May Day Mayhem

FOX FOOD
A REPORT ON OUR NEW LOCAL RESTAURANT

TUNED UP NEW CONCERT PROGRAMME OFF TO A FLYING START

BIRD-WATCHING
SAVE THE SPOTTED FLYCATCHER

WELCOME!
TWO NEW PARISH COUNCILLORS TAKE UP THE REINS

JURY SERVICE!
SING ALONG TO G&S

Just as mad as ever, Cheese-Rolling 2017 was a great success with more stalls than ever attracting a huge, good-natured crowd. Report and pictures on page 6.
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With great regret the Parish Council received the resignation of Dee Darnell. Her contribution to the fitting out of the Pavilion will be greatly missed, and also the great help of Keith Bull. Both have been involved in the provision of community facilities as they were part of the Village Appraisal group which was the start of the building project way back at the start of this century.

NEW MEMBERS

Simon Steward and Mark Angus are joining the Parish Council.

Simon lives in Mill Road, having returned to the village after a few years absence. He runs his own business in Peterborough and will bring financial and I.T. skills.

Mark Angus is chair of the Project Group and will contribute his professional knowledge to the work that still needs to be done to complete the first stage of the project.

STILL TWO VACANCIES

We still need two more Parish Councillors. If you would like to know more or feel unsure about applying please contact Olive Main (241206) or Chris Walford (241376). To make an application please send a CV and a letter explaining why you would like to become a parish councillor to Mary Croll (Clerk) 10 Caldecote Road Stilton.

Diary of Events

If you have a one-off event fixed in the next few months please contact the editor - 241206 or olivekmain@gmail.com

JUNE

2nd Antarctica talk
10th Trial by Jury singalong
18th Stilton in Tune concert
24th Stilton Village Market

JULY

8-12th Twinning visit from St Christol
8th Wyton Band Concert

SEPT

22-24th Twinning weekend visit to France

OCTOBER

2nd Harvest Festival and lunch
15th Stilton Church Quiz Night

DECEMBER

10-11th Stilton Church Xmas Festival

MAKE SURE YOU TELL US!

We’ll keep this list up to date with what people tell us about. So if you find your event double-parked with somebody else’s it’ll be because someone didn’t bother to tell SCAN! And remember, telling SCAN also means we can list it on the village website.
Election News

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS MAY 4

Mayor of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

James Palmer (Conservative) elected

Cambridgeshire County Council

Sawtry and Stilton Ward: Simon Bywater (Conservative) elected

GENERAL ELECTION THURSDAY JUNE 8

North West Cambridgeshire Constituency

Voting 7am - 10pm at Stilton Pavilion

Candidates:

- Greg Guthrie  Green Party
- Ian Ramsbottom  Labour
- Bridget Smith  Liberal Democrats
- Shailesh Vara  Conservative
- John Whitby  UKIP

Don’t Miss!

Definitely an event not to be missed, the RAF Wyton Band concert on Saturday 8th July marks the first event in a special programme to celebrate 20 years since the twinning charter was signed with St Christol les Alès.

Stilton will be welcoming a group of 35 from St Christol to mark this milestone. Even if you’re not active in the Twinning Association it will still be an enjoyable event - and perhaps a chance to make new friends? So come and join in! Details on p36.

Ortons Rotary Club

One of the largest service organisations in the world, The Rotary Foundation has more than 1.2 million business and professional men and women who help those in need. Its projects benefit the underprivileged, the ill and the disabled, and it gives more than $169 million every year for educational and humanitarian programmes.

Its Ortons branch has an active programme of both charitable and social activities, and welcomes new members. To learn more, go to www.ortonrotary.org or contact them on 07812 749 500.

Oh, Bollards

CRIMINAL DAMAGE

Can you help us please?

Some kind soul(s) seem to get enjoyment from filling the security bollard socket to the Pavilion bridleway with dirt and other debris (some disgusting). This has happened on five occasions now and has also required the replacement of the lock at over £100.

This is criminal damage. We have CCTV coverage and will publish images if necessary. Meanwhile, if you hear anything, please have a word in the appropriate ear!

LOST PROPERTY

Found at Cheese-Rolling:

- A pair of sunglasses
- A key
- An umbrella

Contact Olive Main (01733) 241206
STILTON PARISH COUNCIL

Appointment of Responsible Financial Officer

To take office on 1st August 2017 when our current RFO leaves after 20 years of service. The post involves working from home, is part-time, taking on average 25 hours per month and attending the monthly meetings of Stilton Parish Council on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm in the Parish Room; also attendance at two meetings of the Finance and General Purposes Committee. The present RFO will ensure full briefing and an orderly handover.

The remuneration will be fixed depending on qualifications and experience.

Please send a CV and a covering letter explaining why you would like this job. Please give the names and contact details of two referees. Applications will close on May 31st and should be sent to:

Mrs Mary Croll (Clerk)
10 Caldecote Road, Stilton, Peterborough, PE7 3RH
stiltonpc@yahoo.co.uk

DUTIES

1. To maintain all financial records, monitor income and expenditure against the approved budget
2. To prepare financial records for monthly meetings of Stilton Parish Council (SPC)
3. To prepare payments due for submission to SPC
4. To prepare a draft annual budget and precept recommendation for the next year for the annual budget meeting
5. To prepare and submit the annual financial return and accounts for formal audit, liaising with the external and internal auditors
6. To manage SPC's payroll, including PAYE, NI and superannuation
7. To maintain VAT and PAYE records and liaise with HMRC
8. To maintain the banking arrangements
9. To maintain the Parish Council Asset Register and ensure it is updated as required
10. To attend meetings of the SPC and report to the Parish Council Chairman
The day dawned dark and dreary, but our willing team pushed on and constructed the course; Adam Vickers and his team set up the impressive sound equipment; the rides and stalls all came and - hey presto - by 10:30 a weak sun was shining as the May Day Celebrations started.

From then on, it just got better and better. The crowds turned out - over 3000 was the official estimate. By dint of persuasion teams were put together and an enjoyable and generally peaceful day ensued. But, as usual, this only happened because of much hard work in the months leading up to May Day, largely by Carol Warren, with Olive Main backing her up. They bring together a larger group who work very hard on the day so that all the plans are realized. Thanks go to the following:

Organizers Carol Warren, Olive Main
Construction Keith and Kate Gipson, Ian and Erica Constable, Peter Warren
Comperes Adam Vickers, Gary Albone
May Queen Carol and Emily Warren, Lesley Kirk

May Garland Stilton Guides
Sound Adam Vickers, Spencer and Jordan, (Angel Spice electricity)
Publicity Olive Main, Carol Warren, Emily Warren, Clare Albone
Security Olive Main, Carol Warren, Pubwatch (the local shops and pubs)
Road Management Cambs County Council
Ringway, Stilton Depot

SPONSORS

Stilton Cheese Makers Association (Long Clawson) for the adult team prizes.
The Bell Inn for individual winners’ cups
The Talbot, The Stilton Cheese, The Tunnels for liquid prizes
Stilton and District Twinning Association for the Junior Championship prizes.
Tesco Hampton

Spring Fever
ANOTHER FANTASTIC CHEESE-ROLLING EVENT!
MAKING IT ALL WORK

Referees  
Tom Carrington  
Martin Pearce

Race Control  
Airlie Main

First Aid  
St John's Ambulance

Café Royale  
Peter and Linda Mitchell  
and Stilton Church

Our retiring referees Tom and Martin celebrating after 10+ years of keeping order!

