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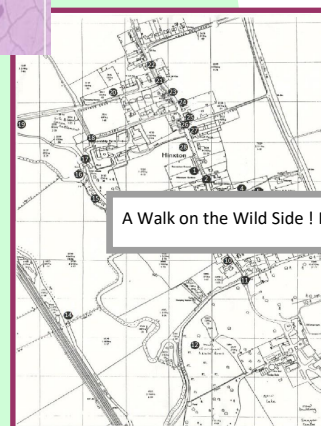
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from the Editor

Just before publication we learned that Beryl Harris had passed away. Our thoughts are with Debbie, Ros and Graham and all the family.

We also discovered that the lead was stripped from most of the roof on St. Peter's Church in Duxford. The thieves managed to do this without being seen and the access to the church is not easy. *So keep your eyes open folks.* These crooks would stand out in our village so anything or anyone unusual should be reported quickly even if you merely shared it with a neighbour.

Theresa has summed up the meeting that rejected the ghastly Aggro Factory Estate proposal and there are more comments on page 17.

Many, many words of thanks and praise have been publicly heaped on **Willy Brown** for his expert analysis and report that went a long way to getting this thrown out. He would be the first to acknowledge that the task was made easier by the considerable help from all the other Hinxton councillors. He politely declined my personal contributions which took the form of a series of hysterical rants designed to get tabloid headlines.

.....Thank goodness diplomacy prevailed!

The eminent scientist, **Sir John Sulstan** passed away in March. He was regularly seen biking his way through the village to his beloved laboratories on the Wellcome Campus. His legacy is incalculable not only for the discoveries he pioneered but more for his insistence that the knowledge be available to everyone and not patented for private gain.

Two more consultations regarding the Wellcome Trust Sanger Institute expansion were held on the Campus where they revealed the sheer scale of this development. We learnt for the first time that not 1200 but 1500 homes are part of the proposal on the hill opposite North End Road. There is an explanation for the traffic cameras seen recently on p.17.

Detailed reports of this will follow next month so please write or email your thoughts to me.
Have a great April.

Mike

A great sigh of communal relief swept through the village when news of the refusal of the SmithsonHill planning application reached residents.

A small group of Hinxtonians had gathered in Cambourne earlier in the day to witness the proceedings. **Willie Brown** and **Barbara Fagg** each were allowed 3 mins to address the councillors and spoke eloquently about the duplicity of the applicant and the disastrous effects on our village and environment should plans go ahead.

Emma Fletcher, MD for SmithsonHill outlined the merits of creating an Agri Hub in Hinxton, with its grandiose objectives of eliminating world poverty and international collaborations from USA to China and Japan. These claims were met with some scepticism. When pressed she was forced to admit that the '**Hub**' was a commercial enterprise whose main aim was to create wealth and there were no definite academic or international stakeholders. Nor was the need for such an organisation in this area proven.

Councillors pressed for reasons why SmithsonHill had not felt it necessary to engage with the Local Development Plan process

The application was then unanimously rejected by councillors. The principal reasons given for refusal were that it was not a part of the local development plan for this area.

We all warmed to the councillor who said this was not about alleviating world poverty but to protect the interests of South Cambs residents.

SmithsonHill failed to prove that the measures suggested for managing traffic would be effective and that it wouldn't have an adverse effect on Hinxton residents and the surrounding area.

The councillor for Sawston voiced the urgent need for Uttlesford and SCDC to come together to develop an infrastructure plan given the pressure for development in our area.

This all represented a massive amount of work and so many people deserve credit from the planning officers who produced a very lengthy and detailed report recommending no, the councillors who questioned motives and visited Hinxton to view the proposed site, our parish councillors and those of surrounding parishes who worked tirelessly and all those individuals who objected.

Unfortunately this is not the end of the story. SmithsonHill in response have said that they understand that significant proposals take time and they will be pressing ahead to the next stage of planning.

Theresa

Beryl Harris
1934-2018

It is with great sadness that we report the death of
Beryl Harris.

Beryl was born, along with her twin brother Gerald, and elder
brother Bryan, in Ickleton.

She met and married Ted Harris and moved to the
gamekeeper's cottage in Hinxton where she had two children,
Ros and Debbie, and became great friends with Iris Manison
and her three girls, Debbie, Sharon and Lorraine. She was a
continuous presence in Hinxton even after she moved away, a
regular church goer and attendee of 'Bingo for Vegetables',
which amused her greatly.

She passed away in Addenbrooke's hospital surrounded by
those she loved. She will be greatly missed.

Peter Angell
1928-2018

It was with great sadness that we heard of the death of
Peter Angell, one of the very special people who were
born, grew up and spent most of their lives in this
village. Peter was the subject of the Sept 2017 Spotlight
when he spoke of his affection for his family and grand
and great grandchildren.

His was a carefree childhood, he loved gardening and
had a passion for cricket.

He worked on the land all his life.

In spite of his advanced illness he described himself as a
contented man.

Understanding Youth Culture'

a free seminar for Parents, Youthworkers, Teachers, and anyone engaging with 9-18s

Ely Diocese is offering free seminars, led by experienced youth workers who enjoy their work with young people both within
and outside churches. They understand the pressure in young people's lives and have plenty of wisdom to share. They will
introduce research about how teenagers spend their time, what they value and how best to communicate with them. This
seminar is an opportunity to come together, share together and be encouraged in the important role that we all play.

**The nearest event in our area is being held at Hildersham Village Hall on Tuesday 22nd May and starts with
refreshments at 7:15pm and finishes by 9:30pm.**

Please do grab this opportunity and come! Reserve a free place by emailing youthincambs@gmail.com

**Thank you to everyone who
supported the *Deanery Spring Fair*
on Sat 10th March.
Hinxton's china and glass stall
raised **£155** towards a total of
£1,600.**

Women's World Day of Prayer Service

Sadly, due to the atrocious and hazardous weather
conditions on March 2nd, the service had to be cancelled.
Happily, all things being well, the service will take place on
Friday 4th May at 2.30pm
at St.Peter's Church,Duxford.

The service will be followed by tea and everyone will be
warmly welcomed.

Julie Baillie LLM/Reader

Door to door collection for The Children's Society April 14th - 22nd

This year's house to house Collection for Children will take place from April 14th-28th and we hope you will
give generously when a local volunteer calls at your door and invites you to contribute to this very worthy
cause. Did you know that more than half of all 10 to 17 year olds in the UK have three or more serious
problems in their lives – from using foodbanks, being neglected by their parents, to not even having their
own bed ? Record numbers of young people say they feel suicidal and 120.000 children in England are
currently homeless. In the last year the Children's Society has supported more than 13,000 children and
young people. Campaign wins have improved the lives of 3 million people. It persuaded the Government to
recognise the danger that children are in when they run away, and to improve measures in finding
them. The Society used its expertise to train over 30,000 people in the NHS to spot the signs of child
sexual exploitation.

Last year we collected £475.00 (£100 more than the previous year!). Can we do even better this year?
Let's try! Thank you all for your support and encouragement over the years.

