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GATWICK ROUTE 4 UPDATE

As we come to the end of a difficult year it is at least my pleasure to pass on some great news regarding the longstanding battle about Route 4. It has been confirmed that Gatwick and the National Air Traffic Services (NATS) have now made the relevant filings with the Aeronautical Information Service (AIS) regarding the denotification of the Route 4 RNAV SIDs (i.e. the cancellation of the current route). Assuming these are processed correctly (and there is no reason why they shouldn't be), denotification has taken place and is scheduled for implementation on 25 February 2021. In a nutshell, this means that we should finally see a return to the original (2012) Route 4 navigation route from this date.

Although this would appear a pyrrhic victory given the current lack of aircraft flight, this is still tremendous news, and will be appreciated once things start getting back to normal. It follows 4 ½ years of hard work and support from so many people in the community, so thank you to everyone that has contributed to this worthy and just campaign.

However, unfortunately this is not entirely the end of the matter as the 2018 Route 4 Airspace Change Proposal, which has been on hold for some time, is now back on the agenda. It has been confirmed by Gatwick during a Noise Management Board Public Meeting on the 3rd December that this was likely to be continued after the 25th February enabling them to monitor the reverted flight patterns. More news will follow on this issue in due course and Quiet Outwood will continue to play an active role as a key community stakeholder ensuring fairness in any future decisions regarding the eventual flight patterns of Route 4.

Wishing everyone a better 2021.

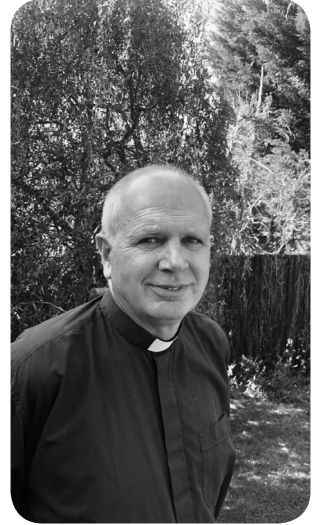
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Quiet Outwood.

CHURCH NEWS

Rector's Ramblings

Christmas seems a long time ago now. And what a strange one it was in many ways. With the Prime Minister's announcement just a few days before, which led to the headlines "Boris cancels Christmas", there was a tangible sense of the nation's mood lowering, especially for us who entered Tier 4. Combined with the shortest day following two days after his announcement they were in many ways dark days indeed. But of course Christmas wasn't cancelled, just our celebrations of it curtailed, as much so in the churches as in our homes. But celebrate Christmas we did and as we did so, we celebrated the timeless truth of Christmas – that light is always stronger than the darkness: *The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.* (John 1:5)



And that celebration of light overcoming darkness has continued throughout January. Though Christmas might seem a long time ago, in the church's calendar it doesn't properly end until 40 days after Christmas on 2 February at Candlemas, which marks the time when, according to the Gospel of Luke, Mary and Joseph went up to the temple at Jerusalem and Simeon proclaimed the infant Jesus as 'a light to lighten the Gentiles'.

It's no coincidence that the Christian church chose to celebrate the birth of the light of the world at the darkest time of the year, at a time when the light can only get stronger and the days longer. We can feel it getting lighter as those dark winter nights are getting shorter day by day and along with the lighter days I see glimmers of a lighter mood in the nation – a sense that even though we are not yet out of the woods there is light at the end of the tunnel (excuse the mixed metaphor!). For me, one illustration of this has been the queues of people lining up for their vaccinations at Centenary Hall in Smallfield. Along with many others I've volunteered to help with the logistics of this and whilst doing this I've felt a growing sense of better days ahead. It's been lovely seeing so many familiar faces and a tangible spring in people's step as they come for their jab.

I have to say though, that as I write those words, I can't help thinking of the words I wrote last month:

One of the things that has struck me about writing my magazine letters this year is how fast the situation changes. Editorial and

CHURCH NEWS

printing deadlines mean I write two or three weeks before the beginning of the month I'm writing for and I'm left wondering what our world be like by the time you come to read what I'm writing – and this month especially so.

None of us know the future and I really don't know how the nation's mood, my mood or your mood will be in just a few weeks' time. But one thing I do know is that light will always overcome the darkness and even if we never quite know how long that might take, we must always hold on to that hope, for hope is a candle in the darkness.

And so with that in mind I leave you with a verse of one of my favourite modern hymns:

*Let us light a candle in the darkness,
In the face of death, a sign of life.
As a sign of hope where all seems hopeless,
As a sign of peace in place of strife.
For the light is stronger than the darkness
And the day will overcome the night.
Though the shadows linger all around us,
Let us turn our faces to the light.*

With love and prayers

Nicholas

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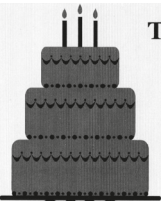
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Outwood's Community Fibre Partnership was set-up last November in response to the government's offer of vouchers to help towards the cost of installing faster broadband in rural areas. Details of this gigabit rural voucher scheme can be found via the link <https://gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk/>. As the deadline for the last Outwood News issue had passed, households were invited to join a community fibre partnership via Outwood Matters emailed newsletter. The scheme will end on 31 March 2021, so there was some urgency if local residents wanted to benefit.