ENTERTAINMENTS

Pig Dyke Molly,  
Harmony Twirling Team,  
Magic Dave,  
Thomas Dunleary,  
Derek Vickers

CLEARING UP

Carol, Emily & Tilly Warren. Keith & Kate Gipson, and Erica & Ian Constable all wielded brushes and carted bags of refuse. This was briefly interrupted by a search for a lost child and later by a road accident near Norman Cross.

A welcome accolade came from one resident - 'it's much cleaner now than normal' while another lady thanked the team for the rapid clean-up, all done by 6pm.

THE BOYS IN BLUE

We are now an 'unpoliced' event so are grateful to Cambridgeshire Constabulary for their response to calls. Particular thanks go to the two officers who were called in to a road closure issue, were present during the search for the missing child and attended the road accident. Their professionalism was much in evidence and their praise for the impeccable organization of the event was most welcome.

NATIONAL FAME

Every year Stilton Cheese Rolling features in the national media; this year there was a feature in 'Woman' magazine; a mention in the Times newspaper; and an hour-long appearance on Huntingdon Community Radio.

On the day, Peterborough Evening Telegraph came as usual, but also Reuters, the international news agency, sent a video crew - only for a brief visit but they stayed for four hours! So we blagged a video of the occasion for the Stilton website - see it on www.stilton.org/cheese-rolling. It even features a cameo appearance by SCAN!
Stilton Cheese Rolling
2017 Results
MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS

May King & Queen
Felix Brook
Emily Jackson

Princesses
Keira Dunleary
Charlotte Goodwin

Chauffered to the arena in a splendid 1934 Morris 12/4 pre-series sliding head saloon.

JUNIOR CHEESE ROLLING
Sponsored by Stilton and District Twinning Association

1 BMX Buddies
2 Four Diamonds

LADIES’ CHEESE ROLLING
1 Anna's Girls
2 Pig Dyke Molly 1

BEST DRESSED TEAMS
Sponsored by Tesco Serpentine Green

Junior Dead Nation and Four Seasons
Senior Stilton Supergirls

MEN’S CHAMPIONSHIP

1 Talbot Royal Rollers
2 Stilton Sombreros

This result broke the long run of success enjoyed by the Stilton Sombreros. Better luck next year guys!

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS
Talbot Royal Rollers

2017 Cheese-Rolling Champions the Talbot Royal Rollers celebrating after breaking the Stilton Sombreros’ extraordinary run of successes.
THE MAY GARLAND

Stilton Guides follow an ancient May Day tradition, collecting in a decorated basket round the crowd. This year they raised over £100 for their funds, which will go towards camping and other activities.

Some years ago the late Mrs Marilyn Starling and Mrs Ann Foot told the Guides all about the custom of parading the May Garland round the village on May Day. They remembered the following poem which is now always recited by the girls as they carry the garlanded basket around:

Good morning Lords and Ladies
It is the 1st of May
We hope you view our garland
It is so bright and gay.
The road is very dusty
Our shoes are very thin
But we have a little box to put our money in.

Well done to Anna’s Girls!
More pictures of the event on www.stilton.org
One of the most satisfying aspects of running Cheese-Rolling is the opportunity it provides for local charitable organisations to promote their work and raise much-needed funds.

One ‘new kid on the block’ this year was NGNPUK, which raises money for syringe drivers in the local communities. What’s a syringe driver, you ask? It’s a small computerised machine that can be programmed to give patients a measured dose of pain relief or other drugs during palliative care. They can help patients remain at home with loved ones instead of going into hospital or a hospice. But they cost an eye-watering £1100 each.

Over the last two years the NGNPUK team have donated an extra 12 machines, which have been in constant use. At Cheese-Rolling they managed to raise a total of £188 towards another syringe driver to be used by district nurses out in the communities.

One machine can help many patients during its working lifetime, so every pound raised has a big multiplier in terms of its benefit. So we’re pleased to pass on a Big Thank You to everyone who supported their stall.

To learn more about NGNPUK, visit www.facebook.com/ngnpuk/ or their website at http://ngnpuk.weebly.com/

Lucky winner of NGNPUK’s hamper of booze, Bruce Hurst, poses with Sadie who ran the stall with her partner Grant.

Our ‘Royal Family’

We couldn’t close this report without a picture of Stilton’s delightful May Day Royal Family 2017.

May King Felix Brook and May Queen Emily Jackson were attended by Princesses Keira Dunleary and Charlotte Goodwin. Make you proud, don’t they?
STILTON PARISH COUNCIL

Caretaker/Cleaner for Stilton Pavilion

14 hours per week (flexible) at £8 per hour. Hours worked will accommodate the requirements of users and may include weekends when there are bookings. This may mean late night attendance.

The person appointed will work with the Facilities Manager, users and volunteers to maintain the highest standards of presentation and cleanliness, and will have knowledge of Health & Safety, security, hygiene and environmental health issues; security, alarms, heating & ventilation and lighting systems. (Training will be available if needed).

Please apply in writing to the Clerk to Stilton Parish Council (Mrs Croll), 10 Caldecote Road, Stilton PE7 3RH by 19th April, including the names and contact details of TWO referees.

JOB DESCRIPTION

(To be reviewed in six months in the light of experience.)

1. Remove the security bollard before the first letting of the day; unlock and prepare the building for the first letting, ensuring the building is heated, any necessary cleaning done and furniture arranged.

2. Carry out any minor works/repairs needed

3. Remove any refuse

4. Order cleaning materials and other consumables

5. Operate all mechanical and electrical equipment, including floor polisher
2016/17 has been a significant year for the school with many important developments, writes Chair of Governors, Paul Springford.

After a spell covering the maternity leave of our previous head, Mrs Charlotte MacLeod was appointed as permanent head teacher for September 2016. The teaching staff was increased to enable all children to be taught in year groups during morning sessions. All vacancies on the governing body have been filled. This year there are 184 children on roll, an increase of 12 since 2014. The school is close to capacity and, unfortunately, it has not been possible to accommodate all the children whose families arrived in Stilton in mid-year.

Over the last two years, staff have had to respond to new curriculum and assessment requirements, often coping with a lack of detailed information from the national authorities. Working with schools in neighbouring villages has helped the school to deal effectively with these challenges.

After careful analysis of the 2016 test results, the school developed an action plan and has been working closely with local authority and teaching school advisers to identify strategies which will lead to rapid improvement in any areas of underperformance. The school was able to secure £12,500 additional funding to provide training and support to staff.

Significant refurbishment of our kitchen and library areas is having an impact already.

Friends of Stilton School raised £6000 to support the library improvements. There are also plans to improve the indoor and outdoor areas used by the early years children.

Community links continue to be a high priority. Stilton Parish Council is asked to identify a suitable person to be appointed to the school's governing body. That position is currently held by Mrs Main. The school contributed to planning and fundraising for the new pavilion. The relationship with St Mary Magdalene Church is very healthy. Our new vicar, Rev Richard Gibbs, has been heavily involved in school life and Messy Church has been an important new development.

The annual budget for Stilton School this year was approximately £730,000. Compared to other areas, schools in Cambridgeshire have been underfunded for many years. The Government is consulting on a new national funding formula which is supposed to result in a fairer settlement for all schools. Governors were dismayed to learn that the proposed formula would result in a reduction for Stilton School instead of a significant increase. The school has made the Dept for Education aware of our concerns and has asked our MP, Shailesh Vara, to support our campaign.

