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# **Kennington Lawns**

## **Local Information**

### **Handbook**

# Welcome to The Lawns

On behalf of the Radley Parish Council, we would like to welcome you to The Lawns; we hope you will be very happy in your new home.

While The Lawns sits in the Parish of Radley, it is closely connected with both Radley and Kennington. These villages are vibrant and busy communities and we hope you will want to join in as much as possible.

This booklet has been produced to give you some idea of the activities and opportunities in the villages as well as a short directory of those services that can be difficult to locate when first moving into a new community.

More detail of the activities listed in this booklet can be found on the individual Parish Council websites ([www.radlevillage.org.uk](http://www.radlevillage.org.uk) and [www.kennington-pc.gov.uk](http://www.kennington-pc.gov.uk)). To keep informed about events and news, also look at the Kennington Chronicle (available in the Kennington Library and online [www.kenningtonchronicle.org.uk](http://www.kenningtonchronicle.org.uk)), the monthly Radley News (available in Radley Village Shop), and the Kennington Connected and Radley Village Facebook groups.

The Parish Council is here to represent their village as well as help where we can; so please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns or need any advice.

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## Getting involved – joining in

The villages are vibrant, busy communities. Below is a list of the activities that take place during the month.

### For the very young

- Baby Sensory Classes** In Radley Village Hall on Wednesday mornings.  
[www.babysensory.com/oxford-south](http://www.babysensory.com/oxford-south)
- Kennington Baby and Toddler Group** Tuesday mornings (9.30-11.30 am) in the Village Centre. Parents are encouraged to drop in. Facebook group: Kennington Oxford Toddler
- Kennington Playgroup** For children from 2 years to 5 years.  
[www.kenningtonplaygroup.org.uk](http://www.kenningtonplaygroup.org.uk)

### For the young

- Brownies** Both villages have thriving Brownie Packs. The Radley Pack meet in Radley Village Hall, while the Methodist Church hosts the Kennington Pack. [radleybrownies@live.co.uk](mailto:radleybrownies@live.co.uk);  
[www.kenningtonguides.org.uk](http://www.kenningtonguides.org.uk)
- Guides and Scouts** Kennington has both Guides and Sea Scout groups  
[www.kenningtonguides.org.uk](http://www.kenningtonguides.org.uk);  
[www.kenningtonscouts.org.uk](http://www.kenningtonscouts.org.uk)
- Youth Club** The Youth Club in Kennington meets every Wednesday from 7 to 8.30 pm for school years 5-8, and a Youth Café meets on the first Wednesday of each month for years 8-10, starting at 3.30 pm. The Youth Club Hall is next to the Village Centre. [www.kenningtonyouthclub.com](http://www.kenningtonyouthclub.com)
- Youth Wind Band** Meets on the first Saturday of every month and all ages and all abilities are welcomed. In the Church Hall.  
[www.kenningtonchoir.org.uk](http://www.kenningtonchoir.org.uk)

### For adults

- Apple Café** A community café in Kennington; open Thursday and Saturday 10.30 – 12.30 pm  
[carolenebigging@outlook.com](mailto:carolenebigging@outlook.com)

