



The Abingtons and Hildersham News



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Photo by Nev Ackerman

**Nigel Ackermann, President of the Cricket Club, was 'chuffed to bits' with the bench presented to him on 5 June 2019 as a thank you from the Club.
Nigel and his wife Penny try out the bench encouraged by the midweek 2nd XI.**

Letter from the Editor

An early June week of sunshine was followed by a week with heavy rain, followed by a week of sunshine and showers, with a return to heat forecast for the last week of the month. A strange mixture, but the hedges and trees are burgeoning and the gardens look good too.

The Abington Jeremiahs Cubs had a great time camping near Bury St Edmunds in May, engaging in an impressive range of activities, finally being joined by the Beavers and enjoying songs round a campfire (page 6). The summer fair organised by the PTFA was a success and there are several more PTFA events to support in July (page 12).

We can look forward to visits to interesting gardens organised by the WI and the Gardening Club, Walking Group events, continuing Bowls Club and Cricket Club fixtures, and outdoor Shakespeare in Hildersham (pages 7, 15, 16). The annual Vicarage Garden Fête is on 27 July and needs good weather and donations for the cake, plant and bric-a-brac stalls as well as for the raffle (page 6).

The Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service have sent us very useful cautionary words to help us prevent outdoor fires (page 17).

Granta Medical Practice has sent details of improved pharmacy services (page 17). The Granta Vale Community Hub, meeting at Balsham once each month, continues to provide valuable support in relation to health and wellbeing for the community. Steve Jordan and Jeanine Kennedy are forming a new music group which should interest budding musicians. (See pages 4, 5).

The Abington Parish Councils report potential developments to improve safety on the A1307 and thoughts on extra park and ride provision (pages 8, 9, 13).

Warm thanks were offered to Peter Brunning as he stood down from chairing the Little Abington Parish Council for ten years (page 13).

The President of the Cricket Club was delighted to be presented with a bench on the cricket ground in recognition of his work for the club (cover photo).

Happy Birthday wishes and congratulations were offered by the WI to their oldest member, Hannah Beavis whose 95th birthday was in June (page 15).

Best wishes to everyone as the holiday season approaches.

Valerie Silvey

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From the Seven Churches

Here we are, in the summer, and at the time of writing the '*June Revels*' has just taken place at the Meadow primary school in Balsham. It's a wonderful fundraising event with bouncy castles and other fun activities and stalls. My children had a great time but it's also a time for parents to catch up with each other and support the school. It is one of many community events in our villages held over the summer months, as we hope to enjoy the sunnier weather outdoors. These kind of events remind us how strengthening our relationships and community life may enhance our sense of purpose and wellbeing.

Part of the church's mission is to pray for and help communities to flourish. We employ a parish nurse and engage two community workers with the vision of helping to sustain 'compassionate, connected communities'. Our community workers, Steve Jordan and Jacqueline Douglas, work alongside our parish nurse Claire Gillett, as they seek to support people's health and wellbeing and empower others. We also run a 'Community Hub' on the first Thursday afternoon of each month at the Church Institute in Balsham. This provides a community space with free cake and coffee, and is regularly attended as well by our parish nurse and community workers. We will shortly be starting a similar 'Community Hub' at the Institute in Great Abington and all are welcome at both of these.

This vision also draws upon the words of Jesus in the gospels calling people to love God and love your neighbour as yourself. Jesus said that no other commandments were greater than these. This way of seeing the world is at the heart of his gospel. It informs an understanding of human beings as interdependent and sees our humanity shaped by our relationship with God and each other. When we experience fragmentation and conflict in our lives, it can be transformative to remind ourselves of these gospel words, and to pray for and seek the wellbeing of people and places around us.

Revd Iain McColl

News from the Pews

Summer brings weddings, baptisms and traditionally the Vicarage Garden Fête (by kind invitation of our Pioneer Minister Jeanine Kennedy) to our church calendar, a time to be joyful and celebrate these occasions. We do hope you are able to come to the Garden Fête, donate gifts or help on the day. Please contact Marilyn Broadhurst on 893 214 for further details. Costs of running our churches increases yearly, we are therefore grateful of any financial or active fund-raising help you can offer throughout the year. Please contact any of the Churchwardens if you wish to help in any way. You do not have to be a regular church goer to become involved, maybe just someone who cherishes the beauty of our historic churches.

Exciting news for budding musicians – Jeanine and Steve are forming a music group. If you are interested in taking part please contact Steve Jordan – 7churches.community@gmail.com. Practice nights will be held in Great Abington Church.

Thank you to everyone who left prayers on our new prayer board in Great Abington Church, they were read during Morning Worship on 16 June. Please do feel free to continue.