The governors are about to begin working on a vision for the school over the next three to five years. If anyone has views on how the school should develop, we would be pleased to hear them.
I am pleased to report that our first *Stilton in Tune* charity keyboard concert at the Stilton Pavilion on Sunday 16th April was a great success, *writes Tony Oliver*. We were able to donate £240 towards the running of the facility. Being our first event here we were totally unaware of what the attendance might be and the 55 was higher than expected. It was very rewarding to see how the afternoon of music played by Pete Shaw was appreciated by the audience, which included many I knew from the organ and keyboard world as well as a lot of new faces who I hope will return for future concerts. The aim is for these events to be free and easy and for people to enjoy both the music and the social side of things.

Our second concert on Sunday 21st May featured Dutch musician DirkJan Ranzijn, whose style is different from Pete's with a lot of humour. This was too late for the *SCAN* deadline so I hope next month to report another success as, once again, the proceeds will be going to the Pavilion.

Our third concert will be on Sunday 18th June, commencing at 2:30pm (doors open at 2pm) and will feature the young keyboard magician Elizabeth Harrison. Elizabeth is responsible for starting these charity concerts as she has her own very successful series in Lancashire from where she hails. Her excellent playing and tales of her very busy life are sure to please so we would be delighted to see an even bigger audience enjoying the afternoon.

The format of these concerts is that the artiste plays for one hour, followed by a refreshment break for a choice of tea, coffee, fruit juice and biscuits together with a raffle. The show recommences at around 4pm, finishing at approximately 5 o'clock, so you have two and a half hours of relaxing entertainment for just £7.50 per person!

We do hope that we will see you there for a great afternoon’s entertainment in support of the great new centre.

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**Twinning Diary Dates**

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If you are interested in any Twinning events or in becoming involved in the Association please contact Chris Walford on 241376.

Funds raised by the Association provide for travel grants for young people on exchange visits to St Christol and activities here when groups visit from St Christol.
Come and Sing G&S!
WHO SAYS ‘JURY SERVICE’ CAN’T BE FUN?

Do you enjoy singing? Do you especially enjoy singing Gilbert & Sullivan? Or would you just like to listen to the music of G&S in Stilton’s wonderful new pavilion?

On Saturday 10th June, local singer Nickie Kenning is organising a performance of Trial by Jury, the popular G&S one-act comic operetta. And you can be there! See the advert on p37 for details.

Nickie runs a refuge in the Philippines for abused children: Bahay ng Pag-Asa, the aptly named House of Hope. All proceeds of the event will go to the registered charity which supports Nickie’s work.

If you are a singer, you can join in a rehearsal with the highly respected soloist and conductor Mark Ellse. Music will be provided for those who don’t have their own copies. Doors open at 1pm; the rehearsal begins at 1:30pm and finishes at 3:30.

You will learn a lot and have fun too! At 3:30 cream teas will be served to all the singers and to non-singers who are coming to listen to the performance which begins straight after tea. It will be a lovely way to spend a summer afternoon.

After the performance there will be an opportunity to learn about the amazing work at Bahay ng Pag-Asa and about Nickie’s extraordinary experiences there.

For the audience, the cream tea costs just £3.50 and there is no charge to listen to the performance. There will be a retiring collection. For singers, the cost including rehearsal, loan of music and tea is £12.50.

To book your place - either in the rehearsal or the audience - please contact Nickie on 07715 710757, email her at nickiekenning@yahoo.co.uk, or call Audrey Springford on (01733) 241739.

St Mary Magdalene Church, Stilton

Summer Quiz: ‘.......... I just stepped in a poodle’

Here's something to exercise 'the little grey cells' during those long, hot summer days.

All the answers have some connection to an animal - could be a mammal, insect, bird, reptile, fish etc. however loose this connection might be!

Quiz sheets available at £1 each from:

Pat Maltman, 3 Willow Close, Stilton (01733 242229) or from Hi-Lite, Stilton

Closing date for entries September 2nd
Stilton Village Market

Saturday 24 June 2017
10am - 1:00pm, Stilton Pavilion

Find local pre-loved items, business and craft stalls all under one roof!

*Entry only £1 per adult - kids go FREE!*

To book your space, call 01480 896602 or book online at LittleRobinsMarkets.co.uk

- Pre-loved spaces £10 each
- Business/Craft spaces £15 each

Bring your own table, or hire one from us for an additional £5!

Add your promotional materials to our promotion bags for only £10 per market!

All money goes directly to MAGPAS! Contact us for more details.

Stilton Pavilion

OPEN FOR BOOKINGS!

Community Room rates from:
- £6 / hour daytime
- £8 / hour evenings

Main Hall rates from:
- £10 / hour daytime
- £16 / hour evenings

Attractive rates for commercial hire and other options

For information, see www.stilton.org/facilities/stilton-pavilion/

For all enquiries, please contact the Amenities Manager, Julian Pagliaro:
07 771 858 362 | stiltonpavilion@gmail.com

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!)

If using email, please be sure to give us your CORRECT email address and check your spam box if you don’t receive a prompt reply.
Start Twitching!
HELP SAVE THE SPOTTED FLYCATCHER

Spotted Flycatchers are endangered and becoming increasingly rare. Do you have any breeding in your garden? Then help with Cambridge Bird Club’s survey!

These attractive little migrant birds are summer visitors to village gardens and churchyards. Although they breed with us, they spend ten months of the year travelling between here and their wintering grounds in southern Africa. This is an increasingly dangerous journey for them and, sadly, they are in deep decline. Widespread losses amounted to a 50% decline during 1995-2010, continuing a 90% decline since 1970.

These very inconspicuous birds may soon be locally extinct. Only some fifty pairs are known to be breeding in Cambridgeshire, so it's now quite a rare bird, but most rural villages still have a pair or two.

Householders often know they have them in their gardens when conservation experts are unaware of them. So this year the Cambridgeshire Bird Club is again running a survey to find and monitor nesting pairs. It's almost certain that there will be additional pairs in our villages of which we are not aware.

If you have flycatchers in your garden please let the Bird Club know. Just email spofl@cambridgebirdclub.org.uk with any information you have, including records of single birds, any time between now and September.

For more details of the project and how to send in your records, visit:
www.cambridgebirdclub.org.uk/spofl2017.html

Spotted Flycatchers are most easily distinguished by their habit of darting out from a high perch to grab a flying insect and returning to the same spot.

Where Were You?
This space could have put your business in front of everybody in Stilton and Folksworth this month!

And for only a fiver!

Contact our Advertising Manager on (01733) 243336 for details.
Do you or someone whom you care for have a disability or a long-term health condition and are receiving support such as home care, a support worker, day services or respite care? Maybe you are starting to feel as though you might need some help in the future but are not sure about your options and how to go about getting the help that you need?

A Direct Payment is one way to fund care and support that you or someone who you care for needs. It is money from the council that aims to give you more flexibility, choice and control. For example, you could use the money to pay a friend or neighbour rather than use a care agency.

**COME AND LISTEN!**

If you would like to take more control of the care and support, you may find it helpful to come along to one of our four Direct Payment Awareness Raising Events across the county planned for June and July:

- Tues 20 June Huntingdon Library
- Thurs 29 June March Community Centre
- Thurs 6 July Owl Café, Sawston
- Thurs 13 July Ely Library

Time: 2:30pm to 4:30pm

Cost: Free, including reimbursement of travel expenses.

Are you already in receipt of Direct Payments? If you have a story to share - good or bad - we'd love to learn from your experience. If you just want to learn more or have a chance to chat to a real person, then these events are also for you!

