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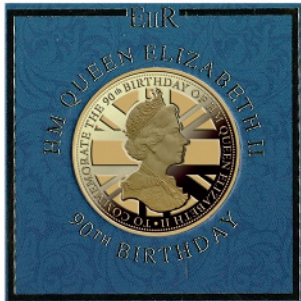
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We are working on behalf of Highways England to inspect the A14 near you. This is being done where the A14 passes over the B1514 Brampton Road and the East Coast Mainline Railway to inspect the road and ensure the bridge is in good condition following work to strengthen it a year ago.

Subject to weather conditions, we plan to complete this work between Saturday 4 June and Sunday 24 July. We will be working between 22:00 and 06:00 over weekends to coincide with Network Rail's closures. This may result in delays for local road users and through traffic, for which we apologise.

To keep road users at a safe distance from the works, we will need to close the B1514 Brampton Road below the A14 viaduct. We will put a clearly signposted diversion route in place whereby drivers heading east will:

- take the B1514 out of Huntingdon;
- join the A14 at junction 22;
- join the A141 at junction 23;
- exit to join the B1044 at Stukeley Meadows;
- head south onto Ermine Street, and;
- take the B1514 and Nursery Road clockwise, exiting to return to the viaduct.

Drivers heading west will follow this diversion in reverse. We would advise you to leave extra time for your journey.

We have written to local businesses affected by the works and we would be grateful if you would publicise the works to your parishioners through newsletters and other communications where appropriate.

We will do our utmost to complete the works as quickly as possible, avoiding disturbance and keeping noise to a minimum.

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The Stukeleys Annual

Parish Meeting

The Stukeleys Annual Parish Meeting was held on the 9th May 2016 at Little Stukeley Village Hall and it was attended by 16 parishioners, the Parish Clerk and one County Councillor and District Councillor.

The Parish Council Vice Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received from Joan Gray, Sarah Toyn, Alex Facey, Ian Shaw and Parish Councillor Sue Parkin.

The Vice Chairman of Stukeleys Parish Council, presented the Chairman's Report giving a brief overview of the Council's activities for the year. The Chairman of the various committees presented their more detailed committee reports to the meeting- please see below:

The Stukeleys Parish Council Chairman's Report

I've thoroughly enjoyed my four years as Chairman, I hope I was always approachable, but it's now time to hand over the reins to whoever.

Our Clerk, Carole still keeps us on the straight and narrow and although I think she is being pedantic at times, there is a reason for it, and we haven't been in trouble yet.

The Councillors have performed their allotted tasks well, unfortunately we lost Paul Vincent when he moved away, but we have co-opted Michael Womersley-Carter onto the Council, another youngster with a young family, I'm sure he will live up to our expectations.

As an overview - The Planning group has again been busy particularly with Alconbury Weald.

The replacement of the Street lighting within the Parish by Balfour Beatty has been completed with not too many complaints on the new set up.

Defibrillators were installed and training sessions held, in both villages providing a potential life-saving service to the Parish.

The Allotments are now being used with some changes of tenancies and the erection of the new central building, which was not without its difficulties.

The Playing Fields Committee, and Rights of way Committee have again been active as you will hear.

The Webmaster Karl Gasson has continued his excellent job with the website which I am told is now more user friendly.

The trees set along Ermine Street are coming on, the damaged ones have been replaced. The council has now purchased a Strimmer and our ex forester, will, I understand be maintaining the area for us.

I will repeat the last paragraph of my last year's report as I consider it is still appropriate, we have I think, had another successful year and remember we are here for the good of both villages, if you have a problem which comes within the remit of the Parish Council please bring it to us and we will do our best to solve it.

As a final comment as Chairman I have done my best for the Stukeleys, I thank the Councillors and Clerks (yes there were two of them) for their support, I wish my successor all the best, and will continue to do my best for the remainder of my term as a councillor

Sue Parkin

Report from the Planning Committee

The Planning Committee consists of Cllrs, Stuart Bell, Barrie James Steph van den Haak and Michael Monk. Cllr. Sue Parkin, as Chairman of the Council also attends meetings.

Formerly the Planning Group, it was resolved to change the name to Planning Committee to reflect better its purpose and bring it into alignment with other committees of the Council. Michael Monk was elected Chairman of the Committee.

The Committee continues to be busy, and this past year has dealt with seven major planning applications on Alconbury Weald plus many minor changes applications, around 20 applications on buildings and sites within the two villages and around 10 applications to prune or fell trees.

The Committee has also led the Council on discussions with Huntingdonshire District Council regarding the future use of RAF Alconbury and representing the Parish at the Joint Parish Councils meetings for Alconbury Weald.

Through the Committee, the Parish Council has resolved to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan to cover the entire Parish; consultation is current on the definition of the Neighbourhood Area.

Michael Monk

Chairman, Planning Committee, SPC.

Report from the Rights of Way Committee

Throughout the year the Group has sought to monitor public Rights of Way and maintain their availability for Parishioners and the public in general. Some pressure has been applied to try to ensure that previous kind assurances by Urban and Civic will be carried out, as regards, for example, the long awaited diversion at Washingley Farm, and the restoration of the, "lost" rights of way across the former Airfield to Abbots Ripton. These have been long promised, by the U&C representative but with no actual outcome so far.

Road inadequacies have been reported to Cambs County Council on a regular basis, e.g. along Owl End, and its Public Bridleway continuation, but with no concrete result other than the appearance of painted yellow rings round the potholes! Pressure will be maintained. The Group consider the network of Public Rights of Way in the Parish to be a very important amenity.

Philip Hobson

Highways Report

We are indebted to the continued work of our Highways Warden, Mr Mick Reynolds, for the work that he continues to undertake for us in undertaking his regular inspections of the condition of the roads and paths around the Parish and his reporting and site meetings with the County Council in their role as our local highway authority.

During this year, he has been joined by Councillor Stuart Bell and together they have been liaising with County Council staff to regularly address required repairs, particularly relating to pot holes.

Particular problems continue in Low Road, Little Stukeley relating to pot holes, inadequate drainage and what appears the sub-standard nature of some repairs. This is not helped by the larger vehicles used within local farming operations that are continually overrunning the edges of the road and damaging the verges and edges and thereby further weakening the structure of the road.

Further down Low Road, the Council continues to press for repairs to the safety barriers on both approaches to the bridge over the A14 and at present, responsibility is still being sorted between the County Council and Highways England. On a more positive note, the approach to the bridge to the north-east (towards Little Stukeley) has been subject to a very long crack failure to the carriageway for many years. Following requests from our Highways Team, this was repaired towards the end of 2015 with what turned out to be, a very unsatisfactory repair. Following further requests to complete this asap, this has now been completed to a much more satisfactory standard.

Despite a change in County Council inspection teams three times during 2015/16, our Highways Team continue to have a good working relationship with the County Council to try and keep on top of required repairs as and when they arise.

Stuart Bell

Report from the Street Lighting Committee

The Street Lighting Committee consists of Cllrs, Stuart Bell and Sally Smith. Paul Vincent was also a member of the Committee until his resignation from the Parish Council. Cllr, Sue Parkin, as Chairman of the Council, is also permitted to attend meetings.