PCC Meeting – Thursday 18 July – At the vicarage 7.45pm

Vicarage Garden Fête – Saturday 27 July at the Vicarage in Church Lane 2.30 – 4.30pm. Do come and have fun, visit the stalls and enjoy a ‘Strawberry Cream Tea’. FREE ENTRY. Donations for stalls and offers of help will be gratefully received.

Details of church services throughout July are on the back page.

Charity for July – Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust – Cambridgeshire has more than 350 churches and chapels of historic and architectural interest. They span over a thousand years from the Saxon period at Great Paxton church to the 1958 Stephen Dykes Bower church at Arbury in Cambridge. The Trust’s charitable objectives include encouraging everyone to enjoy and to understand the art and architecture of our county’s marvellous churches and chapels. A survey, completed in the Abingtons some years back, revealed how a large number of the community loved our two churches and appreciated their historic and architectural beauty, even if they did not worship in them.

There are charity boxes in both churches.

Funerals

Arthur and Tina Meanwell sadly passed away within days of each other. They moved to West Field in 1982. They were a very private couple, although Tina regularly donated items for church stalls; she was a kind and generous lady, sadly she became housebound several years ago. They were both in their nineties. The funeral was held at Cambridge Crematorium on Wednesday 29 May.

We offer our prayers and condolences to their family

Esther Wambui Hinga sadly died at birth. She is the daughter of Claire and Sam Hinga and sister to Ben, Dan and Jo who live in West Field. The funeral service took place in Little Abington Church on Thursday 30 May followed by a burial in the churchyard. The church was filled with family and friends who gathered to say their farewell prayers to baby Esther and support Claire and Sam at this sad time.

We offer our sincere condolences and prayers to Claire and Sam and all Esther’s family.

Baptism

Aaron Edward Baldock was baptised in Great Abington Church on Sunday 2 June on a beautiful sunny afternoon, witnessed by family and friends. Aaron is the son of Jason and Lisa. He thoroughly enjoyed the occasion and took part most admirably.

We offer prayers for Aaron in his journey of faith.

Marriage

Following an unsettled week of rain, the sun shone brightly for Clare Franklin and Samuel Roberts on their wedding day on Saturday 1 June. A beautiful country wedding was followed by a reception at Clare’s family home.

We offer our prayers to Clare and Samuel for their continued happiness.

Anne Hall

Granta Vale Community Hub - Thursday 4 July 1.30 – 4.00pm

All are welcome for a cream tea and chat at our monthly Community Hub in the Church Institute in Balsham.

We also offer help and advice from the Parish Nurse Project, Reach Community Project and other local organisations.

Steve Jordan 0708 430 057

VICARAGE GARDEN FETE

Saturday 27 July 2.30-4.30pm

Our Pioneer Minister, Jeanine Kennedy,
invites you to come and spend the afternoon
at the Vicarage, Church Lane, Little Abington

Cream teas, cake stall, plants and produce,
bric-a-brac and books,
fun & games for all the family,
RAFFLE

*Offers of help and donations of items
for stalls gratefully received
Contact Marilyn Broadhurst on 893 214*

Little Abington United Reformed Church

You_would be most welcome at one of our friendly worship services.

Services in July 2019

7 July	10.15am	Mrs Lynn Taylor
14 July	10.15am	Mr Bob Parkin
21 July	2.30pm	Revd Bruce Waldron (and Holy Communion)
28 July	10.15am	Mr George Tadrous

For more information please contact Lynne on 893 295.

Abington Jeremiahs

Abington Jeremiahs Cubs had a fantastic time in May at the Newmarket District Camp at Bradfield Combust near Bury St Edmunds. I had the pleasure of camping for two nights and three days with the Cubs, along with all the other Cub groups from the district. They took part in a huge variety of activities including wagon-building, orienteering, rifle-shooting and camp fires.

The Beavers joined us for the day on Saturday and did their own activities with pioneering, fire lighting, cooking smores* and, at the end of the day, sang some amazing, funny songs around the camp fire. Many thanks to Stuart (Akela), Min and Arek (parent helpers) for camping with the Cubs, and Wendy and Nancy (parent helpers) for leading the Beavers for the day.

Scouts are enjoying being back for the summer at Abington Woods in collaboration with the Balsham Scouts, and are looking forward to a full weekend camp at the site in July alongside lots of outdoor activities such as a working party for Abington Woods.

If you are interested in helping out with any of our groups/behind the scenes, or would like your child to join, please contact me on 894 461.

Ruth Beach

* smores – a scouting delicacy made with marshmallow squished between two choc. biscuits. Ed.



Hildersham Focus

Shakespeare in the wood on Saturday 20 July.

This year the Outspoken Theatre Company will present Othello. Look out for the posters around the villages.

We are looking forward to another lovely summer's evening of entertainment in the Hildersham Church wood.

