



Welcome to Warmington and Arlescote



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Welcome to the parish of Warmington and Arlescote. We have compiled this information pack to help you settle in quickly and make the most of what the community and local area has to offer. We try to keep the content as up to date as possible, but invariably things change, so please treat this as a guide.

The Parish Council

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Introduction

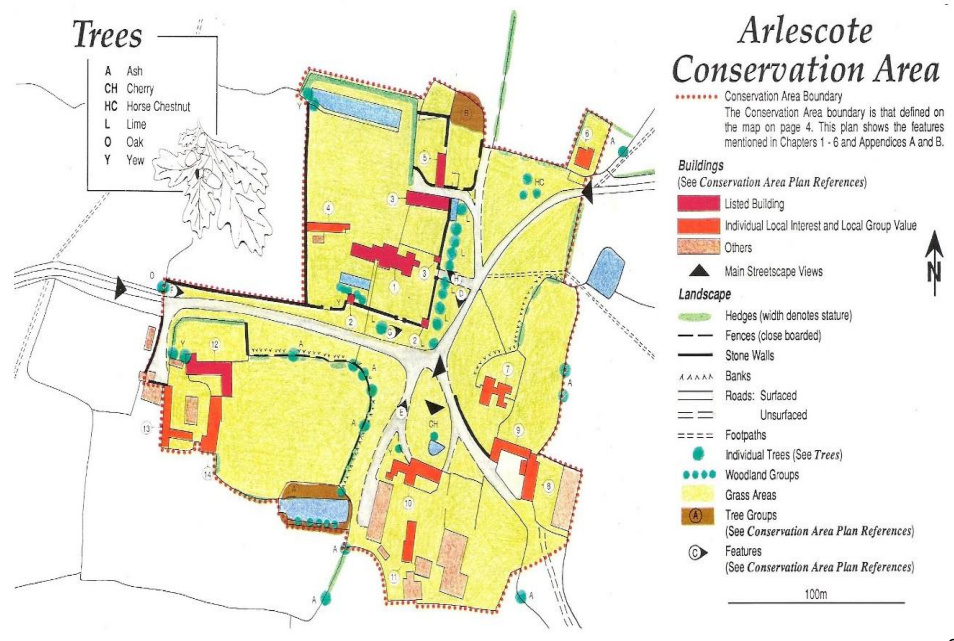
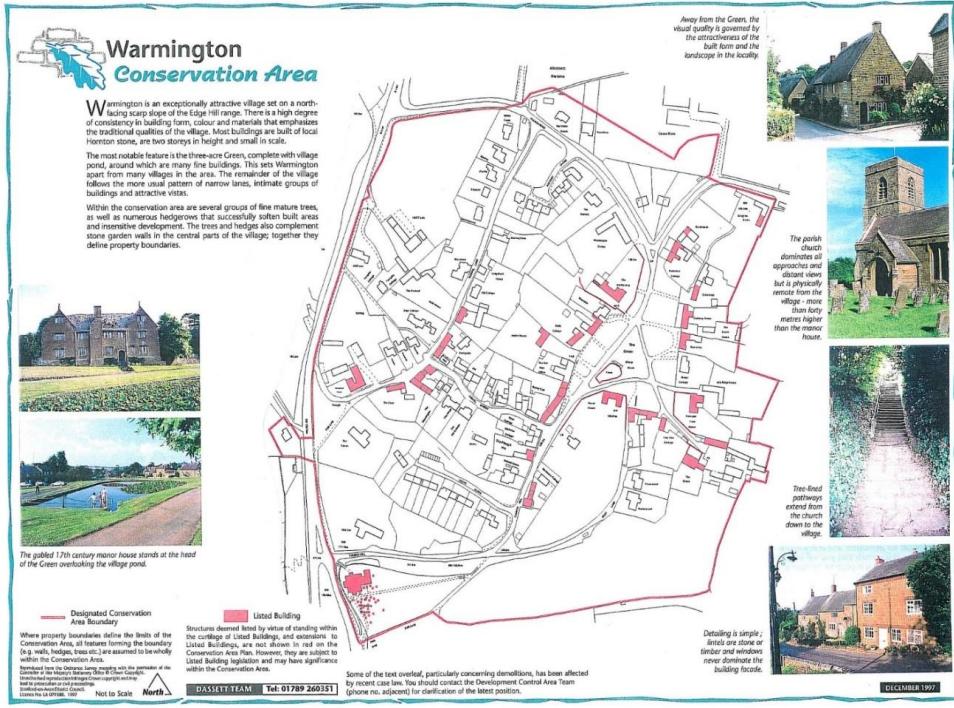
Warmington is nestled on the slope of Edgehill, lying some 8 kilometres to the north west of Banbury. It sits within the Cotswold Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in the county of Warwickshire though the postcode suggests it is in Oxfordshire. The parish also includes the hamlet of Arlescote.

