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Highways Report

Annual Parish Meeting



Playscape Winners Photo: Eleanor McCrone

Playscape: It's a Knockout

Open Gardens around Great Shelford

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GREAT SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL

EXTRACT FROM DRAFT MINUTES OF THE APRIL MEETING

Apologies were received from Councillors Simon Talbott and County Councillors Tony Orgee and Gail Kenney.

District Councillor Whiteman Downes was not in attendance.

One member of the public was present and stated their concerns over the proposed removal of a parking bay in High Green. Councillor Nettleton responded and confirmed that the bay was being removed on safety grounds due to three accidents being potentially linked to the position of the bay.

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of March 16 2016 were confirmed as being an accurate record and were signed by the Chair. A spelling correction of Berisford Rd to Buristead Rd was made to the minutes.

Matters arising from meeting of March 16: the Chair advised a cautionary delay on progressing the potential acquisition of the Grange Field. Agreed for an agenda item at the Parish Council meeting on May 18.

REPORTS OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

District Councillor Ben Shelton reported that Cambridge, Norfolk and Suffolk councils were looking for common ground to progress the Government's proposal for directly elected mayors for combined local authorities. The Chancellor may force the process if no agreement is reached locally.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Highways: Chair Mike Nettleton advised that

- the main work programme is expected to take place in October (half term).
- Tesco delivery times varied and monitoring continues.
- street and drain clearance was still awaited but he suggested they would be done within the next two weeks and meetings were arranged with responsible Cambridgeshire County Council and South Cambs District Council staff on May 4 and 10.

A full report for April was circulated.

Planning: Chair Bridget Hodge reviewed the minutes of the committee meeting on March 23 and updated on issues reviewed at a planning meeting on April 18. The Chair is writing to the Planning Authority on reinstatement for damaged verges by building contractors.

Recreation Ground: Chair Malcolm Watson advised that

- a quotation from Samskara Construction for the Pavilion roof and cricket ball catch netting had been agreed and confirmed at £6,750. Completion had been requested by the start of the cricket season, but it was likely to be the end of May due to lead time on materials.

- the riverbank grant Expression of Interest was accepted and a full application requested. Timescales were challenging but he would review these with SCDC Ecology Officer on 26 April.

Cemetery and Allotments: Chair Helen Harwood reviewed minutes of the Committee meeting on April 7 and advised that

- fees and system of calculation had been revised as circulated.
- tenancy agreements had been updated.
- a dog faeces bin was required for Stonehill Allotments. The position and collection process was to be investigated.

Pavilion: Clerk Mike Winter advised that Pavilion keys would be provided to Committee Chairs who do not currently have one.

FINANCE

The Clerk circulated a schedule of payments and receipts from March 16 to the end of the financial year March 31 2016. This was accepted and seven cheques valued at £806.50 were duly signed by two councillors.

The Clerk presented the Review of Annual Return Statement of Accounts 2015/2016. This was approved by the Parish Council and signed by the Responsible Finance Officer and the Chair.

EXTERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

External correspondence received was reviewed and replies agreed as follows:

- an email from a resident on the replacement of three resigned Parish Councillors: an advert will be placed in May 2016 as previously discussed.
- Playscape Working Group request for assistance on Liability Insurance for *It's a Knockout* event: the Clerk advised status and confirmed that independent liability insurance is being taken out by PSWG.

MATTERS RAISED FOR FUTURE AGENDA CONSIDERATION

- Critical Succession and Critical Illness plan for future discussion.
- Communications policy for review of Council and Committee Minutes; draft, final, issue process timescales and issue method / location.
- Presentation from Network Rail on footbridge proposal and potential traffic congestion from four additional crossing closures expected per hour in each direction.
- Update on proposal to disperse cost of street lighting to local residents.
- FSCS compensation limits on Parish Council bank account.
- Status of progress on potential acquisition of Grange Field for next meeting on May 18.

