Stilton Parish Council has successfully had the Gala Close planning application rejected. Now it needs your help to legally establish the long-standing public footpath across the land. Find out how on p7.
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**Scrap**

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AMENITIES PROJECT

Mark Angus (Chairman, Stilton Amenities Steering Group) presented the completed business case for the Amenities project, which was ratified by the Parish Council. Mark was thanked for the tremendous work being done by the Steering Group, whose members are giving their time and their professional expertise to push forward this massive project.

HERITAGE

In June the Parish Council met with Rick Landy and other interested residents to discuss the suggestion of using the Memorial Hall as a Heritage Centre. It is proposed to set up a Steering Group with members from the Parish Council and the History Group to further this, but first of all the Planning Department of HDC is to be consulted and a full survey of the Hall is to be commissioned.

PLANNING ISSUES

The Parish Council is concerned about encroachment by residents onto publicly owned land and is energetically pursuing HDC's planning department.

PARKING IN CHURCH STREET

Residents are to be asked to use the parking areas provided on their properties rather than the public highway.

POTHOLES

Although the County Council filled in the worst potholes, the quality of the work was appalling so complaints have been made.

DOG FOULING IN CEMETERIES

After consultation with the Parochial Church Council notices are to be placed on all gates asking dog owners to behave with respect, keep dogs on leads and clear up any mess.

Yaxley Flower Club

19th Sept Lisa Howarth Time of Mellow Fruitfulness 17th Oct Practical Evening
21st Nov Julie Woods Let the Festivities Begin 16th Jan Richard Bull Dobbies Horticulture
20th Feb Sue Sewell My Favourite Things 20th March AGM

Contact: Helen Burton (01733) 242198 or Lesley Young (01733) 240265

Meetings are held at 7:30pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month (excl. Aug & Dec) at the Yaxley British Legion, Broadway, Yaxley.
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More Choice in Social Care

Social care is provided to people who have been assessed as having substantial or critical support needs with personal care, getting meals, managing medication and staying safe.

If you need social care the County Council will arrange your care for you, but they now have a duty to offer and provide Direct Payments. Direct Payments are an alternative way of getting the care and support you need. They are cash payments made directly into a Direct Payment bank account so that you can use the money to make your own social care arrangements.

If you would like to find out more about Direct Payments visit the Your Life, Your Choice website, pick up a leaflet from your library, phone adult social care enquiries on 0345 045 5202, or contact the Cambridgeshire Direct Payment Support Service on 0845 6000 684.

www.yourlifeyourchoice.org.uk

With a Direct Payment you have more choice, control and independence about how your care is organised.
The open space in Manor Road/Apreece Way belongs to the people of Stilton and is designated as a public open space. This means it is for the enjoyment of the whole community, but this cannot be at the expense of the residents who live nearby.

INAPPROPRIATE
Over a long period of time their lives have been disturbed by inappropriate play, vandalism of fences, trees and even private gardens. Stilton Parish Council has spent taxpayer's money on fencing and planting and has also attempted to regulate the kind of play activities allowable. We have had co-operation from Cambs Constabulary, particularly PCSO Chamberlain, and from HDC's Anti-Social Behaviour Teams, but in June the police were called by local residents when a group of older youths behaved in a destructive and threatening way. The outcome was a police visit to the homes of 15 young people so that their parents could become aware of their behaviour.

PLAY NICE
Stilton Parish Council does not want to discourage our young people from outdoor play, but does ask that the older ones go to the playing field with its skate park. It is protected by CCTV and is no further from home for some children than Apreece Way (in some cases it is nearer!)

Games of football etc. should be confined to the field, not any of the open spaces in the residential part of the village. All property should be respected and if there is damage (accidents will happen) then it should be immediately reported and repairs paid for. People trying to enjoy their gardens would also appreciate less swearing and foul language.

WATCHING & LISTENING
Over the next three months the situation will be monitored and local residents consulted on what they would like to see done to the green space. Some suggestions have already been made; sell the area for affordable housing, landscape it and provide seats to make it into a small park; make it a children's play area as in Barn Close; break up the area with rock for clambering over, or leave it alone as youngsters have few play opportunities.
Stilton Parish Council’s objections to development at Gala Close are as follows:

1. **USAGE AND COSTS INCURRED**

This area of land was designated as a play area in the original planning consent but was never developed. Over the intervening 30+ years Stilton Parish Council (SPC) sought frequently to get some use for the land but never had a response. We even visited the landowner, a firm in Leicester, but without any success.