To find out more or to book into one of the events, get in touch with James or Leisha at Cambridge Alliance for Independent Living:

Phone: 0300 111 23 01
email: james@cambridgeshirealliance.org.uk or leisha@cambridgeshirealliance.org.uk

Listen online to James talking to Cambridge 105 about Voices4Choices and the work we do at CAIL: http://cambridge105.co.uk/phil-rowe-04-01-2017/
This year’s Summer Reading Challenge theme is Animal Agents! If you would like to take part in this exciting challenge, solving lots of mysteries, look out for more information during July and be ready for registration on Saturday 15th July.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED!

Are you aged between 12 - 16? Would you like to be a volunteer listening to children telling you all about their wonderful books? If yes, please contact Yaxley Library for a Summer Reading Challenge Volunteer Form or E-mail: Pam.goodwin@cambridgeshire.gov.uk. Closing date for applications is 17th June.

ARTS ALIVE

and The Friends of Yaxley Library

Yaxley has been proud to host many successful events for all ages over the past year due to funding from The Arts Council. To ensure these events have been successful the library are supported by The Friends of Yaxley Library (FOYL). We are pleased to announce that funding has been secured to hold another series of events. More details to follow shortly.

If you would like to be involved in promoting Yaxley Library by helping at events and raising funds, why not join FOYL! For more information please email: friendsfyaxleylibrary@hotmail.co.uk or ask a member of staff for further details.

CHILDREN’S EVENTS

(Term Time Only)

Rhymetimes are held every Friday morning from 10:30 - 11:00am for children aged 0 - 18 months. Why not come along and meet new mums whilst singing old and new rhymes with your child?

Book and Biscuit is held on the first Tuesday of the month for school-age children at 3:30 - 4:15pm. Listen to stories and make new friends. The next session is on Tuesday 4th July.

Storytimes are held every two weeks on a Tuesday morning 10:30 - 11:00 for children aged 18 months - 5 years. The next sessions are on Tuesdays 6th and 20th June.

Thank You

…from Tom and Sandra Cochrane to neighbours, friends and relatives who so speedily helped after both had operations.

Thanks also to Stilton Church for their prayers, which were helpful and appreciated.

Be sure to tell our advertisers you found them in SCAN!
Stilton and District Twinning Association

20 Years of Twinning
Anniversary Celebrations
8 - 12 July 2017

2017 marks 20 years since we signed the first of two Twinning Charters with St Christol les Alés

A great deal has been achieved:

● Over 600 exchange visits have taken place
● Strong friendships have been formed
● We have learned about our different cultures
● We know more about our respective countries
● We know more about our local regions
● Travel grants have been awarded to young people
● Above all….fun has been had!

A group from St Christol will visit here from 8 to 12 July 2017 to celebrate with us.

A full programme is being organised.

● Do you want to join in?
● Could you host a visitor?
● Can you help?

Contact: Chris at clstilton@btinternet.com
Stilton 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, nor in the surrounding cemetery.

FEES:

All Day (9am - 6pm) £50
Half Day (9am - 1pm or 2 - 6pm) £25
Evening (6:30 - 10:30pm) £25

A deposit of £50 is required when booking.

Stilton Parish Council

Clerk: Mrs. Mary Croll
10 Caldecote Road, Stilton
Peterborough, PE7 3RH
Tel: 01733 241042
Email: stiltonpc@yahoo.co.uk

PLAYING FIELD CLOSED

Under the Health and Safety act 1974 the playing field will be CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE to enable essential maintenance work to be undertaken to improve the playing field surface.

By Order of the Parish Council
Mary Croll, Clerk to Stilton Parish Council
A Taste of France
22 - 24 September 2017

We have chosen Lille as the 2017 destination for our weekend coach trip.

There is plenty to see and do in Lille, with markets, shops, museums, historic buildings and cobbled streets, and a wide range of restaurants and bars. We leave around breakfast time, find somewhere interesting to visit on the way, and then have Friday night and all day Saturday to explore the town independently. On our way home on Sunday, we stop for a long gourmet lunch together.

Our hotel will be the four-star Mercure Lille Vieux-Lille, very close to the Cathedral and the historic old city.

The total cost will be £235 per person in a twin or double room, including bed & breakfast and Sunday lunch. (£275 for single rooms). The cost also includes a guided tour of a wonderful Flemish church and its spectacular art work.

A deposit of £100 per person secures your place. First come first served!

Why not think about organising a small group with family or friends?

Contact Audrey and Paul 241739
paul.springford@gmail.com
As you no doubt all know, the Fox is open! My first visit was for dinner on a Saturday night, writes Sarah Abbott. We booked using the online facility on the website and were greeted as soon as we walked through the door. Our order was promptly taken and the first course arrived quickly. Good news, as nothing spoils a meal out for me more than a long wait for food. My main course was the trio of beef with textures of carrot and creamed potatoes. The beef was very tender and the sirloin element literally melted in your mouth. Everything on the plate was delicious and at the risk of sounding like ‘Master Chef’ the flavour combinations worked well. There was a large choice of desserts, as you can order from the restaurant or bar menu which makes for a happy husband. Three courses plus a large glass of wine for two people worked out at £70 which I thought was good value for such high-quality dining.

My second visit was to meet a friend for what turned out to be a reasonably priced gin & tonic. We enjoyed the sofa seating area looking over the patio and fields. It will be fantastic on a summer's evening.

The transformation inside is amazing, with interesting décor that's a mix of country house and wine bar style. I'm looking forward to many more visits so that I can work my way through the menu.
Folksworth Carpet Bowls

Our Summer meetings will be fortnightly on 5th June, 19th June, 3rd July, 17th July and 7th August. From 5th September meetings will be weekly. Everyone is very welcome to join us from 7pm to 9pm for a sociable bowling taster session. Call Chris on 241938.

News From St Helen's

Services for June:

4th Family Folkus
11th All Age Worship
18th Holy Communion
25th Morning Praise

Everyone is very welcome to come along to our services. Our first two services include activities specifically aimed at children, but children are welcome to all our services. Family Folkus is in the school hall and offers a café style worship. Our All Age Service ‘does what it says on the tin' and caters for everyone. Holy Communion and Morning Praise offer a more traditional form of worship and, as with all our services, they have a very welcoming feel, so please do join us.

Contributors!

We want your material for Folklore!

Email to Sarah Abbott at abbottsarahj@hotmail.co.uk or call her on 247275

Folksworth Village Hall News

Annual General Meeting of Folksworth Village Hall Management Committee

Village Hall Tuesday 6 June at 8:00 pm

A Public Consultation will follow the AGM on plans for an extension and improvement works to the village hall. All are welcome. The Management Committee has approved further improvement plans to the village hall to be undertaken in two stages:

1. Internal alterations and refurbishments including:

- New external doors
- Conversion of part of the hall for storage
- New lighting and heating
- New external insulated render
- New resurfacing of outside space

2. Part replacement/part extension to provide:

- New toilets
- Increased storage
- New meeting room
- Separate entrances and internal re-arrangements to permit dual use of the facility
1st Folksworth Rainbows

We said a sad farewell to two of our Rainbows at Easter as they have moved up to Brownies. We wish them well. Although we were sad to lose two, we were delighted to welcome three new Rainbows at the beginning of the Summer Term and they will be enrolled before half-term.

So far this term we have played Charades and Pass the Parcel - with a twist! This involved a parcel being unwrapped when the music stopped as usual but instead of eventually getting a present there were different items between the layers. These included a tea towel, toothbrush, hair bobble, clothes peg and a tea bag. The Rainbows then had to mime what they would do with the item.

We were very lucky to be invited by Stilton Guides along with Stilton Rainbows to a party at Stilton's new Pavilion to celebrate 30 years since the foundation of Rainbows nationwide. A good time was had by all, playing lots of games and enjoying plenty of party food! Our thanks go to Carol Warren and the other leaders - and of course the Stilton Guides for arranging such a fun event.

