



## CARTERTON TOWN COUNCIL

### *Carterton Town Crier*

A series of newsletters which aim to keep residents in touch. Please let us have your views and comments. Contact details are given below.



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As I write this note to you, I hope you are as excited as me with the progress in the town. We have The Original Factory Shop newly opened, work is now well underway with the Aldi store that is due to open on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012 and Morrisons have bought the old market site which, I understand, they intend to open sometime in mid to late 2013. The Town is moving on – at last!



However, to return to the present and immediate future, Christmas is just around the corner. Our Christmas Lights Switch On and Street Fair takes place on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. I would invite you all to come along and join in the fun of the evening. Christmas is a time of giving and I would ask you to think of others who may be less fortunate than you by supporting the charity stalls at this event. On the subject of giving, Witney Town Silver Band will be giving a free concert in St John's Church on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December between 5.00 pm and 7.00 pm. Please feel free to drop in and join us for as long (or short) as you would like. You never know, there may even be a mince pie or two!

In closing, I would like to let you know of two further community charity fundraising events taking place in the town early next year, organised by your Town Council. They are a Robbie Burns orientated Quiz at St John's Church on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January, and on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March we are bringing the Oxford Welsh Male Voice Choir to town for a Concert. More details on these events will be on the Council website and in the Town Hall soon. Finally, the Mayoress and I, and the entire Council and staff, would like to wish you a joyous and peaceful Christmas and New Year.

**Norman MacRae MBE**  
Town Mayor

### Carterton Job Club



The Job Club launched in May, meets fortnightly on a Thursday (9.30-11.00am) at the Town Hall, and is supporting an increasing number of clients. Forthcoming sessions until June next year are: December 8<sup>th</sup>; January 5<sup>th</sup>; January 19<sup>th</sup>; February 2<sup>nd</sup>; February 16<sup>th</sup>; March 1<sup>st</sup>; March 15<sup>th</sup>; March 29<sup>th</sup>; April 12<sup>th</sup>; April 26<sup>th</sup>; May 10<sup>th</sup>; May 24<sup>th</sup>; June 7<sup>th</sup>; June 21<sup>st</sup>. The session on December 22<sup>nd</sup> this year has been cancelled. As well as providing a range of services and support for job seekers, employers are now often present and can make direct contact with potential employees.

The feedback from clients is that they find the Job Club useful and welcoming – we are currently undertaking research to try to find out how successful we have been in helping people to find work.

We are pleased to announce that we have been awarded a grant by the Community Covenant Fund, which will enable us to provide a reception area with job search facilities downstairs so that job seekers will be able to look for and follow up work opportunities every day, in addition to the Job Club sessions.

There is a dedicated Job Club page on our website [www.carterton-tc.gov.uk/jobclub](http://www.carterton-tc.gov.uk/jobclub) which has lots of advice and information for job seekers.

### PROPOSED NEW MORRISONS FOODSTORE IN CARTERTON

Morrisons is proposing to build a new foodstore in Carterton. The scheme will see the redevelopment of the 'Old Market' site off Black Bourton Road into a new Morrisons foodstore, creating around 200 new jobs. The modern foodstore will bring Morrisons' full fresh food offer to Carterton. Customers will benefit from its famous 'Market Street' food counters, where skilled butchers, bakers and fishmongers make and prepare fresh food all day, every day. The store will also house a deli, salad bar and oven fresh counter.



A public exhibition was arranged for early December at the Carterton Town Hall for the local community to see the draft plans. The proposals are also being made available on a project website from 2 December. Please log on to [www.morrisonscarterton.co.uk](http://www.morrisonscarterton.co.uk) to find out more and to give your comments. Morrisons is also operating a telephone hotline (020 7323 3544) and email address ([info@morrisonscarterton.co.uk](mailto:info@morrisonscarterton.co.uk)) for any community enquiries.

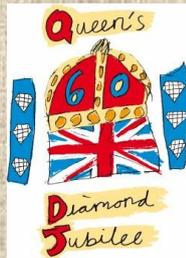
## FORTHCOMING EVENTS 2012



- 28 January Robbie Burns-orientated Quiz at St John's Church.
- 11 February Table Top and Car Boot sale at Carterton Community Centre 9am - 1pm. Free admission. Come bag a bargain or book a table / car pitch for only £5 (£10 for trade). Contact Gill Carver on 01993 842 807, as spaces are limited.
- 10 March Table Top and Car Boot sale at Carterton Community Centre 9am - 1pm. Free admission. Come bag a bargain or to book a table / car pitch for only £5 (£10 for trade). Contact Gill Carver on 01993 842 807, as spaces are limited.
- 10 March The Oxford Welsh Male Voice Choir will be coming to the town for a Charity Concert.
- 25 March 10.30 a.m. Carterton 10K Road Race at the Carterton Leisure Centre.
- 28 March Around 3 pm: a repeat of the Junior Town Crier Competition at the Town Hall
- 30 March Closing date for the Schools Poetry Competition. The Competition will be open to four classes: KS1 pupils; KS2 pupils, Secondary School pupils, and those over 18. The theme is to be The Queen's Jubilee, or simply the Queen's reign. No more than five verses and a maximum of eight lines per verse. There will be a cash prize of £25 for each winning class.
- 21 April. Mayor's St George's Day Charity Dinner in the company of Sister Frances Dominica (Founder of Helen & Douglas House) and speaker, Mr Paul Mayhew-Archer, writer of *The Vicar of Dibley*.
- 29 May Wedding Fair at Carterton Community Centre 11am - 3pm An ideal opportunity to visit and discuss your wedding requirements with local exhibitors. Free entry and information pack for every bride. Contact Gill Carver for further information on 01993 842 807.

More details of these events will be on the Council website, the Community Centre website and in the Town Hall nearer the time.

## Queens's Diamond Jubilee



There are plans to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in style. A wide range of events is being planned and will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2012 at Carterton Community Centre, Brownes Hall, and on the Alvescot Road Recreation Ground. A Big Lunch will be held in two venues.

The Lions will be organising a competition to find a Jubilee Queen, and we are looking for people who can write poetry, find lost treasure or decorate a shop window. Please let us know if you have bunting or are skilful enough to make some from scraps of material. We are also looking for Coronation memorabilia to display in an exhibition at the library.

The main event will be a family day on the Recreation Ground, featuring a children's entertainer, face painting, live music and much more. More details of our plans will feature in this newsletter and in the Community Magazine in coming months. In the meantime, if you would like to help with anything, sponsor an event or just give us your ideas, please contact me at the Town Hall. Cllr Lynn Little and the Jubilee Committee.



**The Carterton 10K 2012** will be held on Sunday 25 March, commencing at 10.30 a.m. Entry forms will be available from the Town Hall, by email from [tmarchant@carterton-tc.gov.uk](mailto:tmarchant@carterton-tc.gov.uk), and a Universal Entry Form is downloadable from the Runners World website.

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