Julie Baillie, Local Rep. for the Children's Society

A message from Petra

MANGER DANGER! Today is a late March, beautifully sunny, but bitingly cold day and though you might be reading this after Easter, I am actually writing this just a few days before Palm Sunday and the final 'Holy Week' leading to Good Friday, the Cross and Easter Sunday. Yesterday all the daffodils were flattened by the snow. Today they are all standing upright again, warmed by the thin heat of the sun's rays. The residual patches of snow at this time, remind me of Narnia as Aslan arrives to thaw through the reign of the White Witch.

In Church we are preparing for this momentous week. Beginning with the procession through Ickleton on Palm Sunday, we'll recall the painful journey to the Cross and celebrate together with joy on Easter Sunday. For many people Easter is about chocolate eggs, chicks and fluffy rabbits and while we certainly do have chocolate eggs in church, the focus is on other things. I am struck by how people find it easy to be attracted to Christmas and will come to sing Christmas carols or make Christingles and hear the story of the babe born in Bethlehem, but somehow the Easter story, with its pathos and unbelievable joy, doesn't seem to have the same appeal. And yet, the Bethlehem story doesn't really make a lot of sense without the Easter story. Without Easter, we wouldn't know who the baby is. His story would not have been told all across the world for two thousand years. If we don't proceed from Bethlehem to Calvary, then there's a risk of leaving the baby in the manger - MANGER DANGER, for it is beyond the manger that transformation takes place.

The world feels very fragile at the moment, with tensions rising between the UK and Russia, US and North Korea, the continuing situation in Syria and unrest in other parts of the Middle East; a catalogue of human beings doing unspeakable things to one another; corruption and human tragedy. In Narnia, the white Witch's reign looked set to throw its chilly blanket over the earth, as she turned her enemies, one by one, to stone; cold and darkness for all eternity.

Except it isn't. There are always little places where the ice doesn't quite reach, areas where the snow thaws and new green shoots begin to appear – where the daffodils stand upright again. There are those who escape the stone overcoat. In one of the books in the Bible, the Prophet Ezekiel speaks of God giving humans hearts of flesh instead of hearts of stone and, in a sense, that's also what Easter is all about – a new kind of life. Jesus didn't reappear just as he had been before. He was raised to *New Life*.

In those dark places of the world where there is corruption, oppression, violence, war, poverty, hunger, there are still places where there is compassion, generosity, kindness, friendship, hope and love. There are hateful hearts of stone which are turned to flesh. The sun shines and melts the snow. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness cannot overcome it.

The Christian message is radical. It really doesn't stop with the sweet baby laid in a manger by a young woman long ago and far away. It's about how that baby grew and challenged the authorities of the day, challenged the corruption, oppression, war, poverty, hunger and social exclusion and was prepared to die for it. The Christian message is a rallying cry to do the same; to show compassion, generosity, friendship, love and hospitality. It's a story about how the light of love can be shed on the darkest situations, how the worst offences can be forgiven, how the deepest hurts can be healed and yes, how even the sting of death can be overcome. 'Come and See'

CHURCH SERVICES IN APRIL

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| Sunday 1st | EASTER SUNDAY
10.00 am Festival Eucharist,
<i>Duxford, Hinxton and Ickleton</i> |
| Sunday 8th | 8.00 Holy Communion BCP <i>Hinxton</i>
10.00 Parish Communion <i>Duxford</i>
5.00 Taize service <i>Ickleton</i> |
| Sunday 15th | 8.00 Holy Communion BCP <i>Ickleton</i>
10.00 Parish Communion <i>Hinxton</i>
6.30 Evening service <i>Duxford</i>
with prayers for healing and wholeness |
| Sunday 22nd | 8.00 Holy Communion BCP <i>Hinxton</i>
10.00 all- Age service <i>Duxford</i>
6.30 Evensong <i>Ickleton</i> |
| Thurs. 26th | TIDDLERS Baby/Toddler/Preschool
group at Duxford, St Peter's |
| Sunday 29th | 10.00 JOINT FIVE PARISHES
EUCARIST - Ickleton
Please contact Petra, the Priest in charge,
for any further information petra@hinkledux.com
or 07847 307 416 |

There has been a theft of lead from St Peter's Duxford. The whole of the North aisle has been removed and a substantial amount from the South aisle. Please keep an eye out for anything suspicious around Hinxton Church. There will still be a service at Duxford at 10.00 on Easter Sunday. We are sad and disappointed about this, particularly that there are people who think this is the only way to live and pray that they may find a better way that does not cause harm or inconvenience to other people.

We will not be overcome!

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July 13th 6:30pm

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HINXTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

April 24th 2018

The annual general meeting of Hinxtton Village Hall Committee will be held at the village hall on
Tuesday April 24th from 7.30pm.

All Hinxtton residents are invited to attend and contribute to this vital facility at the heart of the
community. There is currently a vacancy on the committee, so if you are interested in helping to run
your village hall, please get in touch – or just come along to the AGM.

For further information contact Julia Lowndes

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Keep our Village bootiful!

April 14th

Join the Hinxton Tidy Up

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MORE HANDS NEEDED "DOWN AT THE MILL"

If you can spring into action on Tuesday May 8, Hinxton Watermill will be undergoing it's annual clean before the new open day season starts. Volunteers who regularly help out at the Wandlebury headquarters of the Cambridge Past Present and Future, which owns and runs the mill, have offered to join Hinxton residents from 10.30am that morning.

Bring your favourites rubber gloves (though plastic ones will be provided otherwise) and anyone who has an hour to spare will be repaid in hot drinks and biscuits and our desperate thanks. If you can't make a weekday, there will be another last minute tidy up at the same time on Saturday May 12 in time for National Mills Weekend opening the next day.

Extra muscle is also being sought to help raise more than interest in the historic mill. After more than 30 years of single-handedly operating the sluices for CPPF since the mill was renovated and opened as a working museum, a shoulder injury means Martin Fordham is looking for a little back-up assistance - especially to help avoid flooding during bad weather.

The future of the sluice gates is now being discussed, and all possible alternatives are likely to cost many thousands of pounds, but in the meantime the gates will have to be manually winched and so a rota is being organised. Please ring Sue and Chris Elliott on 01799 531885 to throw in your support.

Open watermill begins this year on May 13 from 2.30-5.30pm.

To find out more, you can turn to the charity website

www.cambridgeppf.org, telephone 01223 243830 or email

enquiries@cambridgeppf.org or if you live in Hinxton telephone Sue and

Chris Elliott on 01799 531885 or email sellio@live.com as soon as possible.



Invitation from Kate and Margaret

Please join us for an evening to hear more about The Living Room International and our time in Kenya when we volunteered at Kimbilio Hospice.