GREAT SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Present Parish Councillors Nightingale (Chairman and as District Councillor) and other Parish Councillors; Cambridgeshire County Cllr Gail Kenney; District Councillors Ben Shelton and David Whiteman-Downes; representatives of local sports and community groups and schools and 30 members of the public. Apologies received from County Cllr Orgee, Parish Councillor David Coggins; Tony Holden, Great Shelford F.C. and Colin Jefferson, Twinning Association.

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting on April 16 2015 were confirmed as a true record. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and referred to his report. There were no comments or questions.

County Council County Cllr Gail Kenney requested parishioners to complete the feedback form on the replacement street lighting, which can be found at http://www.lighting_Cambridgeshire.com/contact-us/feedback.htm. She drew attention to the City Deal, the Government's proposed devolution and election of a mayor to the combined authorities of Norfolk, Suffolk Peterborough and Cambridgeshire, the ending of the care contract run by Uniting Care and the Local Highways Initiative Grant for a crossing in Woollards Lane.

Local organisations Reports from several local organisations were circulated and accepted as read with no discussion.

Police Sgt Davidson said there will be a Crime Prevention Event in the Pavilion on July 19. The PCSO parking patrols will continue. Questions were asked about parking infringements in Woollards Lane.

Parish Council Financial Statements These were accepted.

Playscape Working Group Cllr Talbott stated that all proposals of the group will be reviewed by the Parish Council before progressing.

Neighbourhood Plan Cllr Hodge reported on the current state of the Neighbourhood Plan and the need to ensure that everyone is consulted. The next main consultation event will be at the Feast.

Riverbank Plan A resident noted that information on the proposals for the riverbank work was not publicly available. It was agreed to provide information in the library.

A suggestion was made that reports should be made available to parishioners some time prior to the meeting so they had time to read and digest them. Of the 20 reports available only 5 were presented so they were revisited for further comment. The Clerk explained that many of the reports arrived just prior to the meeting but he would try to ensure reports are provided earlier so they can be placed on the village website in the future. The meeting closed at 7.50pm. *BH*

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PARISH COUNCIL HIGHWAYS UPDATE

The Parish Council set out a number of plans as part of the April 2016 to March 2017 budget to address village residents' concerns with Highways issues. The following is an update on progress with some of the issues to date.

Major Projects

- We held a number of open meetings last summer to discuss changes to be made in the centre of the village (particularly a 20mph zone, zebra crossing and HGV loading bay in Woollards Lane, and various changes to parking restrictions). We have successfully applied for the maximum Local Highways Improvement grant of £10,000 towards the cost of the zebra crossing. All this work has been badly delayed because of Cambridgeshire County Council resource issues, but they have now confirmed that the main work schedule is planned to be implemented over the October half term (weekend working is currently being planned). We will advise the actual dates when available as some local disruption during implementation may be experienced.
- The village has a small number of parking bays reserved for disabled drivers and passengers. These bays are often abused by people who do not have blue badges. This is a parking offence and is also antisocial. The PCSOs enforcing village parking have been specifically requested to check these bays and strictly enforce their use by blue holders only.
- As part of the general improvements, we asked Tesco to move their own deliveries to around 6.30am to ease congestion in Woollards Lane. We believe they have now largely achieved this. However, there will be the odd occasion on which operational problems mean the target can't be met.
- We committed to purchasing and installing a flashing Speed Indicator Device (SID). The mobile SID has been delivered; quotes for the poles to be installed at multiple specific locations in the village are being requested.

General Maintenance

The Parish Council and village residents are aware that major problems have been experienced with roadside gutters and gullies not being cleared over the last year or so. The Parish Council has made considerable efforts in chasing both South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council on this topic. We believe after recent meetings the situation is now coming under control, with the following action plan agreed:

- SCDC undertook some street sweeping in late April and should complete this in May.

- CCC will then empty gullies in key streets in late May, followed by roadside weed killing.
- The exercise will be repeated for a wider range of streets in the autumn (after the leaf fall).
- Obviously, the Parish Council will continue to monitor the situation.

Future Project Plans

The gestation period for any significant project is far too long, but we can't do anything about that. We therefore need to be considering / consulting on what we should be doing and budget planning for in the April 2017 to March 2018 year.