Other plans for this term include a Pirate Evening where the girls will be making, amongst other things, edible pirate ships. They will also be remembering the promise they made when they enrolled by thinking of others. This entails raising money by doing a Danceathon for Children with Cancer, who are based at Great Ormond Street. The charity is basing its fund-raising around a Marathon and therefore the number 26. We decided that we would dance for 26 minutes but will ‘cheat’ a little by breaking it down into manageable chunks of approximately 10 minutes to stop to refuel with water.

We hope the Rainbows will enjoy this term and that the weather will be kind when we have meetings outside.

Folksworth Pre-School

The Pre-School Annual Summer Fair will be held on Saturday 8th July from 12pm to 3pm on the Folksworth Fun Park at the end of Townsend Way. From the look of the main advertisement it will be a fun-packed afternoon. There's also the chance to win a substantial cash prize in the raffle. Tickets need to be purchased in advance.

Improve Your Piano Skills and Enjoy Your Playing! Beginners welcome!

Margaret Parsons   Tel: (01733) 243352
£500 CASH RAFFLE

Only 100 tickets available.
Draw will take place at 3:00pm on Saturday 8th July at Folksworth Village Fete.

If you would like to take part in our fantastic £500 cash draw please call Rhiannon on 07540 517522 or email: chair.folksworthpreschool@gmail.com.

Run by Folksworth Village Pre-School, Folksworth Village Hall, Manor Road, Folksworth PE7 3SU. Registered Charity No. 1013835

Linking Hands
Ladies Group

An informal group open to all ladies who would like to explore the Bible and share how it influences our lives today.

Following the 'Lifebuilder' series, we are excited to be starting a new theme in September: 'Women and Identity'.

We meet in Stilton Church Meeting Room from 8:45am and aim to start around 9:00am, finishing around 10:30am.

Ladies welcome (pre-schoolers too) from all the villages and surrounding areas.

Why not come along and join us?
2016-17 has been another challenging year for the Parish Council. It has continued to be under strength by two councillors for a further year although we do now have someone who is fairly new to the village interested in becoming a Councillor once he meets the criteria. That will leave one vacancy still to be filled for the last year of the current council term and if anyone is interested in finding out more the Clerk, Jackie Stanbridge, will be happy to assist.

2018 is a Parish Council election year.

Works undertaken this year include the installation of the additional seating/picnic tables on the recreation ground; replacement benches and general village maintenance and tree works have also been completed. Further tree works are planned for Morborne Road during May. A survey of the trees/hedges has also been undertaken at the area behind the village pond. Council has plans to develop this site into a pocket park/community orchard and is currently waiting to find out the condition of the ash trees in this area. A visit by the tree officer from Huntingdonshire District Council resulted in the request to maintain these trees if possible.

Councillors continue to carry out maintenance walks of the parish on a regular basis, making repairs where it can and reporting other faults to the relevant authorities.

Potholes/uneven pavements etc are a regular problem and are reported to the County Council. The speed at which they respond varies according to budget and we have noticed that it takes longer now to get issues sorted and that sometimes our priorities do not agree with theirs. Often potholes are marked with yellow paint, which remains until the rain washes it off and then are marked again at a later date. If anyone notices a problem with the roads or footways please let the Clerk know.

Parish Maintenance continues to be of an extremely high standard, and thanks go to Frank and Richard Coles who keep the parish in such good order.

The Recreation Ground continues to be a well-used area and, despite some instances of vandalism, this is in the main being treated well. It was decided not to spend the money budgeted for an additional small piece of play equipment but to earmark it to add to the amount for 2017-18 and purchase a larger item. If you have any suggestions as to what this could be please let the Clerk know, or add them to our Facebook page. The council would like to remind parishioners that the recreation ground is not available for use by dog walkers and that all dogs must be kept in close control on the public footpaths, especially at this time of year when young livestock is grazing.

Council continues to be approached regarding the provision of allotments. The
situation has not changed from previous years with a lack of suitable available land still a major obstacle, so the hunt continues. Some residents have suggested that land at the rear of the newly refurbished village pub could be used for allotments if the owners were agreeable to the idea. This is a discussion to be had.

Complaints have also continued about the size, number and speed of heavy goods vehicles using the village. Council made a bid to the County Council under its highways improvement scheme again which unfortunately was unsuccessful - again. Various towns and parishes make bids under this scheme and the applications are graded and awarded on safety issues. Meetings have been held with our County Councillor regarding this matter, and we will continue to investigate possible action points following the County Council elections.

Council is also lobbying regarding a speed limit reduction within Washingley. We have been told that our case is not strong enough but we will continue logging information to build our case.

Once again, the Chrono (time trial) cycling event will come through Folksworth on Saturday, June 3. Although the road through the village will be 'closed' between 11-6pm there will actually be one-way access through the village with crossing points manned by stewards. It will be possible to move through the village all day but will take longer and they'd prefer as few people as possible to do so. They will leaflet the houses on the route a day or so before, advising people not to leave cars parked on the route. Apparently, they can be towed if they cause any obstruction.

On the Sunday (June 4) the Gran Fondo will not come through Folksworth but will come up from Washingley, turn right at the junction towards Stilton, turn right again and head back down through Denton and Caldecote. The corner, just beyond Elm Road, will be a fantastic vantage point around lunch time to watch 8,000 bikes zoom past. The road between Folksworth and Stilton will be closed for approximately an hour and a half while that happens. Those who live in Washingley will obviously be more affected.

There will be a clean-up team following the whole route at the end of the race.

The Defibillator has now been installed on the wall outside the village hall close to the noticeboards. Initial problems have now been fixed and the unit is ready for use if required. Demonstrations will be held at the Annual Parish Meeting and again later in the year. If an ambulance has been called and the unit deemed necessary the caller will be given instructions by the ambulance service. We are lucky to have a Community First Responder group in the village.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Council works hard to build communication links between itself and all parishioners. The website is kept up to date with all information readily available using the heading tabs. Unfortunately, the host of the site is no longer working with parish councils and although our site still appears to be functioning OK many other towns and parishes are having problems with the updating of the sites and all will be affected when the domain name rentals expire in 2018. It was therefore decided to start working on a new site sooner rather than
later and it is hoped that this will be ready to be launched in Autumn this year. All Agendas and Minutes are available to view and download and the news section on the home page gives any additional information.

For those who do not wish to use the internet, hard copies of all documentation are available on request from the Clerk. The noticeboards - two in Folksworth and one in Washingley - are kept up to date and will always display meeting Agendas a week or so before the meeting and the draft Minutes from the previous one. Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month (with the exception of August) in the Village Hall and public participation and attendance is welcomed.

Cllr Lisa Blackman is responsible for Council's Facebook presence and regularly updates the page and circulates information that way. This year the number of people using our Facebook page has grown and there's been a lot of interaction. It's been used to communicate about suspicious people and vehicles, help find lost animals, provide news updates on village events and for residents to raise issues with the Parish Council. It has been an effective tool for communicating news to the village quickly and is used by many. We are aware that it is not something that will be used by everyone, which is why we also continue to use our notice boards, newsletters and website to communicate with as many people as possible using the communications method that suits them best.

Recently, Folklore magazine has moved to be included in the Stilton SCAN, which has meant monthly news from within the village is now being distributed to every home.

**SYNOPSIS OF ACCOUNTS 2016-17**

Staff costs for the year were £6230.00 and running costs for items such as insurance, subscriptions, hall hire, play inspections, audit, office expenses, communications etc totalled just under £4000.