Warmington and Arlescote have designated conservation areas which place particular responsibilities on those who are fortunate enough to live within them. Many of the buildings are listed.

The total population of the community at the last census (2011) was 304.

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Section 1: Communications

Parish Website

You can find details of all parish council information, village hall bookings and events at www.warmingtonparish.co.uk and www.arlescoteparish.co.uk.

Please do visit the site and register to receive email updates on events within the parish.

Noticeboard

A village noticeboard is located in Warmington on Church Hill on the left hand side as you climb the road. It comprises of 3 sections for Parish Council news, village events and services plus other local news and information. All parishioners are welcome to pin up notices. Advertisements for local services can be displayed for up to 3 months at a time.

Parish Plan

The parish plan has been submitted to Stratford District Council for approval and the Parish Council is working on the various Action Plans set out. It evaluates the socio-economic and environmental issues in the parish and lays down an action programme to address these needs. It acts as a guide for making sound decisions in line with the wishes and needs of the community and acts as supplementary planning guidance for the district council. Copies can be downloaded from the parish website

Banbury Guardian

This is our local newspaper (www.banburyguardian.co.uk) , covering the town and local villages. It is published in print on Thursdays.

Edgehill Benefice Newsletter

Circulated to all houses in the parish, this newsletter provides details of forthcoming church services and events within the benefice (Kineton, Combroke, Radway, Ratley, Shotteswell and Warmington).

Toddle About

A good catch publication (www.toddleabout.co.uk) for all local events and organisations for small people.

Section 2: Local Government

Parish Council

The parish council acts as a sounding board for local opinion and has the mandate to speak on behalf of the people it represents. It works with local voluntary organisations and the other tiers of local government and has an important role in providing and improving local services and amenities and inputting to the local development framework. Specifically its role includes:-

- Provides comments on all parish planning applications, taking into account local needs and wants to support the District Council's decision-making process
- maintenance of amenities such as the bus shelter, greens and ponds
- provision and maintenance of grit bins and litter bins
- liaison with Highways /transport over street lighting, pot holes, road services and drainage
- liaison with the District Council over grass-cutting, footpath maintenance and dog fouling
- liaison with the Parochial Church Council over churchyard and war memorial maintenance

Parish Council Members and Contact Details

Chair: Cllr. Mark Burstall 01295 670497;
markburstall@warmingtonparish.co.uk

Vice-Chair: Cllr. Christopher Hyatt 01295 690406;
christopherhyatt@warmingtonparish.co.uk

Councillors: Cllr. Jenny Handscombe 01295 690286;
jennyhandscombe@warmingtonparish.co.uk

Cllr. Mike Jones 07801 472458;
mikejones@warmingtonparish.co.uk

Cllr. John Jeffries 07956 328359;
johnjeffries@warmingtonparish.co.uk

Clerk to the Council: Kirsty Buttle (clerkwa@outlook.com)

District Council and Ward Contact Details

Warmington and Arlescote parish sits within Red Horse Ward of the Stratford-on-Avon District Council. The District Councillor for our parish is **Cllr. John Feilding**; john.feilding@stratford-dc.gov.uk.

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Stratford-on-Avon DC's main office is Elizabeth House, Church Street, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire CV37 6HX. Main switchboard: 01789 267575. Website: www.stratford.gov.uk. The district council is responsible for providing services such as leisure, environmental health, refuse collection, planning applications, local development strategy and building control within the district and the collection of Council Tax.