The Committee has been busy during this past year in trying to deal with the Balfour Beatty and County Council street lighting replacement programme across the Parish. This has proved to be immensely challenging in working with a contractor that appeared both unable and unwilling to work properly with the Parish Council both during the planning of the work and particularly during the works on site. It was also very evident early in the process that the Parish Council could have little, or no meaningful input in changing anything of any real value from the scheme as proposed

This was compounded by a constant change of Balfour Beatty staff and different teams within the organisation that appeared un-coordinated and office staff seemingly being unaware of what had been agreed throughout the works. This situation was worsened by office staff who, on receiving valid complaints from Parishioners during the works, then blamed the Parish Council for matters entirely outside our control.

On completion of the scheme the Council expressed its extreme dissatisfaction as part of a feedback survey, particularly relating to public participation and customer service. Perhaps not surprisingly, there has been no further comment from Balfour Beatty.

The Council has also expressed our dissatisfaction to our County Councillors regarding the scheme and, thanks to Karl Gasson and Paul Ryan, we have also been undertaking an extensive interrogation of the Contract between the County Council and Balfour Beatty to ascertain the exact nature of the work, the specifications used on what appears to be a very unsatisfactory outcome for Parishes such as ourselves.

Within the Parish, the Council also owns 23 lighting units. During 2015/16, we have produced a new Street Lighting Inventory of these to assess their detailed location and condition. We have also renumbered these with new plates that also contain a Freephone Tel. No. to ring in cases of fault reporting.

During this coming year, the Council is planning to carry out a formal electrical test on all the lamp columns and to replace our lighting units from 'yellow/orange' to 'LED white lighting' which will save significant energy costs.

The Council is also working with St. Bartholomew's PCC in Great Stukeley to replace the disused Churchyard lighting column and install a new lamp column to light the entrance to the Churchyard and to also illuminate that part of Church Road where County Council lighting has been removed.

Stuart Bell & Sally Smith

Report from the Stukeleys Traffic Group

The Parish Council is represented on this Group by Philip Hobson and Michael Monk (Chairman). It brings together the expertise from a range of organisations concerned with the delivery of solutions to traffic issues in The Stukeleys.

The key focus for the Group has been the design and delivery of environmental enhancements to Ermine Street through the villages. The major funding for this will come from S106 contributions, principally the development of Alconbury Weald.

Although progress over the last year has been frustratingly slow, public consultation eventually took place recently on the design of the scheme, with manned exhibitions at Alconbury Weald, Little Stukeley and Great Stukeley. The results are currently being assessed and it is hoped that the Group will meet shortly to consider these responses and to recommend any changes as a result.

The scheme principles included narrowing of carriageways, changes to priorities at junction, removal of bus lay-bys and changes to surface materials. Although the scheme does not go as far as some of us in the Group would like, it has to be acknowledged that there is a range of opinion and a limit to how far even this substantial budget will go.

The scheme has to be in place by the time the 250th house on Alconbury Weald is occupied. The Group will therefore need to also consider the timetable for delivery.

Michael Monk, Chairman.

Report from the Webmaster

Work on maintaining and improving the website continued throughout the year.

There were two highlights:

We added two web forms for playground inspections in both villages so that completed inspections are automatically saved to the server and emailed to the clerk with a summary of any issues found during the inspection. The intention is to minimise paperwork by using an electronic form and reduce the Clerk's workload in regularly gathering in the reports and checking for issues.

The second major change has been work carried out to make the website mobile friendly. The site should now display properly on any device and any size screen. If anyone has issues with the way the site displays on their device, email the webmaster and we'll do what we can to fix it.

Over the next twelve months we're planning to focus on improving security. Not that our website is insecure as it is, but the world wide web is moving toward a protocol known as HTTPS, which means that all of the information between a user and the web server is encrypted. There's a general move toward more secure websites, the cost to make the change to HTTPS is relatively low, and we want to make sure that our website keeps up with those positive changes.

The total cost of our website over the last twelve months has been £71.40, which is just the cost of hosting the site.

Karl Gasson

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Parish/village representatives then presented their reports, please see below for full reports:

The Stukeleys Parish Groups

Monday Bridge Club Report

This is a friendly group of sixteen members who meet from seven o' clock on Monday evenings also in the Great Stukeley village hall. We play the Chicago system until about ten o'clock and most members have regular partners. We also have friends who do not have a regular commitment but come along as needed to make up numbers for three or four tables of players.

There is a small charge to cover the cost of rent, refreshments, an occasional Prize evening or Fun evening and a small Nibbles event around Christmas time.

We are unable to increase membership because the committee room is only large enough for four tables but I am happy to have anyone interested in joining us on our reserve list. I can be contacted on 01480 455773.

Joan Gray
May 2016

Craft Club Report

We are a group, at present of twelve friends from Great Stukeley and surrounding area, of whom one is treasurer and tea lady. We meet on the fourth Wednesday of most months at two o'clock for two hours in Great Stukeley Village hall committee room and pay £2.50 which includes tea and materials.

We enjoy each other's company and an interest in craft. We make cards, usually with a seasonal theme and in the autumn usually make small Christmas decorations.

Craft supplies are difficult to find now as some local sources have closed, and materials are increasingly expensive. In September 2015 members enjoyed a cup of tea in a craft showroom near Kimbolton while we browsed and indulged in their stock.

Although we are an ageing group we try to keep abreast of developments and enjoyed a demonstration of needle felting at our club. We had the opportunity to have a go with varying successes. We were able to see the work of the demonstrator which she was preparing for her Stall in a Craft Fair and were very impressed.

The future of the club is uncertain as supplies are scarce and increasingly expensive but I am sure we will find a way of continuing to meet as long as members want to attend.

Joan Gray.
May 2016

Little Stukeley Village Hall Report


Since last year's report the committee has installed a new sound system and is in the process of linking this to an overhead projector; this will enable us to expand the type of entertainment we can offer. Most of this work was carried out by David Robinson and the committee would like to record their thanks for his efforts. We are also planning to install new lighting in the hall, kitchen and bar.

A Montessori School continues to use the hall under licence to the new owner. The new school continues to flourish and provides us with additional income which in turn enables us to update the hall's facilities.

The Social Club continues to meet weekly on a Sunday between 13:00 and 14:30 and is well supported.

The committee held 6 major functions last year plus a New Year's Eve function and we are planning 7 events for this year.

Attendance at last year's Flower Show was disappointing, but those who came along had an enjoyable afternoon. Notwithstanding that, we will be holding a Flower Show on Saturday 3rd September this year and, as usual, open to all current or past residents of both Little and Great Stukeley.



Keith Winter
Chairman LSVH Committee

The Stukeleys Heritage Group

Amazingly, the Group has been running for five years and meetings continue to attract around 25 members. Finances are sound, with around £600 in funds which are now at a point where we can have confidence to employ a consultant to develop further our website which has been a long-standing ambition. Discussions are taking place with John and Trevor Morgan IT Consultants to this effect.

We meet on the third Wednesday evening of every other month; meetings are open to all regardless of membership, as we want all residents of the two villages to feel they own the Group. Membership remains at a modest £5.00 pa.

We were saddened to lose one of our most enthusiastic members, Ivan Cannon during this year. Ivan was a Stukeley person through and through and although ill health prevented him from attending many meetings he was a great supporter of our aims.

Over the year we had a number of speakers including Martyn Smith on the Hunts Cycling Battalions of the First World War. We also had two visits - one to the new Incubator Building on Alconbury Weald and another to the Imperial War Museum in Southwark.

We are grateful to all those who supplied new material to be "scanned" especially Donald Cook, Elizabeth Cannon and Gill Curtis Brown.

