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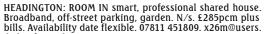
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Teenage Viking makes pet not enemy. Thu: 12.45, 3.15pm			
THE LAST SONG [PG] Thu: 11.30am, 2.10, 4.50, 7.30, 10.00pm Miley Cyrus falls in love. Fri: 2.20pm			
HOUSEFULL [12A] Thu: 4.00, 7.20pm Bollywood. A man hopes to find true love. <i>Hindi with English subtitles</i>			
CLASH OF THE TITANS 2D [12A] <i>A</i> Thu: 1.00, 3.40, 6.10, 8.45pm Remake of 1981 film, with Sam Worthington as Perseus Fri: 2.10, 8.30, 11.00pm			
THE DISAPPEARANCE OF ALICE CREED [18] Thu: 11.10am, 1.40, 4.10, 6.40, 9.10pm; Fri: 3.15, 5.50, 8.10, 10.30 Two ex-convicts plan to kidnap a wealthy businessman's daughter.			
NANNY MCPHEE AND THE BIG BANG [U] 🖄 Emma Thompson reprises the drab disciplinarian. Thu: 10.50am, 1.20pm			
KICK-ASS [15] C Thu: 10.20pm Teenage boy just sort of decides to become a superhero			
FURRY VENGEANCE [PG] Thu: 1.10, 3.30, 5.50pm Family comedy with Brendan Fraser & animated animals. Fri: 1.30, 3.50, 6.10pm			
HOT TUB TIME MACHINE [15] Fri: 1.20, 3.40, 6.20, 8.50, 11.10pm Four friends wake up in 1986 after a heavy night in a hot tub.			
THE BACK-UP PLAN [12A] Fri: 1.40, 4.10, 6.45, 9.10, 11.50pm Jennifer Lopez stars in pregnancy rom-com.			
A NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET [18] Sam Bayer remake of Wes Craven's 1984 slasher. Fri: 3.00, 5.40, 8.00, 10.20pm			
Odeon Magdalen St (0871 2244 007)			
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DEAR JOHN [12A] Fri: 1.15, 6.15pm Soldier and student try to maintain a long-distance romance.			
THE GHOST [15] S Roman Polanski's adaptation of Robert Harris' political thriller.			
IRON MAN 2 [12A] <i>C</i> Thu: 3.00, 6.00, 9.00 pm; Fri: 2.00, 5.00, 8.00 pm Robert Downey Jr, Gwyneth Paltrow, Scarlett Johansson in violent sci-fi action thriller.			
Phoenix Picturehouse (08717042062(10p/min))			
PSYCHO [15] Thu: 4.00pm 50th anniversary reissue of Hitchcock masterpiece.			
SIDEWAYS [15] 🖉 Thu: 8.30pm Two middle-aged men take a bachelor's road trip. Californian wine tasting at 7.30pm.			
LIFE DURING WARTIME [15] Thu: 1.30, 6.20pm Dark comedy family drama sequel from Todd Solondz.			
THE GHOST [15] Thu: 3.30, 8.45pm; Fri: 12.45, 6.00pm Roman Polanski's adaptation of Robert Harris' political thriller.			
AGORA [12A] A Thu: 12.45, 6.00pm; Fri: 3.15pm Rachel Weisz stars as Hypatia, the first lady of mathematics.			
LA DANSE - LE BALLET DE L'OPERA DE PARIS [PG]			
Frederick Wiseman goes behind the scenes at the Paris Opera. Fri: 8.30pm FOUR LIONS [15] Fri 2.00, 4.15, 6.45, 9.00pm			

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DEAR JOHN [12A] A soldier's life is shaped by a series of letters.	Thu: 12.45, 6.15pm
THE LAST SONG [PG] Miley Cyrus falls in love.	'hu: 11.45am, 2.30, 5.15, 7.45pm
REMEMBER ME [12A] A Komantic drama, starring Robert Pattinson not a	Thu: 1.15pm as a vampire this time.
CLASH OF THE TITANS 3D [12A] Remake of 1981 film, starring Sam Worthington	C Thu: 6.30, 9.00pm as Perseus.
THE GHOST [15] 🖄 Roman Polanski's adaptation of Robert Harris' po	Thu: 3.15, 8.45pm olitical thriller.
DATE NIGHT [15] A couple get more than they bargained for on the	, 6.00, 8.30pm; Fri: 6.30, 8.45pm leir night out. Gangster comedy thriller.
	, 4.00, 6.00, 7.00, 9.00, 10.00pm
Robert Downey Jr returns as Iron Man, newly re-	vealed as Tony Stark.
HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DRAGON Every home should have one. Thu: 11.30am	
KICK ASS [15] 🖄 Violent comedy action with Aaron Johnson as up	Fri: 10.45pm likely superhero.
HOT TUB TIME MACHINE [15] Four friends wake up in 1986 after a heavy night	Fri: 2.45, 5.30, 8.00, 10.30pm t in a hot tub.
FOUR LIONS [15] Comedy about four British jihadists from the ma	Fri: 1.00, 3.45, 6.30, 9.15pm n who brought you Brass Eye.
THE LAST SONG [PG] Pianist reconnects with her father and falls in lo	Fri: 12.45pm
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Fri 7th JAKE & ELWOOD - THE BEST BLUES BROTHERS SHOW IN THE WORLD EVER! / Blues Brothers tribute band - see THEATRE, below

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HENRY VIII Thu 6th, 7.45 Buskins Theatrical Society presents Shakespeare.	5pm; Sat 8th, 2pm, 7	.45p £7/2
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Fri 7th

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SOCIAL EVENING / Prospective members welcome / IVC Social Events Club / 8.30pm / www.oxfordshireivc.org.uk / Clarendon Sports Centre, Jordan Hill CONTEMPORARY HUNGARIAN ARTISTS / Delia Vekony's illustrated talk on identity in Hungarian and Transylvanian art / Oxford Hungarian Society 8pm / http://hungsoc.com / 01865 736973 / McGregor Room, Oriel College APE RESEARCH IN INDONESIA: MARRYING SCIENCE WITH CONSERVATION / Dr Susan Cheyne, WildCRU, Dept of Zoology / Society For Graduates / 8pm. £2 / Okinaga Room, Wadham College, Parks Road

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