<b>Amateur Dramatic Society</b>	<i>www.kenningtonads.co.uk;</i> <i>boxoffice@kenningtonads.co.uk</i>
<b>Art Classes</b>	Monday and Tuesday mornings and Tuesday afternoons, with Bruce Bignold, in Radley Church Room.
<b>Bell Ringers</b>	
<b>Bingo</b>	Held fortnightly on Wednesday at Radley Village Hall at 7.30 pm.
<b>Café Radley</b>	Meets in Radley Church Room every Friday between 10.00 and 12 noon. <i>www.radleyvillage.org.uk</i>
<b>Ceilidhs</b>	The Oxford Ceilidh happens on the second Saturday from October to May at 7.30 pm in Kennington Village Centre
<b>Kennington Brass Band</b>	Sundays at 10.30 am in the Village Centre. <i>www.mrcontrol.co.uk/kob2005/index.htm</i>
<b>Kennington Festival Group</b>	A social get-together for the over-60s every Monday from 2.00 pm in the Village Centre.
<b>Kennington Sewing Classes</b>	Beginners meet on Tuesday and Thursdays, with additional dressmaking classes on Wednesday. All classes begin at 7.00 pm in Kennington Village Centre. <i>louisepaemen@hotmail.com</i>
<b>Kennington United Choirs</b>	In addition to the local church choirs, singers from all churches as well as the villages meet on Friday evenings at 7.45 pm in Kennington Methodist Church Hall to produce and perform a variety of choral music. <i>www.kenningtonchoir.org.uk</i>
<b>History Clubs</b>	Radley History Club meets at 7.30 pm on the second Monday of each month, in Radley Church. Kennington History Society has talks on the third Monday of each month starting at 7.45 pm in the Methodist Church. <i>www.radleyhistoryclub.org.uk;</i> <i>chairman@radleyhistoryclub.org.uk; www.kennington-pc.org.uk</i>
<b>Horticulture</b>	Allotments are available in Radley (contact Radley parish clerk). The Kennington Horticultural Society meets on the third Wednesday at 7.30 pm in Kennington Village Centre. <i>www.kenningtonhortsoc.org.uk</i>

## Luncheon Club

There is a Radley Flower Show every summer, and the Kennington Horticultural Show happens in early autumn. At 12 noon on third Wednesday in Radley Church Room. [01235 531082](tel:01235 531082)

## Oxford Ceilidhs

[www.oxford.org.uk](http://www.oxford.org.uk)

## Radley Quilters

Every third Thursday from 7.00 pm in Radley Church Room.

## Radley Retirement Group

Second Tuesday in the month at 2pm in Radley Village Hall. [ADD A DESCRIPTION?]

## Scarlet Ribbons Round Dance Club

Every Thursday from 8.30 pm in Kennington Methodist Church Hall. Beginner's entry sessions are held for four weeks every year. [scarletjudi@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:scarletjudi@hotmail.co.uk)

## Women's Institute

Radley WI meets on the first Thursday at 7.30 pm (except August) in Radley Village Hall. Kennington WI on the first Wednesday at 2.15 pm in Kennington Methodist Church Hall. [www.kenningtonwi.com](http://www.kenningtonwi.com)

## Women's Fellowship

Third Monday in Radley Church Room. Open to any denominations. [01235 521289](tel:01235 521289)

## Getting involved – keeping active

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### Badminton

Kennington Badminton Club meets every Monday from 8.30 pm in the Village Centre. [www.kennington-pc.gov.uk](http://www.kennington-pc.gov.uk)

### Cricket

Radley Cricket Club plays in the Oxfordshire junior and senior leagues, with home matches being played at Radley College in July and August. [www.radleycc.co.uk](http://www.radleycc.co.uk); [richardic@live.com](mailto:richardic@live.com) DELETE?

### Fishing

Fishing in the Thames from Sandford Lock, through Radley, to Nuneham Railway Bridge is controlled by the Abingdon and Oxford Angling Alliance. Permits from the Environmental Agency. [www.gov.uk/fishing-licences](http://www.gov.uk/fishing-licences)

### Football

Both Kennington and Radley run their own youth football teams which compete in the Oxford Mail league. Radley football club play on the Gooseacre pitch. Kennington AFC also runs a senior mens' first and reserve teams. All their teams play on the Playfield Road pitches.

