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Great Staughton Parish Council Meetings 2018: 15 November

Perry Parish Council Meetings 2018:

3 October, 7 November, 5 December

<u>GREAT STAUGHTON PAVILION</u>: Ideal for children's parties, small committee meetings etc. Use of kitchen facilities. Direct access on to playing field in summer. Children's parties/meetings: £15 for a 3 hour session. <u>Sports' use</u> - cricket club & football club - £26 per session. For information and booking, contact Bob Jewell - **01480-861259**

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Editorial Natter... *Hi everybody,*

What a tremendous magazine I have put together for you this month! As always, I couldn't have done it without the help of all those in both villages who send us content and help to make the magazine as interesting as it is.

This bumper edition includes images from the Great Staughton Horticultural Show 2018 (Pages 24-27), it looks like the show was a great success given the extremely difficult growing conditions we faced over the summer. I say *we* because I also made an effort to grow some veg in our garden this year but reluctantly gave up half way through the summer when everything had died (could have just been my not-so-green fingers though). Well done again to all who entered and won in the show.

You may recall in September, Rob started Pet of the Month! I was going to follow on and put a picture of our Kitten on the cover of this months magazine, however I thought I should make the most of the wonderful pictures from the Horticultural Show that were sent over to us, thanks again! Enough waffle from me, see you in December (nearly Christmas, I know!)

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This issue was edited by Shaun

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Minutes of meetings can be found on the village website: www.perryparishcouncil.org.uk



YOUR MOBILE LIBRARY

The Mobile Library (route H24) comes to the villages every fourth Wednesday of the month. The next visit of the Mobile Library will be:

24th October

Telephone **0845 045 5225** for a more information of visit a www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library for details of all the Mobile Library routes as well as some useful information.

Kym Valley Carpet Bowls



Gt Staughton Village Hall Club Nights - Tuesday and Friday - 7.00 to 9.30pm

Tuesday 2nd Friday 5th Tuesday 9th (W.I.) Friday 12th Tuesday 16th (Riseley at home) Friday 19th Tuesday 23rd Friday 26th Tuesday 30th (Alconbury at home)

For more information call : Doris Dainty - 01480 812006 dainty.doris@yahoo.co.uk

Quiz at The White Hart

The quiz will be on the first Tuesday in October. This is the 2nd October at The White Hart 7 30pm.

Hugh and Mary make you most welcome and we are very grateful they provide food on the night, and drink vouchers for the winners.

The proceeds will go to the Great Staughton Youth Club. Come along and join in an evening of fun.

Teams of up to 4 - £1 per person to enter.

Did you know Great Staughton has a defibrillator?

It's outside the village hall entrance. There is a towel to dry your patient and a razor to shave where the contact pads go.

It is alarmed which you need to ignore when you open it in an emergency. There is no code, it's always open (most have a code which you register with 999 so they can give it to a caller).

If in doubt, use it, it tells you exactly what to do, very clearly, it won't deliver a shock if one is not required.

COFFEE MORNING

Gt Staughton Village Hall

10.30 until Midday

Monday 22nd October 2018

Hosted by West Hunts Friendship Club

All welcome and no charge!!

A great opportunity to meet and chat with others.

We look forward to seeing you there to share some of these

cakes!



Treasurers Corner

Hello,

no Pots this month so keep popping all your change in to them. There is one in Gilberts, Tavern, White Hart and Perry Post Office. We get people donating in if they want to just say thank you for something happening in either village. It doesn't have to be just your spare change! *Helen*

West Hunts Friendship Club 100 Club winners for September 2018

Number	Name	Prize
12	Else Unwin	£500
18	Nicole Yates	£50
46	Mary Perkins	£25
21	Sheila Colley	£15
41	Mrs D Moore	£10

Congratulations to all the winners!



<u>GREAT STAUGHTON</u> <u>HORTICULTURAL</u> <u>SOCIETY</u>



The Horticultural Show at the end of August was surprisingly successful as you can see from the photographs elsewhere in this edition. Despite the difficult season our star growers still managed to produce stupendous specimens - giant onions (half the size of last year's apparently), perfect potatoes and capacious carrots shared the stage with more modest examples. I'm always impressed with the flower arrangements and this year's entry did not disappoint. Some people are brilliant!

There were plenty of cakes, biscuits and preserves but the judges were obviously so overworked that they failed to recognise the merit of my efforts. Better luck next year perhaps and congratulations to the winners!

The children's items were a delight. Who could have foreseen the ingenuity of design of the decorated stones? The liquorice allsort animals were superb as were the vegetable sailing craft. We have a great poster for next year. Thanks for all the outpouring of creativity.

And so to autumn. We can't complain that we didn't have a summer and it's actually been lovely to see things recover as the temperatures have dropped. What is not so welcome is the burgeoning of weed seedlings everywhere.

I've been looking at the moss in my lawn which is looking the weakest it has for a long time. Apparently now is a good time to rake it up before the damp re-establishes itself. I'm never quite sure whether raking simply propagates the moss. Website advice is to kill it before raking or scarifying. Whatever - it looks like hard work - so perhaps I'll just cultivate it like the Japanese.

For some tips on easy maintenance gardening don't miss Geoff Hodge's talk at the village hall on Saturday October 13th at 7.30. More information about Geoff Hodge's talk can be found on Page 12.

Can you spare a few hours a month?

Would you like to give something back to your community and make a difference to people's lives?

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to join a team supporting the West Hunts Friendship Group held at a Great Staughton Village Hall on a Monday, either monthly or fortnightly.

You'll get the opportunity to befriend our lovely members, & get involved in preparing lunch & joining in activities.

We'd love to meet you!

Please contact Annabelle on 07527 741495 or Phil on 07801798611 for more details.



Mobile Post Office in Great Staughton The Post Office offers a

mobile Post Office service

situated at Brook Farm car park (the former Blades car park) on The Highway in Great Staughton. The times will be:

Mondays 14:30-15:30 Wednesdays 10:30-12:30

Most Post Office services will be offered including banking for all of the major banks. Passports, driving licences and vehicle tax will not be available. The van has wheelchair access.