An approach was made to Openreach in late November on behalf of the 78 Outwood households and businesses who had joined the partnership and expressed a willingness to progress the application should the costs of bringing fibre-optic internet to their properties be met in full by the voucher scheme. By the time this edition of Outwood News goes to print Openreach should have replied with their quotation for the cost of installation.

Major advantages associated with fibre to the property (FTTP) include greater reliability, future proofing, higher data speeds and resulting enhanced property values. However, these advantages come at the cost of higher internet service provider charges, which could be expected to be in the region of an extra £10-£15 per month on top of what residents pay for their service at the moment.

Whilst many in Outwood currently benefit from a reasonable fibre to the cabinet internet service, it is possible that this could become antiquated before we have another opportunity to get FTTP. If you are an Outwood resident who would like more information about FTTP or would like to join Outwood's Community Fibre Partnership please email me at outwoodfibre@gmail.com. Openreach may consider late applications, but these will have to be submitted before contract signing which, if the installation is to go ahead, is likely to happen in late February or early March.

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NATURE WATCH

The pattern of weather since the end of last November has been one of generally mild conditions, with cloud and rain, often heavy, interspersed with a few short spells of sunshine - in short gloomy. The result has been waterlogged fields and very muddy footpaths. In some places the mud has been the sort that threatens to drag the welly boots off one foot or the other and, if you are a dog owner, the hairy mutt needs a full shampoo with a wash and brush-up before you let it back into the house to take up their favourite spot - usually by the fire in the lounge - where the smell of drying dog greets you as you enter the room. These mild conditions meant overnight frosts were few and far between. The "beast from the east" forecast for mid January eventually produced heavy snowfalls in Scotland and northern England but left us down in the south with yet more rain and overcast conditions. On the upside the plant world has taken advantage and the signs are to be seen both in the garden and the countryside at large. Mary Baldock reported snow drops in flower in late December. In our garden snowdrops, didn't start to open until the third week of January but the blooms of soft yellow primroses, the deep yellow mahonia, the delicate bells of clematis cirrossa "Freckles" and the ever faithful bloomers the hellebores, were to be seen in December. On the few sunny days the large garden bumble bees were visiting the clematis and, as usual, mahonia flowers were being pecked off by blue tits and sparrows. It has also been noticeable that roses and lilacs are beginning to show bud growth.

It does seem extraordinary that just a couple of months ago nature was shutting down for winter and yet here we are seeing the early signs of spring beginning to emerge. Without a doubt the shut down period is getting shorter. Also, in the garden the beautifully scented, white flowers of the winter honeysuckle (*Lonicera fragrantissima*) were starting to open in mid January. Meanwhile out along the hedgerows its relative, the common honeysuckle or woodbine (*Lonicera periclymenum*), was showing new leaf growth.



Hellebore and snowdrops

Roe deer are now to be spotted more frequently as their fauns have grown and the family group moves around feeding. Late afternoon in early January I took Tess for a walk and I spotted a movement near a large oak in the hedgerow about thirty metres ahead and initially thought it was leaves blowing in the wind. However, as I got nearer an adult doe appeared on the middle of the footpath to be joined by the buck where they stood their ground as I walked forwards. I then saw two good sized fauns searching for acorns but it wasn't until I was just five metres away that they decided to move. Another unusual sight this year has been that holly and firethorn or pyracantha, have held their berries well into the new year when in the past they have normally been stripped by thrushes, and redwings well before the end of the year. At the beginning of January Yvonne saw a small flock of redwings (*Turdus ilaca*) over-flying the garden - in October/November they migrate to the UK from Iceland and Scandinavia. As small members of the thrush family they are mainly brown, with a distinctive cream stripe over the eye, orange, reddish flanks and brown speckled cream chests.

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Date of next Parish meeting 9th February 8pm

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COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

It will be no surprise that zero activity has taken place recently.

Until such time as all the various health/safety restrictions surrounding Covid 19 have been lifted, and Surrey Police give their blessing, we will not be operating in the foreseeable future.

Keep safe and well.

KNOW YOUR LIMITS ...

Nigel Shaw

OUTWOOD VILLAGE SHOW 2021

The Horticultural Society have provisionally booked the Lloyd Hall for 5th September (Sunday).

I think it would be a good idea to start getting the village organised.

I know last year's show was cancelled but hopefully by September this year it will be safe for a show to go ahead.

We need funds to support the Lloyd Hall and other local charities.

A lot of us have lost friends and family to the virus, but we owe it to those we have lost to keep our village together.

