



The Swaffham Crier

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Editorial

February is traditionally the month where we read all about what happened in December, just when we've finally forgotten all about it. This is due to the necessity of printing January's edition before Christmas, so bear with us and let us cast your minds back to our glorious 6-2 victory over Bulbeck at the Boxing Day Hockey, the

School's lovely Christmas Fair, and of course that wonderful Winter Walk. Here you will see the editress plus dog as ever hogging the limelight, this unfortunately being because neither our cameraman, dog nor I actually *did the walk at all*, but just went to the Pub. And back. By road. Ann Matheison's comments "the grey coloured mud stuck to my walking shoes making each step harder than the next.....", perhaps might give readers the heads-up on this, if any such hint were needed to those all too mud-aware fellow Priorites who

stayed in bed instead. Many congratulations to the genuine walkers who had a glorious time, and next year, there will be the Official Walk, doubtless taking in several bogs, ploughed fields, narrow plank deep-ditch crossings etc. *plus* the Fringe Walk for Softies — join us!

Meanwhile, on into the New Year, with new Housing and Industrial Estates being the order of the day for the Swaffham Prior "Vision". This month's edition should be carefully read (see page 3). What exactly are we letting ourselves in for? An artist's impression perhaps might make things clearer? Don't forget to order your Simnel cakes (a b s o l u t e l y delicious) and sign up early for the Moveable Feast!

**C a r o l i n e
Matheson**



When the Cam froze — see p. 10

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Cover Picture: *Why would you want to hunt me?* by Alicia Parton



Letters to the Editors



Dear Editors,

Calling All Dog-Walkers

This is a very odd request and I am hoping someone might know the answer.

I am doing some detective work on behalf of a friend in Bulbeck who met someone from Swaffham Prior on Newmarket race course who recommended a Dog Trainer in Newmarket called Steve Carrington and who she said had a web site. But the search for this has been unsuccessful and no phone number in book. The lady has blond hair (possibly a bun) is about 60ish and 2 dogs: a Lurcher type and Saluki, one black and one sandy. Just wondered if any of you can think who this might be and if you see her about can you get her phone number or any helpful details please, I would be so grateful and it would be a gold star for Prior.

Kate Child
743983

Dear Editors,

The Bells, The Bells...

How lovely it was to be welcomed into church on Sunday by the bell ringers for the carol service. It really put us in the Christmas mood. I would like to congratulate the Cage Hill Clangers for their performance and hope we shall hear lots more from them.

Betty Prime

Dear Editors,

Swaffham Prior Parochial Charities Vacant Agricultural Land Situate Barston Bridge, Reach

The above land has become available for rent. Approx 2.5 acres. Anyone who is interested should contact:

Mrs Pam Waters, 31 Tothill Rd, Swaffham Prior, Cambridge, CB25 0JX
Tel: 01638 741035

Pam Waters
Clerk to the Trustees

Simnel Cakes for Sale

Traditionally, Simnel Cake has been enjoyed on both Mothering and Easter Sunday. This year you can serve up a delicious homemade offering with no more effort other than parting with some cash and all for the benefit of St. Mary's Church.

Orders can be placed by contacting Janet, 01638 743472, 07833 960678 or janet@adventurersfarm.co.uk. For just

£10.00 (payment taken at time of order) your teatime guests will be in for a treat! Please feel free to provide your own serving plate for an extra personal touch. Cakes can be delivered to your home or collected by you in time for Mothering Sunday (10th March) or Easter Sunday (31st March).

A royal icing version (seen back left in plain state) can be ordered as an alternative to marzipan and then trimmed with appropriate decorations

Janet Willmott



Have your say on the future of Swaffham Prior

East Cambridgeshire District Council is preparing a new 'Vision' for Swaffham Prior in partnership with Swaffham Prior Parish Council. We are keen to get your views on how the village/parish should change or improve in the future. The Swaffham Prior Vision will provide a blueprint for the future growth of the village. It will be used to:

- guide decisions on future development and planning applications
- help ensure that infrastructure and facilities are retained and improved.

Public consultation took place in 2011 and 2012 on key issues and options. The District Council has taken on board your comments and is due to publish a **'Draft Swaffham Prior Vision'** on 11th February 2013. Consultation on the draft Vision will run for 6 weeks, between 11th February and 25th March 2013. The Draft Vision includes proposals for:

- A new housing site on the edge of the village at land off Rogers Road
- An employment allocation at land east of Goodwin Farm, Heath Road

For further information on how to comment on the draft Vision, see the District Council's website at www.eastcambs.gov.uk/local-development-framework/east-cambridgeshire-local-plan or email ldf@eastcambs.gov.uk. If you have any questions, please call the Council's Forward Planning team on 01353 665555.

From our Reporter at the Parish Council Meeting

You can never tell with a Swaffham Prior Parish Council Meeting. The Agenda was as dull as I have ever seen and yet the meeting became quite a humdinger leaving a list of matters requiring thought and further debate.

Because David Brown had had an extremely busy day, had not eaten, refused the culinary delights of Slimmers World snacks, he was allowed to lead off so that he could leave early. It seems that the new street lights in Burwell continue to cause “consternation” and CCC are now discussing the PFI contract with Balfour Beattie as it “lacks flexibility”. David hoped that BB would learn from its mistakes in Burwell when installing new lighting in other villages.



We must trust that the PFI arrangement is an improvement on those which have saddled so many hospitals and schools with unsustainable expense. Meanwhile I wonder if it's possible to have details of the Burwell problems so that we are forewarned when BB come to Prior.

Chairman John asked whether the CCC would start putting photocells on CCC land like those on acres of ground near Peterborough. Photocells are now the fashion as a rash of photocell farms are being proposed throughout the country. David said there were just a few going up on barns, which did not answer the question. He may have sidestepped it further by assuring the meeting that no wind farms would be built on CCC land. I suppose this is not surprising as wind farms become increasingly discredited with the average life span being reduced from 25 to 15 years and the 24% efficiency rate dropping to 11% as the windmill gets older. And we are placing our future energy needs on this industry. Roll on the return of Thorium energy.

David was asked to stay to hear the 18 points on Wheelie Bins which Paul Latchford had sent to ECDC after discussion with some of his neighbours. It turned out that ECDC had only responded to one question and this needs to be verified because if what was reported is true then it seems to me a rug has been pulled from under the whole recycling target. Quite a time was spent on Wheelie Bins again, much of which had been covered at the previous meeting. If ECDC does respond to the 18 questions then both questions and answers, and an amusing photograph, will appear in next months *Crier*. But having spent well over an hour being grilled and answering questions at the previous PC meeting the ECDC officials may wonder why more people had not turned up to hear them at the previous meeting, and why it is necessary to through all again. As ECDC are likely to be giving presentations to other Parish Councils it may be useful for Paul to ask whether it's possible for him and his chums to attend one of these. Let's see what happens next month when more information may be available.