Initial thoughts for consideration are as follows

- A further zebra crossing, probably in Cambridge Road, around either the Davey Crescent or Scotsdales area?
- Funding for a further mobile SID?
- Whether to continue funding PCSO overtime for parking enforcement?
- Review of further local parking issues?
- Your further suggestions?

To encourage further village consultation on the Highways future plans, we are holding **an open meeting on Tuesday June 14 at 7pm in the Sports Pavilion** to discuss any Highways issues of concern and for residents to make any proposal you may think can assist further with village Highways topics.

Great Shelford Parish Council

PLANNING APPLICATIONS PARISH COUNCIL COMMENTS

S/0865/16/FL	Mr N Shepherd Aspen House Kings Mill Lane	Demolition and replacement house
No objections to the design. As this design is very similar to that opposite, it would be preferable if the materials differed but still complied with the guidelines in the Village Design Statement. We note the developer's willingness to mitigate the impact of the development on the neighbours and surrounding community, especially the impact of large deliveries on traffic in Church Street at certain times of the day and request the proposals in the Construction Environment Management Plan are strictly adhered to. We would prefer a start time of 8am.		



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- There are 7500 births a year in Cambridgeshire. One in 10 mothers smokes while pregnant.
- One in 12 children in South Cambridgeshire and one in five Fenland children live in poverty.
- 79% of boys and 84% of girls in South Cambridgeshire do not take enough exercise each day.
- 19% of children aged five years and 25% of children aged 11 years in South Cambridgeshire are either overweight or obese.
- One in 10 children has a diagnosable mental health problem. Hospital admissions for self-harm are high in Cambridgeshire. Children in the poorest houses are three times more likely to suffer from mental health problems.
- One in eight men and one in five women experienced a common mental health problem in the last week, such as depression, anxiety or phobia.
- 63.6% of South Cambridgeshire residents aged 18–64 are overweight, 63.8% eat enough fruit or vegetables, 67.3% take enough exercise, 11.7% smoke.
- In South Cambridgeshire the life expectancy for men is 82.7 years at birth and for women it is 85.5 years. The main causes of death in Cambridgeshire are cancer, circulatory disease and respiratory disease.
- There are 1450 cardiovascular deaths a year in Cambridgeshire (22% coronary heart disease, 21% strokes, 15% high blood pressure and 38% diabetes).
- 3,400 new cases of cancer were diagnosed last year including 10% lung cancer, 14% bowel cancer, 16% breast cancer and 13% prostate cancer. 1440 deaths were recorded.
- Of people over 65 years old, seven in 10 had their flu vaccination. 2,500 admissions to hospital were due to injuries sustained in a fall, and there were 635 hip fractures. 46% of emergency admissions to hospital were for people over 65 years. An estimated 7,000 people are living with dementia.
- At ward level, Sawston had a high number of people admitted to hospital for alcohol related conditions, Histon and Impington had a high number of hip fractures, while Bourn had a high number admitted for coronary heart disease.

Cambridgeshire Insight (<http://www.cambridgeshireinsight.org.uk>) is a website presenting local health and wellbeing data at ward and district level.

Gail Kenney

THE SHELFORDS AND STAPLEFORD DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS THURSDAY MAY 5 2016

Election Candidate	Party	Votes	%	
Charles Nightingale	Conservative	1021	41.59%	Elected
Mike Nettleton	Labour	705	28.72%	
Peter Robert Fane	Liberal Democrat	369	15.03%	
Sophi Berridge	Green	360	14.66%	

PAPER ITEMS FOR THE *VILLAGE NEWS*



For many years, Joy Amis has taken responsibility for collecting items submitted to the *Village News* on paper, and for passing these on to the Editor for that month. Such items are now quite rare as almost all our contributions are sent electronically. From the next issue onwards, Joy will no longer be collecting paper items. Instead, if you have anything which cannot be emailed, please could you post or deliver it to Judith Wilson at the address given below. We would like to thank Joy for all her help over the past years. JW

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Lead Theft – Eyes & Ears: Thieves may be posing as genuine workers as they systematically strip lead from church roofs across Cambridgeshire, police believe. Following thefts from at least five churches in as many weeks, Cambridgeshire Police has asked the public to help thwart what are believed to be gangs of organised criminals exporting stolen metal by the container-load. The incidence of metal thefts from churches declined after commodity prices collapsed in the global financial crisis of 2008 and the following years, but seems now to be on the increase once more.