Some photos and memories shared with a glass of wine and pudding followed by the film about

Kimbilio called

'The Space Between'

Friday May 11th

8.00 to 9.30 PM

at The Village Hall

A circular walk around Hinxton, lasting about 1 hour and starting at the village hall

- 1 The village hall was built in 1904 as a reading room, to make books and newspapers available to the village. Opposite are the steps up to the old general store.
Turn right and start walking up the hill.
- 2 On your right at the top of the hill is number 47 the High Street. This was the butchers shop. The step at the front shows where the door once was, while the outbuildings in the yard behind are the remains of the slaughterhouse.

Note that the two differently thatched houses on the left both have steeply pitched roofs, to allow rain water to run off quickly. The wire netting prevents small birds nesting in the thatch and larger birds taking it away to build their nests.

Church Green Cottage on the corner used to be four separate dwellings. The green was much bigger before the row of cottages was built opposite.
- 3 The war memorial bears the names of those Hinxton men who lost their lives in two world wars.

The red telephone box has a preservation order on it. Beside it is a Victorian pump which drew good water up from the chalk below.

As you go towards the church, there is a small garage on your left which used to house the village fire engine. When on one occasion the barns at Hall Farm caught fire, the engine was galloped all the way to the mill stream and water was hand pumped up to the farm. The fire engine was last heard of in a barn in Ickleton.
- 4 Just at the churchyard gates is the old non-conformist chapel. Many people in the village would have gone to church in the morning and chapel in the afternoon. It was built in 1871 to replace the barn that had originally been used as a meeting house. Note the pierced gable, a Victorian bellcote.
- 5 Hinxton church was built of flint rubble, trimmed with Barnack stone, from about 1150, but a church stood on this site from 1080. Originally dedicated to St. Mary, it has been St. Mary and St. John the Evangelist since the late 19th century. Hinxton and Ickleton churches are unusual in having a sancus or curfew bell, under a small roof, half way up the outside of the spire. They date from the 14th century.

As you enter the churchyard turn to your left and look for the plaque on the wall which marks the site of the curfew cottage. It was the duty of the man that lived there to ring the bell at the end of the day.
- 6 The Old Parsonage, on your right from the churchyard gate, was the home of the vicar for about 100 years, until 1930 when the parish was united with Ickleton. Then in 1955 a legacy to the Church Commissioners allowed for the building of a new vicarage behind the church (Longview) and the support of a vicar. But in 1979 the parishes of Hinxton, Ickleton and Duxford became a joint ministry and Longview too became a private house.

The Reverend Twells who was vicar for 34 years until his death in 1926, enjoyed repositing the church's flint walls. Can you find the names of his 6 children on the outside walls? (Gwen, Betty, Ade, Eileen, Frank and Jack).

Retrace your steps to the war memorial and turn left, to continue south down the High Street.

- 7 Beyond the bus shelter in the field (Knights Close) behind the school is the village pit where former inhabitants of Hinxton quarried for clunch, the chalk blocks used for building, and for flints for walls and road mending. The pit has now been mainly filled in. The track beside it, Ancient Lane, runs down to the river. Before mains water hoses and carts went down to it to collect water from the river.

Old School House is Elizabethan and the National School was built behind it in 1872. It remained the village school until 1960, when a new school was built on the edge of Duxford for all the junior aged children in Hinxton, Ickleton and Duxford. Free transport was guaranteed by the County Council for all the village children travelling to Duxford to school.
- 8 The Red Lion was probably built as a public house in the early 17th century, and has remained one.

Opposite are some early estate cottages (1820) built of clunch, or possibly clay bat, plastered over to protect it from weathering. These two terraces were formerly known as Red Lion Square.

The Manor House makes the fourth side of the square. It has a jettied timber frame and a group of octagonal chimney flues, some two hundred years older than the Red Lion, it was originally a guildhall.
- 9 On the left are the houses built by the Greens of Hinxton Hall in the mid 19th century. They were needed as the population grew and more people worked on the estate. The 'Cambridge whites' bricks were brought in by the railway, but the red ones were made from the local Jurassic clays of the Cam valley.

The track between the two terraces goes up to the Old Gamekeepers cottage.
- 10 Four recent houses have been built on the site of the estate dairy. The herd of Jersey cows which grazed on the Hinxton Hall parkland were driven here twice a day for milking.
- 11 The gates of Hinxton Hall are now rarely used for vehicles. However, the High Street originally continued on, along the route of the drive. In the early 19th century the owner of the Hall built New Road and diverted Ickleton Road so as to give himself a well planted park without any passing traffic.

Turn right and walk along Ickleton Road.
- 12 The grounds of Hinxton Hall are now on your left. It is owned by the Wellcome Trust who are building new laboratories for research into the human genome, by the Sanger Centre. The European Bio Informatics Centre is also housed there.

The house is wrapped in scaffolding and polythene as it undergoes major restoration after many years of neglect. It is one of the few 18th century houses in Hinxton and was built on the site of an older manor house.

Before work began on the new building Cambridgeshire Archaeology carried out an excavation of, an until then, unknown Anglo-Saxon settlement. It was perhaps the earliest Hinxton or Hengesting-tun.

Follow the road along the river Cam until you come to the level crossing.

These four pages and the map opposite came from Jenny Saich's amazing treasure trove of Hinxton ephemera. It describes a walk around the village and pinpoints all the places of interest. It has been suggested that we create a new one with updated information. We really need a crystal clear road map and any help would be appreciated. We could print a folded leaflet version.

(Bigger copies of this can be obtained by emailing the Editor.)

- 13 There used to be a crossing keepers cottage here and any unusual flowers could have come from the cottage garden. This is the mainline railway between London Liverpool Street and Cambridge. It was opened in 1845 and now no trains stop locally on Sundays.
- 14 Take the track to the right, just before the crossing. Follow it along the railway line, then turn right at the end and walk beside the hedge, until you come to the river again. Follow the path along the river bank. Earlier in the summer this is a good place for dragon flies and damsel flies.
- 15 Many of the willows on the banks were in a bad way and much work has been done in the last few years, looking after them and planting new small trees.
- 16 The path brings you to the mill pond and you can walk over the sluice gates. These control the flow of the river water, and closing them maintains the head of water needed to operate the mill. Village families used to spend much of their summers playing and swimming here.
- 17 You have now reached the water mill. Standing beside the river, it is probably on the site of the mill mentioned in the Domesday book. The mill business ceased to function in 1955 and the building fell into disrepair, from which it was rescued in 1984 when it was purchased by the Cambridgeshire Preservation Society. They did an immense amount of restoration work and it is now open once a month during the summer, so that people can see a working watermill.
- 18 Walk away from the mill and through the kissing gate into Mill Lane. To your right is the entrance to Lordship Farm, still a working farm, it was originally a moated 16th century manor house.
- 19 Follow Mill Lane to the left until you reach Duxford Road, turn left again and you will come to the ford. It can be very dangerous to drive across after several days of heavy rain.
- 20 Retrace your steps following Duxford Road and on the edge of the village you will see some of the newest houses in the village. They were the first housing association ones to be built in South Cambridgeshire. They can only be rented, not bought and most of the occupants have close family ties with the village.
- 21 Opposite Duxford Road are two cottages which were originally one 17th century farmhouse. If you look under the eaves you will find the small stamped sun insurance plaque. The policy dates from 1792, when the then sum of £300 covered the farmhouse, furniture, barns and their contents, also the malting office which might have been the single storey section on the right. Maltsters, who produced the malt needed to make beer, from Hinxton grown barley, were amongst the most wealthy villagers.