On several occasions the Parish Council had to clear the area in the interests of safety, but could never get any reimbursement of our costs. Over the years residents created a footpath across the site, that links up with the network of footpaths that criss-cross the residential areas of the village.

When the sale of the site was announced, SPC asked Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) to recognize this footpath that ran diagonally across the plot. A great number of local residents testified to using it for upwards of 30 years. The vendors and the auctioneers were aware of this legal appeal but it was brushed aside at the auction. The land was sold for £5000.

After a site meeting with SPC, CCC and the new owner, a compromise appeared to have been reached; the County’s footpaths officer and the developer suggested that the footpath should be diverted along two sides of the site and fenced. Currently, the footpath is only just over 1 metre wide but after much pressure from SPC it was on the second plans at 1.8 metres. Stilton Parish Council did not feel able to adopt it, but we were not aware that this meant the footpath would disappear altogether. We found this out by accident and asked that the Panel postpone a decision on this application to give Stilton Parish Council time to re-consult with CCC. This is a well-used footpath but its new configuration and 6 ft. high fences do have safety issues as there are a number of blind spots and reports of near-misses where push chairs and bikes have rounded corners unexpectedly. Given these disadvantages we are very anxious to revisit this issue.

2. **UNSUITABILITY**

The original planning application for three houses was opposed firstly because Stilton Parish Council felt this was too dense for the size of the plot.

3. **INACCESSIBILITY**

Access to the site is of major concern as it is totally inadequate at just over 2 metres and with no possibility of widening it. The plans envisage residents having “smart” cars which, in practice, seem highly unlikely; any purchaser is likely to own two “normal” cars. Recently a family car tried to get up the access path and got stuck, wedged between the side fences.

The implications of the narrow access are firstly that residents will park on Gala Close. This is already crowded with cars belonging to present residents (seven drives open onto Gala Close at this point). Photographs show this vividly.

Secondly, the narrow access is not only to the new houses, but also leads onto the new public footpath. This is well used by pedestrians (it is on the route to Stilton Primary School), dog walkers and cyclists.
Sawtry College students use it as they leave the school bus in nearby Norman Drive. The mix of residents’ Smart cars and other users in this confined alley is an accident waiting to happen.

Thirdly, access by emergency vehicles will not be possible.

Fourthly, during construction all vehicles and plant will have to park in Gala Close and all materials will have to be man-handled onto the site with considerable disturbance and blockage of the road, to the inconvenience over several months to local people. It seems unlikely that these can be affordable houses as construction costs will be very high.

Google Earth shows very clearly not only why this is a crazy place to try to build houses, but also the evidence of a well-trodden footpath across the site.

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**Your Support Needed!**

**HELP US SECURE THE GALA CLOSE FOOTPATH**

Stilton Parish Council's case (see opposite) for rejection of the Gala Close planning application was successfully put to the District Council by Councillor Peter Mitchell; local residents also presented detailed reasons. The rejection has encouraged Stilton Parish Council to apply for a footpath to be formally designated across the site.

Before we can do this we need a large number of residents to declare that they have used such a path for a number of years and to give their reasons for doing so. So please help us by supporting the application. It will only be granted if there is strong evidence from residents that it has been well used for at least 20 years.

There are many reasons why you might use the path; going to Stilton School or Playgroup; attending Stilton Church or using the Church Meeting Room; visiting friends or relatives, and so on. It is such a convenient thoroughfare through the houses that many people will have been using it without a second thought. Look on Google Earth (above), where the path stands out clearly.

The best way to help us convince Cambridgeshire County Council is to complete a form which can be obtained from the Clerk, Mrs Croll, 241042 or the Chairman, Olive Main 241206.