In Cambridgeshire, churches at West Wrating, Conington in South Cambridgeshire, Swavesey, Comberton and Abbots Ripton have recently fallen victim to metal thieves at a combined cost of hundreds of thousands of pounds, prompting the Diocese of Ely, which covers parishes in Cambridgeshire and west Norfolk, to warn churches to take extra precautions.

Most churches use a chemical called Smart Water as a deterrent to metal theft, and the recent ban on dealers paying cash for metal significantly reduced casual thefts from churches. So the latest spate of thefts is probably the work of organised criminals, the diocese's Church Buildings Consultant, Geoffrey Hunter, believes. 'Stealing metal from churches is a particularly cruel and wasteful crime. It may not hit the headlines in the same way that theft from railways or the utilities does, but the impact on the hard-pressed volunteers who are the guardians of our churches can be devastating. The sense of powerlessness and ongoing vulnerability can be overwhelming.' Police are urging communities to be on the lookout for seemingly innocent work-people in the vicinity of vulnerable churches, and not just in isolated locations.

Police are urging anyone who sees metal theft in progress to dial 999 immediately, so that the thieves can be caught red-handed. The public is also asked to report 'workmen' near churches outside normal working hours on 01480 422888 or the police non-emergency number, 101.

Ordination: Our Assistant Curate Monica Cameron is focusing on her priestly ordination on Saturday July 2 at 5pm in the Cathedral. The day following she will preside at the Parish Communion at 10am at St Mary's for the first time. Please do join us for this special occasion.

Community Worship for the start of Shelford Feast week: Sunday July 10

10am: St Mary's and Great Shelford Free Church will gather together in the Feast marquee to host a joint community service for the start of Feast week. The Parish Communion at St Mary's that morning is cancelled (other services remain the same that day). The service is **open to all**, so please do come along and bring your friends!

St Mary's Toddler Group: Thursday mornings in term time in the Community Room between 9.30 and 11.30am for children aged from 0 to 3 years with their parents and/or carers. Contact details from Gillian Pett – gillian.pett29@gmail.com.

First Steps: For babies and toddlers, 0–5 years, meeting on Mondays from 2 to 2.30pm (term time only). It is located in the Church Community Room, which is contained and warm. We have liturgical toys and books suitable and safe for the age group. Tea, coffee, juice, and biscuits or cakes will be available after the service. The session is structured with the same songs each week and a bible story, ending with prayer. All families are welcome.

From the Registers

Burial of Cremated Remains:

May 6

Joanna King

May 23

Betty George

Marriage:

May 7

Tim and Sophie Bayley

Regular Services

Daily: 9am Morning Prayer

5pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday: 9.30am Holy Communion (BCP 1662)

Sunday: 8am Holy Communion (BCP 1662)

10am Parish Communion, our main Sunday service.

6.30pm Evensong (BCP 1662)

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SHELFORD SCHOOL

As the weather improves, school life continues to be busy and varied for our children. The children in Years 2 and 6 have been occupied this past week with the SATs and must all be commended on their excellent attitude during these important tests. But I'm sure they are all glad that the tests are over now!

Singfest Towards the end of last month, quite a number of the Years 5 and 6 who are in the choir had a very exciting afternoon and evening spent at the West Road Concert Hall in Cambridge. These children took part in *Singfest*. Our children and those from three other Cambridge schools joined together to perform popular songs in this impressive venue. They were joined by four professional opera singers who, with the children, performed songs from the opera *Carmen*, with the professionals acting out the story as they went. At one point, the entire auditorium was singing as the audience participated with some of the songs – it was great fun!

