

**Oxfordshire Advisory Committee on Appointment  
of Justices of the Peace**

Are you a good listener?

Can you see both sides of an argument?

Do you like a good discussion?

Do you like to see fair play?

Then you could dispense justice in your community!

**Why not be a magistrate?**

Magistrates try to reflect the community they live in. That means we need a mix of people from all walks of life and ethnic groups, with different backgrounds and skills.

The role is a fascinating one. It opens up many new avenues of interest and gives an insight into how we live and behave in the 21st century. Most of all you will be using your skills as a service to your community – 'justice to the people by the people'.

Few of us have any legal background, and training is provided and continuous. All you need is good character, common sense and the personal skills listed above.

A typical day in court might include motoring offences, theft, supply of drugs, affray, assault, drink-driving and burglary. Sentences for these offences vary from conditional discharge or a fine to 6 months in prison. Try arranging them in order of seriousness!

Interested? Contact your local Magistrates Court or Advisory Committee for an Information pack and details on how to apply:

Oxford: Kate Skeates – 01865 448011 – [kate.skeates@tv.mcs.gov.uk](mailto:kate.skeates@tv.mcs.gov.uk)  
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or: The Advisory Committee for Justices of the Peace in Oxfordshire,  
Malcolm Leeding, Committee Secretary – 01865 815327  
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**Do it today!**



**Our New Clerk.**

**Mrs. Alice Burns** is now Clerk to the Shipton-u-Wychwood Parish Council.

Her address is 6, Mount Pleasant Cottages, Swinbrook Road, Shipton.

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