THE WICKER MAN (15) 1973 British mystery horror film, an undisputed cult classic starring Edward Woodward, Britt Ekland, Diane Cilento, Ingrid Pitt & Christopher Lee

Tickets Olivers, Swan Pharmacy, Bytes Café, Courtyard Kitchens or email jrstratford@hotmail.com



KIMBOLTON FLOWER CLUB

We will be holding a Harvest Celebration in the Mandeville

Hall Kimbolton on October 16th at 7 pm for 7.30 pm. There will be supper and a Quiz. Please bring a Halloween Decoration. These will be judged with a prize for the winner.

All welcome: admission for visitors £7.50

Brampton Wood Logs For Sale

All hardwood, seasoned 12 months

Mainly Oak and Ash, all from Brampton Wood

£90 per cubic yard processed – ready to go on your fire

£45 per cubic yard unprocessed – you will need a chain saw and a log splitter.

Price includes local delivery

Phone George Cottam, Voluntary Warden on **01480 450809** Email: <u>georgecottam@dsl.pipex.com</u>

Please support your local wood



Throughout the year and particularly as the winter months draw in, we begin using our fires, burners and chimneys once again to warm our homes. Follow our 'top tips' below to ensure your home is kept safe and warm all year round.

Chimneys and Fires

- Have your chimney swept once a year or more frequently if you burn wood
- Avoid burning resinous woods that quickly build up soot
- Only burn fuels suitable for your burner (eg. never burn anything other than wood in a wood burner)
- Do not overload the grate/ appliance
- Do not bank fires too high and remember to let them burn out well before you go to bed
- Check the hearth, floor and furnishings near the fire for hot sparks/embers
- Do not place objects on or over the mantelpiece which cause you to stand too close to the fire in order to reach them
- Use a fire/spark guard to prevent accidental fires and make sure it has the kite mark or conforms to British/ European standards
- Inspect your chimney breast, particularly the roof space. Make sure it is sound and sparks/ fumes cannot escape through cracks or broken bricks.

Wood/Multi-Fuel Burners

 A qualified and competent engineer should install all wood/ multi-fuel burners and boilers – regular maintenance should be undertaken to prolong the working life of the appliance. Specialist servicing and maintenance will usually be provided by the company you purchase the appliance from but you can also refer to www.solidfuel.co.uk for advice and information

- Ensure correct ventilation is in place when the appliance is in use
- Wood burning appliances should only use the right quality wood recommended by the supplier
- Regularly inspect the chimney and flues
- Generally wood should be wellseasoned (usually wood kept dry and stored for around 2 years)
- Avoid wet or newly felled wood as this will cause tars/ creosote deposits forming in the burning appliance and chimney
- Using laminated chip boards will leave binding glue deposits
- For each slow burning period there should follow a quick burn to dry out unwanted tar/creosote deposits and to warm up the chimney again
- At the end of each burning season and at least once during the season the entire system should be cooled and thoroughly cleaned to maintain top performance.

Most importantly

- Fit a smoke alarm that carries the kite mark or British Standard Number 5446 and test your alarm weekly by pressing the test button and know the life of your battery.
- Always also install a CO alarm in the room where the burner is installed. Chimney Fires continue to be a common occurrence in

home fires in the winter months.

We experience an average of 81 chimney fires a year in Cambridgeshire alone.

Whatever fire you have, or fuel you burn, it is vitally important you have your chimney swept to avoid a build-up of ash and soot.

For the latest news, incidents and safety advice, or to contact us, log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk. Sign up to email alerts and find us on Twitter, Instagram, YouTube and Facebook.





St Andrew's Church

100 Club August 2018 Draw

<u>August</u>

Prize £50		Name Mr Giles Brittain
£25	57	Mrs Ann Price
£15	78	Mrs Wendy Noon
£10	37	Mr R Peacock

Congratulations to the winners!



Do you have cats? Would you like someone to feed them while you're away?



We're a group of Staughton cat owners who'll come to your house once a day while you're away, feed your cats, water your plants and put out your bins. If you would like to join us please email me at: <u>lupin15.08.70@gmail.com</u>

Gill Broome

Cleaner Required Great Staughton Pavilion

General cleaning duties for changing rooms, toilets, and communal area of Pavilion, and litter pick the field. Once a fortnight about 1-2 hours work at your convenience. Also to put out wheelie bins.

Pay £15 every 2 weeks apply

Bob Jewell 861259 or Nicole Yates 860616.

Suffering with headaches or neck/shoulder pain? DO you grind your teeth?

There is a *new*, gentle treatment that works on muscles around the head and neck that helps with a range of issues.

Give it a go!

These sessions are offered at a discounted rate.

Make an appointment, call today!

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Great Staughton Horticultural Society present:

<u>A Garden Talk - Easy Gardening,</u> Low Maintenance Gardens

Interested in gardening, want to learn more about easy gardening?

Then come along to the Great Staughton Village Hall on Saturday <u>13th October at 7.30</u>. The Horticultural Society are hosting a garden talk by Geoff Hodge.

Geoff is a freelance gardening and horticultural writer, author, editor and radio and TV broadcaster, whose aim is to help gardeners get the best from their plants and gardens.



He will be giving a slide talk and practical demonstration on the topic of Easy Gardening, low maintenance gardens.

Tickets are £7.50 and include a light supper and a glass of wine. They will be available from Gilbert's Butchers, Sheila Wells (tel 861254) or any committee member.

We hope to see you there! For more information about Geoff Hodge visit www.gardenforumhorticulture.co.uk

The mystery of the commemorative plates - solved!

Readers of the September issue of Life will be heartened to learn that this great mystery of our time has now been solved thanks to Rita Bayford. I had a phone call from her the other day and she explained that the plates, six sets in all, had been purchased, at a cost of $\pounds 90$, to celebrate the millennium. Two sets only seem to be in existence, one owned by Rita and the other graces the walls of the White Hart. Rita would like to sell the set, complete, and donate the money to the church. If you are interested, please contact me in the first instance and

I'll pass the message on. Anthony Withers 861224 <u>aw.staughton@gmail.com</u>

Monthly Coffee Mornings



Great Staughton Village Hall 10:30 - midday Every second Tuesday of the month The next one will be on <u>Tuesday 9th October</u> We look forward to seeing you there!

SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE WEST HUNTS FRIENDSHIP CLUB RECENTLY

We held our own indoor fete. Enter the new sport of welly whanging alongside hook the duck, quoits and longest paper plane flight!