We have reached the time of year when the precept is finally approved before forwarding it to ECDC; and normally this goes through quite quickly. Not so this year. It has been complicated by a “Parish Tax Base Calculation” which has come from central government (a little more top down) for ECDC to apply/afflict on us and other parish councils. Karen had been struggling on behalf of both Prior and

Bulbeck to understand what this means and reported that ECDC also appeared to be flummoxed. Steve was equally bemused by the documentation. Our projected precept is £4,500, as it has been for the last five years. ECDC reckon it should be £13,442 with an allocation of £700 being granted to us. This effectively cuts our precept by £460. If the £700 is not paid to us our precept would be cut by over £1000. Steve suggested submitting the £14,500 and then “sit back and see what happens”. His fear is that at some point ECDC may say they misunderstood what is a fairly incomprehensible document, and that we would not get the £700. The PC whole- heartedly supported this action.

“ Geoffrey is going to have a ball. I wonder how the village feels about Geoffrey representing its views on the Wicken Vision.....”

The National Trust and various groups of the Wicken Fen wish to widen the consultation process and to form a Wicken Fen Community Liaison Forum and they would like a member of the PC to attend. As far as I can see there will be three meetings a year. Geoffrey volunteered to go, but, being very fair, he said he would only go if he were speaking on behalf of the PC. In spite of, or because of, knowing his strong views the PC agreed. I couldn't help thinking this is like asking Peter Bone, MP for Wellingborough, to help the Liberal Democrats in developing their policies. As Matilda's mother would say – “What Fun!!” And Geoffrey is going to have a ball. I wonder how the village feels about Geoffrey representing its views on the Wicken Vision.

The gate of the Pound needs to be repaired or replaced. One member thought the wood too rotten to save and a total replacement needed; and another thought the wood was in surprisingly good condition and just needed patching. To resolve the matter the whole PC will go one day and survey the gate. Meantime the members of the public couldn't wait to go along with their screwdrivers and give the gate a good prodding.

In her Clerk's Report Karen alluded to the dangerous three steps in the churchyard and, following a request from the PCC (Parochial Church Council), had been trying to contact the Legal Department and the Head of Parks at ECDC, without any success.

A voice from the back of the public gallery said that he had already done this some time ago and that his view and that of others is that ECDC is unlikely to take responsibility for providing a light, that the village has a good deal with ECDC cutting the grass and the hedges at no cost to us. The voice went on, saying that lighting these steps had come up at the PCC November 2011 meeting, that a small group supporting St Cyriac's had made a proposal to the PC about the light, that the PC did not simply say this was a church matter but indicated they might support an installation, and asked for costs from the PCC. The PCC kicked it back to the PC by asking them to ask ECDC whether it was ECDC's responsibility, effectively kicking a long standing problem into the long grass. The voice at the back droned on,

cracking with emotion and sincerity, and said that the lighting of *all* the steps was inadequate and not helped by the bulb in the porch being broken for some time which meant that the children and parents who attended the Carol Service, and who formed the bulk of the attendees and do not usually come to church, were stumbling out of the church in the dark, and that a cheaper and probably less intrusive solution to what had previously been proposed was to fix a light to the planking on the face of the porch, if this is allowed on a grade one building, though as one had been attached to the corner of the north aisle there is a precedent. And if the conservation powers object, ask them for a solution.

Some members thought this proposal appeared to be very reasonable. Subsequent to the meeting Karen spoke to the helpful Spencer Clark, Head of Parks, who suggested the possibility of using footway solar lights. Though unlikely to provide a solution it is maybe something for the PCC to consider.

Alastair Everitt

QUIZ NIGHT

Swaffham Prior Village Hall

7.30 pm ♣ Saturday

2nd March

Tickets: £6 each ♣ To book a table contact

Jenny Brand ☎ (01638) 742161

or

Lynne Rand ☎ (01638) 741960

Jacket Potato Supper ♣ Raffle

Bring your own drinks and glasses

Proceeds in aid of St Mary's Church, Swaffham Prior

Boxing Day Hockey Match 2012

Boxing Day dawned and thankfully it was a dry day. A small crowd had gathered on the Denny to watch the match unfold. Fourteen brave men and women from Swaffham Prior stepped forward to take up the challenge and avenge previous years of defeat by Swaffham Bulbeck. It did not start well. Against the run of play, Bulbeck attacked swiftly downhill and went past the keeper to go one up. After what felt like an awfully long time, Prior managed to bring the game back to one-all. This was the start of a purple patch of great passing play and stout defending from Prior, playing against some strong opposition from Bulbeck. A large and vocal crowd was now lining the pitch. With the final whistle only a few minutes away, the score was



5-1. In the last minute of the game some over-committed defending from Prior was spotted by the referee and a penalty was awarded to Bulbeck. This left our last-minute-stand-in goalie facing a determined Bulbeckian with only a woolly hat and gardening gloves for protection – the goal was scored! Final score 6-2 to Prior. A great result and the first win for Prior for many years. Congratulations and thanks to all those that turned out to play; the start of a winning combination perhaps? Thanks also to Jo and Nigel for umpiring once more, and to David Turner for organizing the Bulbeck team. Finally, it was great to see so many people watching and supporting from the touchline – see you all next year!

Mandy Kingsmill

Ely Consort Plays in Burwell

Ely Consort, one of East Anglia's premier Chamber Choirs, celebrates the start of its silver jubilee year with a very special concert of **Alexander L'Estrange's *Zimbe!*** at St Mary's Burwell. *Zimbe!* is a brilliant fusion of traditional African song and jazz for SATB chorus, children's and jazz quintet with percussion.

"We are delighted to be back in Burwell having not performed in the village in 2012. However, as this amazing choral piece suggests this time we are not alone... being joined by the collective singers from **Burwell Village College Year 6 Choir** and **Perse Girls Junior School Choir**. A musical collaboration that should not only delight the combined choirs during rehearsal, but also *you* as our prospective concert audience! Please do come along to support this special musical event in Burwell for 2013. Tickets are on sale from: Burwell PO, CentrePeace, Jack Hurrell



Butchers, Manchetts Budgens & Tina's."