Parish Maintenance, including grass cutting, amounted to just under £9000; Section 137 and Community Grants totalled £2900.00

Replacement benches were purchased together with the Defibrillator.

The balance at March 31 2017 was £17,296.00.

The Precept for this financial year has remained the same. The budget for the new Financial Year is £32,310.00. Council again received a clear audit. Some long-term funds have now been created for the eventual replacement of assets and Council's reserve stands at £12,132.00.

**PLANNING**

There were 12 planning applications for Folksworth in the year. Council had no objections to any of them and all except one were subsequently approved by Huntingdonshire District Council. For Washingley, there were two applications and the Parish Council raised objections and concerns about one of them. The application was largely retrospective. Unfortunately, the District Council did not share Council's view and approved both applications.
HDC District Councillor's Report

The past year has been very busy at Huntingdonshire District Council, writes Cllr Rita Matthews. A new Council Leader, Robin Howe, was appointed in May last year together with new members of the Cabinet.

During the year decisions had to be made on the Electoral Boundary Reviews orchestrated by the Government. In this area this sees one less County Councillor and next year two District Councillors but it will mean a greater number of villages to represent.

There has been an investigation of sharing service between other Councils to reduce costs and the planned transformation for HDC to offer better services to their residents by speeding systems up by the use of advanced technology. The staff were introduced to the different methods of achieving this which would enhance their skills and bring benefits to all.

Of course the main topic of the year was the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Devolution scheme and we, the District Councillors, had quite a number of presentations on the benefits to the region such as a transfer of some powers to a locally elected mayor for the region and a transfer of quite considerable amounts of money to develop what is seen as a major growth area in the UK for both housing and jobs.

One of the plans is to link Cambridge with Oxford via the A428, and building new townships to attract the growth of jobs and a skilled workforce. Peterborough will benefit by having a designated University and throughout Cambridgeshire there will be new money to invest and improve the infrastructure.

Personally, I am the Chairman of the Employment Committee in HDC and sit on the panel to appoint new senior members of the Council, and on the staff Council to listen to and try to resolve issues mainly relating to the changing working conditions in the Council.

Apart from attending monthly Full Council Meetings, I also sit on the Corporate Governance Committee which decides on how the Council is regulated and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for Performance and Customers. I have been asked onto the Board of Luminus (Social Housing Association) which has some well-reported problems at present and I am on the LGA Board for Employment. I also try and attend as many Parish Council monthly meetings as possible.

The next year after the Devolution vote on Thursday will bring many changes to the area. Dependent on which candidate is elected it is at present difficult to predict which decisions will affect this area.

Improving communications, infrastructure and making communities matter as a priority will hopefully benefit us all but brings a very busy year ahead!
Movers & Shakers
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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

Mobile Library
Wed 28 June
Folksworth 10:45 - 11am Elm Road
Stilton 3:10 - 4pm Outside The Talbot
Route M24
**Antarctica - A World Beyond Belief**

Chris Walford was lucky enough to recently visit Antarctica, Cape Horn and the Falkland Islands.

Stilton Gardening Club cordially invites you to an illustrated talk by Chris about his experiences, which he describes as “beyond belief”.

**Friday 2nd June in the Stilton Pavilion. 19:15 for 19:30**

Admission £6 (children and students free)

Refreshments will be provided.

*Proceeds will be shared between The Stilton Pavilion Project and Cancer Research UK*

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Sandra Cochrane invites you to

**Easy Sunday Music**

at Fotheringhay Church, PE8 5HZ

All at 3-4pm

- June 11 Frumenty, our local folk song group
- June 18 Jonathon Lilley, classical piano programme
- June 25 Ellen Porter, cello

Come and go as you wish, with a departing donation for the running of the Church.
### What to do!

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#### Tinies

- Toddler's Dance
- Playgroup (Stilton)
- Mums & Toddlers (Folksworth)
- Pre-School (Folksworth)
- Playgroup (Folksworth)

#### Youngsters

- Beavers
- 1st Stilton Browns
- Stilton Rainbows
- Folksworth Browns
- 1st Folksworth Rainbows
- Guides
- Stilton United Colts

#### Adults

- Parish Council (Stilton)
- Parish Council (Folksworth)
- Sewing Group
- Over 60's Club

#### Church

- Holy Communion
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- Holy Communion (soup lunch)
- Men's Prayer Breakfast
- Church Choir
- Prayer Focus
- Christian Congregation in UK

#### Sport & Leisure

- Stilton Gardening Club
- Pilates (Stilton)
- Pilates (Folksworth)
- Clubbercise
- Stilton Table Tennis Club
- Stilton Carpet Bowls Club
- Folksworth Indoor Bowls
- Peterborough Opera Group
- Band
- Yoga
- Mat Pilates
- Chair Exercise
- Stilton United FC
- Taoist Tai Chi
- Folksworth Art Club
- Folksworth Ladies' Circle
- Yaxley Flower Club
- Stilton Stumblers (walking group)

#### Other

- Mobile Library (Stilton)
- Mobile Library (Folksworth)
- Mobile Fish Van (Folksworth)
- Age Well Club
- Carers' Group
- Sawtry Day Centre
- Sawtry Friendship Club

#### When

- Toddler's Dance: 9:15am
- Playgroup (Stilton): 9 - 11:45 & 1 - 3pm
- Mums & Toddlers (Folksworth): 10:00-11:30 term time
- Pre-School (Folksworth): 9:00am - 3:00pm
- Playgroup (Folksworth): 10 - 11:30am

- Beavers: 6 - 7:15pm
- 1st Stilton Brownies: 6:15 - 7:45pm
- Stilton Rainbows: 5:15 - 6:15pm
- Folksworth Browns: 6:30 - 7:45pm term time
- 1st Folksworth Rainbows: 5:30 - 6:30pm
- Guides: 6 - 7:30pm
- Stilton United Colts: KO 10am

- Parish Council (Stilton): 2nd Tuesday 7:30pm
- Parish Council (Folksworth): 7:30 - 9:30pm 3rd Tuesday in month
- Sewing Group: 2:30 - 5pm
- Over 60's Club: 2:00pm

- Holy Communion: 1st & 3rd Sun 11:15am
- Holy Communion: 2nd & 4th Sun 8:00am
- Holy Communion: 2nd Sun 11:15am
- Holy Communion: 4th Sunday 11:15am
- Holy Communion: 9am
- Holy Communion: 6 - 7pm in term time
- Holy Communion: 8am 2nd Saturday in month
- Holy Communion: 1st Wednesday 12:30-1:30
- Holy Communion: 2nd & 4th Thursday, 7:30pm
- Holy Communion: 8am
- Holy Communion: 5 - 11pm, 1st & 3rd Sun in month

- Stilton Gardening Club: 3rd Tns 7:30pm
- Pilates (Stilton): 9:30-10:30; 10:30-11:30am
- Pilates (Folksworth): 10.00 - 11.00am & 10.30 - 11.30am
- Clubbercise: 7:45-8:45pm Wed, 8 - 9pm Thu
- Stilton Table Tennis Club: 7:15 - 8.15pm
- Stilton Carpet Bowls Club: Mon (adults)2-4pm; Tue 7:00pm
- Folksworth Indoor Bowls: 2pm Mon, 7.30pm Thu
- Peterborough Opera Group: 7 - 9pm weekly. May-Aug for 9:30, 7:30
- Peterborough Opera Group: 7:30 - 9:30pm
- Peterborough Opera Group: 8 - 9:35pm
- Peterborough Opera Group: 5:30 - 7pm
- Peterborough Opera Group: Mon 8-9pm; Tue 6-7pm; Wed 11am-12:30pm
- Peterborough Opera Group: 3:00pm kick-off
- Peterborough Opera Group: 7:30pm
- Peterborough Opera Group: 12:30-4:30pm
- Peterborough Opera Group: 7:30-9:30pm 4th Tuesday in month
- Peterborough Opera Group: 3rd Thursday, 7:30pm
- Peterborough Opera Group: Alternate Sundays 10:00am