Lots of fun recently when we were visited by Glen and his collection of puppets. We even had a chance to try them out ourselves...



want to join in the fun? Please call Annabelle on 07527 741495 for details. We also would welcome volunteers to help out 1/2 days a month, with duties such as making tea, coffee, toast etc. and generally helping out. Meetings are always on a Monday from approx. 10am to 2pm. Please call Annabelle on the above number. Thanks in advance!!

Gt Staughton W.I.

ne of the advantages of living in a village in the country is that you are aware of the seasons, therefore it seemed apt to have a home cooked Harvest Supper at our September meeting. The ladies dined on Cottage Pie followed by Apple Pie which was washed down with wine (sadly not home-made). Judging from the seconds consumed everyone had an elegant sufficiency but I did notice a few doggy bags disappearing out the door. The evening's entertainment was also home-made (of a sort) as we all had several goes at a good, old fashioned Beetle Drive. Much hilarity ensued with occasional cries of beetle and fix. It was noticeable who was artistic from the beetles that were consequently drawn. Some actually looked insect like, but others, for example mine, resembled squiggles more akin to a doodle or the efforts of a pre-schooler!! Prizes were awarded to the ladies with the highest total points over 5 games. The winners were mainly suited on one table, who funnily enough also won the majority of the raffle prizes as well as the monthly competition item !! Hence the good natured cries of "fix".

Grateful thanks were expressed by all to those involved in the organisation of what proved to be a great evening. Events in the diary include a trip to Jordan's Mill on 26^{th} September for a trip around the mill itself. And a Coffee morning 30^{th} October in support of MacMillan Cancer.

The next meeting is Tuesday 9th October 7.30 p.m. in the village hall and our topic is History of St Neots.

Margaret Sare

Perry W.I.

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IG WOMEN e all met at Perry Baptist Chapel for a verv strictly run quiz! First though Fay asked us all to think about becoming committee members as three of the committee will be standing down next year. If you're interested please let Fay know or come along to the next meeting and have a chat to the committee to see just what it involves. Now to the quiz. Once again the very brilliant "Quiz Liz" had devised a tricky little number for us to cogitate over. With holidays etc we were a little depleted but managed four teams of eager beavers. Liz handed out two sheets of photographs - some modern some definitely not so, for us to deliberate over and give names to. Lots of chat ensued but eventually we swapped papers in the traditional way and marks varied between 14-17 out of 22. Not so dusty. Oh, but then we had questions on said people. Heck! Some were hard some were very hard and some were almost impossible! Again there was a good deal of frivolity and some dissent but, as usual, a great deal of laughter. Scores ranged between 14 and 21 out of 23 so we reckoned we are a pretty ok bunch.

A tremendous vote of thanks to Quiz Liz for once again making us stretch our brains a bit, giggle, get very frustrated and just laugh out loud.

Next month we are back in the Baptist Chapel making Christmas table decorations. Come and join us.

Chris Halsall



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Huntingdonshire Local Group

Registered Charity No 1000412

A Tale of Trees, the Battle to Save Britain's Ancient Woodland

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust invites you to this presentation on ancient woodlands on Wednesday 10th October 2018. As usual this will be held at Brampton Memorial Hall, Thrapston Road, Brampton, PE28 4TB, starting at 7.30pm.

Our speaker will be Derek Niemann, who is a renowned nature writer and Guardian country diarist. Derek will look at how the destruction of up to half of the county's mature trees happened 40 years ago and will explain what has been done in recent years to ameliorate their loss.

This should be a fascinating talk and anyone who is interested is most welcome to attend. Booking is not necessary. The entrance charge is ± 2.50 (accompanied children free). For more information please contact Tim on 01480 457795.

HIGHWAYMAN Community Car Scheme Drivers...we need YOU!





To help us provide transport for people who are unable to use conventional public transport or to make essential journeys by any other means.

You would use your own car and receive a mileage allowance for expenses incurred. Additional insurance cover is provided.

Do you like helping people? Do you have a few hours to spare? Do you hold a clean driving licence? Then you could be just who we are looking for!

If you can help us provide this valuable service to local people please call us on 07786 520540

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Gt Staughton Women's Institute Programme of Events 2018



WE meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm We are a friendly group and everyone is welcome. **First visit is free.**

Dates	Event	Speaker	Competition Item
October 9th	History of St Neots	Rodney Todman	Something local
November 13th	New England in the Fall	Chris Smith	Something Colourful
December 11th	Christmas Dinner - Hail Weston to choose		

Youth Activity Clubs at Grafham Water Centre

YOUTH SAILING AND PADDLESPORTS

Grafham Flyers OnBoard sailing Club and Paddlesports Club introduce young people over the age of 8 to the exciting sports of sailing, canoeing, kayaking and stand up paddleboarding. Our experienced instructors will provide safety cover, tips and advice!

Tuesday Evenings (10 April - 4 September 2018) 6pm until 8pm Alternate Saturdays (7 April - 20 October 2018) 10am until 12.30pm Sessions cost £14 per person. Booking is essential

YOUTH CLIMBING

Learn to climb with the Grafham Gibbons! Our youth climbing club is designed especially for young climbers incorporating games, skills and techniques

Sundays 10am until 12noon Sessions cost £12 per person. Booking is essential

If you would like to try either of our Youth Clubs, please call 01480 810521 to book! More information about all of our activity courses can be found on our website.

www.grafham-water-centre.co.uk

Perry Women's Institute programme of events 2018



Perry WI is open to all women aged 18+, so come along and meet everyone in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. We meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30pm. £41 for a year's membership

First meeting is free for newcomers to "try before you buy" If you join part way through a year fees are ± 30.75 for April to Dec, ± 20.50 for July to Dec and ± 10.25 for Oct to Dec.

2018 DATES	EVENT	SPEAKER	VENUE
8 th Oct 7.30pm	Craft evening – practical floristry session making a Christmas table centre decoration	Beverly Jackson	Perry Baptist Church
12th Nov 7.30pm	Talk by Huntingdon Cancer Care nurse & AGM	Committee	Perry Baptist Church
10 th Dec ***7pm for 7.30pm***	Christmas dinner		The Wheatsheaf

A Note From the Editors

Just a friendly reminder that if you're sending content to be published, please email it to both editors to ensure it will be included in future issues. Send all content to both lifemagazine@outlook.com

&

rj.young@live.co.uk

And if you're placing a small 'For Sale' ad in the magazine, do let both of us know when the items have been sold, so the ad can be removed for the next magazine.