Please help by filling in the form and by persuading friends and neighbours to do the same by the end of August. We can only be successful if enough people supply the evidence.
Lest We Forget...
MARKING THE FIRST WORLD WAR CENTENARY

The British Government has announced plans to commemorate the centenary of the First World War (1914 to 1918). Coincidentally, in Stilton we are looking at ways to conserve our Memorial Hall to pass it on to future generations. On the front of the Hall is the Memorial plaque which names the Stilton men who died in both wars. They are also remembered in Stilton Church every Remembrance Sunday when their names are read out.

If we are not to forget them we need to record all the memories and experiences that have been passed down through families, photographs, medals, articles of clothing or equipment etc. This is true also of those who served but returned to Stilton after the war. There may be stories of families whose lives were affected by the war in later years. We will start with the First War, 1914 to 18, so, however little you may know, if you can offer anything please contact Olive Main (241206); olive.main@tiscali.co.uk or 8, Caldecote Road.

"Look up and swear that you'll never forget"
Siegfried Sassoon

Stilton Memorial Hall
Charges

- Hourly charge £6 / hour (minimum 2 hours)
- Child's party £35
- Adult party £60
- Commercial £12 / hour

To book the Hall, please contact the Booking Secretary:
Jade Smith  15 Woodward Close  (01733) 243691

If leaving a message, please provide a LANDLINE PHONE NUMBER and you will be contacted promptly.
(It’s very expensive having to reply to lots of mobiles!)
Church Street, Stilton

Our pre-school offers fun-play and learning for under 5’s, with close links to Stilton Primary School.

We welcome children from 2 years 9 months to our afternoon sessions.

12:30pm to 3:30pm
Monday to Thursday

From September (in the year before they start School) our children move to morning sessions where we slowly introduce more structure in preparation for school life. In the Summer Term our Rising 5’s programme includes weekly visits to Stilton Primary School.

8:45am to 11:45am
Monday to Friday

Nursery vouchers welcome
For further information
Tel: (01733) 247682

St Mary Magdalene, Stilton

Coffee Morning

Sat 31st August
10:30am - 12noon
Church Meeting Room

Charity

Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy

August 13th 10:30 - 12:30
Folksworth Village Hall

Featuring a Village History display

Tea/Coffee & Homemade Cake £1
Raffle
All welcome!

Proceeds in aid of Parkinsons and the Ladies’ Circle
AN EXCELLENT CLOSE TO THE SUMMER TERM

GOOD SPORTS

We had fantastic weather for this year's Sports Day. The children were split into teams that included pupils from each class. They took part in a range of different races including the egg & spoon race, sack race and sprints. It was great to see so many parents/carers who came to watch and then had a picnic lunch with their children on the field afterwards.

LONDON’S BURNING

Otter class have recently completed their ‘London’ topic by having their own 'Great Fire of London' in the playground. The children made houses out of boxes, with straw for the thatched roofs. From a safe distance, the children watched how the fire spread, eventually destroying all the houses.

JOLLY GREEN GIANTS

The whole school took part in our 'eco-week', with everybody learning about the importance of recycling and reusing a range of materials. Children from each class helped to plant some new flowers in our Peace Garden, and Key Stage 2 have been growing their own beans. Owl Class learnt about healthy eating and had a 'picnic on the moon' where they saw a spaceman! Children in Robin and Otter classes were treated to a visit by Uncle Bulgaria from the Wombles and went on a litter pick around the village, as part of an eco-initiative by McDonald's.

WATER BABIES

Children in Key Stage 2 have been on a trip to Barnwell Country Park, as part of this term's topic on rivers. One of the park's Rangers spoke to the children about the different types of wildlife that live in the park, and how the river and lakes are looked after. The children also learnt about identifying different plants.

STILTON’S GOT TALENT

Some of our children have also been busy representing Stilton at competitions for local schools. Three of our Year 5 children attended a Maths Challenge event in St Neots. The children had to work as a team to solve a range of maths puzzles and finished in joint third place out of 11 teams. Also, some children from our after-school netball club took part in a netball tournament at Hinchingbrooke school. They played really well, and finished second in their pool, missing semi-final qualification by only two points. All were superbly behaved and fantastic ambassadors for our school.

MOVING ON…

We rounded off our term with our leavers' service at the church and our annual leavers' assembly, where our Year 6 children gave a speech to the whole school and parents/carers about their time at Stilton. We wish all our Year 6's all the very best at their new secondary school.
Summer Bounty
MAKE THE MOST OF SEASONAL TOMATOES

The Anglo Saxons called it *Weod monath* - weed month - showing that nothing changes, least of all in *SCAN*’s garden every August!