On the left of the farmhouse, with the flint below and timber framed lath and plaster above, is the former cowshed and hayloft. The iron plates in the walls are the ends of ties which stopped the walls bowing outwards under the weight of the hay.

Through the gap between the house and the cowbyre you can see the great barn, weather boarded and originally thatched it is now a private house.

- 22 Continue along the High Street to number 105, The Oak House. Here, there is no overlying plaster to protect the timber frame and the 'nogged in' old red bricks. The roof tiles were carefully pegged with oak. The house was originally a mediaeval courthouse or woolhouse, hence the fancy chimneys. It was made into three cottages, before reverting to a single dwelling.

Retrace your steps to Duxford Road, cross it and continue up the High Street.
- 23 The old post office, which closed 9 years ago, was formerly the village bakery.
- 24 William House was originally the King William IV pub. The middle window is where the old front door was.

Opposite, on either side of the Mill Lane turning are two similar aged houses with shallow pitched slate roofs.
- 25 Glebe Farm, now a house.
- 26 Hunts Lane, has spur stones, placed specifically at the corners of the walls to guide the rims of heavy cartwheels away from the easily disturbed flint walls. These walls were originally built using dry lime mortar, made by crushing and burning chalk.
- 27 Hall Farm, a working farm until 1994, the house was built in the early 16th century and has a jettied upper floor.
- 28 This field used to be the village cricket ground. The narrow frontages of the older houses indicate a tightly packed mediaeval street. The gaps in this pattern show where many houses were lost in the fires which periodically swept through parts of the village. For instance, in 1665 or 1666 a fire damaged "almost half the town". The hearths taxed fell from 131 in 1664 to 99 in 1666. There were major fires too in 1740 and 1744, with apparently very little rebuilding.

You are now back at the Village Hall.

Opposite is 50, The High Street, one of the oldest houses in the village built in 1530 for a wealthy family, it was at one time split into three cottages and has only recently become a single house again.

Behind the Village Hall are the last allotments in the village and the newly created children's play area.



New exhibition – Genomic Expressions

Saturday 21 April, 1-2.30pm

Wellcome Genome Campus

What does genomics mean to you? How would you answer this question? Does it mean your family? Maybe it's your ancestry? What about your health? Or perhaps the answer is, "I've no idea!"

For our latest exhibition at the Wellcome Genome Campus we posed this question to those who work here.

The creative responses featured in Genomic Expressions are by people from across our campus: lab assistants, administrators, software developers, and senior scientists. Some may make you smile, some are heart-warming but all encourage us, the viewer, to reflect on our own answer to the question.

Visit the exhibition on one of our monthly Open Saturday events until June.

Group visits at other times are possible by prior arrangement.

Open to all and free to attend but booking is essential.

Tickets: bit.ly/WGC-Open-Saturdays

Café Sci Cambridge: Brain research in sheep: just woolly thinking?

Wednesday 11 April, 7-8.30pm

The Locker Café, King Street, Cambridge, CB1 1LN

Find out how sheep might be the answer to understanding neurological disorders by joining Professor Jenny Morton, neurobiologist and academic specialising in human neurodegenerative diseases at the University of Cambridge.

This is a free and non-ticketed event. Doors open at 6.45pm so arrive early to avoid disappointment.

More information: www.cafescicambridge.org

HINXTON COFFEE MORNINGS!

The coffee morning in the Village Hall on 14 March was well attended, so we will continue the trend! It was especially good to see one or two people who had not come before.

Normally the coffee morning will be on the second Wednesday each month but the April date will be during school holidays and the hall will be busy with the Holiday Club, so the next occasion will be

WEDNESDAY 9TH MAY.

The Village Hall Committee have kindly offered the use of the hall free of rent and the Ann Howsden Charity will provide the refreshments, so there is no charge!

Please come along and enjoy a chat and coffee and biscuits. If it is difficult for you to get to the hall, please ask me and I will arrange for someone to bring you by car.

Please may I also ask for volunteers to host the coffee morning so that it doesn't always fall to the same person?

Thank you, Virginia (Walker)

