

THE NEW GREAT TEW CIRCLE - SPRING TALK AND DINNER

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Saturday, April 27, 6 o'clock, St Michael and
All Angels Great Tew.

**How can we adapt foreign policy to
today's realities?**

The current international scene presents some terrible and profoundly worrying situations, from Ukraine to Gaza. Other under-reported crises such as that in Sudan are worsening, with little apparent hope in sight. The international community seems unable to get to grips with resolving these problems. Poor relations between the major powers leave international institutions such as the UN almost powerless, and humanitarian aid is struggling to keep pace with need, even where it is not obstructed. How did we get here, and what can we do better in the future? And where might the UK best fit in, and contribute effectively?

Sir John Holmes was Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs, The United Nations (2007-10); Director, The Ditchley Foundation (2010-2016); Co-Chair, International Rescue Committee UK; Chair, The Electoral Commission (2016-2020). He is a Trustee of the British Red Cross and Trustee of the Institut Français in London.

Talk followed by drinks £15, talk and dinner £25. Students (over 16) free. For tickets contact office.tewbenefice@gmail.com by 22 April.