Within 4 years of its world premiere in 2008, *Zimbe!* has already drawn fans from across the globe in more than 100 performances. Composer Alexander L'Estrange, himself a highly regarded jazz pianist and bass player, has chosen songs from all over Africa and arranged them wonderfully, interleaving the choral writing with the instruments of the jazz ensemble. This is a work which forges links between adult choirs and children's choirs, placing singing at the heart of the community as it always has been in Africa. And, since jazz grew out of blues which itself sprang from the mouths of African people, what better accompaniment for these songs than a jazz quintet? *Zimbe!* is at times touching and moving, at other times funky and grooving and all of the time incredibly uplifting both for performers and audiences alike. To find out more about *Zimbe!* and listen to some of the music that will be performed please visit: www.zimbe.net

We look forward to welcoming you and making this a musical evening to remember for Burwellians, young and those not so young!

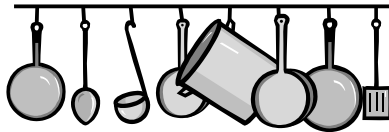
Peter Lancaster
(One of the Burwellians who sings with Ely Consort)
741508 - info@elyconsort.org.uk

Moveable Feast

THIS YEAR'S moveable feast is to be held on Saturday 23rd March, 7.00pm start, and is as you know, for those of you who have been before, an event not to be missed.... three courses in three different places - sounds like madness but you have to be there. Venues yet to be confirmed but will of course, as in previous years, be spectacular! If you haven't participated before make this year your first - there will be excellent food and warm hospitality to be had at each and every course. Numbers are of course restricted and so it is on a first come first served basis and newcomers to the village are especially welcome. It is a wonderful way of meeting other village folk in relaxed and convivial surroundings. Proceeds to St. Mary's Church, it is really good fun, where else do you get three courses, wine, exceptional company and all for £17.50 a head?? Price held for the FIFTH year running!!

Waiting by the 'phone for your call to reserve a place and for offers to host a course! **Last bookings taken on 16th March** - don't miss out.

Janet Willmott



**BOTTISHAM BOWLING CLUB
TABLETOP SALE
TO BE HELD IN THE BRITISH LEGION
SATURDAY 23RD FEBRUARY
10:30am to 1:30pm**

**HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO SELL THOSE SURPLUS ITEMS -
PRESENTS – BOOKS
BRIC-A-BRAC - ANY ITEMS NO LONGER REQUIRED
YOU ARE INVITED TO HIRE A TABLE FOR £5
CONTACT TED SKETCHLEY 01223-811582
OR CINDY KING 01223-811220**



50 years ago. These glorious pictures of Clare bridge and a frozen River Cam were taken in January 1963 by Kate Child.



Bottisham Village College

Adult and Community Learning

Banish those Winter blues and learn something new this Spring!

**We have the following courses starting after half term
(from 18 February):**

Authentic Indian Cookery Made Easy

IT Skills for Today's Office

Counselling – Introduction (Level 2)

Felt Making

History of Art: The Artists

Life Drawing (daytime)

Quilting and Stitching (daytime)

Research your Family History

Sugarcraft

Saturday Workshops - 9 March 2013

Why not spend the day learning something new? Choose from:

Dressmaking

Fabulous Felt Making

Photoshop

Quilting for Easter

Upholstery and Chair Caning

Woodturning

Saturday 16 March

Email and Internet Made Easy

**(you may be eligible for a FREE place on this course – please
enquire)**

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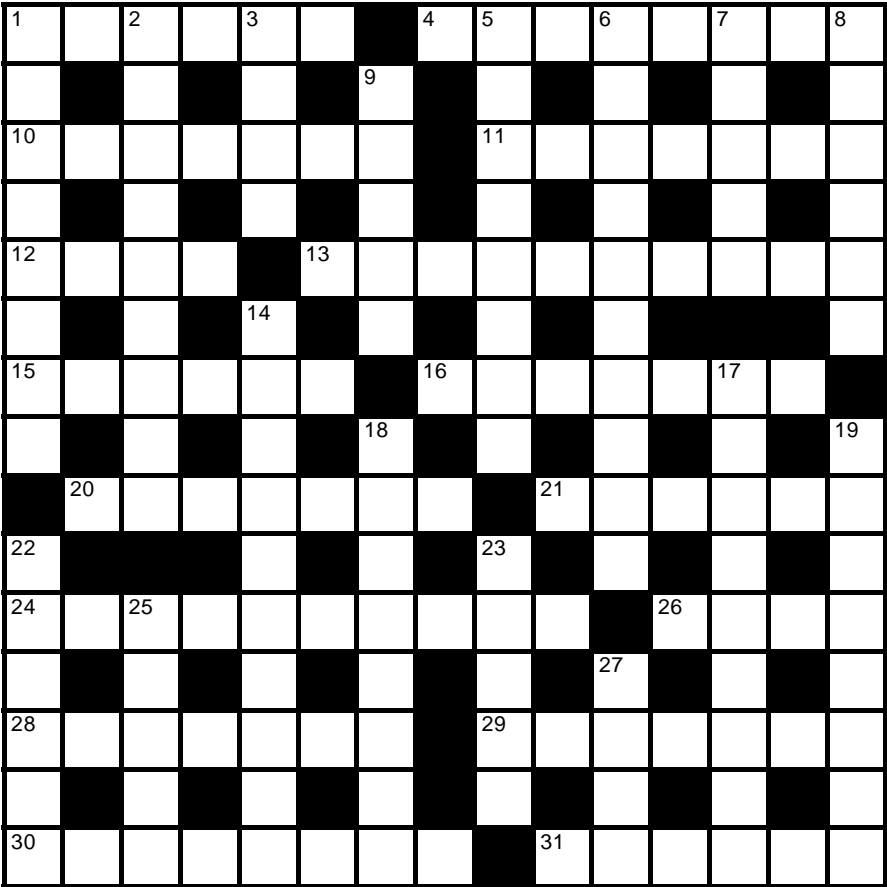
Crossword Number 97

Compiled by

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NIBOR

This month’s puzzle is a simple cryptic crossword. Send your answers to the editors by 18 February 2013. The first correct solution out of the hat will win a free meal for two at the Red Lion—See the Manager at the pub for full details.



Name:.....
Address:.....
.....Tel:.....