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Thanks to you all

Regards

David

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OUTWOOD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



ITS OK TO SAY NO.

Ever since I can remember I have been taught to be “polite, considerate, listen and not to be rude”. My Parents instilled into my child and teenager brain that if someone knocked on the door, I was to behave, be polite, smile, listen and helpful and “Do not answer back”. At School my teachers taught me to “be helpful to anyone asking the way, to help a stranger “cross the road” I was taught conversation and encouraged to practice with the Eggman, Milkman, Postman, Gas man, Boiler man & Bus driver, while all the time being watched over by my Mother and occasionally adhere to her “corrections” of – Say thank you for the Eggs, Open the door for the Boiler man”.

My Employers and Boss insured my training included “The customer is always right” and how to deal with Clients/Customers to ensure I never received a complaint or bad review. My co-workers who became friends taught me how to talk to strangers in bars and clubs and to decline the requests of a date, a drink, a meal, a visit to the cinema with kindness and compassion so that he would never feel embarrassed or humiliated.

As an adult in my 50’s it is second nature to have all of the attributes above and without thought it is automatic that I live my life this way. BUT – it’s starting to CHANGE.

When I received a phone call from an unknown number and a woman asking me if I had been in a car accident, my automatic response was helpful, kind, with good conversation. After 10 minutes or even longer she agreed to say Goodbye because I finally convinced her that I had not had an accident, Thank you for asking but I was happy with my Car insurance company at the moment. – After numerous calls from the same company over the months my polite attitude “STARTED TO CHANGE” “No thank you” I said – and put the phone down while she was talking. It felt GOOD

When I received a phone call from my Bank a few months before Christmas saying that my credit card had been compromised, I became stressed and concerned. My responses were helpful– but I was suspicious. I don’t have a credit card. The call lasted nearly 15 minutes because I was being considerate, the woman calling me was trying to obtain my bank account information and credit card numbers as well as my address. I DON’T HAVE A CREDIT CARD I told her firmly. She slammed the phone down. I thought “how rude” – I started to change because I didn’t care she slammed the phone down

A couple of weeks ago I received an email from my bank, again saying that I was due a refund and I needed to “click a link” to enter all my details. – I raised one eyebrow and started feeling IRATE?

Another email from Amazon saying an item I had ordered needed additional postage before it could be delivered and to “click a link” to provide all my bank details. – But I had not ordered anything. I felt ANNOYED – how did they get my email? I wanted to question the Person.. Shout at them – it felt good

Another from “PayPal” saying that I needed to confirm my details due to a security alert and to “click a link” to enter bank information. I searched for a phone number, nothing. All the manners I had been taught started to take a back seat. I clicked reply but saw an email address PaypalCS@youchongching6829576290163.com. I felt ENRAGED

I mentioned my recent emails to a friend and she informed me that she had received a Text message from NHS offering a COVID Vaccine. She needed to call & pay £160.00 to receive the Vaccine within 3 days. She had called the number but “politely” declined because she left concerned when they did not know the name of her Doctor. It took her over 10 minutes of persuasion before the caller slammed the phone down. My friend is shielding and I felt “INSENSED beyond ANGER. I forgot my manners from a teenager.

The door bell went a few weeks ago and the man standing there said he was from “British Gas” and a leak had been reported in the area and he needed to check my “Oven” he stood hovering expectantly. I told him I don’t have Gas in the house, its Oil and Electric. He tried to say he needed to check. I said “NO THANK YOU” and Slammed the door SHUT in his face – It felt GOOD

And the final straw. I received a call from a Policeman saying there had been a spate of burglaries in the area – we talked for over 30 minutes he recommend I give him all my “valuables” and he would arrive the same day with another officer but then he asked for my address. And I CHANGED. I very rudely told him NO and it was my turn to Slam the phone down. And it FELT GOOD.

We are now in a society that has so many Scams, ways of trying to obtain money, possession’s, bank details. Its ok to SAY NO. Its ok to SLAM THE PHONE DOWN and it’s OK to CLOSE THE DOOR in someone’s face. If you are suspicious DO IT. And it will feel good.

My Parents, Teachers, Employers and Friends have all told me the same thing. WELL DONE for saying NO.

The only way to stop Scams, to stop thieves, to stop organised gangs trying to take our hard-earned money and possessions is to SAY NO. and it will FEEL GOOD. If you do not know the “caller” Just say NO. The more you say it the easier it becomes.

If you need help or guidance or advice regarding anything in this article, please do not hesitate to contact your local Neighbourhood watch Co-ordinator. We are here to protect and help you.

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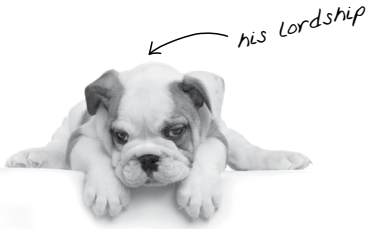
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