This year we have planned another visit to Alconbury Weald and a day trip to Norwich. We are also encouraging local people to contribute. So far Buster Evans has shared his experiences as a driver for VIPs in the RAF and Nichola Oldfield has promised to give her talk on the draining of the Fens, "In the steps of Vermuyden".

Michael Monk, Convenor

Stukeleys Allotment Society Report

It has been another good growing year for the allotment holders with a wide range of vegetables being grown. Several of them again entered the annual Great Stukeley Flower, Garden & Craft show (2015) with good results for their efforts in quite a few of the different categories. The storage unit is now in place, with many thanks to Breheny for completing the base, (you may have seen pictures of the official opening of the unit in the Hunts Post) and ready for the allotment holders and community groups to use.

This annual report will be my last as Chairman of the allotment society as I am not renewing the tenancy on my plot, so therefore I have been asked to comment that the PC has yet to fulfil its pledge to HDC planning to plant the edible wood surrounding the allotments that was meant to be for the wider community and at the same time act as a wind break for the allotments.

Also, the allotment holders would like to know what is happening about the tree that was to be planted within the allotments as we already have the frame surround in place.

Tracy Barker
Chairman
Stukeleys Allotment Society

Great Stukeley Village Hall

The Village Hall has a healthy bank balance due to increased hall usage and fund raising events. Our regular hall users are the Table Tennis Club, WI, Monday Night and Friday Morning Bridge Clubs, Craft Club, Heritage Club, Pilates, Slimming World, Badminton and the Church of Jesus Christ and the Latter Day Saints. We also received a donation from funds raised at the Swinging 60s Event organised by Mary Alleyne-James. This was £600 and is to be used specifically to repair the car park. The WREN application to cover the cost of insulating the stage area and kitchen and fitting a disabled access ramp, amongst other things is being put in hand. Nicola Oldfield has also been in touch with Urban & Civic about using their contractor Breheny to repair the car park and put in disabled access.

We had three main fund raising events during the year. The first event was Open Gardens and the St Bartholomew's Flower Festival on 5th July. This was a great success, because as well as local residents, visitors attended from far and wide having seen our listing it on the Open Gardens website. Many visitors commented that they enjoyed the wide variety of gardens. The next one will be in 2017. This year's Christmas event was a relaxed social on 18th December with guests enjoying mulled wine, mince pies and a chat with their friends. We had good feedback from this and may consider holding similar events at different times of the year. Our final event was the Bond Casino night on 20th February which went down a storm. This was enjoyed by all who attended, so much so that we are putting on a Las Vegas Casino night on 3rd December as the village hall Christmas event.

Sarah Toyn
Chair GSVH

Great Stukeley Flower, Garden & Craft Show

The flower show has been going for 44 consecutive years. It's open to all residents of Great Stukeley and is a popular community event. There are varied classes for people to enter from vegetables, fruit, plants & flowers, floral arrangements, home produce, photography and a children's section which always have something new in every year. We also have best spring garden and best kept garden competitions along with best hanging basket & best container, and always get a broad range of gardens entering. But the past few years we have struggled to get people to enter their gardens, which is a shame because we need a good mix for a fair competition.

The Flower Show went very well last year, we had just under 400 entries, all of good standard and it was good to see some entries from the allotments (hopefully more this year). But unfortunately there was no children's entries which is a terrible shame as there are four trophies awarded in the children's section. So we need some encouragement from the parents out there, get our children to enter.

GSFGCS is a not for profit organization of which monies raised are to be donated to the village hall. One of our biggest issues every year is the sourcing of tables, due to the fact the hall does not have enough. So we are grateful once again to Urban & Civic for helping us out this year.

And just to remind you all the Flower Show is on 6th August doors open at 2:30pm and booking in of exhibits is in the morning from 9am until 11:45 am. Plus don't forget you can always come along just for the cream tea.

Iain Shaw

Great Stukeley Table Tennis Club

Great Stukeley Table Tennis Club holds its club sessions on Mondays and Thursdays 5-7pm for juniors and 7-10pm for seniors at Great Stukeley Village Hall and 1-5pm on Saturdays. Our aim is to grow our own talent through a comprehensive system of coaching for juniors. We encourage all our players to play competitively and the 2015/2016 season began with the organisation of the fourth Hunts 2 Star Open Tournament on 29th and 30th August 2015 generously sponsored by Alconbury Weald. On Junior Day, Cllr Debbie

Townsend, Deputy Mayor of St Ives attended to award medals to the winners together with Victoria Parchment from Alconbury Weald. On Senior Day, which saw a record number of entries, Deputy Mayor of Huntingdon, Cllr Darryl Brown was joined by the Chairman of Table Tennis England, Sandra Deaton who said "This tournament has done wonders for table tennis in Huntingdonshire."

This season the club entered 2 teams (Divisions 2 & 3) in the Cambridgeshire Table Tennis League both teams were crowned champions. We also entered a team in the Cadet National League (under 15s) which came third and our Junior National League Team (under 18s) competed well and were runners-up in their division. Our Veterans British League Team (over 40s) finished third.

We have a number of junior players who are progressing very well on the national scene. Louis Roper-Gibbs is ranked in the top 50 of the Cadets in England, winning the Batts 1 Star at Harlow in December and the Uxbridge 1 Star in March. Charlotte Boston and Georgina Lister are ranked in the top 30 and Harry Boston is No 6 in the England U12s. James Kelly reached the top 15 ranked Cadets in England and is predicted to rise further. He won the Grantham 2 Star tournament in April, a prestigious event in the Table Tennis calendar. He was also selected to play in the National Finals at Huddersfield in May.

Alex Facey
Chairman and Coach GSTTC

The Stukeleys WI

The Stukeley's W.I. meets on the second Wednesday of the month at Great Stukeley Village Hall. Our current membership is 39 with members coming from the Stukeley's, Stukeley Meadows, Huntingdon and Godmanchester.

We have a varied program which includes a very enlightening talk about recycling; a demonstration entitled Chair Fitness, Glass blowing and Knit & Natter.

We recently chaired a group meeting in the Village Hall which took the form of a 1940's event. The speaker told us about how people coped with rationing. She also had many props from that era with her. After which our entertainer sang songs from the 1940's.

All ladies are welcome to come along as a visitor and join us for a fun evening. It's not all Jam & Jerusalem.

Our chosen Charity for 2015 was Magpas and through our Community coffee mornings, which are held on the last Wednesday of each Month from 10.30 to 12.00, we were able to donate a Cheque for £500.00 which with Gift Aid increased to £590.75.

Everyone is welcome to come along for a cup of tea or coffee and a delicious slice of homemade cake. We also run a Bring & Buy stall of which the leftovers are taken to the Charity shops in Huntingdon.

To celebrate the Queen's Birthday some members have started to help maintain the Village Hall flower beds.

Jan Sly - President

County Councillors Sir Peter Brown and Peter Ashcroft presented their reports.

Two residents questioned the criteria that the Parish Council had used when considering which of two candidates to co-opt as a Parish Councillor. Councillors stated that ageism had not influenced their decision, they had considered each candidates different qualities, skills and experience. Two other residents felt that Parish Council was not ageist and offered their support for the work done by the Parish Council.

Other issues discussed were highway repairs, traffic, allotment woodland, village play areas and bridleways.