Weather lore says that 'If the first week of August be warm, the winter will be white and long'. So this month’s recipe is an opportunity to stock the freezer with soup ready for the ‘long white winter’!

This month also sees some important anniversaries:

3rd 1942 Columbus set sail
4th 1914 First World War started
12th 1908 Model T Ford went on sale
14th 1945 End of World War Two
15th 1987 Corporal punishment banned in State schools
22nd 1483 Henry VII beat Richard III at the Battle of Bosworth
31st 1997 Princess Diana killed

Last Monday Bank Holiday (26 August 2013)

SEASONAL DELIGHTS

This is the peak month for eating fresh, local produce; animal, vegetable or fruit. There's also the choice of cooking inside or out - or of not cooking at all. Many will be able to pick fruit and vegetables from their gardens, particularly tomatoes. Why not make your own tomato soup? It's good both hot or cold.

**TOMATO SOUP**

You need:
- 2lb ripe tomatoes, cut into quarters and the central core removed
- Tomato puree
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 carrot and 1 stick celery, chopped small
- Two stock cubes

You can use other vegetables such as potatoes, or add some spices, chilies or garlic.

Heat two tablespoons of olive oil in a large pan then gently cook the onion, carrot and celery for about 10 minutes. Stir in two teaspoons of tomato puree. Add the tomatoes, a pinch of sugar and black pepper. If liked, you can add two bay leaves, basil or any other herbs.

Cook over a low heat for about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally to stop it burning. Then add two pints of stock (made with the stock cubes), bring it to the boil, then simmer gently for 20 minutes. Blend the soup or, if you don't have a blender, press it through a fine sieve.

For a summer dining al fresco, serve cold with a couple of ice cubes in each bowl, sprinkled with parsley.

It can be frozen for up to three months and served hot with cream or crème fraîche swirled over the top. You might want to add a little salt or some more sugar.
Lock Your Doors & Windows!  
DON’T BE A VICTIM OF CRIME

Warmer weather brings an increased risk of burglary as doors and windows are often left unlocked. Police offer the following advice to reduce the risk of becoming a victim:

1) Close and lock all doors and windows even if you are at home. Remove the keys but keep them handy in case of emergency.

2) Fit window restrictors for safer ventilation.

3) Use a door chain or bar before committing to answering your door.

4) Deny access to the rear of your property with high fencing, trellis and lockable gates.

5) Fit security lighting, either PIR or low-energy dusk to dawn lights.

6) Put desirable, expensive or sentimental items out of sight from doors or windows. Consider investing in an adequate safe, bolted to a solid structure within the property.

7) If you are going away for the weekend ask a family member or a good neighbour to keep an eye on your property. Consider the use of table lamps with timers to give the impression that your house is occupied.

For more information on home security:
www.cambs.police.uk
www.securebydesign.com
www.immobilise.com

Strong communities also deter burglars – make friends with your neighbours and look out for each other or join your local Neighbourhood Watch scheme. For more information about Neighbourhood Watch check the Cambs NHW website.

To report suspicious activity in your neighbourhood, call 101 or email to huntscops@cambs.pnn.police.uk. To remain anonymous call Crimestoppers on 0800-555111.
Secure Your Bike!

LOCK IT - KEEP IT

Recent weeks have seen an increase in cycle thefts locally. It has been adopted as a weekly police priority and officers are working to gather intelligence and bring offenders to justice. But you can do a lot to protect your cherished bikes.

WHERE TO PARK IT?

- Look for a secure or designated bike shelter and check to see if there are any CCTV cameras that overlook it.
- Make sure it is well lit with lots of people around if possible. Thieves don't want to be seen.
- Always remove lights, bags and any other object that can be easily removed.

USING A BICYCLE LOCK?

- A good quality D lock costs about £30-£40. A poor-quality lock can be easily sawn through or bolt-cropped in seconds.
- Always lock your bike to some immovable object that it can not be lifted over and can not be broken.
- If you can use two locks. Thieves avoid bikes with two locks as it slows them down and increase their chances of being caught.