County Council Contact Details

We fall within the jurisdiction of the Warwickshire County Council. The County Councillor for our parish is Cllr. Chris Mills 01926 641 309; chrismills@warwickshire.gov.uk

Website: www.warwickshire.gov.uk. The main services it provides are education and schools, fire and rescue, libraries, museums and public records, planning and transportation, footpath maintenance, mineral and waste plans, social services and trading standards.

Member of Parliament

The current MP for our area (Kenilworth and Southam) is Rt. Hon. Jeremy Wright (Conservative). Constituency office: 01926 853650; Jeremy@jeremy.wright.org.uk

Section 3: Local Shops and Services

Transport

Bus

A&M runs the 498 bus from the noticeboard shelter, Church Hill, Warmington to Banbury and back once a week. It leaves at 10.13am to Banbury Bus Station and returns from there at 1.42pm every Thursday. There is no bus service from Arlescote.

National Express Coaches runs services from Banbury Bus and Coach Station nationwide.

U-bus is a service for all residents of any age who are stuck for transport to get to a local destination, available on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 9.30am and 2.30pm. It caters for mobility problems. It can be used to visit friends, attend social groups, leisure activities, shopping etc. To use the service, parishioners need to register with the service first. Single journey cost is £2-50, return £5-00. Contact details: 01789 264491 or UBus-Stratford@lincolnshire.gov.uk

Train

Banbury Station is the closest station about 12km away. Chiltern Railways trains run a number of times an hour to London Marylebone and Birmingham Snow Hill. Each destination is approx. 1 hr journey time. Crosscountry Trains also offer services to the South coast via Oxford, and the North East and North West England via Birmingham New Street.

Taxi

There are plenty of local taxi companies to choose from. See (<http://www.banbury-cross.co.uk/motaxi.htm>). Mark Fairhead (07833 935029) lives in Arlescote. Castle cars (01295 270011) offers discounted rates to the villages surrounding Banbury.

Medical

Doctor Surgeries

Fenny Compton and Shenington surgery 01295 770855; www.fennycomptonandshenningtonsurgery.nhs.uk. The main surgery is in The High Street, Fenny Compton about 7km away. The Shenington surgery is about 10 km away and only open in the mornings. It is located in Stocking Lane, Shenington.

Cropredy surgery 01295 758372; www.cropredy-surgery.co.uk. The surgery is on Claydon Road, Cropredy, about 7km away.

Kineton surgery 01296 640471; www.kinetonsurgery.warwickshire.nhs.uk situated in Market Square, Kineton, about 9km away.

Hospital

The nearest A&E facilities are at The Horton General Hospital, Oxford Road, Banbury 0300 304 7777; www.ouh.nhs.uk/hospitals/horton

Refuse and Recycling

Refuse is collected every Wednesday, alternating between grey-lidded bins (general domestic waste, soft plastic items) and blue-lidded bins (paper, glass bottles, cardboard, food and drink cans, plastic bottles, aerosol cans). Green bins (garden and food waste) are collected on the same Wednesday as the blue-lidded bins. Small electrical items can be left out in a bag on recycling bin days for pick up too.

Bank holidays generally do not affect the collection day.

Bins should be wheeled to your property boundary on collection days.

More information is available on line at <https://www.stratford.gov.uk/community/refuse-and-recycling-collection-service> .

The local rubbish tip is at Alkerton, near Shenington (<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/alkerton-household-waste-recycling-centre>). Its normal opening times are 8am to 5pm Monday to Sunday, though the site closes at 8pm on Thursdays from April to September.

Where to stay locally

There are a number of places to stay within the village

- Grove Farm Cottages (<http://www.selfcateringinthecotswolds.co.uk/warmington-self-catering.html>).

Two beautiful holiday lets, self-catering barn conversions in a farm setting in the heart of the village

- Hillside Holiday Cottages (<http://www.booking.com/hotel/gb/hillside-holiday-cottages.en-gb.html>).

Two stunning self-catering studio apartments and one one-bedroom cottage nestled on the outskirts of the village.

- Primrose Hill Farm (<http://www.primrose-hill-farm.com>)

Farmhouse B&B located in Arlescote together with converted barn available for hire for weddings, private parties and community events.

- Slated Barn (<http://www.selfcateringinthecotswolds.co.uk/warmington-self-catering.html>).

