:56	09:56	11:56	14:56
Kingston Lisle, Telephone Box	07:57	09:57	11:57	14:57
Westcot, Letterbox	08:01	10:01	12:01	15:01
Sparsholt, Bus Shelter	08:03	10:03	12:03	15:03
Childrey, Village Hall	08:07	10:07	12:07	15:07
Letcombe Bassett, Gramps Hill	08:13	10:13	12:13	15:13
Letcombe Regis, Church	08:15	10:15	12:15	15:15
East Challow Sarajac Ave HAR (N-bound)	----	10:19	12:19	----
Wantage Market Place (Stop C)	08:23	10:24	12:24	15:23

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