Gates will open at 6.30pm and there will be some chairs but do bring your own if you would like. You may also bring a picnic.

Tickets are £10 at the gate or £8 if your purchase in advance. Children under 16 are free.

For ticket sales please email amjpalmer@gmail.com

CAFÉ CHURCH at 4.00pm on 21 July

Our next café church will be a PLANET CHURCH. Come and join us to share thoughts and ideas about how we might save God's wonderfully created planet.

Tea and cake to begin.

THANK YOU to Paul Seddon for a wonderful Violin recital on 1 June.

The beautiful music drifted through the doors of the packed church into the wonderful summer sun. It was a fabulous way to spend an hour on a sunny afternoon contemplating the beauty around us in both sight and sound.

Paul has donated the incredible proceeds of £243:00 to the Children's Church Council which is in the process of choosing a charity that they feel will benefit most.

Pilates classes in the Village Hall

Try Pilates to improve your health, fitness and wellbeing. Do you notice that you are getting more aches and pains or do you just want to get a little fitter and stronger? Pilates may be your answer.

Zigzag Pilates runs busy classes for men and women in the tranquil setting of Hildersham. Over the summer, I will be running small, typically 6, clients four-week daytime courses in the Village Hall. These will be held on Tuesday or Thursday according to demand. One session will be a general Pilates class and the other will be standing and Chair Pilates. The cost of a course is £36 for 4 one hour sessions.

Get in touch if you would like to give Pilates a try: email Rachel@zigzagpilates.co.uk or call 07905105081 and visit www.zigzagpilates.co.uk to find out more.

Hildersham Parish Council

A Quality Parish Council



The next meeting of Hildersham Parish Council will be on Tuesday 9 July 2019 at Hildersham Village Hall from 7.30pm and everyone is welcome to attend.

Village News on the website

To see the *News* before the printed copy is available and to see the pictures in colour, go to www.theabingtons.org.uk/news and follow the link to the pdf for the month you want.

A1307/Babraham High Street junction

Residents and businesses in Babraham and Sawston are being asked to have their say on road safety improvements at the A1307/Babraham High Street junction.

Proposals include:

- Banning the right-turn from Babraham High Street onto the A1307 (towards A11) and widening the existing island on Babraham High Street. Vehicles wishing to turn right would instead turn left onto the A1307 and turn around at the Babraham Research Campus roundabout.
- Making the pedestrian crossings in the junction area safer by realigning and reconstructing the existing footpath crossings. This would make it safer to access the bus stops along the A1307.
- Reducing the speed limit to 50mph between the Babraham Research Campus roundabout and the A11.
- Lengthening the right-turn lane on the A1307 for traffic turning into Babraham.

Further information and detailed plans are available online at

https://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/transport/transport-projects/cambridge_south_east/babraham-high-street-a1307-junction/

and at informal drop-in events:

- 25 June, 6-8pm, Spicers Pavilion, Sawston
- 4 July, 7.30-8.30pm, Babraham Primary School

The local engagement will run until Monday 15 July.

If you have any questions go to contactus@greatercambridge.org.uk.

Have your say on the location for a new police station for South Cambridgeshire

Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC), Jason Ablewhite would like your views on his proposal to build a new police station on the outskirts of Milton, Cambridge, next to the Milton Park and Ride site. A link to view the plans can be found at

<https://www.cambridgeshire-pcc.gov.uk/get-involved/your-views/have-your-say/>

Summer nights

A reminder to all that sound travels through open windows in both directions – with windows open in warm weather please be sensitive to neighbours by keeping the volume down. Thanks!

South Cambs. District Council

Follow SCDC on Twitter and get local news, updates to Council services, prompts to put out your dustbins and more - @southcambs

Annual Coach Trip

The destination this year will be Hunstanton in late August. Precise date to follow in the August News.

Planning

For more information on the following applications use the reference given below at <https://www.scambs.gov.uk/planning/view-or-comment-on-a-planning-application/>

Parish Council recommendations

S/1643/19/OL – 48 North Road – New dwelling – Parish Council recommended refusal.

District Council outcomes

S/1215/19/FL – The Watson Building, Granta Park – refurbishment works. Parish Council recommended approval. District Council approved.

S/0843/19/PA – 44a North Road - A GAPC meeting was held on 6 June 2019 to agree a way forward following receipt of advice from Legal Counsel on the likely outcome of the Proposed Judicial Review into the decision by SCDC to grant planning permission for this application. On 3 June during a conference call with specialist planning Counsel Giles Atkinson and solicitor Caroline Metcalf, Bernie Talbot was advised that the prospects of successfully challenging the decision passed by SCDC in respect of this application were unlikely to be successful and strongly advised against pursuing matters further. GAPC voted unanimously not to proceed with the Judicial Review. Overall expenditure from the Parish Council precept was £1000 plus reclaimable VAT.

