

CHAIRMAN'S ENGAGEMENTS

15 May 2013 – 22 July 2013

- 30 May *The Vice Chairman represented the Chairman at the Oxfordshire Briefing of the South East Reserve Forces and Cadets Association at RAF Brize Norton .*
- 6 June The Chairman and his wife attended the LGA Garden Party at Buckingham Palace which was attended by the Queen and Prince Philip.
- 7 June The Chairman attended the 'Start of Construction - first spade in the ground ceremony' at the site of the new Bicester Community Hospital in the morning before coming to Bodicote House for the Staff Celebration Lunch.
The Celebration Lunch is held every year for any staff who have achieved long service recognition, gained a qualification or have made a special contribution to the Council.
This was followed later that afternoon by the ribbon cutting at the Bicester Green Re-Use Centre Launch.
- 8 June The Chairman and his wife attended a Reception and Sounding of Retreat at Edward Brooks Barracks, Abingdon at the invitation of the Honorary Colonel, Commandant Officers, Instructors and Cadets of the Oxfordshire (The Rifles) Battalion Army Cadet Force.
- 11 June The Chairman and his wife attended An Evening at Dorchester Abbey to celebrate the start of the new Local Government Year. This was at the invitation of the Bishop of Dorchester and the The Lord Lieutenant of Oxfordshire.
- 12 June The Chairman attended the Parish Liaison meeting at Bodicote House.
- 16 June The Chairman and his wife attended the Blue Plaque unveiling at Cromwell's House, in Mill Lane, Old Marston in Oxford. This was the place where Royalists and Parliamentarians negotiated the surrender of Oxford in 1646.
- 19 June The Chairman attended the Oxford and Cherwell Valley College Oxfordshire Young Engineer High Sheriff's Awards hosted by E P Barrus in Bicester.
- 21 and 28 June The Chairman attended Bodicote House for an informal walkabout to introduce himself and to meet staff from various services. Further visits to be made to the two depots and other sites in due course.
- 21 June The Chairman and his wife attended a private view and the opened the Graduate Art & Design Exhibition at Banbury Museum.
- 29 June The Chairman and his wife attended Bicester Carnival in the morning and then in the afternoon attended the US Embassy Croughton Annex annual summer barbeque at the home of Paul and Corinne Graver in Caversfield.
- 30 June The Chairman and his wife attended the Banbury Steam Society Rally and Country Fayre at Bloxham.

- 3 July The Chairman attended an informal evening at RAF Croughton at the invitation of Col Charles Hamilton, Commander of the 422d Air Base Group to celebrate American Independence Day.
- 5 July The Chairman attended the Voluntary Organisation Forum which was held at Bodicote House.
- 5 July The Chairman and his wife attended the Oxfordshire Youth Orchestra Gala Concert at Oxford Town Hall at the invitation of the Chairman of Oxfordshire County Council.
- 6 July The Chairman and his wife attended the Oxfordshire County Scouting Camp at the Thame Showground. This year's theme was One World. Over 6000 young people are involved in scouting in Oxfordshire, ranging in age from 6 to 25 and a large proportion of these took part. They were supported by 1200 adult volunteers. A contingent of Scouts from Oxford's twin city, Bonn, also joined the weekend.
- 6 July *The Vice Chairman and his wife attended Banbury Town Mayor's Charity Concert – 'The Pipes are Calling' which was held at Banbury Town Hall and featured Isla St Clair and the Pipes and Drums of the Scots Guards Association.*
- 7 July The Chairman and his wife attended the Mayor of Chipping Norton's Civic Service at St Mary's Church, Chipping Norton.
- 10 July The Chairman attended the official opening of Pioneer Square the new shopping centre in Bicester town centre. The event included a parade by the 23rd Pioneer Regiment and the Chairman, together with their Commanding Officer, unveiled a plaque.
- 13 July The Chairman and his wife attended a Blue Plaque ceremony commemorating William Logsdail (Artist) at the Manor House, Noke.
- 17 July The Chairman attended the Annual Meeting of the Oxfordshire County Scout Council and Open Forum at Exeter Hall, Kidlington.
- 20 July The Chairman and his wife attended the Royal International Air Tattoo. This is the world's largest military air show held at RAF Fairford which comes under the leadership of the US Air Force 422d Air Base Group stationed at RAF Croughton.