SECURITY FOR YOUR CYCLE AT HOME?

Quite a few bikes are stolen from the home, as people leave their bikes unlocked in the garden.

Always lock your bike at home even if you are just popping in for a minute.

Lock you bike even if you store it in a shed, garage or flat.

If you have to lock your cycle outside your property, keep it out of view of prying eyes, and lock it to something immovable.

HELP POLICE REUNITE YOU WITH YOUR STOLEN BIKE

- Take several photographs of your bike, including any distinctive marks, bumps or scratches.
- Make a note of its serial number.
- Register your property at www.immobilise.com

If you have any information regarding cycle thefts, or you know anybody who is buying or selling cheap bikes, please tell the Police. e-mail huntscops@cambs.pnn.police.uk, call 101, or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

When you are at home in this warm weather you will obviously want your windows and doors open to enjoy it, but remember to make it as difficult as possible for would-be burglars. Use window locks and secure all doors and windows when you go out, even for a minute or so.
Creep Along!
STILL TIME TO JOIN THE CREEPY HOUSE READING CHALLENGE

The challenge is to read six library books over the school summer holidays, calling in to the library regularly for activities, to collect stickers and to talk about the books you have been reading.

If you meet the challenge you will be invited to a presentation ceremony in September to collect a certificate and medal.

CREEPY HOUSE CRAFT
Artist Fred White will be hosting a Creepy themed craft activity on Wednesday 21st August, from 10:30am to midday.

Tickets are available from Yaxley Library priced at £3 for one child and one adult, £5 for two children and one adult and £6 for three children and one adult.

Numbers are strictly limited so get your tickets early to avoid disappointment. If you can't make it to this session, Fred will also be visiting Sawtry Library on Thursday 8th August from 10.30am to midday. Tickets for this event are available from Sawtry Library.

RHYMETIME AND STORYTIME
Rhymetime and Storytime will now take a break until September. Look out for the dates in next month’s SCAN.

KNITTING GROUP
Our popular knitting group will be meeting in the library on alternate Thursday afternoons and new members are always welcome.

FRIENDS OF YAXLEY LIBRARY (FOYL)
The Friends of Yaxley Library are a small friendly group of people who help publicise the library and raise funds for extra equipment. Recent purchases include a new "Elmer" rug for Storytime and a new carpet for the mezzanine area.

The group is always looking for new members with fresh ideas. If you are interested in finding out more, please come along to the next meeting on Wednesday 14th August at 7pm.

COMMUNITY NAVIGATORS
Look out for a new service running from Yaxley Library on alternate Tuesday mornings. Community Navigators are local volunteers who help older people find their way to activities or services which they would enjoy or find useful.

The next visits are Tuesdays 6th and 20th August, from 10am-1pm.

Mobile Library
Wed 21 Aug
3:10 - 4:00pm
Outside The Talbot
St Mary Magdalene, Stilton

Men’s Prayer Breakfast

Sat 10th Aug
8am
Church Meeting Room

New worshippers welcome
Please telephone
Derek Foot 242761 or
Rev. Jamie Mackay 243253

St Mary Magdalene, Stilton

Wednesday Worship at Lunchtime

Holy Communion followed by a soup & bread lunch
Every 3rd Wednesday in the month

28th Aug
12:30 - 1:30pm
Church Meeting Room

Yaxley Library
OPENING TIMES

Mon 3:00 - 7:00
Tue 9:30 - 5:00
Wed CLOSED
Thu 9:30 - 5:00
Fri 9:30 - 1:30
Sat 9:30 - 1:30

Renewals & enquiries:
(0345) 045 5225
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library

The Haven
AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB
Will be opening at The Junction this year due to a new boiler being fitted in the school.

Open from 24th July to 9th August
Opening times are 8am to 5:30

Julie Richards
Haven tel: (01733) 244878
Mobile: 07753 417619
Macmillan Cancer Support in Cambridgeshire

Every day in Cambridgeshire, 10 people are diagnosed with cancer

Macmillan Cancer Support are there to support people affected by cancer medically, emotionally, practically and financially. We are calling for people in Cambridgeshire to get involved, whether it's volunteering your time, finding out what's happening in your local community, organising your own event or simply making a donation please call us on 0300 1000 200 (Mon Fri 9am-5pm) or email fundraising@macmillan.org.uk to help us ensure no one faces cancer alone.