An attractive and secluded stone barn set in beautiful countryside within walking distance of the village.

- Springfield House (tel: 01295 690286).

Distinctive bed and breakfast accommodation at one of the oldest houses in the village.

Where to eat and drink locally

We are very fortunate to have great local hostelrys in the local area. Please try to support them and remain part of the fabric of the community.

- The Plough, Warmington <http://www.ploughinnwarmington.co.uk/>; 01295 690666.

Located right in the heart of the village – well worth a visit. Dog friendly

- The Falcon at Warmington <http://www.brunningandprice.co.uk/falcon/localattractions/>; 01295 692120.

Located on the Warwick Road (B4100), just outside of Warmington. This pub / restaurant is the latest addition to the Brunning and Price group and offers a wide selection of food and drinks. Dog friendly

- The Kitchen at Farnborough <http://www.thekitchenfarnborough.co.uk/>; 01295 690615.

Rustic British cooking that delights and inspires in a neighbouring village a short walk away. Dog friendly

- The Rose and Crown, Ratley <http://www.roseandcrown-ratley.co.uk/>; 01295 6778148.

Another free house village pub that is warm, welcoming and offers great food. Dog friendly.

- The Castle at Edgehill <https://www.hooky.co.uk/content/our-pubs/castle-inn-edgehill.ashx>; 01295 670255.

Dramatic views and Hook Norton ales in an historical setting.

- The National Herb Centre <http://www.herbcentre.co.uk/>; 01295 690999.

On the B4100 before The Falcon, the bistro offers breakfasts, lunches and teas with an emphasis on local ingredients.

Local retail shops

- Carpenters Farm Shop (on B4100 less than 1 km away) (01295 690651)
 - Fresh meat, cheese and dairy, bread and cakes, fruit and vegetables, fish and provisions – focused on the best of local fare
- The Bridge Store, Cropredy (by Grand Union Canal in the neighbouring village, 8km away) (01295 758354)
 - General provisions' store
- Co-op, Fenny Compton (in the high street 7km away) (01295 770246)
 - General provisions opens 7am to 9pm
- Kineton Post Office and General Store (in the centre of Kineton 9km away) (01296 640256)
 - Local post office services and a variety of local shops

Garage services and Fuels

- Warmington Garage (at the bottom of the village in Mollington Lane; 01295 690415)
 - General motor engineers and mechanics with “can do” attitude
- Warmington Hill Garage Services (on the B4100 towards Arlescote; 01295 690234)
 - General repairs
- Gaydon Esso petrol (10km away on B4100 at Gaydon)
- Tesco petrol (10km away from Warmington on A423 entering Banbury)

Local garden and agricultural supplies

- F N Piles (at top of Warmington village off B4100; 01295 211790)
 - Dealers for a wide range of agricultural and garden machinery
- Wynnstay (on B4100 near Burton Dassett 5km away; 01295 770707)
 - Farm and general supplies
- The National Herb Centre (at top of village on B4100)
 - Herbs and general garden plants

Village Delivery Services

Newspapers

- Delivered every day and can be ordered from Smiths Newsagents, Banbury (01295 268499)

Milk and Dairy

- Delivered by Milk&More from Banbury (03456 063606)

Domestic oil

- Midland Fuel Oil Supplies on 0121 6939333
- Red Horse Vale (01296 642832)

Mobile library

- Every third Tuesday between 10:35 and 11:00 on The Green, Warmington

Post

- The local sorting office is at Banbury (behind the railway station; 0345 774040)
- The post box is on Church Hill in Warmington (Monday to Friday pick up at 16:15; Saturday 10:45)

Logs

There are a number of reliable sources of logs including

- S&S 01926 815778 / 07710 982501
- Red Horse Vale (01296 642832)

Section 4: Village facilities and organisations

St Michael's Parish Church (at the top of Warmington village)

- Dating from the 12th century, this is a beautiful, historic church with a graveyard containing the remains of Civil War soldiers
- Communion services every two weeks in four at 10:30am
- Reverend Barry Jackson (vicar@edgehillchurches.org; 01926 640248)

Village Hall (just beyond The Plough)

- The Committee organises events throughout the year such as film nights, bingo and quizzes together with annual events such as Bonfire Night
- Whist, bridge, yoga, pilates, art clubs/classes use the Hall
- Available to rent for private parties or social events (bookings: Mrs Brenda Crooker 01295 690337)
- Events are advertised on the village web site and on the notice board.