Thanks, Shaun & Rob

A book about Staughton, episode 2

One of the vital components of any historical research is of course books and documents relating to the period of interest. Accumulating books could be a cause of significant financial outlay but there is a solution at hand, namely Abebooks. This is a vital online resource for obscure or out-of-print books. It links second hand booksellers world-wide so if you are looking for a particular book or author, simply tap in the name on the Abebooks website and it is likely that somewhere in the world, there will be a copy, often at a very low price. I've bought books for little more than the price of a pint. They've come from some surprising sources: a book on Anglo-Saxon Charters was despatched from Pennsylvania. Slightly nearer to home a recondite volume on Reading Latin inscriptions came from Oxfam in Newmarket.

My current interest is the old vicarage. The Rev. James Pope, the vicar of Staughton between 1796 and 1822, frequently complained that the vicarage, formerly known as the Hermitage, which was situated in the Town, was in a poor state of repair and to remedy the situation borrowed a considerable sum from St John's College to rebuild it. St John's College, Oxford, had been associated with the church since the fifteenth century when the living was transferred from the Carthusian monastery which stood on the site, to the Oxford College.

The land on which the vicarage stood was eventually sold to the owner of Staughton House (Denzil Onslow). This property has gone by a number of names in the past – the Hermitage, Rectory Manor, and in the 19C, Staughton House, and, currently the Manor. The site of the vicarage is now, I believe, Rectory Farm. In the 1850s the new vicarage, now a private house, was constructed and on 7 June 1852 by Arthur Welstead of Stonely was instructed to issue a report on the state of the vicarage. Welstead prefaces the document with some general observations on the village. "The farms are small ...," he reports, but "the cottages exceedingly neat and clean, with good gardens with exception of a few wretched dwellings at Dillington and Perry."

Appropriately, in the context of the plan for the new vicarage, he has some observations on the religious inclinations of the inhabitants of Staughton who "are chiefly members of the C of E and there are no papists in the village." However, he continues, there exists "a strong feeling between the Dissenters and members of the church arising from animosities relating to parochial and electioneering matters." The curate, he notes approvingly, has done much good work to alleviate the situation, as is evidenced by the comment that "the church is full and two hundred children attend Sunday School."

He records that the vicarage estate belonging to Valentine Wauton is held under the Crown by George Parker who lets it to the Onslow family who reside at the Rectory Manor, now simply the Manor. Welstead then turns to the old vicarage to which he gives short shrift. "An ancient messuage, built with brick, timber and tiles of inferior and inconvenient construction, consisting of six bedrooms partly constructed in the roof, a drawing and dining room, study and entrance hall all of small dimensions, also a kitchen, larder and altar." The house is "inconvenient and unpleasant" and the rooms are small. Besides, his neighbours are noisy, keep pigs, and cause "much nuisance." The property is bounded by the land and house of D Onslow. Welstead concluded that the annual value of the house and garden was $\pounds 21$.

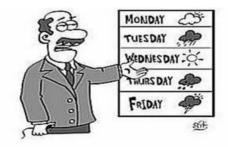
The new vicarage was built a few hundred yards from the church, on the Riseley turnpike road, which meets the Highway at what was then Agden Green, and continues to St Neots. Halfway up the road was the toll house.

By the mid nineteenth century, St Neots had become an important market place both to buy and to sell produce. Welstead observes: "St Neots has well supplied shops with good articles sold at a moderate price." Meat, however, he considers to be "dear."

Anthony Withers

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Here's the 5 day forecast. To be honest, after tomorrow, your guess is as good as mine!

GREAT STAUGHTON VILLAGE BOOK CLUB

In July, we read "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society' (by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows) and enjoyed the discussion that followed. Told through a series of letters, we learnt of a novelist's growing interest in the trials and tribulations of members of a Guernsey book club established during the occupation of the island. Quite a few of us also made a trip down to the cinema to catch the film which, although quite lovely in its own way, pales in comparison to the book.

Our book for August, was 'The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry' by Rachel Joyce. It tells the story of a man who pops out to post a letter and then decides to deliver it in person. His trek from the south coast up to Berwick-on-Tweed in the most unsuitable footwear leads him to encounter many strangers who pour out their confessions to him and, in so doing, help Harold to come to term with his own grief, feelings of remorse and sense of belonging. I think this was possibly the first book that kept us on topic for the whole of the evening!

If you fancy joining us to discuss a book over nibbles and a drink, you would be most welcome. We usually meet on the last Thursday of each month but occasionally we have to make a few changes so ... the dates and books for the rest of 2018 are as follows:

4th October: **'The Book is Ordinary Thunderstorms' by William Boyd.** 1st November: **'Rings of Saturn' by W G Sebald**

20th December: our annual meal.

For further information, please contact Margaret Sare: 0180 860963



Locally renowned a cappella group



Present

Songs for an Autumn Évenina

An evening of eclectic sacred and secular music

Saturday 20th October 7.00pm United Reformed Church, St.Neots



Proceeds to:



(Ticket enquiries: 01480 861389)





Raffle & refreshments







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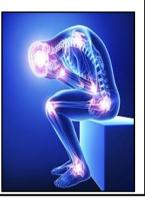
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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PERRY PARISH COUNCIL

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8th AUGUST 2018 at 7.30 p.m. at THE GRAFHAM WATER CENTRE

Present:

Councillor Nigel Noon (NN) Chairman Councillor Jason Harper (JH) Councillor David Prew (DP) Councillor Emma Prew (EP) Richard Winser – Clerk County Councillor: Ian Gardener District Councillor:

Members of the public: There were SIX members of the public (in attendance). The meeting was opened by the Chairman, Nigel Noon, at 7.30 p.m.