Across

- 1 Restraint was slightly wetter (6)
- 4 Those who choose to take on children (8)
- 10 Another print about one's girl (7)
- 11 Strange pyrotechnic type missing for a long time (7)
- 12 Help before mid October is not bad (2-2)
- 13 Don't move, it's jam! (10)
- 15 Ordered to start plane examination (1,5)
- 16 Setback when soldier drinks to English leader (7)
- 20 Law to show Tory leader in effigy (7)
- 21 Magnificent friends (4-2)
- 24 Her grinder is affected by digression (3,7)
- 26 Nevertheless, I became a hairy man (4)
- 28 At first lots of vodka can be delightful (7)
- 29 Make an idle lad start fight in which the post goes (7)
- 30 Built sack shed where bills can be paid (4,4)
- 31 Dramas broadcast in Chennai (6)

Down

- 1 Ridicule changes Ironside (8)
- 2 Mother in linen or nautical rope (9)
- 3 Top East Anglian sailors turn to where the sun rises (4)
- 5 Recent ad designed for smart carafe (8)
- 6 Fairies' fashion centre competent but short-lived (10)
- 7 Drunken nuisances admit boredom (5)

- 8 Cutter is laid up with the French (6)
- 9 Hearty game at your house, inside (5)
- 14 Found soft mattress and massaged her bad feet (10)
- 17 Pets are upset by a glowing coal in early Autumn (9)
- 18 Beginners are sharper on board (8)
- 19 Hex spins battered mythical statue (8)
- 22 Father Oscar gets fifty one hundred to play (6)
- 23 Strange men go to find dwarf (5)
- 25 Diana and Virginia's meeting with prima donna (5)
- 27 Permit 25 to be shaken and beheaded (4)

Solution to crossword no. 96

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We congratulate S Richards, the winner of last month's competition, who should collect his/her prize certificate from the editors. Honourable mentions go to John Cook, Robert Nunn, Jo Pumfrey and Tricia Whitehead.

The winner of December's competition was Robert Nunn

WINTER WALK I

An ideal Winter Walk conjures up visions in my mind of, if not snow, sparkling frost and clear cloudless skies. However when I woke on the morning of December 28, the day of the Swaffham Prior walk, my first instinct was to stick my head under the covers and go back to sleep. The reason, it was once again raining, a feature all too familiar last year. The walk was due to commence at 10am, participants to meet at the Church of St Cyriac and St Julitta. As the witching hour approached the rain abated so I set off with my husband to the starting line. There we were greeted by Francis Reeks who, amongst other things, was instrumental in organising the route. Because of the heavy rain earlier in the day and that week he informed us that he had changed the route slightly in order to avoid the worst of the inevitable mud. In total it was to be a walk of around six and a half miles. Apparently about 40 people were expected and I do not think we were far short of that number, not counting a few dogs, which were welcome additions.



Setting Out.....

The party set off around 10.20am, soon crossed the B1102, and then followed a path that ultimately took us diagonally across a large field of rape towards a section of the Devils Dyke. I have to say that I found going through the rape field the hardest part of the walk as the grey coloured mud stuck to my walking shoes making each step harder than the next. By the time we reached the Dyke the party had spread out; most of the 'serious' walkers at the front, followed by the remainder in various stages with the dog walkers at the rear.

Although there were areas where one had to be careful not to slip, I found the walk along the Dyke much easier as well as fascinating. Having recently moved from Scotland the contrast with the Scottish hills was stark. Both areas have their own beauty and it brought home to me what an interesting island we live in with its wide variations of culture and topography

Soon we crossed the B1102 in the opposite direction and headed along the Dyke to the village of Reach where we stopped at the Dykes End Public House for a short but well earned break. It was interesting but understandable, given the state of our footwear, that none of us were allowed into the pub unless shoes were removed!

However we were all well and pleasantly served at outside tables

At this point the group split up, the serious walkers going one way and the others (myself and husband included!) opting for the straight road walk to Swaffham Prior where we stopped briefly at home to change our shoes prior to meeting up once again at the Church where we enjoyed a splendid repast of soup, a large ploughman's lunch plus mince pies, tangerines and coffee before adjourning.

As recently arrived residents in the area we really enjoyed meeting and talking with people who were mostly new acquaintances to us. Obviously we were not able to converse with everyone and not all the walkers were from the immediate area. However I can honestly say we were very taken with how friendly people were and the whole experience was fun. I am glad I raised my head above the covers!

A vote of thanks to those involved in making the morning such a success was given by Alastair Everitt. If I could add my own thanks to Francis Reeks and Elisabeth Everitt for promoting and organising the event and to Sharyn Robinson ably assisted by Kate Chiles and Marcia Miller for providing us with such a splendid spread, just what was needed to boost my two titanium filled knees! You will appreciate that being new to the area I do not necessarily know the names of all the people involved in making this walk such a success so forgive me if I have omitted to name some deserving people

Finally it should be noted that participants contributed a modest amount of £10 per capita, proceeds going to the conservation and improvement of St Cyriac and St Julitta

Ann Mathieson



Half time at the Dykes End., although...

THE WINTER WALK II

I too have been asked to report on the Winter Walk 2012, a task for which I feel totally unqualified since I was absolutely the last person to slip and slide my way into the waiting arms of the Dykes End at Reach. I still don't know how everyone else got there so fast. OK, my footwear *was* inappropriate, but even so how did they all survive *and* (final insult) seem to be having such a happy time in the garden on arrival? They, unlike Tricia Harrison and I, had clearly not slithered on their bottoms down the venerable Anglo-Saxon slope of the Dyke.

But that apart, it was a good day, especially when we got back to St Cyriac's (some of us by road) for hot soup, ploughman's, coffee and mince pies (thank you Sharyn, Kate and Marcia for laying it on and serving it out).

But where was the Swaffham Prior team? Most of the thirty seven walkers had come from elsewhere; Cambridge, Fulbourn, King's Lynn, you name it. They were recognisable by their sturdy boots. If I were a poet I should like to traduce the speech of Shakespeare's Henry V before the battle of Agincourt along the lines of:

“We few, we happy few, we band of brothers

Next year shall once again into the breach,

And gentlemen of Prior still abed

Shall think themselves accursed they were not with us.”

So see you next year.

Elisabeth Everitt



...muddy boots consigned many to the garden



Return: Tricia Harrison (who tackled the real walk) with three shirkers who didn't

1988 – 2013

Burwell Community Print Centre celebrates 25 years

Nestled in the centre of Burwell is a small charity making a huge difference to the lives of adults with learning disabilities – as well as serving the local community, and beyond!

This year will see Burwell Print celebrating its 25th Anniversary. Over the coming months we plan to hold a number of events to highlight our achievements and the many aspects of this dynamic and unique Social Training Enterprise.

So, a date for your diary.

Our celebrations 'Kick off with a Ceilidh' on Saturday 27th April from 7-10.30. This will be a family event promising good fun and laughter as we will be 'stripping the willow' to the Parsons Nose Ceilidh Band in the main hall of Burwell Village College.