WE ARE MACMILLAN. CANCER SUPPORT

If you, or a loved one is affected by cancer please call our free phone support line on 0808 808 00 00 (Mon-Fri 9am-8pm) or visit www.macmillan.org.uk

Stilton Over 60's Club

23 members went on the outing to Springfields at Spalding last month. The shopping trips to Morrisons and Downtown have proved to be very popular; further trips are planned for later in the year.

Diary Date!

The outing to Melton Mowbray will be on Tuesday 1st October, the cost will be £10 for members and £11 for non members.

The club meets on Friday afternoons
from 2-4pm in the Church Meeting Room

For more details of meetings and outings
please contact Sylvia Ward 242457 or Doreen Clark 242643
Beyond the Bounds

Walk for Marie Curie
WALK TEN AND HELP THIS LEADING CANCER CARE CHARITY

With all the current concerns about the quality of care in the NHS, the work of caring charities like Marie Curie Cancer Care takes on a new level of importance. Timely then that a group of staff from Eurovia Group's Specialist Treatments division, (aka Ringway) based in Stilton should be raising funds for Marie Curie.

The group - Karen Streeter, Lorraine Ward, Mattia Barraco and Emma Andrew - are taking Walk Ten, a 10km walk taking place on Saturday 17th August around the gardens and woodlands at Grimsthorpe Castle.

Karen Streeter said "I have lost family members and friends to cancer and Marie Curie were there for some of them. If I can take part in this 10km walk and raise money for them to continue doing this amazing job, it's the least I can do."

Marie Curie is looking for even more participants to sign up to the 10km challenge. So if you feel like a healthy walk, in good company, to raise well-deserved sponsorship, you can register at: www.mariecurie.org.uk/grimsthorpe or by phoning the events team on 0845 052 4184.

Following the walk there will be live music, fire POI and a fireworks show to close. Registration is £10 per person (children under 16 go free.) Participants will receive a free Walk Ten t-shirt. It’s a family event so dogs (on leads) are welcome.

ABOUT MARIE CURIE CANCER CARE

Marie Curie Cancer Care is one of the UK's largest charities. Employing more than 2,700 healthcare professionals, it provided care to more than 31,000 terminally ill patients and is the largest provider of hospice beds outside the NHS.

Around 70% of its income comes from the generous support of thousands of individuals, membership organisations and businesses.

MAJOR SPONSOR

Home emergency and repairs service provider, HomeServe, is also sponsoring the Walk Ten event, pledging to donate £500,000 in cash (which will pay for 25,000 hours of Marie Curie nursing care) and £500,000 worth of free home emergency cover to Marie Curie patients by March 2013. HomeServe are already well over half way to fulfilling this, having donated £650,000.
ShapeYourPlace is a set of local blogging websites, hosted by the county council and signed-up partners (who include district councils, police and fire services) It also features blog posts about community events, groups and local interest stories.

It’s been very successful in Ramsey, working with the Ramsey Millions project and police to get behind their campaign for a skatepark. It’s had highways issues resolved quickly and also supports volunteer organisations, libraries and schools by providing free advertising for their events.

Our contact on the scheme is Ashley Whittaker (pictured.) She’s keen to make contacts in the Stilton area and to help us make use of the new facility.

If you'd like to learn more about how www.ShapeYourPlace.org can support your volunteer organisation or community group, or you'd like to share your community's big story, raise awareness of local issues or just share good news about what goes on where you live, you can contact Ashley on 01223 703537 or email: ashley.whittaker@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

If you need help promoting your activities on the site, Ashley will come out to meet you. She can offer training one-to-one or in larger groups to show you how to raise issues or publish blogs on the site.

Projects partners are required to respond within 10 working days to issues raised that concern their particular areas of responsibility, so if you do have a issue, you can be sure that it will be listened to.

www.shapeyourplace.org
Norman Cross Prison Depot
1797 - 1814

Open to the public: 14th - 15th September 2013
Guided tours at 11:00am and 2:00pm

These tours will tell the story of this Napoleonic war prison, the men who were held there, and the men who guarded them. The prison had a major impact upon the local community and this aspect of the local history and heritage will be included in the story. Come and hear about stories of the human character, dramatic escapes, disease, and the legacy these prisoners of war have left.

