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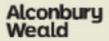
Coming soon to AlconburyWeald

The new Civic headquarters for Cambridgeshire County Council continues to take shape behind the Watch Office...





...and Garland Park is growing as well! The extension is now open for the community to enjoy.



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FUTURE EVENTS

| Sun Nov 1 st | 11.30am Holy Communion | St Bartholomew's |
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| Sun Nov 8 th | 9.30am Remembrance Sunday Service | St Bartholomew's |
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| Sun Nov 22 nd | 9.30am Morning Prayer | St Bartholomew's |
| Sat Nov 28 th | Online Service of Remembrance for those who have died | |
| Sun Dec 13 th | 9.30am Holy Communion | St Martin's |

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Please include your phone number in case of queries. Space in the magazine is limited, so articles should be about 300 words. This is to allow as many people as possible the opportunity to contribute to the magazine. It would be helpful if you could submit articles sized to an A5 page in Word or PDF. We reserve the right to refuse an article, cut its length or hold it over to a later issue without notice.

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Items for the Magazine. All things considered. Quizzes, Local Photos, Reviews, Reports on Local Events, Birthdays Etc.

October Stukeleys Parish Council Report

The October Stukeleys Parish Council meeting was held via ZOOM.

Rebecca Briton from Urban & Civic was invited to give an update and report on the Alconbury Weald, currently there are now 370 properties occupied. Work is progressing on the Cambridge County Council headquarters; Hopkins homes are underway with a second phase of housing and plans are in place for the secondary school with a proposed completion by September 2023. As part of continued development, demolition contractors will be at work between 8.30 and 5.00 on weekdays and 8.30 to 1.00 an Saturdays. U&C are in discussions with several organisations to advise on the design, development, and management of the Stukeleys Country Park.

The MAGPAS headquarters application on Alconbury Weald was approved by the Huntingdon Development Management Committee with a recommendation from SPC that no future development takes place on the proposed site that may impact further on the neighbouring properties.

The appointed contractors for Stukeleys Pocket Park are moving forward with a design concept and applications were invited by public advert regarding establishing and managing the Neighbourhood Plan.

A request was received from the Stukeleys Heritage Group regarding the management of the Romano-British burial grounds in Gt Stukeley, the SPC will instruct our groundworks contractors to inspect and carry out works required.

It was agreed that the editor of the Stukeleys Magazine has the full support of the SPC regarding any correspondence that he may consider distressing or vexatious and unsuitable for publishing in the future.

As it looks almost certain that until further notice that SPC meetings will continue to be held via ZOOM, anyone wishing to attend please contact <u>clerk@thestukeleys-pc.gov.uk</u>. The date of next meeting is Monday2 November at 7.15pm.

Tim Close Vice Chairman

Alconbury & Brampton Surgeries

Partners Update: As winter approaches and cases of Covid-19 are on the increase nationally we would like to reassure you of our commitment to deliver good healthcare in a safe way within the community. GP appointments always have, and continue to be available but will be via telephone in the first instance in line with Department of Health national Guidance. We also continue to provide video consultations and where clinically necessary will offer patients a face to face appointment.

We have opened up our Nurse and HCA appointments to recommence services that can be delivered in a way that protects patients and our team but to do so means that our capacity is reduced by a third. Please bear with us if wait times are a little longer than previously experienced. I would like to reassure patients that we are and always have been open and would encourage that you seek medical advice should you need it.

Our team have been working conscientiously and consistently since March to deliver continuity of care within constantly changing guidance. The next few months are likely to bring further challenges and I ask that our patients be understanding of the ongoing pressures under which we are working as we endeavour to meet their needs.

New technology:

Accurx This is the platform we use to host video consultations, share photo images and send patients SMS messages. It is fully accredited in terms of national standards for confidentiality. Doctorlink This service is available to help patients check their symptoms to ensure that they are seen by the service most suited to their needs, including appointments at the Surgery. NHS APP can be used by patient's age 16+ to make appointments, order medication, view results and access their online medical records.

