

# ROBERT COURTS

**District Councillor  
The Bartons Ward**

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## **Monthly Report - December 2014**

This is a slightly shorter report than usual; many November developments were reported in the last edition.

The Carpenter's Arms development continues to make fast progress; anyone who has not already registered to express an interest in either Middle Barton development must do so now as WODC are starting the process of allocation.

Could I remind everyone of WODC's offer of grants up to £500 to support West Oxfordshire communities in projects to **commemorate WW1**? All parishes and towns were given the opportunity to apply and work is now under way to get schemes put in place, ranging from tree planting and memorial benches to war grave restoration work. For further information: [communications@westoxon.gov.uk](mailto:communications@westoxon.gov.uk)

I have been asked to make representations to OCC about the yellow **ford signs at the ford on Fox Lane**. I have done this and will report back once I receive a response.

WODC point out that there will be some changes to recycling and rubbish collection over the Christmas period. Please see here for details: <http://tinyurl.com/nfu8lpc>

Oxfordshire County Council is keen to get your views on the draft Big Plan: Oxfordshire's Learning Disability Strategy 2015-2018. The plan, drafted by Oxfordshire County Council and Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group, sets out how services for adults with learning disabilities could be provided in Oxfordshire. To find out more and get involved visit: [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/bigplan](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/bigplan) - the deadline for responses is 9 February 2015.

Could I, finally, ask anyone interested in my **snow-clearing** plan to contact me. I have a few volunteers thus far, but not enough to make the plan viable - but there is time yet!

The final **surgery date** for 2014 is the 6th December, at the usual time and place. Those for 2015 start on the 3rd January, thereafter the 14th February (please note the later than usual date,) 7th March.

May I sign off for 2014 by wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and I look forward to seeing you all in 2015 if not before.

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