18/067 Apologies for Absence: Sheila Brighton, Darren Tysoe

18/068 Members Declaration of Interest on Agenda Items: None

18/069 County / District Councillor Update:

Ian Gardener updated that Sawtry Community Centre was now open, although this was slightly too far from Perry to be a viable resource. Between the 1st September – 8th October an access lift will be installed at St Neots Library. During this period the ground floor would remain open but all other facilities would be limited. Three thousand Cambridgeshire residents had written to campaign for the fairer funding for schools. Cambridgeshire is one of the worst funded education authorities in England. The County receives £400 less per child than the average funded

authority and £1600 less per child than Westminster and the campaign was bringing this to the attention of Damien Hinds, Secretary of State for Education. Cambridgeshire County Council had now overturned an earlier decision and would now continue to fund the passenger escort service on the Perry to Great Staughton school bus service. They were also continuing to provide community transport in rural areas from next month although with some modification to the existing service. Councillor Surgeries will resume (half an hour before each Parish Council meeting) from 12th September. RW undertook to publicise this on the village notice board with immediate effect. NN stated he would make enquiries as to the whereabouts of the sign previously used to advertise Councillor Surgeries with a view to locating it outside the village shop immediately before and during the event. 18/070 Public Forum on Agenda Items: A member of the public mentioned that the road resurfacing work as you enter the village from the Grafham / Buckden end had now begun to reinstate yellow lines. They had noticed that some of line marking was incomplete and questioned if the 'cats eyes' would also be replaced? IG stated that this work was work in progress and should there be any issues afterwards he would be happy to follow things up. A discussion took place regarding grass cutting and the necessity of it during the uncharacteristic spell of hot weather, a grass cutting crew had recently been seen in the village although the grass is not currently growing and there is little to cut. IG stated he would mention it to DT. RW undertook to look at the contracted dates and discuss with the contractor. A member of the public also asked if the overgrown Holly Trees adjacent to Lodge House could receive attention, there were telephone lines passing through the foliage. Martin Wilson and RW to assess the issue,

determine if the overgrown trees are on council property and take the matter forward as appropriate.

18/071 Police Update: None 18/072 Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 4th July 2018: Minutes approved as a record of the meeting JH proposed, EP seconded.

18/073 Matters Arising (not covered by Agenda items): None

18/074 Address by the Chair – John Alford:

NN addressed the meeting - It is with sadness that I mention the death of Reverend John Alford who passed away on 14th July 2018, whilst away for the weekend with his wife Margaret, in Blakeney, Norfolk.

John was born 1st November 1935, he was an active leader within our community. John was well known locally for his involvement with The Cambridgeshire and Bedfordshire Rural Support Group, where he was a trustee and for his work on Perry Parish Council since 2002. John was Chair of Perry Parish Council for the latter part of his tenure.

During his working life John moved to Cambridgeshire and took charge of the churches at Ellington, Shandwick, Grafham, Easton, Barham and Wooley. When he retired he remained in the locality and moved to Perry but continued to preach at The Staughton's and Hail Weston. In fact, John celebrated 40 years as a priest as recently as Sunday 1st July. He was also, a stalwart of Rotary Cromwell and all the charities it supports.

John had a passion for walking, wildlife and the countryside. Both he and his wife, were leaders of the Huntingdon Health Walks until only a couple of years ago. John campaigned tirelessly over many years to reinstate local public rights of way and some of the recent and on-going reorganisation of them is a testimony to his determination.

The Parish Council has secured agreement for a lasting memorial to John and one of the Public Rights of Way will be named in John's memory. The only path solely in the parish of Perry is Footpath No. 3 which will, once diverted, create a link between West Perry (B661) and the footpath running north-south between The Wheatsheaf PH and Dillington. Having consulted John's family, this path (once established) will be known as the 'Alford Memorial Path' and the name of it reflected in associated signage. RW conveyed thanks to James Stringer, Asset Information Definitive Map Officer at Cambridgeshire County Council for his

assistance in making this happen. At 7.48pm Councillor David Prew joined the meeting, having been delayed.

18/075 Applicants for Parish Council Councillor Vacancies: RW explained that there had been two applications for the current four Parish Councillor vacancies. All Councillors unanimously agreed that the two applications should be considered now and the date for applications should not be extended. Two applications were considered and there was unanimous agreement that they should both be immediately co-opted. JH proposed and EP seconded the motion. RW to write to both new Councillors and inform them. 18/076 2018 Perry Community Recognition Award: This award was conceived in 2013 to recognise those who make a significant contribution to our local community, RW stated that this year, seven nominations had been received for five people. NN directed that the selection process to identify the recipient for 2018, should take place after the formal meeting by ballot vote. All Councillors selected a design for the trophy that would be awarded.RW undertook to write to all individuals

nominated for the award.

18/077 Data Storage (back up) - Clerk: RW stated that the file directory for all Parish Council matters was contained on an external hard drive which allowed a complete transfer of files between Clerks upon handover. This also ensures that documents were not stored on anyone's personal computer. Although Parish Council data was retrievable from a variety of other sources, there would be a cost and time implication in doing so. Discussions took place concerning the purchase of a second external drive as a back-up. DP proposed and JH seconded subject to advice from CAPALC.

18/078 Closed Strategy Meeting: RW stated that there were a number of on-going initiatives examples being; Grants for Plants, WW1 Commemoration, Local Highways Initiative, Bus Shelter, Buckden Court Pond, Leader Funding and community assets that would benefit from a work package around them an identified lead (individuals). With time constraints of Parish Council meetings and full agendas during them, there would be a benefit in having a closed meeting to discuss strategies and direction. This meeting would be for Parish Councillors and any direction or decisions would need to be taken back to a public forum for transparent formal agreement. JH disagreed with a closed meeting but all other Councillors were in agreement. The timing of the closed meeting should be before the Grants for Plants Open Evening 15th September 2018. RW undertook to secure a venue and circulate a potential date

18/079 Grants for Plants – Village Open Evening, 7pm, 15th September 2018 – Grafham Water Centre: A venue for the open evening has been reserved and refreshments will be provided. An example planter has been constructed at Chichester Way (opposite the village store), the component sleepers were donated to the village by SCL Railway Sleepers, as was the liner by Mr C Beesley. DP is in the process of making a sign that can advertise the event and be sited next to the Chichester Way planter. In addition to discussing the Grants for Plants initiative and the available funding for it, there will be an opportunity to meet the Councillors (and lead Councillor for the various work streams once decided). formulate early ideas for the next phase Village Plan and shape ideas for the future. JH agreed to design the flyer advertising the Open Evening event. RW to print and contact Life Magazine Perry distribution team to circulate and advertise.

