

# CHAIRMAN'S JULY REPORT

## Community Fun Day - Saturday 14th July 2018

A quick reminder that the Kidlington Community Fun Day (previously Kidlington Gala Day) will be taking place on Saturday 14th July from 11am to 4pm in and around Exeter Hall. There will be lots of activities for all the family to enjoy including a farm animal petting zoo and the long awaited official opening of the new Exeter Close play area.

The Bowls club will also be open for anyone who fancies a go!

## Grant applications

The Parish Council have allocated the sum of £10,000 for the next 12 months which is available to local groups and organisations from Kidlington to help them with financial support. This can be for new equipment, facility improvements or a number of other uses. The council will review any bids every 3 months with the next deadline being the end of August. If you feel your group could benefit from some financial help please contact the Parish office at Exeter Hall for an application form and get your bid in.

## Kidlington Children's Community Hub

Our local Children's services based at St John's and St Mary's churches continue to go from strength to strength but we must also ensure we keep trying to raise funds to ensure this vital service is maintained.

Therefore we are delighted to have been selected as one of the chosen charities for the Tesco Bags of Help Grant Scheme and will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores during July and August 2018.

Voting will take place from Sunday 1st July to Friday 31st August 2018.

The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive £4,000 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), the second placed project £2,000 (or the amount that was requested up to this value), and the third placed project £1,000.

To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value. You will receive one token per transaction and it's not necessary to purchase a carrier bag in order to receive a token.

Don't forget to ask for your token!

**Councillor Nigel Simpson**

**Chairman, Kidlington Parish Council**