[www.radleyfc.co.uk](http://www.radleyfc.co.uk); [info@radleyfc.co.uk](mailto:info@radleyfc.co.uk);  
[www.kenningtonathleticfc.com](http://www.kenningtonathleticfc.com)

## **Pickleball**

Pickleball happens every Friday at 11.30 am in Kennington Village Centre. [www.pickleballoxon.org.uk](http://www.pickleballoxon.org.uk)

## **Pilates**

Pilates for beginners and mixed ability groups run on Mondays (12.00-1.00 pm and 1.15-2.15 pm) and Tuesdays (6.30-7.30 pm and 7.45-8.45 pm) in Radley Village Hall. *Pop-up Pilates* run classes St Swithun's Church Hall. [www.pop-up-pilates.com](http://www.pop-up-pilates.com)

## **Sports Centre and golf course**

Radley College Sports Centre offers a 25m swimming pool, fitness suite, weights room, squash courts, a real tennis court and a gymnasium. Monthly and annual memberships are available. There is also a 9-hole golf course for members only. [sportscentre@radley.org.uk](mailto:sportscentre@radley.org.uk); [secretary@radleygolf.org](mailto:secretary@radleygolf.org)

## **Swimming for the disabled**

Dolphins Disabled Swimming Club meets at 9.00 am on Saturdays at Radley College Pool [01235 522843](tel:01235522843)

## **Table tennis**

Table tennis takes place on Tuesdays at Kennington Youth Club

## **Walking**

Kennington Walkers meets every Monday and Thursday, for walks in the local area, starting at 10.00 am from the Village Centre car park. Health Walks from Abingdon's Audlett Drive Leisure Centre, meeting at the centre café at 10.15. Walks, lasting an hour, are free and accommodate varying levels of activity. [www.kennington-pc.gov.uk](http://www.kennington-pc.gov.uk)

## **Walking Netball**

In Kennington Village hall on Fridays at 10.00 am.

## **Yoga**

Yoga classes are held [in Radley on Wednesday evenings amatsia@odm.co.uk](http://www.amatsia@odm.co.uk) and in Kennington on weekdays (except Tuesdays) at a variety of times and venues. [www.alphayoga.co.uk](http://www.alphayoga.co.uk)

## **Zumba**

Zumba classes are held in Kennington every Wednesday from 6.15 am in St Swithun's Church Hall. [mmccann36b@hotmail.com](mailto:mmccann36b@hotmail.com)  
Zumba Gold (seated Zumba) takes place in Radley Village Hall every Monday from 3.00 – 4.00 pm.

## Getting involved – supporting your community

Kennington and Radley villages flourish through the work of its volunteers. Many of the activities listed in this booklet can only happen through their hard work, and in addition there are a number of other volunteer groups working within the villages. Taking part in these is a great way of meeting people and integrating into your new community. Voluntary groups you could join and support are

### **Friends of Radley Station**

Work to support the station and create a welcome to visitors as well as regular travellers (see noticeboard at the station). [www.radleyvillage.org.uk](http://www.radleyvillage.org.uk)

### **Friends of Radley Lakes**

An independent group of local people that seeks to support the Earth Trust in its work to manage and develop the lakes as a nature reserve. [www.radleylakes.org.uk](http://www.radleylakes.org.uk)

### **Friends of Kennington Library**

keep the village's public library thriving. It is a very active group which organises activities for all ages. Many of the activities are free; others are fund-raising events to support the Library. (More details on page XX). [www.friendsofkenningtonlibrary.org.uk](http://www.friendsofkenningtonlibrary.org.uk)

### **Radley Village Shop**

is a community co-operative run by a team of more than 50 volunteers, with a paid shop manager. (More details on page XX).

### **Headway Oxford**

Based in Kennington, provides support for those affected by brain injury, as well as raising funds for the national charity. [www.headwayoxford.org.uk](http://www.headwayoxford.org.uk)

### **Kennington Memory Club**

a place where people with a diagnosis of dementia can meet in a safe, friendly and supportive environment for company and interesting activities. [www.kenningtonmemoryclub.org.uk](http://www.kenningtonmemoryclub.org.uk)

### **Kennington Strollers**

a voluntary group helping people with long-term health conditions get out for some exercise. **ENTRY TBC** [www.walkingforhealth.org.uk](http://www.walkingforhealth.org.uk)

### **Good Neighbour Schemes**

Both villages have active schemes which are there to support their community. (More details on page XX).