Tickets will be on sale 1st March so please reserve yours as there will be limited numbers.

Phone 01638-613102 or email info@burwellprint.co.uk

School News

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Christmas now seems a long time ago, although it was in fact only three weeks ago, and already we are in a brand new year! We had a lovely December in school and celebrated with Decoration Day, performances of 'The Gigantic Star' by Mercury and Mars Classes and a Christmas celebration in St Mary's led by our new vicar Rev Sue, amongst others! FoSPS also held their annual Christmas Fair which raised about £500 and was enjoyed by all.



Following the village Christingle Service, Dee Noyes came into school and led an assembly based on the service. Children performed the story of the Nativity and Dee explained the symbolism behind the Christingle orange. Our school choirs and Mr Godfrey also took part in the village Carols by Candlelight. It was described by Dee as, 'There was a very serene feel to the whole occasion. They assembled as a choir very sensibly and performed confidently and well for their guest conductor!'

(Thanks go to our guest conductor, Andrew Noyes)

Neptune Class and Mars Class had a visit from Richard, a story teller. He came to follow up a previous session of story telling which had led to story writing based on 'Hidden Gold' in Neptune Class. The children participated in the story telling and



Dee Noyes leading the Christmas Assembly



Decoration Day

shared the stories that they had written with Richard.

Term has begun again and the learning journey is continuing on. In Neptune and Saturn classes, they are thinking about, 'Tell me how. Tell me why'. An alien has made contact and is curious to find out about life on Earth. The children are thinking about information that they can send which will answer the alien's questions, of which it has many! They are starting with information about how we work and are exploring aspects of the human

body.

In Mars and Mercury Classes the children are exploring 'Fantasy'. Last week, mysterious footprints appeared outside the classrooms and the children were asked to think about who made them. Was it a dinosaur or a unicorn? Could it be a friendly monster? The latest discovery has been some shiny, silver scales...Hmmm, maybe a dragon??? We are hoping that Mercury and Mars Classes can find out and let us know!

There are some busy times ahead!

Hannah Curtis
Head teacher



Christmas Fair



VILLAGE GARDENERS

Richard Ayres went "right back to the beginning" when he came to talk to us about Anglesey Abbey in January. His 4th or 5th visit-which is our very good fortune.

Augustinian priors from Ely, in the 13th century, looking for a monastic building, found Anglesey Abbey (not then an Abbey) in the parish of Bottisham, with its fertile soil and ponds-soon filled with carp by the monks.

After the reformation, it was offered by Henry VIII for sale. Famous tenants included George Downing (of the street in London and the Cambridge college), Thomas Hobson (of the Conduit) and in the mid 19th century the reverend Hailstone. He upgraded the house to Abbey status, built the church in Lode but sadly bankrupted himself in the process. His brother however was a plant and tree collector and his legacy was to plant many unusual trees in the grounds.

The current success and survival of the Abbey, goes back to 1926, when two Harrow educated brothers of a hugely wealthy "oil" family from Fairhaven in Massachusetts, bought the Abbey, as a "very dilapidated country house", to add to their estate and stud near Newmarket.

Lord Fairhaven, as he later became, stayed at the Abbey, while his brother Henry, moved away when he got married. He had very little interest in gardening and is remembered in the 50's, as having a chauffeur on call 24 hours each day and centrally heated garages full of classic cars. The most famous was the gold Rolls Royce, in which he went to church and appeared in the film Gold Finger!

Lord Fairhaven's mother and Richard's parents wanted him to "do" something, and succeeded in giving him the gardening bug. So the beginning of and the evolution of the gardens into their present form, is thanks to the first Lord Fairhaven, the National Trust, who took over in 1966 when he died, Graham Stuart Thomas (who incidentally hated Dahlias)-their garden advisor and of course two generations of the Ayres family.

The beautiful walks, lawns and avenues were developed mostly to celebrate and remember historic events. 104 statues and a priceless

2000 year old bowl, grace these and from time to time are moved to suit a new development.

The most devastating event was of course the loss of 4,500 elms, when Dutch Elm Disease struck. But there are silver linings and in this case, with the clearance of the elms, which took 8 years and the increased light and moisture in the ground, the first snowdrops appeared-probably planted a century before.

The now extraordinary collection (it's not the national collection), has resulted largely from gifts and swaps from snowdrop lovers and a very canny head gardener! He had to persuade the N.T. to open at snowdrop time as historically the Trust closed for all the winter months. The first receipt for a weekend was £300. By the year 2000 it had reached £25,000.

The Winter Garden was also Richard's idea and again was largely funded by

local groups, businesses and trust members. The now 150 silver birches in this garden arrived in one small bunch that could be tucked under an arm.

A phenomenal memory and a deep love of a place you have helped create is needed to give a talk like this-with not a single note. I've said it before-just go-again.

Our next meeting will be on the 19th February and Nigel Start will talk about "Self Sufficiency " in your garden.

Everyone welcome.

Margaret Joyce

**SWAFFHAM PRIOR VILLAGE GARDENERS
PROGRAMME 2013**

Tuesday 15 January	Richard Ayres	Anglesey Abbey Garden
Tuesday 19 February	Nigel Start	Self-sufficiency from your Garden
Tuesday 19 March	Herbie Collen	The Rejects I have recycled
Tuesday 16 April	Lucy Redman	From Wisley to Rushbrooke – A Walk around a Plantswoman’s Garden
Tuesday 21 May	George Thorpe	Perennials
Saturday 22 June	Coach Outing to the Old Vicarage Garden, East Ruston	
Tuesday 9 July	Evening Visit to Lucy Redman’s Garden, Rushbrooke	
Tuesday 15 October	AGM	
Tuesday 19 November	Rob Brett	Changing the World through Plants

Indoor meetings at 8pm in Swaffham Prior Village Hall
Details of Summer visits will be confirmed nearer the time
Membership: £15 per person
New members and visitors always welcome: £3 per evening

Contact numbers
Chairman: Roger Connan 01223 233009
Joint Secretaries: Margaret Joyce and Mary Hart 01638 744390/741681
Treasurer: Peter Hart 01638 741681

Blue Smile Nearly New Sale

Wednesday 27th February 2013 11am – 4pm

We will have on sale an excellent range of clothing, including good quality women's clothing, jewellery, ski wear, scarves, hats, handbags, belts, baby and children's clothing, children's ski wear, men's overcoats, anoraks, dinner suits and dress shirts. All clothing will be clean and realistically priced. No charge for entry. Raffle tickets will be available on the day. Unfortunately we cannot accept debit/credit cards – only cash/cheques.