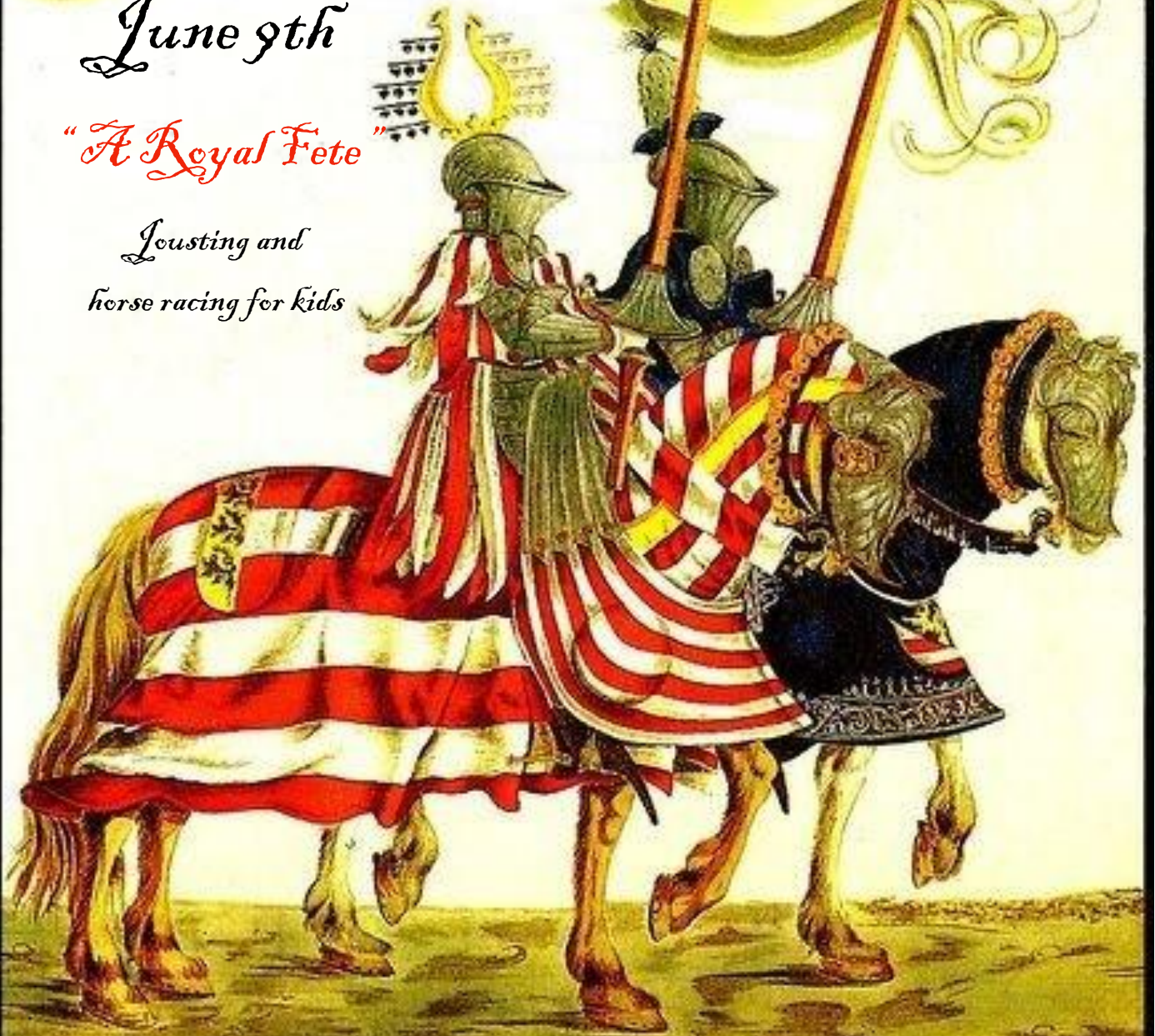


Hinxton Fete

June 9th

"A Royal Fete"

*Jousting and
horse racing for kids*



Well, the ***Beast from the East*** certainly visited us in South Cambs at the end of February. I'm ashamed to say I couldn't actually get my car off the drive one particularly icy day....no lady driver comments please!

The Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) is consulting on another important transport initiative. They are seeking your views on a number of options for improvements along the A11 and A1307. One option would potentially include a "**Mass Rapid Transport**" route from the A11 via Sawston to the Cambridge Biomedical Campus. This could include the **Cambridgeshire Autonomous Metro** which you may have read about. Another option being considered is a new dedicated public transport link between the existing Babraham Road Park and Ride and the Biomedical Campus and an inbound bus lane from Babraham Research Campus to the Park and Ride site.

All options under consideration would involve a new Park and Ride near the A11/A505 junction. Please do have a look and feed in your views before 9th April at www.greatercambridge.org.uk/

I am aware that any transport project will generate questions from residents so I am keen for the GCP to hear from as many local residents as possible. Part of the challenge with these sorts of initiatives is to ensure infrastructure improvements are made whilst also retaining the uniqueness of South Cambridgeshire as such a special place to live.

I continue to focus on promoting all the infrastructure improvements we need. This includes the new railway station at Addenbrooke's, the A428 expressway (Highways England must include the Girton interchange as part of this project) and the East West Rail

link. I am determined to ensure these improvements are brought about as quickly as possible so I talk regularly to both local stakeholders and those National bodies and Ministers ultimately responsible for delivery.

As we know from the A14 improvements now underway, these major projects take time to deliver but they are vital to ensure South Cambridgeshire continues to thrive and cope with our growth. I am aware for example that residents may be wondering what is happening with the A428 upgrade. Please be assured this project is still very alive and well, just delayed by a few months due to engineering design complexities at the A1 Black Cat end. Please keep an eye on my website for updates as I know more - www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/a428-black-cat-caxton-gibbet

In other news, I was pleased to be able to present a petition to the House of Commons which had been signed by 610 residents who are concerned about the removal of the post box from Cottenham High Street.

I would like to pay tribute to Audrey Brownlow and Councillor Frank Morris for their campaign to bring back the post box. I hope the Department for Housing, Communities and Local Government and Royal Mail will show they are listening.

Also in Parliament, I have recently introduced a Bill which aims to improve the way in which the Child Maintenance Service (CMS) works, so on 20th February, I met the responsible Minister Kit Malthouse MP.

The CMS took over from the Child Support Agency a few years ago and following meetings with constituents, it became clear that improvements needed to be made to the new CMS. At my request, the Work and Pensions Select Committee, of which I am a member, conducted an investigation into the way the CMS was working for children and their parents.

My Bill seeks to close the legislative

loopholes that allow a minority of parents to avoid paying their child maintenance and to provide the CMS with stronger enforcement powers. If you'd like to read more, please see the headline page on my website.

The Bill will have its Second Reading on the 27th April and I am encouraged by the Minister's willingness to work with me.



Sadly, the bad weather meant my last surgery in Caldecote was cancelled. The next one will take place at my **Sawston** constituency office on 29th March between 3 and 5pm. In a different format to my usual drop in surgeries, this one will be an "appointment only" surgery to allow for more sensitive, private matters to be discussed.

If you would like an appointment, please give my office a call on 01223 830087

I will also be holding a normal "drop in" surgery at Caldecote Primary School, Highfields Rd, Highfields Caldecote, CB23 7NX on the 21st April between 10am and 12pm where no appointment will be necessary.

Details of all upcoming surgeries can be found on my website -

www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk.

To contact me, please email heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk You can also phone my Westminster office on 020 7219 5091 about national issues or my constituency office on **01223 830037 for local concerns.**

See you next month!

Coping with encircling development

The refusal of planning permission for the AgriTech business park has been a pleasant relief, whether or not its sponsors choose to appeal against that decision. But the farmland around Hinxton appears to be endlessly attractive to developers. You could be forgiven for seeing threats on every horizon. What have we learnt as a parish council and what should we be doing next?

Several clear lessons come from dealing with the AgriTech park. One is the importance of keeping the village as well informed on the issues as their patience permits; that was surely one reason why around seventy villagers wrote in to South Cambs District Council with genuinely individual, not formulaic, objections. Another was to draw on the remarkable range of talents in the village in producing a detailed critique of the application. Our participative traffic survey, for example, must have played a key role in discrediting the developers' initial one and in forcing them to revise it drastically (even though their revision was still badly flawed). A third lesson was the value of close co-operation with our neighbouring parish councils in Ickleton, Duxford, Whittlesford, Great Chesterford, Pampisford and Sawston. The villages in this part of the River Cam valley have much to gain from supporting each other. And we must also acknowledge the generous help and guidance we have received from our District Councillor, Tony Orgee, and our County Councillor, Peter Topping, as well as the impressive professionalism of the South Cambs planning staff.

It is important to keep emphasising that we are not opposed to all development. After consulting with Sawston and Pampisford parish councils on the proposed Trade Park just across the A505, for example, we supported development on the 'brown field' site. We objected only to the scale of development in terms of the number of employees, and to the inadequate provision for its traffic consequences. Now that the development plans of the Wellcome Genome Campus are starting to be unveiled, we shall adopt a similarly undogmatic approach. It will be particularly important that we have feedback from as many Hinxton residents as possible on their hopes and fears about what will unavoidably be of colossal long-term importance for the village.