Team Changes; As a member of the A1 Primary Care Network we now have a Physiotherapist at the Practice one day a week, Simon Margot, who will be working to support our GPs in managing musculoskeletal issues. We also have Social Link Worker, Andrew Hall, who will be able to work with patients to access non-clinical services available locally. We have a new Dispenser, Charlotte, a new secretary Jane and a new receptionist at Brampton, Dawn and we would like to take this opportunity to welcome them to the Practice Team. Dr Kooverjee is returning from maternity leave and we currently have GP Trainees Drs Hlaing, Goburdhone, Pollock, Qureshi, Vincent, Kelly and Badawi with us at the Practice. The hosting of medical students from Cambridge University has recommenced and we appreciate your ongoing support as we implement new ways of supporting the GPs of the future in their training.

Albram Many members of our patient group are still working to help support vulnerable patients in their local community but regret that they have had to suspend their volunteer drivers service. The Practice would like to express their sincere gratitude for the ongoing volunteer support being offered to our Patients by the local community.

Melanie Gearing

Practice Manager



Drugs Cash and Weapons Seized During Warrants

Drugs, cash and weapons have been seized and six people arrested during as part of a series of warrants in Huntingdonshire.

Officers from the Huntingdon Neighbourhood Team have carried out five warrants in Brampton, Farcet, Yaxley and Huntingdon in a bid to crack down on drug related crime.

On Sunday they were in Beasley Road, Brampton where they seized a number of imitation firearms and weapons as well as Class A drugs. A 33-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of possession of class A drugs and possession of a firearm. He was later released under investigation.

Officers then located a cannabis factory in Conquest Drive, Farcet on Monday. Around 37 plants were recovered, and a 46-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of cultivating cannabis. He was later released under investigation.

A drugs warrant was carried out at a property in Laburnum Avenue, Yaxley on Tuesday. Drugs and weapons were found at the address and an investigation is ongoing into the supply of drugs.

Later that day the team were at Hawthorn Road where cannabis was recovered and a 26-year-old woman was reported for possession of cannabis.

Then at a property in Terrill Close, Huntingdon, they arrested a 19-year-old man from Cambridge on suspicion of robbery and possession with intent to supply class A drugs and a 20-year-old man from London on suspicion of possession with intent to supply class A drugs and possession of drugs. They have both been bailed to return to Thorpe Wood police station next month.

Early Wednesday morning the team arrested a 21-year-old man on suspicion of fraud, being concerned in the supply of drugs and possession of drugs and a 24-year-old man on suspicion of possession with intent to supply class A drugs and possession of drugs following a warrant in Percy Green Place, Stukeley. Cash, drugs and weapons were seized along with items of high value clothing. They have both been released under investigation.

Drug dealing, and organised crime remain a priority for the neighbourhood team. We will continue to relentlessly pursue those involved in the illegal supply of drugs to prevent the harm that their activity does to our communities and our most vulnerable residents.

If you suspect drug dealing or activity in your area, report it at: <u>https://www.cambs.police.uk/report/Report</u>

PC Tom Russell Huntingdon Neighbourhood Team

Update from Alconbury Weald

It has been a strange few months and the Alconbury Weald community continues to thrive, albeit within the Coronavirus restrictions to help reduce the spread of the virus. Over 400 homes are now occupied and we're looking forward to welcoming more new residents this Autumn.

While many of our community events remain on hold, this October we launched a *Halloweald* Trail with 20 spooky hauntings for people to find, and a photo competition for the spookiest costume. Our resident Book Club is also doing well and our lucky dip library book bag (available until libraries open again for browsing) are proving very popular, especially with our younger residents.

We were also planning to open up the nuclear bunker at Alconbury Weald as part of the Heritage Open Days events in September, but sadly this was unable to take place under the current restrictions. We did, however, produce a virtual tour, which is available on our website for anyone interested in finding out more about this fascinating Cold War building: <u>www.alconbury-weald.co.uk/about/heritage/bunker-tour/</u>. In November we are hoping to mark Remembrance Sunday with a small event at Watch Office Green, subject to Coronavirus guidance.