The sale will take place at **St Johns Barn, St Johns Lane, Horningsea**. Ample parking available on the High Street. Turn left at the Crown and Punchbowl, then first turning on right into yard. No parking available at the venue. Tea, coffee and cakes will be available. Please telephone Janet Lloyd, 01223 872223 for further information.

Blue Smile is a Cambridgeshire Charity that supports disadvantaged and vulnerable children through arts-based therapeutic support in schools. Research shows that this early specialist intervention really helps children avoid long term mental health problems. It can quite simply be life-changing.

Spring Walk at The Bury, Thriplow

Friday 1st March, 10.00-12.30

Come and enjoy a bracing walk around the ancient gardens of the 18th Century Bury in Thriplow. Beautiful setting - snow drop walk, spring bulbs, two walled gardens, garden sculpture, stunning mature trees including one of the finest examples of a Mulberry in the country.

Warm up after your walk in the stunning, newly converted Barn with coffee and homemade cakes. Also a sale of plants, bulbs and delicious baking. Stalls from Phoenix cards, Boxworth Botanicals, Phillipa Pearson Gardens and more.

All proceeds to Blue Smile who provide skilled emotional support in local schools for children aged 3-13 that unlocks potential and transforms lives.

Admission £4 including coffee and cakes

Jolly Jingle Number Ten

Willie was a chemist boy
Alas he is no more.
For what he thought was H₂O
Was H₂SO₄.

Anonymous

Personal Carer/Housekeeper Required – Swaffham Prior Area

I am a 19 year old autistic male with limited ability to care for myself Mondays to Fridays. I am easy going but of limited ability to verbally communicate and see to my own personal care needs. I attend college 3 days a week and need help before and afterwards, as well as for the days

I do not attend. I also need help with general household chores.

Ideally, you will have experience of looking after young adults like me, be a car driver and be able to work flexibly. You will also be CRB checked but if not, will be arranged for a suitable applicant.

Altogether I need the right person to spend around 30 hours a week; this could be occasional weekends.

Attractive pay rate depending on your skills and experience

Apply with your details to jjordan@swchs.net or phone Jill my mum on 07850 710352

The Absentee Critic

We enjoyed your selection of music last night,
The light Classics, you covered at length;
The odd song and piano pieces were grand,
But then, they're your forte and strength.

We enjoyed your selection of music last night,
It was pleasant, though not 'run of the mill'.
It wasn't too heavy - nor yet too light
And if that doesn't fit - nothing will!

But we enjoyed all your selection last night,
That rare item, was really a treat,
And I look forward to reviewing your next -
And who knows – next time we may even meet!

So we greatly enjoyed your selection last night,
And, as other reviewers have found,
It's possible to write a passable note -
Without even hearing a sound!

Ophir

BARE BEAUTY

A crisp day in deep winter brings out the structure of a garden and highlights the mass, patterns and colour that trees can bring to the winter landscape.

Bark patterns come to the fore from the armoured silver plates of the towering Scots pines to the fluttering coppery strips peeling away from the paperbark maples, from the burnished tones of alabaster white through orange and pink to deep mahogany red of the many birches in our collection to the chevrons of the snakebark maples. Larger specimens like beeches, oaks and black walnuts create vaulted domes of bare branch lattices, silhouetted against silver skies.

Glorious and graphic, the trees nevertheless at first glance seem static and dormant but a closer inspection of the branch tips hint at the life about to burst out – indeed once leaves have been shed in autumn and in the absence of flowers, tree shape, branch tip buds and bark patterns are key identification tools.

The enormous treacle covered, sticky buds of horse chestnuts are already swelling – if in doubt, look further down the branches to find large shield-shaped scars created when last year's leaf stalks dropped. They are sometimes thought of as horseshoe shaped and there are even seven 'nails' clearly visible indicating where the vascular bundles that transport food and water around the tree were severed during autumn leaf fall.

The smooth grey trunks of common beeches and the domed shape are usually enough for identifying the tree in winter, but if in doubt the slender whippy twigs now end in clusters of shiny coppery brown slender, pointed leaf buds, looking rather like chrysalises and with a clear criss-crossing pattern. Even tighter clusters of pinkish buds now adorn the tips of most cherry trees, like little rosettes, and on most species the twigs have a distinctively wrinkled surface. Ash trees are very different, with the buds in dark charcoal grey, held close in to the branch tip and shaped like tiny hooves. Perhaps most uplifting at this time of year are the rainbow shades from crimson to bright yellow of the whippy new growth on limes and willows, the buds of the lime sometimes described as 'like a boxing glove with one small red bud scale and one large red bud scale', and fringed with fine hairs.

An added bonus of bare branches is being able to see the great industry invested by the birds and squirrels in making their nests and drays, their shapes and textures almost as varied as the host trees themselves, so do get out and test your knowledge of the winter treescape.



The Botanic Garden is open 10am – 4pm in January, and 10am-5pm through February and March. Admission is £4.50, Giftaid admission £4.95 or join the Friends, get free admission & help the Garden grow! For news and events, detailed information about the Garden or to discover this week's Plant Picks from the Head of Horticulture, please visit the

Notes from Parish Council Meeting - January 2013

The meeting was chaired by John Covill with 8 Parish Councillors and 3 members of the Public in attendance.

Members' Declaration of Interest for Items on the Agenda + Requests for Dispensations:

As required by the new Code of Conduct, a dispensation application was received and granted for Paul Latchford to allow him to participate/speak and vote in respect of the Parish Council Budget/Precept.

Public Participation:

General discussion.

Reports:

CCC – Cllr David Brown reported to the meeting.

ECDC – Cllr Allen Alderson reported to the meeting.

Refuse & Recycling Collections – use of wheelie bins:

Cllr Richard Hobbs, Chairman of the Community Services Committee for ECDC and Dave White, Waste Strategy Team Leader for ECDC attended the December meeting to outline the proposals and reply to questions.

Cllr Richard Hobbs gave a summary of the current arrangements for waste and recycling, confirming that the present contract with Veolia finishes in 2015 and changes were needed to improve the District's waste and recycling performance which was currently low at 35%. Dave White circulated details of the proposals for future arrangements and confirmed that a £5m bid to central Government had been successful.

There followed a number of questions from members of the public with concerns expressed about the use of wheelie bins and the proposed survey of households to assess their suitability to have wheelie bins. There was a general consensus that the decision to change to the use of wheelie bins had already been taken and all was a 'Fait accompli'.