# Schools

## Nursery

- Small World Nursery,** Kennington has 110 children from 6 months to 5 years, including an after-school club as well as full day care from 8.00 am to 6.00 pm. [www.smallworldmontessori.co.uk](http://www.smallworldmontessori.co.uk)
- Kennington Playgroup** Flexible sessions for 2+ year olds from 8.00 am Monday to Friday in the Old School buildings. [www.kenningtonplaygroup.org.uk](http://www.kenningtonplaygroup.org.uk)
- Primary school nurseries** Kennington and Radley primary schools both have nurseries, which are open to all children once they have reached their third birthday. [www.radley-pri.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.radley-pri.oxon.sch.uk); [www.stswithunprimary.org](http://www.stswithunprimary.org)

## Primary Schools

- **Radley CE Primary School** (catchment area for The Lawns.)  
[www.radley-pri.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.radley-pri.oxon.sch.uk)

Children will be asked to produce a welcome page

- **St Swithun's CE Primary School, Kennington**  
[www.stswithunprimary.org](http://www.stswithunprimary.org)

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## State secondary schools in the area

- Fitzharry's School** Abingdon (2.4 miles away) is the catchment school for The Lawns
- John Mason School** Abingdon (2.8 miles away)
- Larkmead School** Abingdon (4 miles away)
- Matthew Arnold School** Botley (xxx miles away)
- The Oxford Academy** (1.5 miles away)

## Independent schools in the area



**Chandlings Prep  
School**

**The Manor Prep  
School**

**Abingdon School** (boys only, day and boarding)

**Magdalen School** (boys with co-educational 6th form)

**Our Lady's Abingdon** (co-educational)

**Radley College** (boys only boarding)

**The School of St Helen  
and St Katherine** (girls only)

## Church and community

Radley Parish Church and Kennington Parish Church offer a wide range of styles of Christian worship. To find out more, visit [www.rskbenefice.org](http://www.rskbenefice.org), or get in touch with the vicar of the two churches: [robertglenny@gmail.com](mailto:robertglenny@gmail.com), 01235 554739

### Radley Parish Church (St James the Great) [PIC]

The church community of St. James in Radley welcomes all people, whatever age or stage in life. It's a great place to meet people in the community, and there is lots going on in the life of the church, from our Youth Group to Café Radley. Stop by and say hello. [www.stjamesthegreatradley.org](http://www.stjamesthegreatradley.org)

#### On Sundays

8.00 am Holy  
Communion (BCP)

A quiet service in traditional language

11.00 am Holy  
Communion (with  
children's Sunday Club  
during term time)

Our main act of worship together.  
First Sunday of the month: Messy Church for children and adults, a very informal gathering especially suitable for those new to church life.

6.00 pm

Different styles of service each week of the month: see the website for details

### Kennington Parish Church (St Swithun's) [PIC]

St Swithun's is church set in the heart of the community, and dedicated to serving it through generosity and hospitality. During the week we run activities for all stages of life, from pre-school worship at Little Lambs, to Sunday night Youth Group, and the monthly Bus Pass group. We are made up of people who have lived in the village all their lives, and those who have moved here recently.

[www.stswithunskennington.org](http://www.stswithunskennington.org)

#### On Sundays

9.30 am Holy Communion  
(with Children's church for  
ages 0—11)

Our main act of worship together.

Third Sunday in the month: Messy Church in the Church. A very informal gathering especially suitable for those new to church life.

On Thursdays

10.30 am Holy Communion

Little Lambs

For pre-school children, parents and carers offers coffee, cake, play and worship. On the second and fourth Wednesdays, from 9.15 am.

### **Kennington Methodist Church [PIC] [CHECK WITH STEPHEN MAUNDER]**

The church was built in 1967, and is part of the Oxford Methodist Circuit.