Admission free
Refreshments available

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### The Stilton Diary

**What to do, where to do it & who to do it with!**

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**Where to do it & who to do it with!**

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Come and see a Hidden Treasure!

An English masterpiece makes a rare public appearance

Peterborough Museum

22-27 August

One of the great masters of British landscape painting, J.M.W. Turner painted a watercolour of Peterborough Cathedral c.1795 when he was a young artist.

![Turner's watercolour of Peterborough Cathedral]

One of the Museum's most evocative pieces, for conservation reasons this early work cannot be displayed regularly, or for any length of time, so this is a unique opportunity to gaze upon a true hidden treasure.

No need to book - just drop in!

Admission is FREE
(except on special event days when Museum admission charges apply)

It’s not only Turner’s work that will be on display. Medieval logboats, elephant skulls and rare Chinese ceramics are just some of the artefacts that will be accessible to the public during Hidden Treasures week.

Cabinets of previously unseen curiosities and secret storerooms will be open to view, with expert guides ready to give you a great personal tour.

For more information, call Peterborough Museum on 01733 864 663, email museum@vivacity-peterborough.com or visit www.vivacity-peterborough.com

The exhibition is part of the national 'Hidden Treasures' campaign, run by museum charity the Collections Trust, with media partner The Independent.

For more information, visit www.hiddentreasures.org.uk,
Parish Meeting Room

The Parish Room will be open from 10am to 11am immediately following Parish Council meetings, which are on the Wednesday following the second Tuesday in the month. If you want to speak with the Clerk at any other time, please make an appointment. Planning applications can be viewed by appointment; telephone (01733) 229130.

HIRING THE ROOM

The Meeting Room is available for hire between 9am and 10:30pm Monday to Saturday; Sunday hours by arrangement. A booking form and conditions of hire are available from the Clerk to Stilton Parish Council.

The Room seats up to 20 people, ideal for small clubs or committee meetings. It has broadband, a kitchen area and toilet suitable for use by disabled people. Users should note that smoking is not permitted in any part of the building or in the surrounding cemetery.

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St Mary Magdalene, Stilton
Activities For Parents and Children

Drop in and try these:

Tuesday 9am: Children’s Fun Dance
Wednesday 9am: Drop in for a drink and chat
1st Wednesday: Children’s Songs
Friday 9am: Linking Hands
Sunday 11am: 2nd Sunday LinCup Café worship
4th Sunday Family Worship

Growing together in Worship - Reaching out with Christian Love
The CQC is the independent regulator of all health and social care in England. They monitor, inspect and regulate all hospitals, care homes, home-care agencies, GP practices and dental practices.

By law, all GP practices in England must make sure that the care and treatment they provide meet national standards of quality and safety.

Yaxley Group Practice is registered with the CQC and we are currently waiting on an inspection to make sure that we are meeting the national standards.

The CQC are always keen to hear about your experiences of care. It helps them to decide when, where and what to inspect. You can tell them about any concerns that you may have even if you did not want to complain to the practice.

They also want to hear about good experiences of care. You can get in touch with them by filling in ‘Share your experience’ form online at www.cqc.org.uk or you can phone the CQC on 03000 616161 or you can write to them at the following address:

Care Quality Commission
Citygate, Gallowgate
Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4PA

Appointments Missed

During June 56 Nurses’ appointments were missed. If you are unable to keep your appointment with a member of the Nursing Team then please contact Reception.

Your cooperation would be appreciated.

Thank you

Staff News

The District Nursing Team would like to welcome Vicky Loizou who joined them on the 8th July; Vicky is a Community Staff Nurse who will be working four days a week.

Caroline Cushen also joined our IT/Secretariat/Admin team on Monday 8th July. We hope they both enjoy working with us all at YGP.

REGISTRARS

We would like to welcome Dr. Stephanie Wills who starts with us on the 7th August and will be with us for one year. We, also welcome back to Dr. Mitesh Thanki who will be at YGP for four months. We hope they enjoy their time with us.