Due to the restrictions, unfortunately The Café in The Club remains closed but The Gym has now opened to members. The Food Truck Revolution continue to provide a number of tasty treats from an array of cuisines which set up by Swynford Stores, Thursday, Fridays and over the weekend: please go to the Facebook page AlconburyWealdLiving to find the latest times and menus.

The latest developments at Alconbury Weald are also progressing well. We were able to open up the new Garland Park extension before the end of the Summer, so local residents were able to enjoy the new play equipment, including table tennis (with bats and balls available to buy from Swynford Stores) and to connect more of the walking routes around the development. Work is also progressing well with the new County Council Headquarters and the Pavilion is on schedule to open in Spring 2021.

We continue to work with Stukeleys Parish Council and the County Council to refine the enhancements along Ermine Street and put in additional measures to respond to the feedback from residents, and hope a finalised scheme will be agreed in the next couple of weeks. We are also working with Highways England and the County Council to finalise the new signage around the new A14 and A1307 and the local road network to update the signs and support the correct routing of traffic.

If you have any queries or would like to talk through current and future plans, please contact Rebecca Britton on rbritton@urbanandcivic.com

For further information on any of the above please check our website <u>www.alconbury-weald.co.uk</u> or you can follow us on Facebook @alconburyweald, Twitter @AlconburyWHomes or Instagram alconburyweald.

Rebecca Britton

Lost Walking Stick

I recently lost my walking stick in Low Road, down by the Manor Farm site No 70, it was seen by a fellow dog walker, it has a bone V handle under which the name MJN is inscribed. It was my fault entirely, but it is of great value to me as it was bought by my wife, Margaret, on the last occasion she was able to visit Burghley! Its return would be greatly and sincerely appreciated.

> Mike Newman, 1 Mill Close, 01480 455365. Thank you in anticipation.

Old Bob's Thoughts

Well I seem to have woken up the readership or rather Philip and I have. That is a good reason to write again in this magazine which, for those that have trouble with reality, is NOT a church magazine but one for the secular parishes of the two Stukeleys and not an ecclesiastical parish.

I will firstly refer to those readers who saw fit to write to the editor in response. One of you castigated the editor and told him to apologise in large letters in the magazine for his heinous crime of allowing free speech. You even went as far as stating you were going to the local MP.....Please give me a break here as I sit laughing as the said MP has a deplorable record in answering his mail. The very same person also feels that we cannot speak at all in regard to our history in regard to the slave trade or call other countries by the term `Third World` as its insulting and derogatory. They go on to say they would have stern words with any pupil of theirs that states the same. This is known as `Cancelling` when a view you do not agree with is not given the opportunity to be discussed or an historical event you do not agree with is `Whitewashed` out of history or indeed twisted to align with your narrative.

Well my bleeding-heart liberal correspondent I would suggest you grow up and learn the facts of life.

The British <u>did</u> indulge in the slave trade and yes, the country as a whole <u>did</u> profit greatly from it and a few hundred people profited greatly from it and their families still do so today. So what?! It was three HUNDRED years ago. May I point out a salient fact that seems to have passed the `history cancellers` by......we did not capture any black people (Africans in the main) and make them slaves. Black people had been making slaves of other black people for hundreds of years. All we did was to buy the slaves and use them as slaves. No change there then. Yes, we look at this today and tut, tut the actions of our forefathers and so we should BUT we have to look at it as history and more to the point look at it in the context of the time. Can I also point out that it was the British who ENDED the slave trade effectively when we stopped being involved in the trade as without us the slave ship trade virtually dried up as we ruled the waves and captured any ships caught slave trafficking. We also freed those slaves so captured. The following statement many will not like BUT who now has the better life; the descendants of those slaves who were traded and ended up in say Britain or the USA or those that still have a hand to mouth existence in Africa? Think on that for a few minutes. Last point on slaves; shall we boycott Italy? Ah, I thought not and yet the Roman empire was responsible for more slave deaths and horrific actions than all the slaves transported between Africa and the USA and the Caribbean.