- Mobile Library (Stilton): 3:10 - 4pm (4th Wed in month)
- Mobile Library (Folksworth): 10:45 - 11am (4th Wed in month)
- Mobile Fish Van (Folksworth): 4 - 8pm
- Age Well Club: 10 - 11:45am
- Age Well Club: 1st Weds, 2 - 4 pm
- Age Well Club: 10am - 2:30pm
- Age Well Club: 10:30am - 1:30pm

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THEFTS FROM VEHICLES

A recent spate of thefts from vehicles has prompted the local Crime Reduction Team to issue the following sensible reminders:

● Shut and lock all doors. Do not rely on the remote fob - check the handle to see if it is locked.

● Remove any valuables that might attract attention, such as sat-navs, handbags, mobiles, shopping bags, laptop bags etc.

● The sat-nav holder can leave a mark on the windscreen, so clean this off as it shows that you have one.

● Where possible, park in well-lit areas and look for CCTV coverage.

● Van owners should remove tools and other valuable items. You could place a sign in the windscreen suggesting there are no valuables in the vehicle.

LEAD NICKERS

Police continue to report thefts and attempted thefts of lead from church roofs, most recently in Great Gidding. So don’t relax your vigilance!

Diary Dates

Cambridgeshire Constabulary will be holding regular surgeries in Huntingdon and Yaxley, offering general crime prevention advice. So go along to meet your local officers.

HUNTINGDON

Sainsbury’s Restaurant, St Germain Walk.
Time: 10:00 – 13:00hrs

Wednesday 5th July
Wednesday 2nd August

YAXLEY

Co-op, Bentley Avenue.
Time: 10:00 – 13:00hrs

Thursday 1st June
Thursday 6th July
Thursday 3rd August

Call It In

As always, if you see any suspicious activity, please call 101, email: huntscops@cambs.pnn.police.uk or report it anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. In emergencies, call 999.
In Scandinavia, Midsummer is a public holiday and is celebrated with exuberance and food.

The traditional dessert is simply strawberries and cream, but here is a rather different 'take' on potato salad to go with a salad main course:

**SWEDISH POTATO SALAD**

Boil 1½ lbs of new potatoes with 1 teaspoon of salt and cook for about 10 minutes until tender. Place in a bowl and add two tablespoons of white balsamic vinegar. Let the potatoes sit for five minutes before adding four chopped spring onions, a large handful of chopped parsley and four tablespoons of olive oil. Season with salt and pepper, and mix well.

The dish can be served at once or - better - allowed to cool in the fridge.

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**Help the Foodbank**

Thanks for your continued support. The Foodbank is now low on:

- Coffee
- Tinned meat
- Dried pasta
- Tinned fruit

Please contact Pearl Reed [241114] if the Church is not open or if you need anything collected.

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**Stilton Church Coffee Morning**

June 17th
10:30am - noon

(Third Saturday in every month)

Join us for coffee (or tea if you prefer), cake, chat and fellowship.
Mythbusting
SALLY PINNEGAR DEBUNKS SOME POPULAR FOOD MYTHS

There are so many ‘funny’ diet ideas in our faces every day that it can be a struggle to know what’s right. Just remember that 50 years ago these things weren’t bandied about; people didn’t overthink it they just ate three meals a day - and were far slimmer!

Here are a few of the more popular current ideas, with fitnaturally's take on them:

1. You can eat as much fat as you like and not get fat.

Wrong. Fat is very energy-dense and will easily make you fat if you overeat it. By definition, overeating anything will make you fat and it’s very easy to overeat fat, as it’s so delicious. Eat fat, but not too much!

2. You must make smoothies and shakes out of vegetables, fruit and trendy seeds to get all the nutrients you need.

Wrong. Fruit and veg is better in its whole form. That way your gut and teeth get the significant benefit of breaking it down rather than having a machine do it first. Plus, you wouldn't eat ten oranges in one go, so best not to drink them either.

3. Carbs are bad and make us fat and diabetic.

Wrong. Wholegrain carbs contribute fibre and nutrients to the diet. It’s the amount, type and timing of carbs that matters. Common sense tells us that eating a washing-up bowl of white pasta before bed is not the way to health. What makes people fat and triggers Type 2 diabetes is eating too much, and too much poor quality, processed food, as well as being sedentary.

4. Similar to the above, “Bread is bad”.

Nope! For instance, sourdough bread contributes to gut health with its probiotic content. Mass-produced 'Chorleywood' bread though (the 'plastic' sliced stuff and even supermarket whole loaves) IS ghastly stuff and should be consigned to history. The basic premise for good bread is no more than flour, water, yeast and salt.

5. Small, frequent meals are better than three main meals.

No. Small frequent meals stimulate more hunger. The small intestine needs a break in order to digest food properly. Snacking can lead to higher energy intake, especially as people snack on top of three main meals.

6. Certain foods are superfoods.

No. No single food has the power to make us healthy; it’s the combination of good natural real food that gives us the range of nutrients and fibre we need to thrive.
7. Vegetarians don’t get all the nutrients they need.

Wrong. They often get more, as they tend to eat a far wider variety of plant foods. Plant foods are the foundation of a good diet.

7. Drinking milk is bad for you

Far from it. If superfoods really existed milk would be at the top of the list. It's full of nutrients. Humans of northern European descent evolved the gene to digest milk more than 10,000 years ago. Humans are hugely successful as a species because we adapt to whatever food is available, such as milk. 'Pseudo milks' such as almond milk usually have artificial additives and are made unsustainably - ever tried milking an almond?

‘In the absence of facts, myth rushes in.’
Stacy Schiff
Travel Vaccinations

If you are planning to travel outside the UK, you may need to be vaccinated against some of the serious diseases found in other parts of the world. Vaccinations are available to protect you against many travel related infections, such as yellow fever, typhoid and hepatitis A.

You don't always need vaccinations to travel abroad. If you do, the type of travel jabs you need depends on which country you are visiting and what you are doing.

Please ask at reception for a Travel Health questionnaire; one has to be completed for each person who is travelling. When completed return to reception and they will give you an appointment with one of our nurses to discuss and give you the vaccinations required for your destination.

If travelling to Europe please look on the Fit for Travel website where you will find all the information you need: www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk/home

If vaccinations are required then please contact Reception who will make you an appointment to attend one of our clinics.

Please allow at least four weeks before you are due to travel, because some vaccinations need to be given well in advance to allow your body to develop immunity and some involve multiple doses spread over several weeks.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE

Need to find local health services quickly? A new app to help Cambridgeshire and Peterborough residents find local NHS services available to them has been launched. Quick and easy to use, the 'MyHealth Cambridgeshire & Peterborough' app will direct you to your nearest appropriate NHS service. This includes local GPs, pharmacies, minor injury units, and dentists, based on your location or postcode.

Free to download and available in five other languages, including Polish, Latvian, and Lithuanian, MyHealth provides up-to-date information on current services including directions, opening hours, and contact details.

The app is available to download for iOS via Apple Store, Android via Google Play, and Windows phones via Microsoft Store by searching for 'MyHealth C&P CCG'.