At the January meeting, Paul Latchford raised several questions on the way refuse and recycling was to be collected suggesting that some people were unaware of the introduction by ECDC of the new wheelie bin collections and asked for details on the consultation process used to inform people. Paul presented to the meeting a photograph of part of the High Street with wheelie bins added to give an idea of the 'street scene'. Everyone agreed that a request for further explanation should be sent to ECDC.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes (for information only):

Russian Vine, Green Head Road: The Clerk confirmed that this had been cut back from the footpath.

Lower End Ditch: The Clerk confirmed the landowners had cut back and cleared the ditch.

Light to Church Steps: The Clerk had contacted ECDC's Parks & Open Spaces Department and was waiting a response.

Correspondence for Consideration/Circulation:

CCC – Update to HCV Strategy Webpage. This was noted.

ECDC – Community Infrastructure Levy. To be implemented on the 1st February 2013 when planning applications receiving a decision notice on or after that date may be liable to pay the CIL charge. CIL is a levy that local authorities can now charge on new developments in their area. The monies raised through this levy must be used towards the delivery of infrastructure and services required as a result of growth, e.g., school facilities, sport and health facilities, transport improvements.

ECDC – approval of tree works at the School.

ECDC – approval of tree works at Oak Cottage, 46 High Street.

ECDC – approval of tree works at Knights Manor, 41 High Street.

Additional correspondence:

National Trust – Wicken Fen Community Liaison Forum: Invitation to attend an introductory meeting. It was agreed that Geoffrey Woollard would represent the Parish Council.

Consideration of Planning Application for 17 Fairview Grove – construction of rear single storey lean-to extension. Ref: 12/01088/FUL:

There were no objections or comments.

The Pound Gate – consideration of quotation received for new gate:

Following consideration it was agreed to carry forward to February meeting to give Parish Councillors the opportunity to look at the condition of the gate to see if it could be repaired rather than replaced.

Replacement of Village Seats outside Village Hall:

Following discussion it was agreed that Steve Kent-Phillips would check measurements, etc., and advise the Clerk on what seats to order.

Final Approval of Budget & Precept for 2013/14:

ECDC wrote to the Parish Council to explain the changes to the way the Parish Tax Base Funding would be calculated for 2013/14 and how this was different to previous years.

Summary: “The reason for the change to the tax base calculation was due to Government’s decision to end the existing council tax benefit scheme and replace this with a Localised Council Tax Support Scheme (LCTS) from 1/4/13. Because this new scheme is to be treated as a council tax discount rather than a benefit, the cost of these discounts has to be converted into a number of ‘Band D equivalent properties’ and deducted from the council tax base. This means that you will now receive a lower tax base for your parish for 2013/14 than you would have done under the previous calculation.

In simple terms, this would mean that if you decided to keep your precept per property at the same amount in 2013/14 as it is for 2012/13, your reduced tax base would mean that your total parish precept would fall.

In order to try and mitigate some of this shortfall, the Government will provide some funding to each Billing Authority (ECDC) which we will then allocate to our parishes in 2013.14”

This extra funding will not form part of the Precept and therefore will not be recovered from parishioners.

ECDC had provided a schedule confirming for each Parish the 'Precept figure per revised tax base'. For Swaffham Prior this was £13,442 and the 'allocation of funding' £700 based on the estimated precept figures submitted in November 2012. This would total £14,142 and result in a shortfall of £358 on the original figure of £14,500. Following discussion it was agreed to keep the Precept at £14,500 for 2013/14.

Accounts for Payment: These were agreed.

The Anglian Water estimated invoice for the Cemetery water supply was considered very high and it was agreed to ask for a meter reading to check before paying.

Clerk's Reports:

Grit/salt bin in Village Car Park: Village resident notified the Clerk that the bin was empty. Paul Latchford said he would organise and top up.

Parish Councillor's Reports:

Station Road footpath: Steve Kent-Phillips reported that it was proving difficult to get the footpath repaired and it had now almost disappeared.

Open Question Time:

Further discussion about wheelie bins and it was suggested that Paul Latchford's list of questions and photograph should be included in the Crier.

It was suggested that perhaps an attractive light on the wooden porch parapet of the Church might be an option to light up the steps subject to permissions needed.

If anyone would like further information on any of the above items, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday, 14th February 2013, starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Karen King – Clerk to the Parish Council. Tel: 742358. Email: karen.king5@btopenworld.com

Burwell Roadshow

Visitors to Burwell Library have the chance to find out about local services to help themselves and people they care for to stay independent, safe and well when the Your Life, Your Choice "Live" roadshow comes to the library during March 2013.

The roadshow features a display of information to help people remain in their own homes for as long as possible and, for those needing support, provides details of local services and support. The roadshow will be at the Library from Monday 4 to Saturday 30 March.

If you are unable to visit the roadshow the Your Life, Your Choice website www.yourlifeyourchoice.org.uk provides information about local services and support to help you stay independent, safe and well. You can also get help and advice by contacting adult social care enquiries at Cambridgeshire Direct on 0345 045 5202.



By the time you read this we'll have already had the first in our **'Detox your life!'** series – but you're still more than welcome to join us for the remaining two. In previous articles we've seen that the people at RE:NEW come from a variety of different backgrounds and this month I'm pleased that **Rachel Drury**, who works with me as part of the chaplaincy team at Queens Court, has agreed to share her story. She writes...

I was brought up as a daughter of a Methodist minister. This meant that as a family we moved many times. At the age of 7 my dad led me through a prayer of commitment to follow Jesus, a decision I had made while on a holiday bible club. We travelled to Nevis in the West Indies, where my dad became a missionary in the early 70s, and then returned to Saffron Walden. These were unhappy times as I was bullied for being different and a minister's daughter. After another move, this time to Colchester, I left home and entered nursing at Black Notley Hospital near Braintree. Our family had been a close one, and as I started out on my own I had to rediscover my faith and what Father God meant to me and not rely on my parents' faith.

After qualifying as a nurse I took a holiday in the South of France where I met Andrew, who I was later to marry. He had just moved to Cambridge so I followed him on securing a job at Addenbrookes. We were married at St. Martins and this fellowship became our spiritual family. We have four children together and made a decision not to move as frequently as I had as a child. My faith has always been an active one, meeting people where they are. I ran a toddler group for a long while and more recently have been helping to lead a Friday morning café church for mums and dads of pupils at a school in Cambridge.

Last year, after many years living in cramped accommodation and praying as to where God would lead us next, we moved to Bottisham. I took up the chaplaincy post at Queens Court where I work alongside Simon. My faith remains a journey and has been tested through family illness, death and difficulties. Yet I know and believe in a God who loves and cares for me. Since coming to Bottisham we have met with the people at RE:NEW and have decided to join with them as we walk in our own faith steps together.