Great Abington Parish Council Meetings

Held in Abington Village Institute

Bernie Talbot (Chairman) tel: 892 647

Planning Committees: Arranged as required when applications are received. See notice board for dates or contact the parish clerk.

Next Parish Council meeting: Monday 15 July at 7.15pm.

There will be an opportunity early in the meeting for members of the public to speak to the council about matters of concern. Agendas and minutes are posted on the Parish Council notice board located at the entrance to Magna Close or available from the parish clerk.

Paula Harper (Clerk): harper802@btinternet.com (892 000)

July events and activities with Cambridge Past, Present and Future

Join us this July for summer sun and outdoor fun.

Wandlebury Adventures: Den Building and knots (for unaccompanied 8-12 year olds) on Mon 8 July: 6pm to 8pm

Have a blast building a construction using knots! £15 each individual session. Based in the Stable Rooms at Wandlebury, CB22 3AE. Booking in advance essential by email enquiries@cambridgeppf.org or telephone 01223 243830

Wild Flowers of Wandlebury in Summer on Tue 9 July: 10am to 12pm

Learn more about wild flowers found at Wandlebury Country Park, CB22 3AE

In Situ: Theatre at The Leper Chapel: Hamlet by William Shakespeare on Sat 13 July and Sun 14 July: 8pm

Enjoy Hamlet, as never seen before!

Tickets £15 available in advance at www.insitutheatre.co.uk and at the venue from 7.30pm. The Leper Chapel, CB5 8JJ – opposite Cambridge United. No parking on site.

Moths at Wandlebury on Fri 19 July: 7.30pm-late or Sat 20 July: 6am-9am

Come and learn about hundreds of species of common and rarer moths, Wandlebury Country Park, CB22 3AE

In Situ: Theatre at The Leper Chapel: Ghost Stories on Sat 27 July: 8pm

A deliciously scary evening out. Tickets £15 available in advance at www.insitutheatre.co.uk and at the venue from 7.30pm. The Leper Chapel, CB5 8JJ – opposite Cambridge United. No parking on site.

For more information and benefits of membership: www.cambridgeppf.org

Date		Venue Abington Institute unless stated	Time	Page
Mon	1	Baby & Toddler Group – Pre-school building	9.30am	12
		Physio Pilates – four classes, first starts at	10.30am	11
		French Conversation	1.00pm	
Tue	2	Art Group	10.00am	
Wed	3	Yoga – course and drop in	9.30am	11
		Dynamic Dance Class	3.15pm	11
Thu	4	Abington Walking Group	10.00am	16
		Granta Vale Community Hub – Church Institute, Balsham	1.30pm	5
Fri	5	Low Impact Aerobics	9.30am	12
		Pilates	10.45am	12
		Abington Bowls Club	2.00pm	15
Sat	6	Scrapbooking Group	10.00am	11
		Bingo – Abington Social Club	6.30pm	12
Mon	8	Baby & Toddler Group – Pre-school building	9.30am	12
		Physio Pilates – four classes, first starts at	10.30am	11
		French Conversation	1.00pm	
		Abington & Hildersham WI visit to Balsham	7.00pm	15
Tue	9	Art Group	10.00am	
		Forget-Me-Not Club	2.00pm	14
		Hildersham Parish Council – Village Hall	7.30pm	7
Wed	10	Yoga – course and drop in	9.30am	11
		Abington Gardening Club – visit to Challis Garden	1.45pm	16
		Dynamic Dance Class	3.15pm	11
Thu	11	Social Cycling	9.30am	12
Fri	12	Low Impact Aerobics	9.30am	12
		Pilates	10.45am	12
		Abington Bowls Club	2.00pm	15
Mon	15	Baby & Toddler Group – Pre-school building	9.30am	12
		Physio Pilates – four classes, first starts at	10.30am	11
		Great Abington Parish Council	7.15pm	9
Tue	16	Art Group	10.00am	
		Reading group – 31 West Field, Little Abington	8.00pm	15
Wed	17	Yoga – course and drop in	9.30am	11
Fri	19	Low Impact Aerobics	9.30am	12
		Pilates	10.45am	12
		Abington Bowls Club	2.00pm	15
Sat	20	Abington Walking Group	10.00am	16
		Shakespeare in the Wood – Hildersham	6.30pm	7
Mon	22	Baby & Toddler Group – Pre-school building	9.30am	12
		Physio Pilates – four classes, first starts at	10.30am	11
		Little Abington Parish Council	7.15pm	13
Tue	23	Art Group	10.00am	

		Mobile Library	a.m.	12
		Forget-Me-Not Club	2.00pm	14
		Scrabble Club	7.00pm	14
Wed	24	Yoga – course and drop in	9.30am	11
Thu	25	Abington Lunch	12.45pm	14
Fri	26	Abington Bowls Club	2.00pm	15
		Open Mic Night – Abington Social Club		12
Sun	27	Abington Vicarage Garden Fête	2.30pm	6
Mon	29	Rivercare & litter pick-up – meet at bridge/ford	9.30am	
		Physio Pilates – four classes, first starts at	10.30am	12
Tue	30	Art Group	10.00am	
		Abington Gardening Club – visit to Yeldham	1.30pm	16
Wed	31	Yoga – course and drop in	9.30am	11

For details of contacts please see inside back cover or articles where indicated.