Councillor Michael Monk announced his intention to resign from the Parish Council, Rebecca Briton of Urban & Civic felt that he was an outstanding Parish Councillor who had contributed so much time and effort championing the villages, he would be greatly missed. Other residents echoed Rebecca Briton's comments.

The Vice Chairman thanked all residents, Rebecca Briton and County Councillors for attending the meeting and the village representatives for their interesting and informative reports, which illustrates how many wonderful things are happening in the villages and that our village halls are great assets to the villages.

The Stukeleys Parish Council News

The Stukeleys **Annual Parish Meeting** was held on the 9th May 2016 at Little Stukeley Village Hall.

Cllr Karl Gasson was elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the next 12 months with Cllr Sally Smith as Vice Chairman.

The following councillors and non-councillors were elected as members to the following committee or offices for next 12 months:

Rights of Way Committee- Cllrs Philip Hobson, Karl Gasson and Sally Smith

Lighting Committee - Cllrs Stuart Bell, Michael Womersley-Carter and Sally Smith

Playing Fields Committee – Cllrs Michael Womersley-Carter, Philip Hobson and Sally Smith

Finance Committee - Cllrs Karl Gasson, Philip Hobson and Stef van den Haak.
Personnel Committee -Cllrs Karl Gasson, Stuart Bell and Stef van den Haak.
Planning Committee - Cllrs Sue Parkin, Karl Gasson, Michael Womersley-Carter and Stuart Bell
Tree Warden - Cllr Sue Parkin.
Deputy Tree Warden - Cllr Karl Gasson.
Dog Warden - Cllr Sally Smith.
Highways Warden- Michael Reynolds
Webmaster – Cllr Karl Gasson
Maintenance of Public Open Spaces and Verges Warden – Cllr Stef van den Haak

The following representation on external bodies and groups were agreed:

Traffic Group - Cllrs Sue Parkin, Philip Hobson, Michael Womersley-Carter and Diane Gee
Joint Parish Liaison Group - Cllr Sue Parkin
Local Joint Committee - Cllr Stuart Bell

The Parish Council's policies, procedures and terms of reference were reviewed and confirmed. The dates of the Parish Meetings for the year 2016/17 are to be held on every first Monday (that are not Bank Holidays) of the month (except August & January) alternating between the village halls of Great Stukeley and Little Stukeley. The next meeting is therefore scheduled for the 6th June 2015 at Great Stukeley Village Hall.

The 2015/16 Annual Return and Financial Statement were approved and signed.

The following planning applications were considered by the Parish Council:

- i **Montgomery House, 25 Stukeley Park, Chestnut Grove, Great Stukeley - 16/00514/HHFUL** – Internal modifications to ground floor, landscaping alterations to front & side gardens and single-storey extension
The Planning Group's report was discussed and it was resolved to recommend approval.
- ii **Montgomery House, 25 Stukeley Park, Chestnut Grove, Great Stukeley - 16/00515/LBC** – Internal modifications to ground floor, landscaping alterations to front & side gardens and single-storey extension.
The Planning Group's report was discussed and it was resolved to recommend approval
- iii **Alconbury Weald, Ermine Street - 16/00752/REM** – Submission of reserved matters (appearance, layout, landscaping, scale and mass) in respect of the construction of a mixed use Innovation, Manufacturing, Engineering Building (iMET) including office, research and development and a training facility.
The Planning Group's report was discussed and it was resolved to recommend approval, recognising the important function of this building to the Enterprise Zone.
- vi **Alconbury Weald, Ermine Street - 16/05004/CCM** – Section 73 application to develop land without complying with condition 4 (details of the flue and fuel tank) of planning permission H/5001/15/CW for temporary change of use of building 4002 to an advanced biofuel demonstration centre.
The Planning Group's report was discussed and it was resolved to recommend approval.

The Stukeleys Parish Council now has two vacancies on the Parish Council due to the resignations of Michael Monk and Barrie James. If you are interested in considering becoming a Parish Councillor and would like some more information about the role please speak to one of our Parish Councillors or the Parish Clerk.

There are currently two plots (one full & one half) available at the Stukeleys Allotments, if you are interested in taking on a plot (half or full) please contact the Carole Pollock, Parish Clerk on clerk@thestukeleys-pc.gov.uk

Next Scheduled Meetings:

Monday 6th June 2016 at 7:30pm – Great Stukeley Village Hall
Monday 4th July 2016 at 7:30pm – Little Stukeley Village Hall

Please check the website and notice board for notification of any Extra-ordinary Parish Council Meetings to be held.
A full set of Minutes and other Parish Council information are available at www.thestukeleys-pc.gov.uk

Carole Pollock, Parish Clerk/RFO to The Stukeleys Parish Council, 5 Gore Tree Road, Hemingford Grey, Cambs PE28 9BP.
Tel: 01480 464817 email: clerk@thestukeleys-pc.gov.uk

A Really Big Thank You

Many thanks for the all the time, effort, hard work, commitment, loyalty and service to the Parish to Michael Monk and Barrie James. Michael Monk has been a Parish Councillors since 1990 and Barrie James since 2014.

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www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/highwayfaults

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0800 7832220

Refuse and Recycling Helpline
0800 3896613

Why I have resigned from the Parish Council - Michael Monk

As some of you will know I have resigned from the Parish Council after being there for some 26 years. I should like to explain why I have taken this step.

The Bumbling Bob column (May 2016) condemned the Parish Council for the manner in which it co-opted a new member from the two applicants, suggesting that the decision had been made on age alone and was therefore discriminatory by being ageist.

I quote "What a farce. The whole Parish Council should be ashamed of itself.....A shambles, Parish Councillors, a complete and utter **AGEIST** shambles!"

You will note these comments apply to each and every Parish Councillor, so I take them personally.

What prompted this intemperate outburst was an off the cuff remark by the then Vice-Chairman that a younger person should be given the chance to represent the Parish Council. Of course, this did not mean that this was the only material consideration, any more than I did by referring to the balance of councillors between our two villages.

And on that subject I am misquoted by BB. The point I made was that there has been a perceived imbalance with Little Stukeley only having two councillors as opposed to Great Stukeley's seven. I referred to my past suggestion that maybe the Parish should be "warded" to ensure three councillors for Little Stukeley, but a recent count of households had indicated that maybe the current situation was not as out of proportion as thought previously, but that "I would take all this into account when I cast my vote". It was a secret ballot and I had (and still have) no intention of indicating which way I intended to vote. So contrary to BB's version I did NOT indicate I would vote for the Great Stukeley candidate.

Of course, just like the the Vice-Chairman, I did not mean that this was the sole factor to be weighed in the balance. There were a number of matters to take into account and, knowing my fellow councillors pretty well, I knew that they would, like me, be weighing them up in coming to a decision. We had two excellent candidates from which to choose. One had unparalleled knowledge of the villages and its people - the other a relative newcomer with a young family who could see things from that perspective. Both had submitted written statements for consideration. All this and more would have gone into the thought processes before coming to a vote decision. It may not have been captured in the debate but that does not mean it was not taken into account. Thank goodness every councillor does not comment on every point of every decision otherwise meetings would never end (note BB has criticised the length of Parish Council meetings in the past).

So now let us return to the charge of ageism and the former Vice-Chairman's off the cuff comment. Maybe he had in mind advice from BB himself who in the Stukeleys Magazine of May 2014 stated:

"I close on a subject entirely different: The Parish Council elections. Will we still end up with a collection of old duffers or will some of you be willing to get out and challenge the parish rulers in an election? For too long far too many of our Parish Councillors have been over the age of sixty. **It's youngsters we need on the Parish Council** (my emphasis) not those looking over their shoulders at the approaching figure of the Grim Reaper. Strike a blow for the Village and vote youth, or at least middle aged!"