Services are held every Sunday at 10.30 am, preceded by a quiet time of prayer at 10.00 am. Once a month the service includes Holy Communion.

Junior Church which caters for children and young people of all ages.

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[www.kurc.org.uk](http://www.kurc.org.uk)

### **Other places of worship nearby**

There are numerous places of worship in Oxford and Abingdon, including

**Catholic Church of St Edmund**

In Abingdon; [www.ourladyandstedmund.org.uk](http://www.ourladyandstedmund.org.uk)

**The Church of Jesus Christ and Latter-Day Saints**

*Latter-Day Saints Meetinghouse, Oxford*

**Hindu**

[www.oxfordhindutemple.org](http://www.oxfordhindutemple.org)

**Jewish**

*Oxford Jewish Congregation* [www.ojc-online.org](http://www.ojc-online.org)

**Muslim**

[www.abingdonmuslims.com](http://www.abingdonmuslims.com);  
[www.centraloxfordmosque.org.uk](http://www.centraloxfordmosque.org.uk)

**Sikh**

[www.gurdwarasgndjoxford.org.uk](http://www.gurdwarasgndjoxford.org.uk)

# Going out and about

## Kennington Library

Located in the Village Centre, this thriving community library, supported by a Friends group, is open four days a week. In addition to book loans, it offers audio books, eBooks, DVDs and computers and free wi-fi and internet. The Library runs many activities and has an excellent children's section. The Library noticeboards are a great source of information and also publish a weekly list of all the activities taking place in the Village Centre. [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries)

## Local shops

### In Radley

- **Radley Village Shop** (open every weekday, 7.00 am – 6.30 pm, and Saturday and Sunday mornings) [www.radleyvillageshop.com](http://www.radleyvillageshop.com); 01235 526231
- **Radley Mobile Post Office** (every Tuesday from 9.00 – 10.00 am, outside the Village Shop). [www.postoffice.co.uk/branch-finder](http://www.postoffice.co.uk/branch-finder)

### In Kennington (Kennington Road)

- **Co-Op Supermarket** 01865 735374
- **Best One convenience store** 01865 735792
- **Avicenna Pharmacy** [www.avicennapharmacy.org](http://www.avicennapharmacy.org); 01865 736593
- **Kennington Post Office**
- **Kennington Barbers** [kenningtonbarbers156@gmail.com](mailto:kenningtonbarbers156@gmail.com); 01865 236670

### In Kennington (Playfield Road)

- **Clair Hair**, fashion, nails and beauty; [www.clairhairfashion.weebly.com](http://www.clairhairfashion.weebly.com); 01865 739333
- **Rub-a-dub-dub Launderette** 01865 739148

### In Sandford Village Hall (a short walk across the Thames lock)

Saturday Market selling local produce. [www.sandfordtalkingshop.org](http://www.sandfordtalkingshop.org)

### In North Abingdon

- **Wells Stores** at Peachcroft Farm is famous for its wide range of cheeses and also stocks a selection of local and delicatessen foods.

**Peachcroft Shopping Centre**  
(2.6 miles from the Lawns) has a variety of shops, with plenty of free parking:

- **Budgens supermarket**
- **Golden Dragon Chinese take-away**
- **Smart's fish and chip shop**
- **Barnado's Charity Shop**
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- **Lloyd's Pharmacy**
- **Mak Wines off licence**
- **Coral Bookmakers**
- **Martin's Newsagents**
- **Creations hairdressers**  
*www.creations-hairandbeauty.co.uk;*
- **College Oak pub**

## Larger supermarkets, for the weekly shop

<b>Sainsbury's</b>	At Heyford Hill (3.2 miles away)
<b>Waitrose</b>	In Abingdon (3.4 miles away)
<b>Tesco</b>	Superstore in Abingdon (5.4 miles away)
<b>Lidl</b>	In Abingdon is due to open in 2020 (5.4 miles away)
<b>Aldi</b>	In Horspath, Oxford (4 miles away)