Institute bookings: contact preferably by email: institute@theabingtons.org.uk or phone 01223 790 711

Contacts for Café

Gaynor Farrant 07817 517 871 or gaynorfarrant198@btinternet.com
and Gill Smith 892 759 or richardandgill.smith@live.co.uk

Jeremiah's Café in Abington Village Institute

Opening times in July 2019

Thursday lunchtimes	11.30am – 1.30pm (4, 11, 18) Lunch 25 th
Friday mornings	8.45am – 11.00am
Saturday mornings	10.00am – 12 noon

Have you tried the homemade sausage rolls yet? – Very Yummy!

Wheelie bin dates for July 2019 (Abingtons and Hildersham)

Mon 1 Green/Blue	Mon 8 Black	Mon 15 Green/Blue	Mon 22 Black	Mon 29 Green/Blue
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Scrapbooking Group – We meet one Saturday of every month and welcome you to take a look any time and ask questions.

Yoga – Wednesdays 9.30am at Abington Institute

Contact Joan 890 629 or email joangraham72@gmail.com if you would like to drop in and try a class.

Dynamic Dance Theatre School – Wednesdays from 3.15pm

Ballet and modern dance lessons for children from 4 years old at Abington Institute. Contact Esme on 07719 816 548 or esmewatts@hotmail.com

Table Tennis – Tuesdays 7.30pm at Abington Institute

Contact Raj Sangha on 07803 786 905.

Physio Pilates – Mondays, Abington Institute

Intermediate 10.30 – 11.30am Advanced 11.45am – 12.45pm
Beginners 1.00 – 2.00pm Advanced 2.15 – 3.15pm
Contact Christina Heinz cambridgepilates@outlook.com

Abington Pre-school Baby and Toddler Group This group runs during term time from the Annexe building at the bottom of the school playground; **open on Mondays from 9.30am to 11.30am**, for all children aged 0–3 years old. Refreshments provided for children and adults. Contact Abington Pre-school on 01223 894 246

Low Impact Aerobics – Fridays 9.30–10.30am at Abington Institute

Suitable for 50+ or those returning to exercise. Aerobics, toning and stretching. Exercises to raise your heart rate and tone your body; fun and friendly.

Pilates – Fridays 10.45–11.45am at Abington Institute

Pilates exercises will help to alleviate back pain, increase core strength, improve posture and flexibility.

Please book for five weeks for Low Impact Aerobics and Pilates. You can contact Disa Bennett on 07798 754 029 or www.zumbaandpilatescambridge.co.uk

Abington Social Club Pampisford Road

Please note that the next Bingo session will be at 6.30pm on Saturday 6 July.

There will be an Open Mic Night on Friday 26 July.

Cribbage will start again in October.

Abington Social Cycling

Terrible weather put paid to our ride on 13 June but, nothing ventured, nothing gained, so we will try again on 11 July. To join us then, please meet at the Institute at 9.30am.

Gaynor Farrant 07817 517 871

Mobile Library

The next date will be Tuesday 23 July 2019, times as follows:

Little Abington	West Field	10.00–10.30am	
Great Abington	North Road	10.40–11.10am	
	Magna Close	11.20am–12.10pm	
	The Shop	12.15–12.35pm	
Hildersham	End of Beech Lane	12.45–1.00pm	(near phone box)

PTFA Update:

Thank you to all who attended our Great Abington Summer Fair! Between the bouncy castles, photo booth, sombreros, games and Pimms, a wonderful day was had by all.

Remember, all parents of Great Abington pupils are automatically members of the PTFA. Please feel free to be involved, ask questions, make suggestions and attend the meetings. Help make your PTFA better!



Upcoming Events:

Thursday 4 July - Music Concert

Tuesday 9 July - PTFA Meeting

Thursday 11 July - Class 5 Bake Sale

Thursday 11 July - Cluster Run

Friday 19 July - School Disco

See page 18 for details of the Abington 10k & Fun Run on Sunday 6 October 2019

Little Abington Parish Council

Around the village

Park and Ride: Plans for a new site on Cambridge Road are being considered by the Greater Cambridge Partnership. The car park for 2,000 cars could be built on the fields as you leave the village on the A1307 near the Fourwentways roundabout. Two other sites closer to Babraham are also being considered. For more information see <http://www.greatercambridge.org.uk> and if you would like to express your views please email clerk@littleabington.clara.co.uk.