Sports activities Sport, as well as music, continues to be popular at the school with great attendance at all the after-school sport clubs that are on offer. The profile has been raised with all year groups taking part in competitive sports festivals with other school throughout the year. In addition, the Years 5 and 6 children have been involved in a number of county competitions and some finals. As the children gear up for the last half term's swimming sessions, they were treated to a very important assembly guest. Ed Williams, who is a swimming teacher with Elite Swimming Academy, came and spoke at a whole school assembly about his extreme swimming challenges. So far, he has swum the English Channel, the Gibraltar Straits and made an attempt to swim from Ireland to Scotland, but is planning to make a second attempt as he was attacked by giant jellyfish! What an inspiration for our children to approach their swimming lessons, and in fact all their learning, with perseverance and a fresh desire to succeed.

Summer Fair As we look further on into the half term, our summer fair is a firm date on our calendars. Anyone who would like to come is very welcome (a small entry charge on the doors as usual) on May 21 from 1pm in time to see the Year 6 maypole dances. Children and parents alike are planning and preparing for this important and fun afternoon. Looking at the plans so far, this traditional vintage fair promises not to disappoint.

Ascension Service At the very end of this half term, we look forward to our Ascension Service held at All Saints Little Shelford, followed by a picnic at the Wale Recreation Ground. This is always such a lovely end to the half term – let's hope the weather obliges us by staying dry!

Claire Grigson, School Governor



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So when we talk about feeding our soul, or soulfulness (to coin a modern phrase, not a musical number) we need to think a different way. To define what I mean by soul, our faith tradition describes it as the immortal part to who we are ... and that's about as basic as we can get. It's what's left when we strip away our ego, our status, our possessions and our physical bodies.

The soul, then, is directly related to our spirituality – the God-given part of our humanity. If we ignore our soul, we will spend our lives striving for the trivial and the worthless. A life focused on wealth, power, sex, gluttony and consumerism is not really life, it's just an empty box ... a nice looking box ... just with nothing inside it. But a life that feeds our soul is far from empty, as soulfulness values our connection to the creator God, values ourselves as someone who is loved and embraced by God, and understands that God sees beyond all the glittery stuff we surround ourselves with. Our soul shows us up for who we really are, the deepest parts of what makes you ... you.

When Jesus walked on this planet, he was deeply concerned with people's souls. Yes he healed the sick, freed those who were captive, loved the unlovable That was all done so that their soul would be fed and their faith grown.

As a church community, we are deeply interested in soulfulness as the antidote to this fast-paced world we live in. We're trying to grow in our understanding and deepen our faith. Maybe you might spend some time reflecting on the question ... how is it with your soul?

Rev'd Martin Cockerill, Pastor of Great Shelford Free Church

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Worship Services at Great Shelford Free Church

Sunday June 5 @ 10.30am

Jesus has authority to forgive sins (Mark 2:1–12)

Sunday June 12 @ 10.30am

Communion Service: Jesus eats with the riff raff (Mark 2:13–17)

Sunday June 19 @ 10.30am

Jesus' disciples ate (Mark 2: 18–22)

Sunday June 26 @ 10.30am

Jesus is Lord – even on the Sabbath (Mark 2:23–28)

Communion Service @ **6.30pm**

Every Friday @ 11.00am 'Time for Worship'

Series: The 'I Am' sayings of Jesus

Create & Share @ Great Shelford Free Church Hall (Ashen Green Entrance)

Thursday June 16: 9.30am–3.30pm

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Our May meeting was a fascinating history walk led by local historian Helen Harwood on the theme of 'Shelford Sisters'. In the short distance between the Free Church, and the mill at the bottom of Kingsmill Lane, Helen brought to life the stories of some of the women who had lived there in the past 200 years.



Amongst a remarkable collection of formidable characters were: a founder member of Shelford's original W.I. who campaigned for women's right to vote, a widow who had to take in laundry to feed her large family, two women who ran pubs and a vicar's wife who translated the bible into English from Greek. After a really pleasant walk we ended next to the mill to hear the story of Philippa Pearce and *Tom's Midnight Garden*.