One threat that may have gone away was of a motorway service area at Junction 10 on the M11, across from the Duxford IWM airfield. The crash of a vintage Mustang fighter on the proposed site in the summer may have been a blessing in disguise. A far bigger threat than any of these is still very much in play. Over the course of the early summer we shall learn whether Uttlesford is going to press on with its proposal to plonk a new town of 5000 houses on the hills just the other side of the A11, between us and Great Chesterford. Opposing this is made so much more complicated by the fact that the new town would be in Essex, although hard up against our own county boundary. But we shall again work closely with our neighbouring villages, and with South Cambs District Council. And we shall do our utmost to mobilise the strengths of Hinxton village.

Willy Brown and Dick Jones

I asked about the traffic cameras seen around the area and Kirsty McMullen has kindly sent us this short explanation. You can contact her direct if you have further questions. Mike



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Wellcome is currently working with a wide ranging technical team to develop ideas about how the Campus could expand and deliver benefits for both our scientific community and the surrounding area over the next 25 years.

Vectos has been appointed by Wellcome to develop the

transport strategy for this development. They are currently building a micro-simulation traffic model to assess the effects of the development on the highway network and help develop a package of transport improvements. In order to build this detailed traffic model, we recently commissioned a series of traffic data collection surveys, which were undertaken over a two week period. The first week of the surveys coincided with snow and as a result, traffic flows and queues were less than normally experienced.

The second week was more typical conditions although we are aware that the closure of McDonalds at the A1301/A505 roundabout and the Hinxton Ford will also have had an impact on traffic conditions. Amongst other data, the surveys collected vehicle registration numbers to determine which route vehicles were using. The vehicle number plate data is only used by the survey company's computer software to match number plates and is then destroyed.

We will be collecting further data over the coming weeks to ensure that the traffic model represents existing conditions.

**Condensed version of Minutes of
12 March 2018 Parish Council meeting**

Before the meeting the Council thanked **Tony Orgee**, who retires as District Councillor for this area in May, for all his hard work over the years. His expertise and advice has been an enormous help and he will be very much missed. He was presented with an original watercolour of the river at Hinxton, painted by Steve Trudgill.

North Uttlesford Garden Community. UDC planning policy working group are expected to submit plans to the District Council in June. The agenda will be published in advance when comments can be put to UDC. Chairs of the PCs of Great Chesterford, Ickleton, Duxford, Whittlesford, Pampisford, Sawston and Hinxton will be meeting at the end of March to discuss how best to respond. They will impress on South Cambs District Council the enormous problems raised by the proposed development.

Smithson Hill AgriTech site. It was a relief that the application had been refused on 7 March. It is expected that SmithsonHill will appeal against the decision. When they do so all objectors will be asked if they wish to respond. This appeal will go to the National Planning Inspector. Thanks were given to everyone who had spent time and effort fighting this planning application. The reasons for refusal have now been published by SCDC.

Trust Campus Development consultation. Two presentations have been held with two more were due in March. Housing development is going to be the main problem for the village. A key question is whether houses will be for staff or for private sale. Comments /objections could be sent as individual responses to begin with before a formal response from the PC.

Iron bridge. Progress was reported at the liaison meeting on 16 March with the Genome Campus. Contractors were inspecting the structural strength of the two basic girders. If they are or can be made robust the decking will be replaced with heavy duty plastic plates.

Local Highways Initiative. An application to have the post and rail beside the Cam on the Ickleton Road restored has failed to win funding from the CCC Highways Department.

Allotments. The new agreement between Hinxton PC and the Wellcome Trust has now been signed and the boundary of the PC-owned land has been marked with posts. One allotment is spare.

Mill sluice. A proposal has been put to the Wellcome Trust by the PC to install a concrete weir into the old river bed, just upstream of the iron bridge, in order to remove the need to operate the sluices and to improve the river and flood meadow environment.

Sawston Trade Park development. This has been approved in principle by SCDC for large scale development.

Playground. The support poles of the Os&Xs have rotted

away; more quotes to be obtained. There is to be a routine playground inspection. Molehills are a problem and advice is being sought to deal with them.

The car park is in a bad state; solutions to be looked into.

Flooding at North End Rd. Engineers have jetted the drains. They put CCTV along them to see what the problem was, roots were then removed. Despite heavy rain recently, it is encouraging that there has not been any further flooding. This will need regular maintenance.

Local Bus Service. The 7a bus route will be changed so that it goes to Trumpington P&R rather than Babraham P&R. A new timetable to be published.

Village Signs. Both signs have been restored. The sign at North End Road will be replaced and its post re-oiled when weather permits.

Flint wall/Village Hall repairs. Quotes are being submitted.

Wetlands Conservation. Dredging and reed clearance of the lakes to be carried out in the autumn. There would be Wetland guided walks on Tuesday lunchtimes in May, June and July to which Hinxton people are welcome.

McDonalds litter. The rebuilt restaurant to be opened this month; a meeting to be held with the Manager to discuss litter problems.

Computer. A dedicated computer for Parish Council business has now been purchased and a grant for it has been applied for.

Village Archives. A substantial amount of historic legal and administrative material has been handed over. A summary catalogue would be made. The most appropriate way of storing it would be discussed.

Great Abington Land Settlement Neighbourhood Plan. The land settlements were originally 60 houses on 600 acres of land, formed in the 1930s for returning soldiers. The plots were sold off in the 1980s. Many have now been built on without consistency. The Neighbourhood Plan seeks to regularize future developments and retain the distinctive rural character of the area. Hinxton PC will write in support of the Plan

Potholes. It was agreed to report on potholes in the village to the Highways Dept.

Forthcoming elections. Nomination packs available for anyone wishing to stand or be re-elected to the PC.

Neighbourhood Plan. It was agreed to consider a Neighbourhood Plan for Hinxton to increase influence over future development. Agreed to contact Whittlesford PC who are currently drawing one up and to ask for advice from SCDC Neighbourhood Planning officers.

Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Risk Assessments. These had been reviewed and approved.

Finance. Accounting statement approved.

Agritech Park

Planning application ref S/4099/17/OL for an Agritech Technology Park to the east of Hinxton village was determined at the March 7 meeting of the SCDC Planning Committee. The planning application involved land in Hinxton, Pampisford and Whittlesford parishes, and therefore each of these parish councils was allowed to speak at the meeting. The agenda papers for the application ran to about 60 pages, and Committee members visited the site on Tuesday 6 March. The officer recommendation was delegated refusal.

At the meeting there were seven public speakers: Emma Fletcher from SmithsonHill spoke on behalf of the proposals. Six speakers spoke against the proposals: the Chairs of Hinxton, Pampisford and Whittlesford Parish Councils, Barbara Fagg – a resident of Hinxton - on behalf of objectors from Hinxton, myself as district councillor for Hinxton and Pampisford, and Peter Topping as district councillor for Whittlesford.

Following the public speakers, the Planning Committee members discussed the application and eventually unanimously supported delegated refusal.

SCDC Budget

South Cambridgeshire District Council's budget-setting meeting was held on 22 February. The recommendation to the Council from its cabinet is for an increase in Council Tax of £5 per year for a Band D property (pro-rata for other Council Tax bands).