## Eating out

<b>The Bowyer Arms</b>	pub in Radley <i>www.greeneking-pubs.co.uk</i> ; 01235 523452
<b>The Tandem</b>	pub in Kennington <i>www.hungryhorse.co.uk</i> ; 01865 735386
<b>Al-Taif Indian restaurant</b>	Playfield Road, Kennington <i>www.altaif.co.uk</i> ; 01865 736300
<b>The Lucky Chopsticks Chinese</b>	Playfield Road, Kennington <i>www.luckychopsticks.co.uk</i> ; 01865 735831
<b>Wells Stores Café</b>	Peachcroft Farm, Abingdon <i>www.wellsstores.com</i> ; 01235 535978
<b>The King's Arms at Sandford-on-Thames</b>	an easy 10-minute walk away for those looking for a drink and a meal by the River Thames. <i>www.chefandbrewer.com</i> ; 01865 777095

## Getting out and about

The Sustrans Cycle Route 5 runs through The Lawns, and connects with Radley Station and Oxford. There are plans to improve the cycle track in both directions, making it even easier for residents to commute by bike.

Living in The Lawns means you are very well placed for leisure walking, for example

- Short walk down Sandford Lane to Sandford Lock/Kings Arms pub and then a very viable attractive walk along the Thames Path to the Isis pub and beyond into Oxford
- Alongside Sugworth Lane to Radley Great Wood (of great historic interest) and back via Kennington Memorial Field, or alternatively back through Radley Little Wood and Radley College's grounds.

There are a large number of public footpaths for those wishing to enjoy the wider countryside on foot. The best source of routes is OS Explorer map: 170: Abingdon, Wantage & Vale of White Horse.

Radley Lakes is a beautiful and restful place to visit. Formed from old gravel workings, the area is being developed into a nature reserve, ideal for a quiet family walk.

## Travel

Radley is lucky to have its own railway station, providing frequent trains to Oxford, Reading, Didcot Parkway and beyond. The station is well served by bicycle racks.

The City 35 bus service (every 15-20 minutes) connects Abingdon with Radley, Kennington and Oxford.

## Spaces to hire

Both Radley and Kennington have a number of facilities which can be hired if you wish to run an activity. [www.radlevillage.org.uk](http://www.radlevillage.org.uk); [www.kennington-pc.gov.uk](http://www.kennington-pc.gov.uk)

### In Radley

- **The Church Room.** Situated next to the Church, it consists of a furnished meeting room with adjoining kitchen, an entrance lobby, toilets, and an ante-room/office.
- **Radley Village Hall.** Used by many village groups, it also serves as a venue for public meetings and as a polling station on election days. Next to the Hall is a children's play area and behind the hall is the playing field.

### In Kennington

- **Village Centre Main Hall** provides space for up to 150 for receptions and conferences. It has a stage with full curtains, and can seat up to 200 for stage productions. A county standard badminton court is marked out.
- **Church Hall** – add booking contact
- **Methodist Church Hall** – add booking contact
- **Playfield Road Pavilion** – add booking contact
- **Scout Hut** – add booking contact
- **Youth Club Room** – add booking contact

### The Lawns Community Centre

As part of the development, the Parish Council is planning to develop a community centre on the Lawns. It is important that this meets the needs of the residents and there will be a thorough consultation process before final plans are produced.