Oh, I'm sure there will be a lot of huffin' and puffin' from BB that that was different because it was meant to encourage younger people to come forward. In the event, there was no election that year (there being insufficient names coming forward) but if there had been, I as a candidate aged 69

could surely have felt that I had been discriminated against. Now here's a funny thing. Not a single voice was raised in protest about this ageist remark.

I leave you to draw your conclusions. On the one hand an off the cuff, spur of the moment comment as part of a wider discussion and on the other a considered written article which could be checked and pondered over before pressing the "send" button.

Each month I have dreaded the Parish Magazine coming through our letter-box as to what it may include in the BB column. All this would have been bad enough, but at the Annual Parish Meeting it became clear that BB's continuing vilification of the Parish Council was being read and influencing others as there was highly vocal support for BB's condemnation of Parish Councillors on this issue. Given this, and that it just the latest in a series of derogatory criticisms of Parish Councillors, amounting to abuse, and the Annual Parish Meeting was the last straw.

So let me leave you in no doubt that the reason - and the only reason - for my resignation is the continuing harassment from BB. Given that BB tells us that many people approach him to say how much they enjoy his column, I suggest that he and his supporters put forward names to fill the two vacancies of the Parish Council.

Michael Monk

Mrs Carole Pollock
Clerk to The Stukeleys Parish Council
5 Gore Tree Road
Hemingford Grey
Huntingdon
Cambridgeshire
PE28 9BP

Dear Carole,

Please accept this letter as my formal resignation as a parish councillor for The Stukeleys. I have been a parish councillor for this parish since 1990 and have felt it an honour to represent our two villages. Over that time, I have striven to protect and enhance our villages to the best of my ability.

However, I am not prepared to continue when Parish Councillors are subject to the sort of hostility and plain discourtesy demonstrated repeatedly in print in the Parish Magazine and again at Monday's Annual Meeting. This Annual Meeting should be an opportunity to celebrate the positive side of community life in our villages. Instead it was hijacked to denigrate the entire Council in a manner which I found totally unacceptable.

I am conscious that there are many projects which remain unfinished and which I would have very much preferred to have seen to completion, such as the Ermine Street Enhancements and the development of a Neighbourhood Plan to identify important open spaces and green separation between us and other developments. But as the Parish Council continues to be the victim of such venom, I have reached the point where commitment to duty and any satisfaction in giving public service to the community has been destroyed.

I wish well the remaining Councillors and any who will replace me.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Monk

The Stukeleys Heritage Group

Please note our next two events.....for the second event to Norwich the number of people interested is very low - we need many more to make it viable or I shall have to cancel it.

Wednesday 15th June:

We will be visiting the changes at Alconbury Weald, courtesy of Urban&Civic. Most of us will have seen the new housing going up but this is an opportunity to see the wider site and put the changes into context as well as discussing the future of the Listed Building Control Tower. U&C will provide refreshments in the new Club Building which affords good views of the site.

We will be travelling by coach - leaving Great Stukeley Village Hall at 7.30 pm and picking up at the bus stop at Little Stukeley at 7.35pm.

Please note there is no charge for this trip.

Wednesday 17th August - annual outing - to the historic city of Norwich.

By coach, leaving from Great Stukeley Village Hall at 9.30 am, which should give us plenty of time to explore Norwich as we will be leaving there at 5.30 pm. You may wish to see the Cathedral, historic Elm Hill, the Castle Museum or one of the many other museums or maybe shop at the extensive open market. More details nearer the date.

The cost is just £20 per head. To reserve your place please let me know as soon as possible. Cash or cheque (payable to M.G. Monk) to me please.

PLEASE NOTE THAT BOTH OF THESE TRIPS ARE OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS OF THE STUKELEYS AND FRIENDS. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF THE GROUP TO COME ALONG.

Michael Monk,

Convenor.

33 Church Road, Great Stukeley.

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LITTLE STUKELEY VILLAGE HALL



Annual General Meeting

The Little Stukeley Village Hall Annual General Meeting will take place at 8PM on 29 June 2016 in the hall. The agenda will include election of committee members and is an opportunity for you to make your suggestions to the committee for how the hall is run and what events take place. You are most welcome to attend and we'd be delighted to see you there.

Italian Themed Race Night

Another fantastic night was had by all in the hall with some 46 'Jockeys' and 'Owners' enjoying a fun evening. As always, the event ran smoothly with help from Tony & Diane Gee and Sally Smith who ran the bar, our wonderful Italian fare was provided by Naomi Smith, Joy Ball and Sally when she wasn't helping at the bar. Keith Winter and David Robinson ran the 'track' with great flair.... Thank you to all of those that attended and helped make the night so enjoyable.

Hall Hire

If you wish to hire the Hall for your own events Peter Soinne (01480 437 584) would be pleased to hear from you and he'll talk you through the arrangements.

Next Events

Our calendar of events is shown below, watch out for updates. I'd be delighted to hear your ideas for any future events and I look forward to seeing you in the Hall. Don't forget we run our Social Club Bar every Sunday 1PM – 2:30PM, it's a great way to meet your neighbours and fellow villagers. For membership of the Social Club please speak to Keith Winter (01480 450 656 05 keithwinter2@sky.com) who will be pleased to make the necessary arrangements.

Wednesday	29 th June AGM
Sunday	3 rd July BBQ and Rounders
Saturday	3 rd September Flower Show
Saturday	5 th Bonfire and Fireworks
Saturday	19 th November Social Club Supper Night
Saturday	10 th December Christmas Dinner

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any ideas for other events or if you would like to get involved, you'd be very welcome and I'd be delighted to hear from you.

David Robinson
davidarobinson@clara.co.uk
07730312964

Community Coffee Morning

Wednesday 29th June 2016

10.30 – 12.00

At Great Stukeley Village Hall

**(and every last Wednesday
27 July, 31 Aug, 28 Sept, 26 Oct & 30 Nov)**

The Stukeleys WI are holding a community coffee morning every last Wednesday of the month to raise money for Young Carers Huntingdon and The Stukeleys WI.

Do come and join us. Children are welcome – we have a kids' corner to keep them amused.

Dear Residents,

The seventh Huntingdon Charity 10k Race takes place [on Sunday June 19th](#) (Father's Day). We have 1,200 places for the 10k Race and 350 places in both the 3k race and the 1k Fun Run, so we expect to attract quite a crowd.

Your support, as local residents, is vital to the success of the event, which will be raising funds for charities supporting local people in Huntingdonshire. Please note the road closures required for event safety this year detailed below.

The Huntingdon 10K Charitable Trust, a local fund raising group, is organising the race. As well as the races, there is a covered 'Spectator Village', with food stalls, face painting and other attractions, making it a great morning out for the whole family.

Alconbury Weald, formerly Alconbury Airfield, is once again the race venue by kind permission of Urban and Civic, who are not only hosting the event but helping us in many ways as one of our main sponsors. Cook Italian is a lead sponsor for us again.