Dr. Saber Alemi left us on the 24th July; we wish him well in the future.

Diary Dates

CARER SUPPORT GROUP MEETING

The next meetings of the Carer Support Group will be on Wednesdays 7th August and 4th September 2013 between 2pm - 4pm in the Health Education Room.

We are always keen to welcome any carer to our small but friendly group. For more information please speak to Linda in the Patients’ Library. All carers are welcome to attend.
BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE
We will be closed for the Late Summer Holiday on Monday 26th August 2013. The surgery will be open on Saturday 24th August in the morning only.

HALF-DAY CLOSING
The practice will be closed on Wednesday 18th September from 1pm to 4pm.

AGE WELL CLUB
There are no meetings of the Age Well Club during August; the club will re-start on Tuesday 3rd September.

FULL OF BEANS
The Full of Beans class restarts after the August Break on Monday 2nd September.

The Patients Association recently held its first committee meeting of 2013/14. It was able to elect officers to most of the main posts but, following the resignation after 12 years of service of the previous holder, was unable to find a secretary. If anyone is interested in taking on this important voluntary position please contact either Linda Smith at the Surgery on 01733 240478 or Peter Leaton on 07780915266.

The committee works hard, acting as a critical friend to the healthcare professionals at the Surgery and also arranging fund-raising events to buy extra equipment for the benefit of patients cared for by the Yaxley Health Centre.

It meets every six weeks and also tries to organise 2-3 events each year, some of which are profit-making while others provide good social occasions for local people.

Please come and join us! We are a very friendly group and the work we do is invaluable to the patients using the Yaxley Practice.

Peter Leaton
Chairman - Patients’ Association

Patient Secretary Wanted!
PATIENTS’ ASSOCIATION SEeks A NEW SECRETARY

Stilton Stumblers
Summer / Autumn Itinerary

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**Weekend Away! Matlock 5 & 6 October**

Our regular walks are between 5 - 8 miles and meet at 10:00am at The Pump

For more information about Stumbling, visit http://stumblers.stilton.org or call Jan on 07740 167377 (mobile) - or just turn up on the day with your boots on!
Huntingdonshire Patient Congress

Huntingdonshire Patients' Congress is a body created jointly by the Huntingdonshire Patients' Experience Group and NHS England (Cambridgeshire).

Its role is to facilitate consultation in both directions between the wider NHS, its associated bodies and sub-contractors, and the patients of all the GP practices within the Huntingdonshire catchment to achieve a consensus on patient views. This will include:

- Dissemination of information and consultation documents on events, proposals, changes or other key facts.
- Dissemination of the views of patients to NHS Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, and if appropriate, to other organisations within or associated with the NHS.
- Ensuring that the wider NHS is kept informed of the consensus of patient views throughout the catchment.
- Seeking responses from the wider NHS to views expressed and questions raised by patients.
- Networking with a wide range of individuals, communities, groups, organisations and services relevant to patients in the catchment.
- Identifying HPC patients who are willing to serve on working parties established by or with NHS Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, including but not limited to strategic future or operational issues.

Any patient can attend HPC meetings, which are held in the Oak Tree Centre. A timetable is shown below. If you are interested in representing the surgery at these meetings please let me know.

- Tue 10 Sept 6:30 - 8:30pm
- Thur 14 Nov 6:30 - 8:30pm

MMR Vaccinations

A national MMR "catch up" programme is now underway in response to increasing outbreaks of measles.

As part of this, we have invited patients born between 1 Jan 1997 and 31 Dec 2003 to attend for vaccination if their records indicate that they have not previously had any MMR vaccinations. If your child has previously had single vaccines it is still recommended to have two full MMRs for full protection against measles. We will be inviting patients who fall into this category in due course.

We can also provide the vaccination to any patient born on or before 31 Dec 1998 who has not previously been vaccinated or acquired natural immunity, particularly those under 30 who are unlikely to have acquired immunity. Patients in this group should contact our reception team and make an appointment to see one of our practice nurses.

Flu Clinic 2013

Our Flu Clinic for this year will be held on Saturday 5th October. Please make a note of this date in your diaries. Further details will be made available nearer the time.

Mrs Claire Wright
Practice Manager