Footpaths behind West Field: The landowner confirmed his agreement for the path to be made permissive if LAPC puts up suitable signs and provides public liability insurance cover.

Fourwentways litter: We believe the food outlets are not complying with their requirements regarding litter. Many local people pick up litter including pupils from the Cambridge International school. We have been asked to provide detailed information to SCDC and would be grateful if you could log what you find and where you find it and send to clerk@littleabington.clara.co.uk.

Report from meeting on 20 May

Sheila Bolden was elected as chairman, replacing Peter Brunning who has served as chairman over the last ten years (and continues as a parish councillor). Thanks go to Peter for such a long stint.

Planning applications

S/4099/17/OL, Appeal APP/W0530/W/18/3210008: AgriTech on land east of A1301 near Hinxton. No substantial changes to the previous response were required.

S/4329/18/OL: Wellcome Genome Campus, Hinxton. Despite amendments, still concerns regarding traffic and over-expansion of the site in a rural area.

Planning decisions

S/0963/19/FL 19 Bourn Bridge Road: SCDC approved (LAPC had objected).

S/0871/19/FL 38 Church Lane: SCDC approved (LAPC had supported).

Planning meeting on Monday 17 June

S/1749/19/FL 20, Church Lane: Single-storey front extension to garage. Approved

S/1388/19/FL, Bancroft Farm, Church Lane: Erection of six dwellings and change of use and conversion of two agricultural barns to office space following demolition of agricultural buildings and removal of hard standing and associated work. Unanimously agreed not to support and to request referral to the SCDC Planning Committee with the recommendation to visit the site.

Little Abington Parish Council Meetings

Abington Institute, High Street

Next Meeting: Monday 22 July 2019 Parish Council at 7.15pm

Sheila Bolden (Chairman)

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659929

Email: shelen@btinternet.com

Genevieve Dalton (Clerk)

tel: 07703
486562

Email: clerk@littleabington.clara.co.uk

The meeting agendas and papers are published on the Abingtons website: www.theabingtons.org.uk

No meeting in August. Next meeting at 7.15pm at Abington Institute Monday 9 September



Abington Lunch

Thursday 25 July 2019



Fruit Juice

Chicken Veronique with Seasonal Vegetables

Summer Pudding with Cream

Tea or Coffee

Please book your meal on 07789 585 399. Leave your name and telephone number with your message before noon on Tuesday 23 July. Don't forget to tell us if you need a special diet. Doors open at **12.45pm**. Note that the lunch is open to **ALL** Abington and Hildersham residents. **Only £5.**

Next lunch Thursday 22 August 2019

Forget-Me-Not Club

Our last two meetings were very different. Kate Ward from Headway gave a very thought-provoking and impressive talk describing the very important work for brain-injured people. At the following meeting members brought some fascinating articles from the 40`s, 50`s and 60`s, leading to lots of discussion and memories from the past.

The programme for July consists of:

Tuesday 9 July, 2pm – A talk from Clive D`Santos.

Clive will be discussing his role within Cancer research UK.

Tuesday 23 July, 2pm – Cruising with Carol.

Carol Thexton and John McCarthy will be sharing experiences of their recent trip around South America.

Members and non-members are always welcome at the Forget-Me-Not Club.

Jenny Milns (tel. 890 252)

From Anne Hall

My sincere thanks to all the Committee members who gave me such an amazing thank you party as I stood down as Chair after nine years. It was a complete surprise and I have to say I was completely overwhelmed and, for once, lost for words. Thank you also to all the members for their kind words and friendship over the last 12 years at the Club. You have all taught me how to grow old gracefully. Thank you.

Scrabble Club

The next meeting of the Scrabble Club is on Tuesday 23 July at 7pm in the Institute. New members very welcome.

Sheena Fraser

Abington & Hildersham Women's Institute

Although it will not be opened officially by the Duchess of Gloucester until July, the new Royal Papworth Hospital is already up and running treating patients with serious heart and lung complaints. Megan Sandford of the Royal Papworth Charity gave an illustrated talk showing the light airy spaces for 310 beds, 46 critical care beds, 5 theatres and a restaurant overlooking the new pond. £40m has been spent on new equipment, including a pharmacy robot to improve discharge times and UV light disinfections which can sterilise a room in 30 minutes instead of 3-4 hours. A heart and lung research facility costing £5m will also be built. This world-class hospital could not be funded without the support of the Charity, its volunteers and fundraisers, who last year alone raised £2,056,000.