The race has raised over £60k for local charities since 2010. This year, our profits will be shared between Hunts Community Cancer Charity and seven other local good causes. Full details are on our website: www.hunts10k.org.uk

ROAD CLOSURES. A section of the race is on roads in Great Stukeley, in particular Green End, Beech Avenue, Elm Road and Owl End. This year, because of the number of runners expected and safety concerns over incidents in previous years, especially along Owl End, the Police and the County Highways Department has decided that these roads will be CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC except for emergency vehicles between 10:00hrs and noon. We appreciate that this will cause some disruption to residents but the safety of the runners has to be paramount. Parking is available at the Great Stukeley Village Hall.

The runners will appreciate cheering, clapping and encouragement from you as they pass your home. In previous years the support that local residents have given has been commented on by both runners and marshals.

If you want more information on the race route, further information and a detailed map are at: www.hunts10k.org.uk.

If you would like to join the 10K, 3K or 1K fun runners, it's not too late to enter at www.hunts10k.org.uk. We would love to see as many local residents as possible supporting the runners and enjoying the attractions in the Spectator Village. There's plenty of free parking on site and it's free to visit and show your support. If you have any questions please call me on [07887995867](tel:07887995867) or [01480 451412](tel:01480451412) (office) or email racebob@hunts10k.org.uk.

Warm regards,



Bob Hulström Race Director





**REFLECTIONS: The Great Stukeley SUMMER
FASHION SHOW II-Thursday 19th May 2016**

Our Village Hall looked beautiful for the Great Stukeley SUMMER FASHION SHOW II on Thursday 19th May 2016.

In honour of the Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration the hall was beautifully decked out in Union Jack red, white and blue with flags, balloons and bunting. It looked very patriotic!

My hardworking team moved in at 3pm to dress the hall, put out the chairs and tables, prepare the drinks, and chill the white wine. Our HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIX (126) guests arrived between 7pm and our PROMPT start time of 7.30pm.

Our three lovely fashion models-NITA Charter, REBECCA Dockerill and HEATHER Stewart did a fantastic job with all the clothes and accessories provided by Lincs Fashion from various fashion houses which were on sale at HALF PRICE AND LESS.

Most sincere thanks are extended to my many helpers on the day who contributed to making this event such a success. Ann MONK and Iain SHAW busied themselves serving the drinks while Janet and Barry NUNLEY had prepared the Hall for our visit. Ian SLY joined our set-up team. Nicola OLDFIELD thoughtfully designed and printed our tickets and provided great photos as a fond memory of the evening with help from Martyn FOX and Mary ALLEYNE-JAMES.

Our runners - Stuart BELL, Ray DANIELS, Michael MONK, John OLDFIELD, David PHILLIPS, Bryan SCHOFIELD and David SILSBY had a very busy time during the buying session. Ron BALDWINSON, Barrie JAMES, Jan SLY and David SILSBY sold our Raffle tickets. We were overwhelmed by all those who so generously gave us presents for our Raffle which, we were told, were very much appreciated by all the Raffle winners. A very special THANK YOU is extended to very cute Samantha GRANT (aged 12) who helped us tirelessly at the event and had herself a ball!

Everyone really worked so very hard to make this event, seven months in planning, such a success. At the end of this busy evening our gorgeous MODELS were presented with lace gifts from Belgium and our tireless RUNNERS received a small monetary gesture for all their much appreciated help which made the evening so successful.

My visitors included many non-villagers as well as Stukeley residents whom we had not seen in quite a while. Thank you all for your support.

Through ticket sales, donations, drink sales and the Raffle we brought in £1,266.40. After deducting the hall rental of £115.00, the cost of the wine, other drinks and the cost to print the tickets the net profit for this event was £1,050.40. This is donated to the Great Stukeley Village Hall to be used solely for repairing the CAR PARK.

Again, my most sincere thanks to all those who supported us by attending and assisting and to those who kindly stayed behind to help clear the hall from this very busy evening event.

Mary Alleyne-James
Organizer
Tel 01480 433 954



A lottery with a difference

On Friday Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust (ACT) officially launched its colourful new charity lottery with the help of hospital staff and its much-loved mascots, Brooke Bear and Rosie Rabbit.

The Addenbrooke's Charity Lottery is open to people who are aged 16 and above and players have the chance to win up to £25,000, while at the same time helping to make a difference for patients at Addenbrooke's and the Rosie hospitals.

The regular weekly draw costs from just £1 per week and at least 50p for every £1 entry will help support patients across the hospitals.

Community support has been threaded throughout the hospital's history since it opened in 1766 thanks to a gift of over £4,500 left by Dr John Addenbrooke in his Will. Now, 250 years later with the addition of this new fundraising initiative, the tradition remains strong.

Money raised helps ACT fund cutting edge technology, additional specialist services, vital research and extra comforts for patients over and above what would be possible through NHS funding alone.

Recent examples include a new bespoke critical care response trolley to enable faster delivery of care; development of new approaches for treating lung cancers and a children's heart scanner, so sick young patients with complex problems can be scanned on the ward, to name just a few.

Bridget Tring, ACT's supporter development manager said: "We're thrilled to officially launch this new way of supporting patients in the hospital's 250th anniversary year. Weekly participation will help ACT to quickly and flexibly address areas of greatest and most urgent patient need. We are so grateful to all our supporters who help make this possible, and we hope to welcome many more through our exciting new lottery!"

To sign up for the Addenbrooke's Charity Lottery, please go to www.act4addenbrookes.org.uk/lottery or for more information email lottery@act4addenbrookes.org.uk or call 01223 217757.

**LONDON CHRISTMAS SHOPPING, CARVERY CLUB LUNCH
and CHRISTMAS LIGHTS and SIGHTS
Tuesday 6th December 2016**

Please plan your arrival at the Great Stukeley Village Hall by 8.15am in time for our departure by our Kiddles coach at 8.30am PROMPT.

Our estimated arrival at the *Westfield Mall Stratford City* for a real Christmas shopping treat will be 10.30am. We will depart from the Mall at 12.30pm to meet our *Blue Badge Holder Guide*, Jeanie Carmichael, close to *The Strand Palace Hotel* in the heart of Theatreland in the West End. Here we will be completely spoiled with a delicious two-course lunch in the Hotel's swish *Carvery and Grill*. The lunch is INCLUDED in the price of this trip. We will depart from the hotel at 3.30pm from the same point as our earlier drop-off. PLEASE NOTE THAT DRINKS ARE NOT INCLUDED.

Everyone is looking forward to our *Christmas Lights and Sights* tour as few world cities are as beautiful as London at night. We will be able to view all the major sights in this wonderful city including the West End...plus some of London's secret treasures and new buildings. Our Blue Badge Holder Guide will make the entire city COME ALIVE! We will also be able to travel along the river and across the bridges with their sparkling lights which are reflected in the mighty Thames. We round-off this most enjoyable evening at the *South Bank Christmas Market* where we can make some last minute shopping, have some refreshments and make a comfort stop before our PROMPT 6pm departure home. PRICE FOR THE TRIP IS £45.50 PER PERSON.

Mary Alleyne-James
Tour Organizer - Tel 01480 433 954

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Advertisers also needed. The rates are very reasonable and help to fund the printing of the Magazine so it can be distributed free of charge to every household in the Parish.

The Stukeley's W.I. Meeting 11th May 2016

Jan Sly, president, was pleased to welcome twenty-five members to the 'Resolution Evening'. Apologies were received from eight members. The competition for the evening was for 4 fairy cakes AYOW.

The ladies were then informed of a member Joan Gray who had broken her hip. A card had been sent on behalf of the Institute, with our best wishes.