18/080 WW1 Commemoration: Previous discussions had reached an agreement to plant a tree to commemorate the end of WW1. There is potential to align with one of the Church Services and have a formal planting ceremony afterwards. This will be discussed and expanded during the closed meeting.

18/081 Local Highways Initiative (standing agenda item): This is an on-going work stream that can be discussed at the closed meeting.

18/082 Neighbourhood Watch Scheme: JH stated that the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme now have confirmed membership for 80 households, an increase of 26 on last month and Street Co-ordinators are continuing to door knock to sign people up.

À further 57 stickers have been ordered for new and old members.

JH has put out a request for support with some items but haven't received any interest so far:

1. Village Update: Provision of content for a weekly update to go to Street Co-ordinators and then onwards to scheme members. Content will mainly come from the daily "Neighbourhood Alert" email. JH will provide a template for the communication.

2. Street Co-ordinator Support: There is a need for someone to get familiar with national Neighbourhood Watch resources and the process for signing up to the ALERT database, along with how administration works and then be able to offer support to our own, Street Co-ordinators.

The next Street Co-ordinators meeting is planned for 12 September at Perry Baptist Church.

18/083 Speeding in the Village/ Radar Speed Signs: This is an on-going work stream that can be discussed at the closed meeting.

18/084 Clerks Report:

The School Bus Service – RW elaborated on the decision from the Education Transport Officer to withdraw the School Bus Chaperone, the concern it had caused locally and the fact that the decision had been overturned. DA Payne will resume the service from September (start on new school year).

Defibrillator - good news story: JH mentioned an incident at the Sailing Club where someone's life had been saved by the use of a defibrillator. NN stated he knew the person that had administered first aid and would like to co-ordinate her speaking at a training event. RW had made some initial enquiries about which organisations had defibrillator equipment, the location of them and person responsible. EP also expressed an interest in establishing what 'after care' strategies and provisions these organisations had in place for people involved in critical incidents where defibrillators needed to be deployed. This will be an on-going work stream that can be discussed at the closed meeting. There was a general consensus to share appropriate 'good news stories' on the Parish Council Website.

Leader Funding - This is an on-going work stream that can be discussed at the

closed meeting.

The Water Tower Site – Previously the criteria and process to identify a Community Asset had been circulated. It allows for a five year period of registration. This is an on-going work stream that can be discussed at the closed meeting.

Church Summer Day Camp – This involved 39 children between 24th – 26th July and was hosted by the Grafham Water Centre. RW mentioned the event as it will be repeated next year and will likely lead to the formation of a youth club this year, which they hope to base in Perry.

18/085 Correspondence Report: Response from the Buckden Court Management Company (Francis Butson & Associates) which will be detailed under Village Matters. 18/086 Meetings Attended: None

18/087 Finance & Legal Matters: The Clerk requested payments as follows:

035/18 Website Hosting £120 036/18 R Winser Salary – July £320 037/18 Handyman Salary – July £100.28 038/18 Meeting Room Rent– August £15 039/18 HMRC Tax (ending 5th July) £123.20 040/18 HMRC Tax (ending 5th August) £105

Proposed by JH, seconded by EP.

Bank Account Reconciliation – Statement circulated Overhead Report – Statement circulated

18/088 Planning Matters Planning Applications - 18/70164/SCRE - Screening Opinion - Installation of ground mounted solar PV array, underground cabling, fencing and switchgear housing. - Land East Of Graham Water Treatment Works East Perry Perry – Consultation (information only)

Consultation / information only.

18/089 Parish/Village Matters: Allotments - No Update Children's Play Facilities – JH stated that he had some initial discussions around enhancing village play facilities for children within the village. The Parish Council do not own land but there was potential to link in with other organisations and negotiate enhancing existing facilities or locating a new one. JH agreed to take forward issues of capital outlay, maintenance, expectations of on-going maintenance and insurance. Discussions took place regarding the recent enhancement of play facilities at Marlow Car Park (on Anglian Water land). A member of the public mentioned that if people are visiting a new site to use the play facilities it may lead to compounding the existing parking issues. Working Parties – JH stated he was nearing finalising a date for the next working party, the task would be to install an Owl Box.

Buckden Court Pond – Correspondence received in response to cost contribution and provision of a skip, as it stands Francis Butson Associates would be more than willing to pay for a skip. They would be happy for the Parish Council to organise it and send them the invoice. Other costs (with quotes for work) could be discussed with the Company Directors after there is a clearer idea of what will be involved. This is an on-going work stream that can be discussed at the closed meeting.

Bus Shelter - This is an on-going work stream that can be discussed at the closed meeting.

Village Sign – No update – NN to speak to contractor when he next sees him.

18/090 Village Directory: - on hold

18/091 Matters for the next meeting and date of the next meeting: JH requested that – Village Welcome Pack be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

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The meeting closed at 9.25pm.



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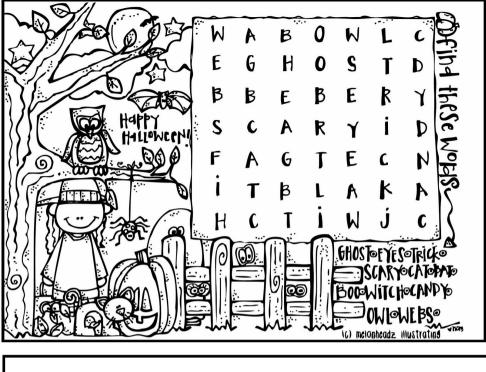
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Perry Community Recognition Award 2018

On Saturday 15th September Perry Parish Council held a Village Open Evening to launch a Perry in Bloom – 'Grants for Plants' initiative. At the beginning of the event, Nigel Noon, Chairman of Perry Parish Council presented the Perry Community Recognition Award to this year's recipient Laurie Barringer.

In the last village survey for the 2018 Village Plan, 76.2% of residents felt that community contribution should be recognised.

The Perry Community Recognition Award was Introduced in 2013 to recognise those who make a significant contribution to the village and individuals that go 'above and beyond' or foster community participation without any expectation of reward.

Laurie was a main lead in the Highway Man Driver Scheme and would consistently work on his days off to accommodate demand and enhance the service, he was responsible for many initiatives to help the service users, like collecting prescriptions from the doctors surgery in Great Staughton and dropping them off at the Perry village store to assist those who may have difficulty in collecting their prescriptions in person.