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Late arrivals

When an Appointment Time has been issued to our patients we do our best to see our patients on time. Our primary concern is the safe and efficient delivery of medical care for all our patients. We ask all our patients to arrive in a timely manner for their appointments. We suggest you are checked in and in the appropriate Waiting Room at least five minutes before your appointment time.

We understand that a patient's arrival can be delayed due to lots of different reasons, sometimes out of the patient's control, but increasing numbers of late arrivals interfere with the Clinicians ability to stay on their schedule, deliver the care our patients require, and causes delay for other patients scheduled to see them. We do understand that it can be frustrating when the clinicians themselves are running late but this is often due to emergencies and unexpected care required by patients.

Could all our patients please be aware that arriving late for your appointment may result in you not being seen and your appointment being rescheduled for another date and time. Please make a realistic allowance for arriving early and any potential traffic conditions when planning your journey. Please be aware and understand that despite our best efforts, it may still be necessary to reschedule your appointment.

Please let our reception team know ASAP if you are likely to be late or miss your appointment. Thank you for helping us to maintain the standards of care we strive for.

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- Routine treatment room appointments are bookable online 24/7 up to 12 weeks in advance.
- Doctors' telephone call-backs are available to book online after 6:30pm the night before.
- We offer a full range of primary care services including Onsite Blood Testing, Minor Operations, Travel Vaccination Clinics and Full Contraception Services.

If you want to find out more, look online at www.yaxleygp.nhs.uk or ring us on 01733 240478.
**Urine Samples**

Due to a new system of testing at the Laboratory we now require that your urine sample bottle is **full to the top of the label**. (This is for adults and children.) A urine collection cup is available from Reception when collecting your urine bottle if required. Can we also ask that you enter **your full name and date of birth** on the bottle and the slip enclosed.

**Donations to YGP**

In the past any donations received from grateful and bereaved patients were channelled through the Yaxley Health Centre Patients Association. Following the winding up of the Patients Association at their Annual General Meeting on 24th April 2017 any patient who wishes to make a donation for the benefit of patients can continue to do so by addressing it to Yaxley Group Practice.

Thank you

**London Marathon 2017**

We would like to send our belated but heartfelt congratulations to Arvind Thandi (YGP Pharmacist) who took part in this year's London Marathon. Arvind completed the course in 5½ hours. Congratulations Arvind - you are a superstar!

**Surgery Closures**

**BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE**

We will be closed for the Late Summer Holiday on Monday 28th August. The surgery will be open on Saturday 26th August in the morning only.

Please make sure you have sufficient medication to cover over the holiday period Thank you.

**MONTHLY CLOSURE DATES**

Please note the surgery will be closed once per month for a clinical governance afternoon. Please check our website / Facebook page for details of times and dates.
Be Self-Care Aware

By keeping a selection of essential medications at home you can treat common conditions in a timely manner, avoid unnecessary trips to see your doctor and/or visits to the A&E department.

What to keep in your medicines cabinet

The following medications can be bought from pharmacies or your local supermarket and are generally cheaper than buying them on prescription:

- Simple pain killers like paracetamol and ibuprofen
- Sore throat, coughs, colds and flu medications
- Heartburn and indigestion remedies
- Anti-diarrhoea medication
- Rehydration salts
- Allergy medicines
- Pile (haemorrhoid) treatments
- First aid kit including plasters and bandages.

Speak to your local pharmacist about stocking up on medicine cabinet essentials to treat common conditions for you and your family.
Prism
THE NEW MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE IN YOUR GP SURGERY

Prism (Primary care Service for Mental health) is a new service run by Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust (CPFT).

The service, which runs Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm, provides specialist mental health support for GP surgeries so that patients with mental health conditions can access prompt advice and support, receive help in a community setting and experience a more joined-up approach to care. Prism staff are mental health and allied health professionals, peer workers and recovery coaches, support workers and consultant psychiatrists.

Prism is for anyone aged between 17-65 years with mental health conditions and is based on a person's needs rather than their diagnosis. So, how do you access Prism? The patient sees their GP and a decision is made as to which service would be appropriate for the patient - this could be a referral to the Prism team. Once referred, Prism staff would make contact with the patient / service user and either provide telephone advice and signposting or offer a face-to-face assessment. Patients will meet Prism staff in their local GP surgery, meaning they are in a familiar environment and reducing travel. The Prism service aims to ensure patients get the right treatment in the right place at the right time by the right person based on their need.

A pilot Prism service has been running in Huntingdon and Wisbech since last August and has been extremely well received. Fewer people have required specialist care and the majority were seen by the Prism team in their GP surgery where they received signposting, education, advice or interventions. There was also a notable reduction time for patients waiting to be assessed or seen by a consultant.

The Prism service is being rolled out across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough surgeries from April onwards. Look out for more information on their website at www.cpft.nhs.uk/services/prism-service.htm. If you have any questions about the service, e-mail communications@cpft.nhs.uk.

Flu Clinic 2017
SAVE THE DATE!

Our annual flu clinic is planned to take place on the morning of Saturday 7th October. As always, this date is subject to adherence to expected delivery dates. If we do become aware of any issues which might necessitate a change of date this will be communicated as soon as possible. Timings for the day will be advertised nearer the time.
Repeat Prescription Requests

Please remember that you need to allow two full working days (48 hours) for the processing of repeat prescription requests. For example:

- A request made Monday afternoon will be available for collection Wednesday afternoon.
- A request made Friday morning will be available Tuesday morning.

Please remember that you are responsible for ordering your repeat medication in plenty of time so as not to run out.

Best Regards,
Mrs Claire Wright, Practice Manager

Yaxley Singers

We meet on Wednesdays in Yaxley Methodist Church, Main Street, Yaxley at 7:30pm and sing a wide variety of music; songs from the shows, Easter music, modern pop 'classics' etc. Sometimes in parts, sometimes in unison. You don't have to read music (but it does help).

We give occasional concerts and the proceeds go to charity; this year to MAGPAS, the local emergency service. If you would like a taster come along one Wednesday. There is a contingent from Stilton, led by Mary Croll who can answer any questions. (241042)
June 21st is the longest day in the year; the long hours of light and - we hope - warm weather mean that everything grows faster, and that includes the weeds, so keep on top of them! The lawn will also be growing and will need a weekly cut. If the present drought persists there may be a hosepipe ban, so be ready to water your roses with the dishwater!

If you have any time or energy left it's now safe to put in bedding plants and fill hanging baskets and containers. You should also clear away the spring bulb foliage, lifting and dividing overlarge clumps, and prune spring-flowering shrubs.

In the vegetable plot you could plant potatoes in almost any container, and sow salad crops every two weeks for a continuous supply. Tender vegetables like courgette and sweetcorn can be planted out and there is still time to plant runner beans directly into the soil.

But don't forget to spare some time to just sitting in the garden enjoying it!

Change of date!
Stilton and District Gardening and Local History Club
Tuesday, June 20th
Visit to Jericho garden,
Oundle
Leaving Stilton Church 5:45pm
Please contact Olive Main (241206)
Places are limited.

A14 Project News
Highways England have now finished installing narrow lanes on sections of the A428 and A14, to gain space to work without closing lanes. Temporary safety barriers on the A1 avoid installing further traffic management.

Over the next few months we can expect:

- Overnight closures on the A1 between Alconbury and Buckden,
- Overnight closures on the A428 and A14,
- Installation of narrow lanes on the A14 between Dry Drayton and Swavesey.

For up-to-date traffic information, visit: www.highways.gov.uk/A14C2H