All then stood to sing Jerusalem.

Jan reminded those members who live outside the village that surplus village magazines were available to be taken home.

Catherine Cochrane, our minute secretary, then read out the minutes of the April meeting which were then signed as correct.

It was asked if members could wear the badges with their names on at each meeting to give all new members a chance to learn everyone's name.

Matters arising were then dealt with. As we had lots of correspondence this month a potted version was read out. The information in full was available if required.

The treasurer then gave out her financial report.

Our 'August Outing' will now be in July this year owing to the fact that our chosen destination was fully booked up for the month of August. Judith Wood gave out all details of this trip.

We will be deciding in the next few months how we will be celebrating our Institute being 100years old in 2018. We are the oldest in the Huntingdon & Peterborough district.

Our main event for the evening was to vote for or against the two resolutions, which will be taken to the Annual Meeting in Brighton this year.

Sarah Toyne started with the Pro's and Con's regarding food wastage and addressing food poverty.

A very informative talk. Then questions were asked. This vote was then taken.

Nicki Sly then gave her Pro's and Con's into Appropriate Care In Hospitals for people with dementia. A lively discussion was then held and Nicki had a large amount of information to hand. We then voted. Jan thanked both ladies for their work in gathering all of the information for these discussions.

We then had refreshment time. This month we had a little extra, a piece of celebration cake in honour of the Queens 90th Birthday. This was served by Sheila Stephenson and Mary Ward.

Birthday chocolates were then distributed. The draw was won by Vicki Barrett.

Our competition for four Fairy Cakes was 1st Jill Sapsed 2nd Zena Betts 3rd Jan Sly.

The roll call for the evening was 'What Was **Your** New Year Resolution? It seems not many members had made one, so they had not broken them!

Our next meeting will on Wednesday 8th June 2016. Our Speaker will be Mrs Pat King, on 'Chair Fitness' (good fun).

The competition will be a sport related 'photograph'!

Roll Call; Your favourite sport as a child.

Deanna Strange will be responsible for the Curtis Bowl, and Hazel Pawley the Draw prize. The refreshments will be provided by Jan Tilden and Janet Talbot.

Jan reminded everyone of our regular Community Coffee Morning, which is always the last Wednesday in the month. 29th June 2016 10.30- 12.00 Tea- Coffee –Cake, Bring and Buy.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Jan then wished the ladies a safe journey home, and appreciation for every-one who helped pack up tables and chairs.

Latest news from Alconbury Weald...

It's been a busy few weeks up at Alconbury Weald, with a successful launch of the new homes and continued development of the Enterprise Campus.

New homes released

The first phase of new homes at Alconbury Weald were unveiled by Hopkins Homes on 16 April to record numbers of interested buyers. Hopkins Homes are the first of three housebuilders that will be working at Alconbury Weald this year and are building the first 128 homes around the newly created entrance off Ermine Street. The homes lie among the extensive landscaping, water features and more than 18,000 trees which Urban&Civic have put in place to create attractive setting for the first residents who will be moving in from September 2016. All the homes released have now been reserved and Hopkins Homes are releasing more to keep up with demand.

At the same time, the team have been busy getting the areas behind the Hopkins plots ready for 2 further housebuilders. It is anticipated that they will be putting in planning applications in the early summer, and on site in the Autumn. In the meantime, the Urban&Civic team are preparing the area with infrastructure including a major new road on site to link the new housing to the main Boulevard entrance of the site (the old North Gate), and putting in place the drainage systems, including new ponds which many of you will have been seen being created off Ermine Street.

Ermine Street roadworks and environmental enhancements

Urban&Civic are very conscious of the ongoing roadworks which are helping increase the capacity of power and water systems across the local area. Breheny have planned the work to minimise impact on local people, and the main work should be finished over the next couple of weeks. At the same time, we are revising the plans for traffic calming and environmental enhancements from the feedback given at the recent consultation events, and plan to work through these with the Traffic Group in the next few weeks.

New head at Ermine Street Church Academy

The head teacher of the new primary school at Alconbury Weald has taken up post and is busy recruiting the rest of his team. Adrian Shepherd comes with a wealth of experience from six years as Head of St Anne's CofE Primary School in Godmanchester. Adrian said "the chance to develop a school from inception doesn't come along often and I can't wait to get started. The primary school will be at the heart of the new community and we will take a proactive approach to working with the new residents and the existing schools and communities around the site." More information about the school is available on their website at www.erminestreetca.org.uk.

Enterprise Campus

iMET, a new training facility for manufacturing, engineering and technology has secured £10.5m funding to create an innovative business-led facility at Alconbury Weald. Anchored by Huntingdonshire Regional College, it will directly support the growth of companies on the Campus and across the local area. A planning application has been submitted for the building which is due to open Summer 2017. The Skills Centre will complement the next two companies signed up for new headquarters buildings at the Enterprise Campus. These will be announced in the next few weeks, and will see the first international company coming to the site.

If anyone would like to meet up with the team or have a tour of the developing site, then please do get in touch by emailing rbritton@urbanandcivic.com or calling 01480 277203.

GREAT STUKELEY VILLAGE HALL
INVITES YOU TO
**Celebrate the Queen's
90th Birthday with a
ROYAL PICNIC**



**On Sunday 26th June 2016
3-6pm
At Great Stukeley Village Hall**
(not Saturday 25th June as previously advertised)

Bring your own picnic and there will be stalls with games.
Tea, coffee and cakes provided.

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Saturday 17th September at 7.30pm – Barn Dance and Hog Roast

Saturday 3rd December at 7.30pm Las Vegas Casino Night

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Contact Sally

On mobile 07500220615

Or email sallysmith101@aol.com



Bingo

Saturday 17th September 6.30 pm

at Little Stukeley Village Hall.

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Saturday 15th October

7 for 7.30 pm

at Lt Stukeley Village Hall
Bar and Raffle

Tickets £10

from

Jocelyn Kerr Tel 453213

Peterborough Greyhounds: Friday 17th June 2016

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN TOGETHER!

We are all getting excited about our visit to THE PETERBOROUGH GREYHOUNDS at their Fengate Stadium in Peterborough on Friday 17th June 2016. All those signed up for an exciting evening of LIVE Greyhound racing will meet at the Great Stukeley Village Hall at 6pm for our 6.15pm PROMPT departure in our Kiddles Coach.

We plan to arrive at the Greyhound Stadium at 7pm as we need to get seated at our tables in the *RACEVIEW RESTAURANT* in time for the first race starting at 7.30pm. The price for this visit is £37.00 per person which includes a three course dinner (starter, main & dessert) with tea or coffee, the coach to and from Peterborough and the driver's tip. PLEASE REMEMBER that DRINKS are not included in your cover charge and tips are at your discretion.

Here are some final betting tips: **TRIO MULTIPLE BETS**

ALL WAYS TRIO: Choose FOUR (4) Greyhounds with any three to finish-1st, 2nd and 3rd, IN ANY ORDER

TRIO-TRAP NUMBERS WITH FIELD-STAKE: Nominate ONE (1) Greyhound to win and another to come second with any of the other FOUR (4) traps to finish third.

TRIO-TRAP NUMBERS WITH FIELD and FIELD STAKE: Nominate one Greyhound to win, with any of the other FIVE (5) to come second and any of the remaining FOUR (4) to come third

TRIO-FIELD WITH FIELD WITH FIELD-STAKE: All SIX (6) traps in all possible combinations to finish 1st, 2nd and 3rd. [A guaranteed win!]