Laurie was also pivotal with and fund raised for the local Friendship Circle for many years, making it the success it was.

When presenting the award Nigel said "This year we have received an unprecedented number of nominations. A total of five individuals were considered, each of which deserve a great deal of thanks and appreciation for their contribution in making Perry a great place to live. Our Councilors certainly had some difficult decisions to make"

Nominations for the award are requested annually in July, if you know someone that you would like to nominate please contact; Richard Winser – Clerk to Perry Parish Council, clerk@perryparishcouncil.org.uk or via the nomination forms available at Perry Village Store.



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- A. SI Mary's Church: SI Neots on Saturday 1st December 2018, 7.30pm.
- Q. Who are the practice sessions for?
- Men who sing, or would like to try singing, and can get there. No previous experience or ability to read music is required.
- Q. Who else will be there?
- A. A leader, a planist, and like-minded men who accept this great opportunity.
- Q. Where are the sessions?
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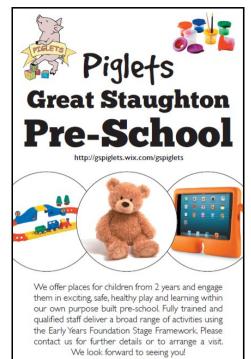
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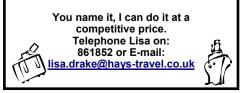
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The journey started many months ago when we decided that this is what we were going to attempt, because like all things in life preparation for this was essential. Jenny, my companion for the Pilgrimage and I, prepared weekly by walking, often from Great Staughton, to one of the wonderful Public Houses in the Benefice, enjoyed a drink or meal or both and then walked back. Many of you will have seen us on our way and it was a wonderful means of getting to know you and the area more.

Santiago de Compostela is the capital of the autonomous community of Galicia, in north western Spain. The 1,000-year-old pilgrimage to the shrine of St. James in the Cathedral there is known as 'the Camino' or in English 'The Way' of St. James. We Chose to walk the English Way starting in Ferrol (118.39 km) which is less well known than the French Way. This is a very hilly walk with few stopping places but with beautiful and varied scenery.

As we walked each day there was much time for reflection . Life is so much a journey, like the Camino, life has a beginning and an end, it is full of ups and downs, twists and turns. There are times when the road is smooth, the sun is shining on us and the world seems a wonderful place and there are other times when life is an uphill struggle and we long for those flat easy paths. There are times when we look for direction, there are times when we take the wrong path, there are times when we have no idea what is around the corner. Sometimes we walk alone and sometimes we walk with others but for the Christian we are always accompanied by Jesus himself and we use him so much like a route map guiding us and showing us the way. Without that map we are lost but if we follow in faith we are found.

In the Cathedral there is a North and a South door and you can walk in through one and out through the other. On each door there is an Alpha on the outside of the door and an Omega on the inside. As you walk through the door it symbolises your journey from the beginning to the end and as you walk out of the Cathedral through the opposite door is symbolises the rest of your life. The journey has ended and you are stepping out in faith to a new beginning .

I pray that through all the ups and downs of your life you will find God beside you to lean on and to direct you.

With love & blessings Revd Nicki Bland

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CHURCH SERVICES October 2018

Great Staughton St. Andrew's

Sun 7th 8.00am-BCP Holy Communion 10.30 am Harvest Festival with puppets ,followed by Harvest Lunch (*Please sign the list at the back of the church to order your Harvest Lunch*)
Wednesday 10th 5.30 pm Evening Prayer (at church)
Sun 14th 10.30am-Parish Communion Sat 20th 4.00pm Memorial Service a service to remember our loved ones who are no longer with us
Sun 21st 10.30am-Parish Communion (play and pray)
Sun 28th 10.30am-Parish Communion

Little Staughton All Saints

Sun 7th9.00 am Parish CommunionSun 21st9.00 am Parish Communion

Hail Weston St. Nicolas

Wed 3rd 10.00 am – Morning Prayer followed by 10.30am - Coffee **Sun 7th** 6.00 pm -Harvest Festival with puppets followed by Harvest Supper Sun 14th 9am- Parish Communion Sun 21st NEW 3.00 pm All Age Eucharist with music group. (Communion will be given to those young people who are Christians and have requested to be included in the register of those taking communion) Please contact Glenn Coiley on 07854673771 or Elaine Mc Carthy on 01480 474542 if you want to be part of the music group or if you would like a role in the service.

Sun 28th 9.am Parish Communion



DID YOU KNOW that a group for 4-11 year olds called Play & Pray takes place once a month at St. Andrew's Church? We meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month during the morning service starting at 10.30am. Younger children are welcome if accompanied by an adult. Our meeting dates for the coming months are:

> October 22st November 18th December 16th

Come & find out what we get up to! If you would like more details please call Sylvia Swain on 01480 812022.



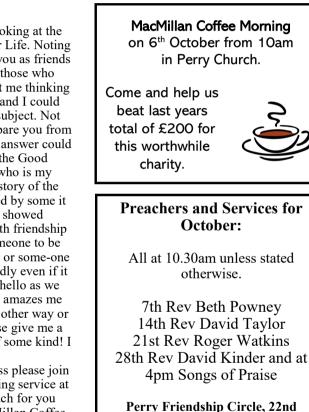


Perry Baptist Church

Secretary Tony Whitlock 01480 810906 Moderator Rev David Taylor

Sunday Services at 10.30am each Sunday Website <u>www.perrybaptist.org.uk</u>

All Welcome



"Shoe Boxes for Samaritan's Purse" This is a charity providing gifts for underprivileged children around the world. If you would like to help or contribute come along for more information ring 01480 731532

October 2.30pm in Perry Church.

My dear friends,

am sitting here and looking at the start of another letter for Life. Noting that although I address you as friends I only know a fraction of those who maybe reading this. That got me thinking about who we call friends and I could write a long letter on that subject. Not being a great wordsmith, I spare you from that prospect, but I think the answer could come along the lines of the Good Samaritan. When asked who is my neighbour? Jesus told the story of the man who was robed; ignored by some it was the Samaritan who showed neighbourliness. So, it is with friendship we don't have to know someone to be friendly be they a neighbour or some-one we meet. I do try to be friendly even if it is only a smile or friendly hello as we pass in the street. It always amazes me how many seem to look the other way or down at their feet! So please give me a wave, an hello or greeting of some kind! I try not to bite! To find out about friendliness please join us any Sunday for the morning service at 10.30am. If that is too much for you please join us for the MacMillan Coffee

Morning that we are holding in the Perry Church on 6th October. Also, we are hoping to hold a Songs of Praise at 4pm on Sunday 28th October. All are welcome at any meeting.