The District Council decided to increase its portion of Council Tax by £5 per year for a Band D property, and proportionately for other council tax bands.

The net result for a Band D property in Hinxton is as follows

County Council	£ 1,249.83
District Council	£ 140.31
Police and Crime Commissioner	£ 198.72
Fire Authority	£ 68.76
Hinxton Parish Council	£ 76.89
Total	£ 1,734.51

South Cambridgeshire Local Plan

The six-week consultation on the main modifications required by the planning inspectors to the Local Plan has now finished. I submitted a number of comments and specifically objected to the inspectors' wish to move that part of Pampisford between London Road, the A1301 and South Terrace into the Sawston Development Framework (whilst still remaining in Pampisford Parish). We now await the inspectors' report.

Wellcome Genome Campus

The Wellcome Trust held the two community workshops on Saturday 27 January and on Tuesday 30 January at the Genome Campus. I attended the 30 January event.

The Wellcome Trust are now planning to hold two follow up community workshops: one on Saturday 17 March between 10.30 am and 2.00 pm and another on Tuesday 20 March between 4 pm and 8 pm.

Wellcome, in their own words, are 'exploring the potential for future development at Hall Farm.' They are 'exploring what future development could look like and how this could best serve the existing research community, companies and staff already operating on site and the surrounding villages, as well as any future users of the Campus.'

Uttlesford Local Plan (2011 – 2033)

I have no further update on the Uttlesford Local Plan. The next meeting of the Planning Policy Working Group is scheduled for Tuesday 17 April at 7 pm.

The Cambridge South East Transport Study (A1307)

The Greater Cambridge Partnership's 'Cambridge South East Transport Study' consultation has now started and was originally intended to run until Tuesday 3 April. However, because delivery of leaflets to villages along and near to the A1307 and proposed transport routes was adversely affected by the recent very cold weather, the consultation period has been extended until 9 April.

The two most local public exhibitions of the proposals are being held at the Abington Institute on Tuesday 13 March from 4 till 7 pm and at Sawston Village College on Wednesday 14 March, again from 4 till 7 pm.

In my view, it is important to respond to any relevant local consultation by supporting those measures and strategies that you feel are appropriate, expressing opposition to what you think is inappropriate and making suggestions about what you think is missing or could be changed.

Tony Orgee, District Councillor for Hinxton

Tony being presented with a well earned token of our appreciation by Willy Brown



Adult Education Department .. "We need you "

Adult education courses have always been very popular here at Sawston Village College. This year we would like to have a broader range of subjects. Therefore, the challenge is to find tutors! We are currently looking for tutors in the following subjects German, Mandarin, Chinese, Japanese, Russian, Portuguese, Polish, woodwork, carpentry, car/bike maintenance, willow weaving. This list of course is not exhaustive; there are so many subjects that could be offered. The key is to appeal to the local community in and around Sawston.

If you are enthusiastic and an inspiring person, and have significant subject knowledge then you could be a great tutor. Of course, teaching or training experience is preferred; however, training is available including online options.

The benefits of being an adult tutor are extensive, not only is the pay competitive at £25 per hour the personal rewards of teaching are immense.

If you would like more information please either telephone or email us The Adult Education Department

01223 712424 or email community@sawstonvc.org. Our website www.sawstonadulthood.org

Anglian Learning and Sawston Village College are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Appointments will be subject to satisfactory references and an Enhanced DBS check



WELLCOME
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Bedfordshire
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Wetlands Nature Reserve Events for 2018



Come and join the Wildlife Trust staff to learn new skills, discover exciting creatures on our **Guided Walks** and have fun helping to manage this nature reserve! Please just turn up for the Guided Walks.

There are also **two Volunteer Work Parties**, no experience is needed, all tools and gloves are provided. To book your place for either of the two Volunteer Work Party afternoons please email Iain.Webb@wildlifebcn.org

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| • Tuesday 8th May 2018, 12-1pm | General Wildlife |
| • Tuesday 15th May 2018, 12-1pm | Butterflies |
| • Tuesday 22nd May 2018, 12-1pm | Birds |
| • Tuesday 29th May 2018, 12-1pm | Reptiles |
| • Tuesday 5th June 2018, 12-1pm | Wildflowers |
| • Tuesday 12th June 2018, 12-1pm | Reptiles |
| • Tuesday 19th June 2018, 12-1pm | Insects |
| • Tuesday 26th June 2018, 12-1pm | General Wildlife |
| • Tuesday 26th June 2018, 1.30pm-4.30pm | Volunteer Work Party |
| | - Himalayan Balsam |
| • Tuesday 3rd July 2018, 12-1pm | General Wildlife |
| • Tuesday 10th July 2018, 12-1pm | Butterflies |
| • Tuesday 10th July 2018, 1.30pm-4.30pm | Volunteer Work Party |
| | - Himalayan Balsam |
| • Tuesday 17th July 2018, 12-1pm | Reptiles |



Easter Holiday Club

Tuesday 3rd April to Tuesday 17th April
8am to 6pm

Open to all children aged 4 to 14

£28 for a full day or £17.50 for half a day
Early Bird discount available until Friday 16th March

Hinxtion Village Hall, 51 High Street, Hinxtion, CB10 1QY

The DX Club is a registered Charity providing wrap-around-care at Duxford Community Primary School and a Holiday Club at Hinxtion Village Hall.

Ofsted Registration Number EY244258. Charities Commission Number 1105261.

Contact Lisa on Tel: 07855225267 or thedxclub@hotmail.co.uk

THE HUNDRED PARISHES SOCIETY

www.hundredparishes.org.uk

Spring is here!

Lengthening days indicates the approach of spring with increasing numbers of birds singing, twigs bursting into leaf and flowers opening.

With the recent unseasonably warm weather many flowers are already blooming: some are stragglers from last autumn, others are spring flowers opening early. Members of the Botanical Society of the British Isles recorded 612 different species in flower at the start of 2016 compared to 368 at the same time in 2015.

Many spring flowers have yellow petals which are highly visible to passing insects but also help to lift our spirits on dull grey days! They include colt's foot, cowslips, daffodils, dandelions, lesser celandines, primroses and winter aconites.



Another with yellow petals is the rare oxlip which is only found in a few localities within west Essex, south Cambridgeshire and Suffolk. This is a perennial plant with a rosette of leaves from which arise short stalks, each topped with a cluster of 10 to 30 pale yellow primrose-like flowers, all facing in the same direction. Sadly, this rather rare woodland plant is a threatened species as deer find its flowers very tasty.

However, colonies of this beautiful plant can be seen in two of the nature reserves managed by Essex Wildlife Trust - Shadwell Wood near Saffron Walden and West Wood near Thaxted. Coppice management provides ideal conditions for oxlips as well as many other springtime species, so these woods are well worth a visit in the coming weeks.

Further details of these and other reserves can be found on the Essex Wildlife Trust website: www.essexwt.org.uk. The What's On page at www.hundredparishes.org.uk lists occasional opportunities to help in conservation work there and at other local nature reserves.

Tricia Moxey
Trustee.