Our three course dinner will have a choice of four starters, eight main courses and six desserts. Twelve side orders (which are NOT included in your cover price) will also be available during our visit. So there is something for everyone!

Delighted that you can join us for a wonderful evening of LIVE Greyhound racing.

Mary Alleyne-James

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THE BRICK LANE MUSIC HALL - Vincent's THE BEST OF BRITISH

Tuesday 4th October 2016

PAYMENT DUE

On Tuesday 4th October 2016 we will be visiting The BRICK LANE MUSIC HALL to enjoy Vincent's *BEST OF BRITISH*.

TripAdvisor has named The BRICK LANE MUSIC HALL as the number one attraction in London!

We will depart PROMPTLY from the Great Stukeley Village Hall at 11am arriving at the Silvertown Church situated in the Royal Docks area at 1pm. The *BEST OF BRITISH* show begins at 2pm and

a delicious three course *ENGLISH HIGH TEA* with homemade sandwiches, pastries, cakes and scones will be served during the intermission. No one will leave hungry!

Once ushered inside by courteous liveried doormen it is as though you have stepped into another world! The pews and the nave area have been filled with tables and chairs and lit by a grand chandelier. The arch that once separated worshippers from the alter now forms a natural proscenium with a pair of red velvet curtains which part to reveal a simple stage. The walls are adorned with old play bills reflecting a bygone age where Marie Lloyd, Little Titch and Dan Leno were the “darlings” of entertainment.

PAYMENT DUE: Please note that FULL PAYMENT of £54.50 per person IN CASH ONLY for this wonderful *BEST OF BRITISH* show, the delicious *ENGLISH HIGH TEA*, the coach and a tip for the driver must be RECEIVED BY ME personally NO LATER THAN 5pm on THURSDAY 2nd JUNE 2016. Please be THOUGHTFUL and call me first to arrange a mutually convenient time for you to drop-off your payment at my home.

Mary Alleyne-James
Organizer
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THURSFORD'S CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR 2016
Sunday 20th November 2016

THE VERY BEST CHRISTMAS SHOW-EVER!

The THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR, devised and produced by John Cushing, has been running for 34 years. With a cast of 130 professional musicians, singers and dancers this show has become THE biggest of its type in the United Kingdom. On the day of our trip I recommend that you visit their very special attraction *SANTA'S MAGICAL JOURNEY INTO CHRISTMAS*. For a charge of £5.00 per person, (once you have shown your ticket for the Christmas Spectacular), you will enter into the ultimate Festive experience for children from 1....to 101! In this wonderful walk through Christmas Grotto you will experience cute displays of moving animals - Penguins, Polar and Brown Bears, Santa and his Reindeer - complete with red-nosed Rudolph. You will also pass Santa's busy workshop. DO NOT MISS THIS FUN exhibit.


We have had tremendous luck this year as our seat allocation is situated mid-stalls in their *Deluxe* seating. We have also been allocated my preference date of Sunday 20th November 2016 for the 2pm matinee performance. The ticket price for this year's visit is £53.50 per person with superb seats in the D/E/F and H area with entrance to the Christmas Spectacular, the return coach trip and a tip for our Kiddles driver. We will depart from the Great Stukeley Village Hall car park PROMPTLY at 10am-SO PLEASE BE ON TIME.

Mary Alleyne-James
Trip Organizer
Tel 01480 433 954

GREAT STUKELEY VILLAGE HALL - REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Time	Activity	Organiser
Mondays		
7-10pm	Bridge	Joan Gray 455773
5-7pm	Great Stukeley Table Tennis Club	Coach Alex
7-10pm	Junior Table Tennis Senior Table Tennis	07961 192844
Tuesdays		
9.30-10.20am	Pilates (term time only)	Zara Walters 07917 755512
7.30-9pm	Slimming World	Adrian Flintoft 07826 555255
Wednesdays		
10.30-12.00 last Wed	Community Coffee Morning	Jan Sly 450197
2-4pm 4 th Wed	The Craft Club	Joan Gray 455773
7.30-10pm 2 nd Wed	The Stukeleys Women's Institute	Jan Sly 450197
Thursdays		
10-12	Badminton (private booking)	
5-7pm 7-10pm	Great Stukeley Table Tennis Club Junior Table Tennis Senior Table Tennis	Coach Alex 07961 192844
Fridays		
2-4pm	Bridge	U3A
Saturdays		
9.15 10.15	Jazzercise Dance Mixx Strength 45	Dana Rowe 07760 824609
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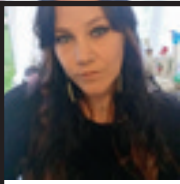
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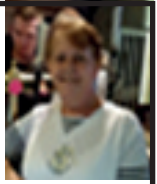
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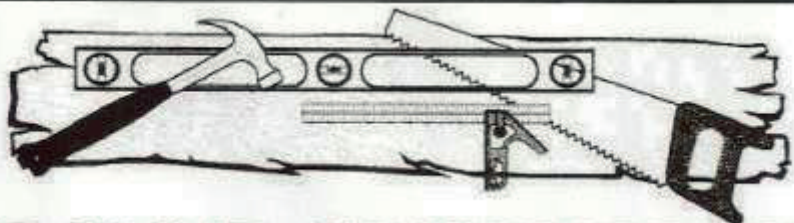
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Men's Breakfast		
Saturday 11 th June '16	9.00 am	All men welcome, come and bring a friend

If there is any way in which we can help or any questions you need to ask please call Pete and Penny Bourne on 01480 432207 or 07887707940 / 07908093224 or email us at bourneagain38jer333di@gmail.com or pennyanne.bourne@gmail.com or phone David Stokes on 01480 891023 and we will do our very best to help. If you need help with transport to any of the meetings just call Pastor Pete or Penny as above.

My thanks to all that asked about Penny and the offer of help from so many people. And a big thank you Martyn Fox for letting everyone know. We thank God for all the prayers that were made all around the world and that she is back home again. It makes us realize how great it is to be involved with a universal church and part of the church of God and the peace we can have knowing that so many are praying for her. Penny did not have to have surgery and her heart condition can be controlled by medication. How good it is to be so close to both Hinchingsbrooke and Papworth where Penny said she had such good care we are grateful to all the staff in both hospitals.

It was on the 15th of May that the church of God celebrated the birth of the church on the day of Pentecost 120 people were gathered together in one place waiting to see what was going to happen now that Jesus was gone. They had been told to wait for the power of the Holy Spirit came on them. 120 people came out of that place not as individuals but now a church, that day 3000 more were added to them, and many more since then are you one of them, a part of Gods family. God bless you all

Pastor Pete.

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12th Third Sunday after Trinity	8.00 am Celebrant	Holy Communion CW Rev'd Andrew Milton		No Service
	9.00 am Leader	Family Service Janet Talbot		
19th Fourth Sunday after Trinity	9.00 am Celebrant	Holy Communion CW Rev'd Andrew Milton	8.00 am Celebrant	Holy Communion Rev'd Andrew Milton
26th Fifth Sunday after Trinity	9.00 am Leader	Morning Prayer Richard Turpin	9.00 am Celebrant	Holy Communion Rev'd Andrew Milton

July

3rd Sixth Sunday after Trinity	9.00 am Celebrant	Holy Communion CW Rev'd Andrew Milton		No Service
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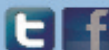
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