

Temple Guiting Update – Number 1.



Saving our phone boxes - BT has launched a consultation on the removal of 60 payphones around the district, including those at Ford, Kinton and Temple Guiting. Phone boxes were selected on the basis of lack of use. Temple Guiting Parish Council has applied to adopt the Kinton and Temple Guiting boxes for use as information points and will be maintained by the Council. Cotswold District Council objected unsuccessfully to the removal of the phone box at Ford. Email the Council at templeguitingparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk if you would like to help.

Free computer training for older people is now available from Gloucestershire Rural Community Council. Isolated older people can apply for free 1-2-1 training in their own homes while groups/clubs can also apply. This offer is only available for the next few weeks. Call Matthew Keighley on 01452 528491 to arrange training.

Want to help make our roads safer? More volunteers are needed to carry out speed checks on drivers on the road between Ford and Barton. Speeding is particularly dangerous near the school in Temple Guiting and in Kinton village. Please contact Robmgrav@aol.com if you can help. Recent speed checks showed drivers reaching 47mph in Temple Guiting and 51mph in Ford. Other speed calming efforts could be considered. Please contact the [Parish Council](#) if you would like to take action.

Reporting road safety issues – Report any concerns about local road safety by emailing roadsafetyhub@glosfire.gov.uk. If your concern relates to road users, report it [here](#). If the problem relates to the road itself use [this link](#). The hub is provided by the county council, police and fire & rescue services.

Free parking after 3 p.m. is available at these car parks: Rissington Road, Bourton; Old Market Way, Moreton; and Mangersbury Road, Stow until the end of Friday 31 March.

Car sharing and lift services For anyone unable to drive, or where our limited public transport isn't appropriate, there are other ways to travel. Register at the new [Parish Lift website](#) to see if anyone can give you a lift. Drivers register to offer lifts and the website matches the two. You can also use the [Cotswold Friends website](#) or call 01608 651115 between 9.30 and 1.30 p.m. Monday to Friday to arrange transport.

New carton recycling facilities - Cotswold District Council is trialling dedicated carton recycling facilities. The closest to Temple Guiting is at the Rissington Road Car Park in Bourton on the Water. Temple Guiting Recreation Ground is no longer a recycling facility and anything left there will be viewed as litter/fly tipping.

Interested in conservation work? - [The Conservation Volunteers](#) is a charity which organises volunteers to do conservation work as well as looking for funding for suitable projects and helping with the management of others. If you want to join in or would like help with a project please contact them [online](#). The Conservation Volunteers also run the '[I Dig Trees](#)' project. Get in touch if you would like to help with tree planting or to apply for free tree planting packs.

If you have a power cut – call 105. This will put you through to Western Power, the local electricity provider. The helpline is provided by the Energy Networks Association.

For flooding help – The Cotswold District Council [webpage](#) includes many useful contact numbers for water companies and the Environment Agency (rivers) plus a range of information. You can also receive flood warnings direct to your phone, mobile, email or fax by signing up at the [Environment agency floodline](#) or calling 0345 988 1188.

If you have a river or other watercourse on your property, you are responsible for keeping it clear and free flowing. For more information see [Gloucester County Council's website](#) or [contact the Clerk](#) for a copy of the leaflet explaining what you need to do.