> Yours in Christ, *Tony Whitlock*

Clubs & Activities :

Telephone Prefix: 01480

Great Staughton W.I Perry WI:	Fay Wheatcroft:: 810734
West Hunts Friendship ClubA	nnabelle Blackham: 07527 741495
(Mondays 10:00am - 3:00pm Gt. Staughton Village Ha	
St. Andrew's Church Bell Ringers (Mondays 7.30)	David Cope: 869322
Perry Friendship Circle	
Great Staughton Book Club	Margaret Sare: 860963
Horticultural Society	Mike Keeble: 860855
Email:	m.keeble855@btinternet.com
Lions Club (Hunts Grafham Water Branch)Bern	ard Dable: 810704/07969 207227
Kimbolton Flower Club	Carol Grundy: 01832 710339
Brampton Scale Model Club: Wed 7.30-9.30pm	Dave Gait: 861387
Perry Photographic Club	Adrian Arnett:07788 409301
Rotary Club: Kimbolton Castle	Phil Howard: 861201

CHILDREN'S CLUBS/SCHOOLS

Gt. Staughton Brownies/Rainbow Guides/Guides.: Go to: enquiryym.girlguiding.org.uk and register your interest.		
Gt. Staughton Primary Academy	Head Teacher's.Office: 860324	
Gt Staughton Youth Club	gsyc2014@gmail.com	
Kimbolton Beavers/ Cub Scouts/ Explorer Scouts	Sarah Holyoak: 861755	
Kimbolton Scouts	Lis Osbourn: 07846 869007	
Piglets Pre-School	Katie Oliver: 07759 382575	
Great Staughton Family Playtimecontact-chair@pigletspreschool.org.uk Every Friday during term time 9-10.30am at Piglets Pre-school		

SPORTS CLUBS

Badminton Club	Steven Prince: 07521 509596
Mondays, 8pm, Gt. Staughton Village Hall.	
Kimbolton Cricket Club	Kevin Fisk: 07875 602919
Gt. Staughton Golf Society	Derek Fitzgibbon: 861234
Gt. Staughton Tennis Club Committee	Nicole & Phil Yates: 860616
Kym Valley Carpet Bowls	Doris Dainty: 812006
	Email: dainty.doris@yahoo.co.uk
Grafham Water Sailing Club	Club Office: 810478

VILLAGE GROUPS/SERVICES

Grafham Wildlife Group		
HIGHWAYMAN Social Car Service	07786 520540 4-7pm weekdays	
For all your transport needs, charged at 30 pence per mile		
Parent Teacher Association (PTA)	Dawn Auton: 07985 925761	
Patient Participation Group Gt St)	Loraine Harris: 860770	
	Email: loraine.harris@nhs.net	
Village Hall	. Vicky Goldsmith: 860005 / 07739 469243	
Pavilion	Bob Jewell: 861259	
Gt. Staughton WEBSITEwww.greatstaughton.com E-mail: greatstaughton-website@gmail.com		

USEFUL & EMERGENCY NUMBERS: Telephone Prefix 01480 unless otherwise shown

POLICE NON-EMERGENCY 101 POLICE EMERGENCY 999; Crime Watch Management 456 111. <u>VICTIM SUPPORT:</u> www.victimsupport.org.uk : An independent charity helps victims and witnesses of crime <u>confidentially & free.</u> Support services: 0845 389 9523 To volunteer: ring 01480 4553000

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

PERRY : Sue Astle 811121, Jason Harper 07779 123125 GT STAUGHTON: Frank Backhouse 861167, Caroline Taylor 869365, Mike Keeble 860855.

Gt. Staughton Surgery: 860 770 Buckden Surgery: 810 216 Kimbolton Surgery: 860 205 HINCHINGBROOKE HOSPITAL: 416 416

NHS NON-EMERGENCY: 111

PALS: [Patient Advice & Liaison Service]: 0800 279 2535

AGE UK CAMBRIDGESHIRE offer a range of information and services on matters of concern to older people and their carers e.g. issues on benefits, home care, aids and adaptations, safeguarding and going into a care home. Also <u>practical help</u>: home help, visiting schemes, day centres and warden schemes. The <u>advocacy service</u> can offer support to represent the interests of those over 65 years, & help to obtain the services they need.

We are available 9am - 3pm Monday to 'Friday on 0300 666 9860

<u>CONSUMER DIRECT</u>: www.consumerdirect.gov.uk - Practical help and advice for consumers with queries/problems with goods/services. Telephone : 08454 04 05 06 - Charge 4p pm. Minicom users: 08451 28 13 84: Mon to Fri - 8.00 am to 6.30 pm. Sat. 9.00 am to 1.00 pm

<u>CAMBRIDGESHIRE HEARING HELP:</u> <u>Charity to assist people with hearing loss.</u> Tel: 01223 416141 / www.cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk

We hold drop-in Hearing Help sessions for basic maintenance of NHS hearing aids, cleaning and re-tubing of hearing aids, supplying free replacement batteries and offer free advice. No appointment is necessary.

The Surgery, 57 The Highway, Great Staughton, PE19 5DY. Every 3 months: 24th July 2018. 23rd October 2018. 2.00pm – 4.00pm.

DISABILITY CAMBRIDGESHIRE. www.disabilitycambridgeshire.org.uk

Adviceline: 01223 569 600—charity for disabled/older people and carers in Cambridgeshire. Provides free, confidential and impartial information and advice on disability and access issues. **Email:** info@disability-cambridgeshire.org.uk

THE LIBRARY AT HOME SERVICE : (formerly THE DOORSTEP SERVICE)

FREE home delivery service for people who can no longer get to a library. Call 0345 045 5225

HIGHWAYMAN CAR SCHEME: Ring: 07786 520 540.

For residents of Gt Staughton, Hail Weston, Kimbolton, Perry and surrounding area. Volunteer drivers provide transport for social and medical purposes. Can undertake journeys to visit friends and family in hospital and outpatient appointments.

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