# Keeping healthy and safe

## Health

<b>Kennington Health Centre</b>	Located at 200 Kennington Road, this is a branch surgery of Botley Medical Centre. The practice provides a full and comprehensive service to Kennington, Radley and the surrounding areas. <a href="http://www.botleymedicalcentre.co.uk">www.botleymedicalcentre.co.uk</a> ; 01865 730911
<b>Long Furlong Medical Centre</b>	in North Abingdon also serves the Radley community. <a href="http://www.longfurlongmedicalcentre.co.uk">www.longfurlongmedicalcentre.co.uk</a>
<b>Dentists</b>	In Kennington: Mr Galvin 01865 739474 In North Abingdon: (NHS dentists) 01235 532672
<b>Osteopathic and Pilates Practice</b>	In Kennington Village Centre <a href="http://www.kenningtonosteo.co.uk">www.kenningtonosteo.co.uk</a> ; <a href="mailto:info@kenningtonosteo.co.uk">info@kenningtonosteo.co.uk</a>
<b>SlimFit</b>	Diet and fitness club meeting on Thursday at 5.30 pm in the Kennington Village Centre. <a href="http://www.slimfitclasses.co.uk">www.slimfitclasses.co.uk</a> ; <a href="mailto:louise@slimfitclasses.co.uk">louise@slimfitclasses.co.uk</a>
<b>Slimming World</b>	Meetings take place on Wednesday at 5.30 and 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church Hall. <i>Adrienne on 07967 596929</i>
<b>Zen meditation</b>	In Kennington Village Centre at various times of the week. <a href="http://www.tumble.home.blog">www.tumble.home.blog</a>
<b>Mindful Hatha Flow Yoga</b>	Classes take place in St Swithun's School on Monday, Thursday and Friday. <a href="http://www.alphayoga.co.uk">www.alphayoga.co.uk</a>

## The Good Neighbours scheme

Both villages have active Good Neighbour schemes. Run by volunteers, the scheme offers a service to those in need of help and support which cannot be supplied through Social Care and Health and other professional care agencies. The people who may need support from the scheme include older people, people with disabilities, single parents and young mothers, people temporarily in need through illness or anyone who may be isolated in the community.

Radley: [www.radleygoodneighbours.org](http://www.radleygoodneighbours.org); [Kennington.mdbriggs@virginmedia.com](mailto:Kennington.mdbriggs@virginmedia.com)

## Veterinary Services



**Abivale Veterinary Group** and **Boundary Veterinary Centre** are both in Abingdon. [www.abivale.com](http://www.abivale.com); [www.boundaryvets.co.uk](http://www.boundaryvets.co.uk)

## Recycling

- Household waste and other items can be taken to the **Redbridge Household Waste Recycling Centre**. [Old Abingdon Road, OX1 4XG](#)
- **The Binzone** app provides details on bin collection from your home.

## For advice

- **NHS 111** for non-life-threatening situations (*call 111 or 0845 345 8995*)
- **Oxfordshire County Council** (01865 792422; [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk))
- **Vale of White Horse District Council** (01235 520202) [www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk](http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk)
- **Citizens Advice**, Abingdon (03444 111444)
- **Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline** (03454 040506)
- **Neighbourhood Police Team** for Kennington and Radley; tel 101; [www.thamesvalley.police.uk](http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk)
- **Community Fire Safety**; [www.365alive.co.uk/at home for tips and advice](http://www.365alive.co.uk/at home for tips and advice)

## In an emergency

- **Accident and Emergency** medical care is provided by the A and E department at the John Radcliffe Hospital (24 hours)
- **Minor Injuries Unit** at Abingdon Community Hospital (10.00 – 22.30 pm)
- **Environment Agency** (0870 8506506; [www.environment-agency.gov.uk](http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk))
- **Floodline** (0845 988 1188)
- **Thames Water** (0845 920 0800)
- **SSE Electricity Power** (0800 072 7282)
- **National Gas Emergency Service** (0800 111 999)

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We do hope you find this booklet useful. It has been compiled with the local villages of Radley and Kennington in mind and a desire to help families to settle in quickly and to feel at home in their new surroundings. However, we are blessed living so close to Oxford, surely one of the most beautiful of all European cities. The Daily Info, is an excellent source of 'What's On' in Oxford. The town council websites of Abingdon and Wallingford provide endless information about these charming and historic market towns.

If we have omitted anyone or anybody or if any of the information is out of date, then please accept our sincere apologies. Do let us know, by email, ready for version 2.