April Greetings to Hinxtton Villagers from all at The Red Lion Inn

Some dates for your diary:

Free Coffee Morning - Any Village Spring
Cleaners Welcome
Saturday 14th April

Dining in the Dark: Friday 11th May (later
than originally posted)
We are hosting our 9th - three course dinner, of
which starters and puddings are a blind tasting
competition - raising money for CamSight.

"Pint of Theatre" is back!
Save the Dates ..
Saturday 19th May 2 course dinner and 50
minutes of theatre £27
(Friday 27th April at the Black Bull)

**"Pint of Jazz" Friday nights return to The
Black Bull**
- next date Claudette
Friday 11th May -
see website for dates

We look forward to welcoming
you & your friends
Kind regards Alex, Nikol, Janice,
Jordan, Shane and the teams

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ROSEMARY'S RAMBLINGS

For many gardeners April is their favourite month. Spring flowers are often at their best, summer bedding plants are on sale and plants in the borders seem to grow by the day.

Jobs to think about now; refresh container plants by scraping off the top 5cms of compost, pushing in some slow release fertiliser pellets then topping up with fresh compost. If the compost is a solid block your plant has become pot bound, so get a bigger pot or cut back 20% of the roots by a quarter and then replant in fresh compost and feed and water generously.

All trees, perennials, shrubs and containers will benefit from a feed of blood fish and bone. Spring is the time to hard prune buddleia and dogwoods. If perennials have grown too large or overcrowded, lift and divide them, they will look a bit thin to start with but it is amazing how quickly they bulk up.

Other jobs are, to plant up hanging baskets and keep them in the greenhouse or porch. Hardy annuals need to be hardened off, put them in a sheltered place and keep fleece to hand in case of cold nights.

Check your mower now before the queue builds at the

repairers. If you dream of a bowling green lawn the cylinder mower is the one for you. If you are happy with a good general-purpose lawn then a rotary mower is fine. For smaller lawns a battery model is an excellent choice because they are lighter and smaller. If you have a push mower and are under 80 you will get a good result plus a lovely old-fashioned sound for the neighbours.

In the vegetable garden protect brassicas such as cabbages or cauliflowers with collars against cabbage root fly. Erect plastic screens to deter carrot fly. Earth up early potatoes to protect them from frost and light and plant main crop potatoes.

Composting Quiz.....answers next time.

Which of the following is it okay to compost?

Bindweed/Hair/Coal ash/Eggshells/Newspapers
Cooked food scraps/Egg boxes



Sunday, April 8,
celebrating the start of **Parkinson's Awareness Week.**

Entry fees are £10 for adults and £5 for entrants who are 16 years or under.

The event is in aid of those in the Cambridge area who are living with Parkinson's. Money raised from registration fees and individual sponsorship efforts will be a vital support for the branch and its members.

For more details and to register online, go to the following link:
www.active.com/cambridge/running/tulip-fun-run-2018.

All entrants, walkers or runners, must register
Everyone must make the appropriate payment and tick the disclaimer statements.

Whether you walk or run the course the Tulip Fun-Run starts and
finishes at the David Rayner Building, in the grounds of Scotsdale's Garden Centre, in Great Shelford (CB22 5JT).

RECIPE RELAY



When Mike asked if I might like to organise 'Recipe Relay', I knew that the first person many villagers would want a recipe from was Debbie Harris. Both Debbie and her sister Ros were born in our house, in the time that it was the gamekeeper's cottage. They are both excellent cooks, and Ros's steak and kidney pudding and Debbie's cheese scones are legendary. At the recent Peterhouse Christmas concert Hinxtonians provided a buffet supper for the choristers. One of the sopranos expressed concern. "Last year there were some really tasty cheese scones." she said "I've been telling everyone about them and now I can't find any." It was almost a wail. Fortunately there they were, snuggling beneath a paper napkin.

Broad smiles all round.

Linda



"I have been making these cheese scones for many years. I learned how to make them from my auntie Joan who was a pastry cook. She never weighed anything, so neither did I. When Linda asked me for the recipe I had to make some scones specially so that I could weigh the ingredients!"

"You can grate the cheese and measure out the dry ingredients the night before if you want to get ahead.

I use Red Leicester but you could use any hard cheese.

I hope you enjoy making and eating these cheese scones."

Debbie

Cheese Scones

Makes about 14

Ingredients

8oz self raising flour

1 teaspoon dry mustard powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

4oz lard, cut up (or you could use butter)

Small mug of 1/2 milk, 1/2 water, mixed with a beaten egg

8oz Red Leicester cheese

Method

Preheat oven to 375F, 180C, 170C fan, gas mark 5

Rub fat into flour

Add mustard powder and 6oz of the cheese

Mix with the beaten egg/milk mixture until you have a soft dough

Turn out onto floured board

Cut out rounds with a small cutter, and use your hands to gently 'puff them up a bit'

Place on greased baking tray, brush tops with a little more milk, and sprinkle the reserved cheese over

Cook for 10 - 15 minutes

HINXTON EVENTS ~ April 2018

Notable Future Dates

1st	Sunday	Easter Sunday 10.00 am Festival Eucharist
2nd	Monday	EASTER MONDAY BANK HOLIDAY
3rd	Tuesday	EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB P.20
4th	Wednesday	Great Chesterford & District Gardening Society AGM & plant sale Ickleton Village Hall 8pm
5th	Thursday	 Green & Blue Bin collection
6th	Friday	Hinxton Walkers 9:30 Village Hall
7th	Saturday	
8th	Sunday	8.00 Holy Communion TULIP FUN RUN p. 22
9th	Monday	
10th	Tuesday	 Black Bin collection
11th	Wednesday	
12th	Thursday	
13th	Friday	
14th	Saturday	V I L L a g e C l e a n U p Door to door collection for The Children's Society
15th	Sunday	10.00 Parish Communion
16th	Monday	
17th	Tuesday	 Green & Blue Bin collection
18th	Wednesday	12.20-12.30 Mobile Library at the War Memorial
19th	Thursday	
20th	Friday	
21st	Saturday	
22nd	Sunday	8.00 Holy Communion 2:30 Plant & Book Sale at Littlebury Church
23rd	Monday	
24th	Tuesday	 Black Bin Collection HINXTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE AGM 7:30
25th	Wednesday	
26th	Thursday	TIDDLERS group at Duxford, St Peter's p.4
27th	Friday	
28th	Saturday	
29th	Sunday	10.00 JOINT FIVE PARISHES EUCHARIST - Ickleton
30th	Monday	

May 8th	Mill Clean up 10:30 p.11 Wetland Walk p.20
May 9th	Hinxton Coffee Morning
May 11th	Kimbilio Film Village Hall p.11
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May 13th	Mill Opening
May 15th	Wetland Walk p.20
May 22nd	Wetland Walk p.20
May 29th	Wetland Walk p.20
June 9th	Hinxton Annual Village Fete
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Nov 10th	<i>"Memories of the First World War."</i> Details will follow in later editions
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