I am also taken to task as to my own heritage by three of the correspondents, all without any personal knowledge of my life to date. So be it but if you do so expect me to bite back.

I am told that I have a wonderful pension, yes, I do BUT one I paid into myself NOT a final salary pension. I am told it was easy for me to buy property. Well it was not; no silver spoon for me as the correspondent obviously had. I am told I have no children or grandchildren. I have one of each actually; a daughter of thirty-nine who is a medical director of a hospital, who sits on the `NICE` committee, is well published professionally, attends parliamentary committees to give evidence, who also plays rugby for England and a grandson of nine. I am told I must have treated my daughter badly as a teenager; well you would have to ask her that. I cannot remember between all the taxiing I did for her, the taking her to band gigs, to Glastonbury, to paying for her overseas trips, to holding her hand when her heart was broken, to bringing her up as I did from age five to thirteen on my own. What I will say is that she has grown up into a well-rounded moral person who takes all of her many responsibilities to heart. Was that so bad? Did she get into debt at University? Of course, she did. And guess what? Yes, she paid it off as she went up the salary ladder. And she bought her own property.

I am told that teenagers now cannot pick a job. Rubbish. Just work hard and get good exam passes and the world is still your oyster. I currently own a business whose turnover is measured in tens of millions of pounds. I worked very hard to get it to that level. No one is owed a simple way through life. It's extremely hard. Get used to it. Nobody will have to support me; I made sure of that through my own hard work. And anyway, why should society support you? Get off your backside and make a life for yourself.

And yet from what the correspondent stated he, as a teacher, on his inflation proofed, silver plated pension, 12 weeks off a year, early retirement, subsidised university courses, is teaching our children, by his own admission, that cancelling history, shutting down others arguments, denying democracy and generally being as left wing bleeding heart as possible is the right way to be. And as to those immigrants that come here from Iran, etc, that we should be crying our eyes out over, give me a break! They have passed through many, many countries to get to our shores. Why do we, the most populous country by per head per acre in Europe have to take them in? They are just coming here to abuse our social system or as happened in France last week to try to overturn the established way of our life.

Bob Hulstrom

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Great Stukeley Open Space Project

On this page and the next three pages of this magazine is an artist's impression of the leisure park which we intend to create in the football field in Great Stukeley.

This is Stage 2 of our proposal.

Stage 1 was choosing our design team.

Stage 3 will be choosing our appointed contractors who will be specialists in performing hard and soft landscaping.

Below is a selection of what is being installed



Natural play timber frame





Basketball hardcourt & kickabout goal (all ages)



Post and rail fencing



Tarmac scooter path



Informal stump seating & hopping logs



Impact play carpet



Educational dipping platform



Table tennis tables (all ages)



Timber recycling bin to match benches



Informal mown grass pathway



Natural play boulders

Timber bench with backrest



FEATURES



Self binding gravel with timber edging



Adult outdoor gym equipment (trim trail)





Dog exercise area



The Parish Council would appreciate any opinions people might have regarding this project.

The project will be funded solely from CIL money which we receive from the development at The Weald.

On this plan, the design team are including re-structuring the pond. Unfortunately, for no apparent reason, several years ago this pond became dry, so a re-think will have to be considered on this area.

Terry Pinner

Chairman Stukeleys Parish Council

Below is a selection of Trees etc. that will be planted.



London Plane Tree

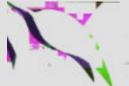
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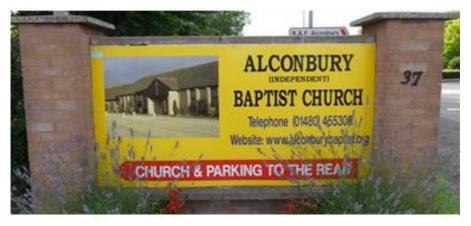


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|-----------|---|---------|
| Sunday | Evening Service (monthly) | 6pm |
| Wednesday | Prayer Meeting | 6.30pm |



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| 9.30am to 10.30am: | Sacrament Meeting |
|---------------------|--|
| 10.30am to 11.30am: | Children ages 3-11classes; Youth ages 12-18, Young Single Adult and Adult Sunday School <i>Alternating Sundays:</i> Children ages 3-11 classes; Young Women and Young Men ages 12-18 lessons; Priesthood (males 18+) and Relief Society (Sisters, age 18+) lessons. |

Schedule repeats, starting at 12.30pm with Bishop Michael Waters

All are welcome to come and worship with us!