Village allotments (at the bottom of the village at end of School Lane)

- Available to rent - please contact Liz Bunn on 01295 690438 or e-mail e.bunn09@btinternet.com for more information

Neighbourhood Watch

- Our local co-ordinator is Mrs Helen Smart

Section 5: Societies, groups and clubs

Warmington Heritage Group

- Arranges talks, visits, digs all relating to the heritage and history of the local area
- Meets every 3rd Thursday in the month (contact Mrs Jenny Handscome 01295 690286)

Warmington Gardening Club

- Arranges talks, demonstrations and local visits on the fourth Wednesday evening each month (contact Mrs Brenda Crocker 01295 690337)

Section 6: Utilities and emergency services

Police

- We fall within the Wellesbourne policing area. The local police station is in Rother Street, Stratford. Our senior officer is Inspector Dafydd Goddard. Contact www.warwickshire.police.uk/wells

Electricity

- The local distribution company responsible for power supply is Western Power Distribution. info@westernpower.co.uk.
- Emergency number 0800 096 3080

Gas supply

- There is no mains gas in the parish, however LPG supplies are available from a number of local suppliers including F N Piles at the top of Warmington Hill

Water and Sewerage

- Severn Trent supply mains water with Thames Water handling the sewerage. We only get billed through Severn Trent.
- Contact details: Severn Trent customer services: 03456 041 080. www.stwater.co.uk
- Water and sewerage enquiries and emergencies: 0800 783 4444

Broadband

- Superfast fibre broadband is now available in Warmington though not in Arlescote yet.

Section 7: Things to do locally

British Motor Museum

- Located at Gaydon 6 miles north on B4100.
- A great day out for motoring fans with huge indoor exhibition plus lots of outdoor space and activities.

National Herb Centre

- On the B4100 just outside of Warmington towards Banbury.
- A fabulous centre with the national collection, garden centre, walks and a great bistro café.

Falconry Centre

- Past F N Piles at the top of Warmington Hill
- Hawks Owls and Falcons. With displays and special events.

Footpaths and Walks

- There are a number of footpaths in the parish to explore
- Both the Battlefields Trail and Macmillan Way cut through the parish.
- Short(ish) local walk – walk across the top of the Village Green and in between the three cottages and the Manor House is a public footpath. Go up there, bear round to the right along Soot Lane and then turn left up the hill walking up the (steep) footpath and steps with the Churchyard wall on your right. Bear left at the top of the hill under the large oak tree and you can then walk along the top of the hill for a mile or more, taking in the views of the valleys. Disadvantage - you have to come back the same way If you want to cheat, you can miss out the walk up the hill by driving up past the pub and the Church and parking in the lay-by which is about a hundred yards along the B4100 in the Banbury direction
- For a flatter walk – go down the village Green, bearing right out of the bottom of the village. Turn left on the road towards Farnborough, and

you can walk on the road, which is quiet and level, for a couple of miles. Rewards at the end of the walk are views of Farnborough Hall and Lake, and of course the Inn at Farnborough. You can extend the walk by turning left to Avon Dassett before getting to Farnborough, and coming back in a circuit. Or do it the other way around!

- Otherwise – the Dassett Hills and Edge Hill both offer bracing air and spectacular views

Upton House (National Trust)

- An outstanding art collection in a 17th Century mansion with superb terraced gardens and lake
- Former home of the Chairman of Shell Oil in early 20th Century.

Farnborough Hall (National Trust)

- Stone House and superb landscaped grounds.
- Visible on the skyline to the North East of the village on the other side of the valley.

Compton Verney

- 120 acres of parkland, lake, outside sculptures and award-winning art gallery

Warwick Castle

- Warwick. 14 Miles North on B4100
- A great day out with re-inactments and waxwork figures in period settings.
- Lots to see and do for all the family

Silverstone Race Track

- Spectating or taking part in a track day or race and rally tuition.
- Britain's premier race circuit has lots to offer.