Services in February

*Sun 3rd Feb, 10.30am – **Detox Your Life #2** (School)*

Sun 10th Feb, 10.30am – RE:NEW Café & Kids Club (School)

Sun 10th Feb, 6.20pm – Traditional Service (Lode Chapel)

*Sun 17th Feb, 10.30am – **Detox Your Life #3** (School)*

Sun 17th Feb, 5.30pm – Contemplative Service (Lode Chapel)

Sun 24th Feb, 10.30am – RE:NEW The Bigger Picture (School)

Sun 24th Feb, 6.20pm – Traditional Service (Great Wilbraham Chapel)

For more information please contact: Rev. Simon Goddard.

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If you have any offers or wants, please contact me on jun.thompson@tiscali.co.uk, phone on 01223 813362, or drop a note through 23 Longmeadow. Everything is free and nothing is expected in return.

Offers

Office desk, original 1960s style. Solid wooden construction with two drawers on the right hand side - a small one for miscellaneous office items and a larger one below for folders, etc. Cinzia and Nick c812159.

3 leg bentwood stool [Aalto copy]; 5 wooden bar stools with raffia seats suit high level kitchen bar table; exercise trampoline 1.2 m diameter suit child or adult. David c.811888.

Morphy Richards Dual Alarm Clock

Radio with cassette recorder; Dozens of back copies LEISURE PAINTER monthly magazines. Enough to share; Polythene tub with lid, 50cm deep, 30cm dia. Used for beer/wine making. Fay C.812231

Wanted

Your old light fittings, brown bakelite switches, iron conduit and switches, bulb holders and holders. Sheets and bits of bakelite. Postcard rack (carousel if possible). George 07895064727.

BON MOT NUMBER THIRTY

**“Damien Hirst was the perfect artist for
the Blairite years.”**

Grayson Perry

PASTORAL LETTER, February 2013
Bottisham Vicarage

Dear Friends,

Before I came to the Benefice last October, I lived in an urban area with large housing estates and was Vicar of a church barely 15 years old. At night, the sprawling towns of Teesside, and what remains of its heavy industry, shed an orange glow towards the sky meaning that it was never truly dark. Moving to East Anglia has brought new experiences for me and a different perspective on life. Instead of living in communities that had been built and established in my own lifetime, I have now become part of a way of life that has continued in these villages since time immemorial. I worship in churches hundreds of years old containing memorials of people many of whose descendants still live here. During the long dark nights of winter I see stars never visible in our towns and cities.



If my eyes perceive great differences between my former home and here, so do my ears. I look forward to hearing the sounds of spring in the birdsong I never encountered in my town garden. There is one other sound rarely heard in the fringes of our towns and cities, that of bells. It has been a recurring delight to hear bells pealing or the sounding of a single bell calling people to worship.

Through hundreds of years, these bells have signified joy and grief but most of all the presence of the living God at the heart of our communities. Then, as now, they break into the busyness of each day reminding us of God's eternal presence.

The ancient Greeks had two words for time, *chronos* and *kairos*. While the first signified the passing of time, the New Testament uses the latter to mean "God's appointed time". And so, each time you hear the calling of a bell, it marks not just the coming of another hour but a reminder that all time is God's time; the bells call us out of time and join us into the prayers of all who have heard it through the ages.

Sue Giles

Services in February

3 February

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Matins, 11am

10 February

Holy Communion (CW1T), 11am

Wednesday 13 February - Ash Wednesday

Holy Communion (CW1), St Mary's, Swaffham Bulbeck, 7.30pm

17 February

Family Service, with a sketch by the children, 11am

24 February

Benefice Service, Holy Communion (CW1T), St Mary's, Swaffham Prior, 10am

County Council Report – December 2012

Can I start by wishing everybody a happy and prosperous New Year.

Street Lighting

Complaints about the new street lights in Burwell continue to cause complaints, albeit fewer than previously. A paper was intended to go to Cabinet in December to bring more flexibility to the Contract. To enable more work to be done on the fine details this paper was put back to the January meeting, when, hopefully, the outstanding issues can finally be resolved.

Business Planning

Business planning and budget discussions for 2013/14 have been the focus for a number of meetings in December. With our final settlement from Government not received until late on 20th December at the time of writing we are still going through the figures to enable us to fine-tune plans and set a balanced budget.

Meetings

Cabinet and Full Council both met in December. The Cabinet meeting considered a number of papers. These included a member-led review into road safety, proposals for an application to central Government for a “City Deal” for Cambridge, and consideration of a number of traffic improvements in Cambridge and surrounding areas to be funded from Section 106 contributions.

At Full Council 3 motions were tabled for debate. The first related to the recent Ofsted inspection for safeguarding children. I tabled an amendment to the motion, which received unanimous cross-party support. The other 2 related to climate change and calls for the Council to pay the national living wage. Both of these were defeated. UKIP also raised a question about policy for fostering children based on political persuasion, which we were happy to say is not a factor in Cambridgeshire.

I also had meetings of the Children and Young People’s Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Cambridgeshire Schools Forum, the Corporate Parenting Panel, High Demands Families Group and several briefing meetings with individual officers.

On a less formal note I also had the pleasure of attending the Kings College Carol Concert for Cambridgeshire Schools.

David Brown

Dates for Your Diary February 2013

Thu	14	PC Meeting VH 7.30pm
Mon	18	WI, 7.30pm, VH Crier Copy Deadline
Tue	19	Mobile Library, Cage Hill 2.45-3.15pm Chapel 3.20pm-4.00pm Village Gardeners, VH, 8pm
Sat	23	Bottisham Table Top Sale, 10.30am, British Legion
Sat	2	Quiz Night

Club	Contact	Tel.	Date	Time	Place
FOSPS	Clare Freeman	741316	2 nd Mon of Term	8pm	Village School
Baby & Toddlers	Kelly Mead	741069	Fri	9:30-11:30am	Village Hall
Cubs	Tim Doe	743656	Weds (term)	6:00-7:30pm	Village School
Reading Group	Brenda Wilson	743937	1 st Weds of month	8:00pm	(See Crier)
Scouts	Tim Doe	743656	Weds (term)	6:15-7:45pm	Village School
Village Gardeners	Margaret Joyce	744390	3 rd Tues of month	8:00pm	Village Hall
WI	Pat Cook	742224	3 rd Mon of month	7.30 pm	Village Hall
Youth Club	Alan Badcock	742228	Tues	7-8:30pm	Youth Club Hut
			Thurs	7-10:00pm	

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