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ST BARTHOLOMEW'S GREAT STUKELEY ST MARTIN'S LITTLE STUKELEY

Church services

We are still working on a temporary pattern for public worship as we find our way back into doing worship in a new way. Do come and join us

November 1st 11.30 am Holy Communion in Great Stukeley (St Bartholomew's)

November 8th 9.30 am Remembrance Sunday service in Great Stukeley (St Bartholomew's) NB: this service must be COVID safe. Numbers will be strictly limited; social distancing will be observed, and face coverings must be worn. There will be no singing this year. Please let the churchwarden, Dianne McGoff, know if you will be attending 01480 456238

10.15 Wreath laying at the War Memorial in Great Stukeley.

10.30 Wreath laying at the War Memorial in Little Stukeley

NB Currently, spectators are allowed at these two events, but they must be socially distanced, without any mixing between households. We have to take contact details for Test and Trace purposes. Although outside, it is recommended that face coverings be worn.

November 15th 9.30 am Holy Communion in Great Stukeley (St Bartholomew's)

November 22nd 9.30 am Morning Prayer in Great Stukeley (St Bartholomew's)

November 28th Online Service of Remembrance for those who have died. If you would like someone to be remembered, please contact Fiona.

December 13th There is a communion service at 9.30 am at St Martin's Church. All welcome

We look forward to welcoming you at one of our services

All our services are following current COVID 19 guidelines: people are expected to wear face masks on entering the building unless exempt. You are asked to sanitize your hands on entering and also on leaving the building. Please observe social distancing. There is no singing, or coffee after the service. We are required to take people's contact details for Test and Trace purposes.

St Bartholomew's Church is open for individual prayer on Wednesdays St Martin's Church is open for individual prayer by arrangement

Rev Fiona Brampton (01480 538726 revfiona@norleigh.org.uk) and Rev Mandy Flaherty (01480 896541 rector@norleigh.org.uk) are available for prayer or a chat (by phone or in the garden).

Rev Fiona Brampton

Associate Priest, North Leightonstone Benefice 29 Church Road, Great Stukeley 01480 538726 revfiona@norleigh.org.uk

Churchwardens

| Great Stukeley | Harry Raby Diane McGoff | 01480 453269 01480 456238 |
|-----------------|------------------------------|---|
| Little Stukeley | Camilla Payne Sally Smith | camilla@uk.com sallysmith101@aol.com |



MARIE HARRISON REST IN PEACE

You will be missed by many

A Tribute to Marie Harrison From Buster Evans

It is with great sorrow and a heavy heart that I have to inform the village that Marie Harrison passed away on the afternoon of Monday the 12th of October, a great stalwart of the village. Marie and her husband Bill moved into the village in 1971 after Bill retired from the RAF. They at once started to get involved in the activities of the village. Bill used to drive the mobile library round the villages until his retirement. Together they ran the Ever Green Club for many years and got heavily involved in helping out with the village annual flower show. Bill was heavily involved with the British legion and was at one time president of the local branch, and took an active part in laying the wreath on the War Memorial on Remembrance Sundays, a task that Marie took on for many years after she lost Bill. You could often find Marie sitting behind the table in the village hall selling raffle tickets for various functions put on by different organisations. Bill used to look after the older people in the village by making sure that they were supplied with firewood and logs to keep their fires burning during winter even though some of them were ten or fifteen years his junior. Bill and Marie for many years both worked at the hospital and Marie carried on long after she lost Bill. She was in fact presented with a medal from the hospital for long service which she was very proud of. Her funeral is being held at the village of Wilsford near Sleaford in Lincolnshire and she is to be buried at St Marys Church Wilsford very close to her daughter and all her relatives





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