Our President, Janyce, attended the NFWI AGM as our delegate and gave an entertaining account of her trip to Bournemouth to cast our vote for the Resolutions to improve rural bus services and increase the number of women taking the cervical smear test.

Members warmly congratulated Hannah Beavis on her 95th birthday and gave her a specially baked cake to mark the occasion.

Photo by Vicky Alda

Monday 8 July 7pm - Garden visit to Musical Maze, Balsham. £3 for refreshments.

Monday 12 August - Outing to Tiptree. Coach leaves Institute at 12.30pm, returns 6pm.



Marilyn Broadhurst (893 214)

Visitors and new members always welcome.

Reading Group

16 July	<i>The Choice</i> Edith Eger	Liz Obstfeld
13 August	<i>Daughters of the Night Sky</i> Aimie K. Runyan	Sally Turnidge
10 September	<i>Three Daughters of Eve</i> Elif Shafak	Sylvia Gilmore

Please confirm your attendance in July to Liz.

Lisa Pechey

Abington Bowls Club

All are welcome to try their hand at bowls **Every FRIDAY afternoon 2pm – 5pm** Throughout the season there will be **free** bowling for anyone interested. Just turn up. We provide the equipment. Flat soles only, please – no heels or stilettos.

Where Are We? A bit tucked away, it's true, behind a wall topped with a laurel hedge, but easy to find, nonetheless.

Opposite the Bus Stop on the High Street in Little Abington.

Graham Ross

Abington Gardening Club

On Wednesday 10 July there is a visit to the Mary Challis garden at 68 High Street, Sawston CB22 3BG. We will be leaving the Institute by 1.45pm.

On Tuesday 30 July there is a visit to Spencers, Tilbury Rd, Gt. Yeldham, Essex, CO9 4JG, leaving the Institute at 1.30pm.'

Please contact me for further information or if you need a lift.

All welcome

Kay Harman, Secretary (891 730) email: robandkayharman@gmail.com

Abington Walking Group

The June walks started on Thursday 6th with a short stroll to Pampisford and Sawston.

Saturday 22 June was the date for the midsummer walk and picnic along the Roman Road. This was on a delightful summer evening and was enjoyed by an excellent group of 22.



Our July walks are on Thursday 4th and Saturday 20th.

For further information, please contact:

Robin Harman on 891 730 robandkayharman@gmail.com

George Woodley on 891 169 georgewoodley@talktalk.net

Mental Health Awareness Event – Rock in Mind

On Saturday 27 July 2019, a music festival raising money and awareness of mental health is being held at The Coach House Hotel, Flint Cross, Near Royston. EASTFest is being staged in memory of Richard East who tragically took his own life following illness and depression in 2018. A true rock aficionado and great musician, Rich was a devoted family man and well known throughout the rock scene. The East Anglian rock community are coming together to celebrate Rich's life in style and at high volume. A fun day out for the family (under 16's go free) and all music fans, this charity event brings together some of the best rock bands in Eastern England on a 5-acre site with full catering, parking and amenities. Gates open at noon and seven bands will rock us through from 2pm to midnight.

All proceeds from EASTFest will be donated to The MindEd Trust. MindEd is a registered charity created following the terrible suicide of Cambridgeshire teenager, Edward Mallen in 2015. The charity funds mental health awareness and care programmes in the school system, the workplace and the community across Cambridgeshire and East Anglia. It aims to destroy the stigma associated with mental illness, prevent suicide and alleviate the suffering of all those experiencing psychological trauma. MindEd have also co-founded the Zero Suicide Alliance as a national mental health reform and suicide prevention programme. If you have a moment please look at their free suicide prevention training at www.zerosuicidealliance.com/training/ You could save a life.

For further information on EASTFest and to buy tickets and tee-shirts please go to www.eastfest.live

Further information about The MindEd Trust can be found at www.themindedtrust.org

If you would like to help in some way on the day, please contact Sandra East on 0771 424 7399 / sarnieast@gmail.com

Help prevent **outdoor fires**

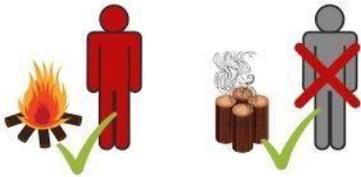
1 Ensure cigarettes are fully extinguished before disposing of



3 Disposable barbecues should be placed on bricks - do not place directly on to grass



5 If lighting a bonfire, ensure it is away from sheds, fences, overhanging foliage and property - **NEVER** leave it unattended. Ensure it is completely extinguished when leaving it



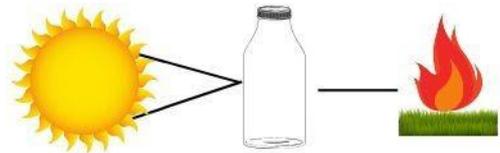
7 Talk to your children about the dangers of starting fires outside. Remember - arson is a crime



2 Do **not** throw cigarettes out of car windows onto grass verges or vegetation



4 Dispose of glass bottles properly - the sun's rays can shine through the glass, causing a fire



6 Use barbecues on a hard, flat surface away from buildings, grass and shrubs



CAMBRIDGESHIRE
FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE



GRANTA Medical Practices

We are very excited to announce two dispensary developments coming soon which will hugely benefit our patients and offer improved patient service.

Medicines Pickup Point

We are installing an automated dispensary machine on our Sawston site. It will be easily accessible and available 24 hours/day, 7 days/week, which means you can pick up your prescription whenever it suits you. This service is for anyone who uses the Granta Sawston dispensary.

Pharmacy Delivery Service

We are investing in an eco-friendly electric van to deliver medicines to nursing homes and residential homes in the area. This is in addition to the existing pharmacy delivery service.

Sandra East, Granta Communications sandra.east@nhs.net

Linton Village College

The first week in June is when all students in Years 7-10 benefit from a programme of enrichment. The definition of enrichment 'the action of improving or enhancing the quality or value of something' makes it an apt title for the week's events; the opportunity to learn outside of the classroom and have access to new experiences certainly develops students' character.

Year 7s were fortunate to benefit from two educational day trips that informed their knowledge and appreciation of important historical events and scientific discoveries. They spent a show day at Duxford Imperial War Museum commemorating the 75th anniversary of the D Day landings and another at the London Planetarium. Year 8s were immersed in different cultural experiences including an Indian day in which they made artwork and food to enjoy in a collective feast and learnt some Bhangra dance moves, a day working with professional musicians to find out about the music industry and a team-building day led by the Army.

The whole of Year 9 spent the week on a residential trip either in Paris exploring landmarks, the South West France engaging with water sports or the Peak District involved in adventurous activities. The opportunity to be away from home, experience new things and develop skills with their peers was immensely enriching. Feedback from parents and accompanying staff commented on students' enjoyment of the freedom and responsibility involved.

Meanwhile Year 10 students were engaged in a week of work experience. The majority of students sourced their own placements to sample the world of work in a particular industry. The exposure to a professional working environment certainly developed students' maturity and confidence and gave them an insight into work ethic and work place skills.

I am grateful for the hard work and energies that LVC staff have invested to make these extra-curricular activities possible. The planning and supervision involved in organising trips and events and conducting the necessary risk assessments is significant. From the smiling and exhausted faces seen in the photographs and moments from the week, it was all worth it.

Helena Marsh

ABINGTON 10K AND FUN RUN Sunday 6 October 2019

Licensed and insured by UK Athletics, this event is organised by the PTFA and, in 2018, raised over £11,000. There were over 600 runners in 2018 on a fast, flat multi-terrain route based around Granta Park and the roads around Great Abington. Last year the fastest time was 35:05mins and the slowest 1hr 40mins.

Running pushchairs/buggies permitted (but please start at the back).

Medal for all runners in both the 10k and Fun Run.

The start and finish are within Granta Park, at the A11/505 junction.

For online registration go to www.abington10k.com

Church Services for July 2019

DATE	Gt. Abington 	Lt. Abington 	Hildersham 	Readings
7 July	10.30am	United Service 6.00pm Evensong	At Balsham	2 Kings 5.1-14 Luke 10.1-11,16-20
11 July (Thursday)		10.00am Communion		
14 July	10.45am Communion		9.15am Communion	Amos 7.7-end Luke 10.25-37
21 July		10.45am Morning Worship	4.00pm Café Church	Amos 8.1-12 Luke 10.38-end
28 July	10.45am Communion		6.00pm Evensong	Hosea 1.2-10 Luke 11.1-13

Church Flower Rota

	Great Abington	Little Abington	Hildersham
7 July	Ann Godden	Sally Turnidge and	Lynne Hartland
14 July	Ann Godden	Sylvia Gilmour	Lynne Hartland
21 July	Sheena Fraser and	Fiona Snell	Sarah Hall
28 July	Pennie Zimmern	Fiona Snell	Sarah Hall

Churchwardens

Hildersham	Vacancy		
Great Abington	Tony Collett	23 Meadow Walk, Great Abington	893447
Little Abington	Graham Ross	41 Church Lane, Little Abington	891564

Assistant Church Wardens

Great Abington	Anne Hall	12 Magna Close, Great Abington	892275
	Patsy Randall	77 High Street, Great Abington	07765 345 714
Little Abington	Mary Miles	36 Church Lane, Little Abington	891083
	Marilyn Broadhurst	34 West Field, Little Abington	893214

Parish Nurse

Claire Gillett	Not 24 hrs, please leave a message if no reply - Claire will respond when next on duty.	07498 994205
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