The speaker at our next meeting on June 2 will be from 'Mercy Ships', a charity funding hospital ships to take life-changing surgery to parts of the world where there is little medical care.

We meet on the first Thursday of every month (except August) at 7.30pm in All Saints' North Room, behind the church, in Little Shelford. The following meeting on July 7 will be a garden party at 12 Church St, Great Shelford. Visitors and new members are always welcome.

Mary Talbott



Participants at the beginning of the History Walk Photo: Mary Talbott

SHELFORD MEDICAL PRACTICE

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Online appointment availability We have had some comments that recently we have not made as many appointments available online as usual. That is true. We have to weigh up the number of appointments of different types that we make available by the different means we have at our disposal. At times of bank holidays, and other 'stress' points, such as planned strike action, we expect that more patients will want on-the-day appointments. At these times we may reduce the number of online appointments and in-advance ones for routine matters. We resume normal service as soon as possible after these periods.

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Jennet Ashton, Practice Manager

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To remind you – Feast Week is from **July 10 to 17**.

Sunday 10	Church Community Service
Monday 11	Children's disco
Tuesday 12	Sawston Youth Drama
Wednesday 13	Comedy Night with Ivan Brackenbury, Balsham Singers Concert
Thursday 14	Quiz Night
Friday 15	Ska Night with The Beat Summer Music with Simple Reeds
Saturday 16	Beer Festival, barbecue, craft & food fair Back to the 80s and Blonde Shell
Sunday 17	The Shelford Feast!

Tickets and programmes are on sale online and at local retailers. All details are in the programme or at <http://www.shelfordfeast.co.uk>.

DO organise your quiz night teams in advance, with tickets, food choice and registration before the night, and please make sure your people know which team they are in! Tickets for the comedy and music nights are already selling well, so get yours now.

We'll see you at The Shelford Feast!

Duncan Grey

CAKES, BOOKS, DVDS AND CDS

Can you help support the Shelford Feast on Sunday 17 July by making a cake for teas? If so, could you either bring your cakes along to the main marquee on the Sunday morning, or contact Shirley Warbrick at shirley.warbrick@googlemail.com (phone 01223 837225) and she will come and collect them.



Books, tapes, DVDs and CDs are also welcomed for the second hand book stall. Again, either bring them along or contact Liz Ulas at elizabeth.ulas@ntlworld.com (phone 01223 476872) or Sarah Coppendale at coppendales@btinternet.com (phone 01223 842498).

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Date	Event	Time	Place
2	WI talk on 'Mercy Ships (page 17)	7.30pm	see p 17
4	Garden Furniture Sale	11am	Memorial Hall
11	Tea Dance for Queen's Birthday	CANCELLED	
14	Open meeting: Highways (page 6)	7pm	Sports Pav.
14	Granta Flower Club	7.30pm	Memorial Hall
16	History Walk; Shelford Pub Trail (page 25)	7.30pm	St Mary's Church
22	Engage: Stone circles and henges (page 23)	2pm	Library
23	EU Referendum	7am–10pm	Memorial Hall
28	Farmers' Market	9am	Memorial Hall

The Country Market is held in the Memorial Hall each Wednesday
8.30–11.30am.

BIN COLLECTIONS

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CAMBRIDGESHIRE COMMUNITY FAIR

The annual Cambridgeshire Community Fair is on Tuesday 7 June from 2–6pm at the Burgess Hall in St Ives. It aims to help communities think about how they can fund, build and do more in their own villages and towns. You might already be involved in volunteering locally or just be wondering how to get involved. There will be a range of talks and workshops by local experts, covering topics like funding for community projects, and maintaining community assets. Information on www.cambscommunityfair.wordpress.com.

LOST IN GREAT SHELFORD CEMETERY

Earlier this year, a small memorial disappeared from a grave in the cemetery. It was a wooden post just over two feet high, and on it was a wooden plaque with a brass RAF badge. I sincerely hope it wasn't taken by someone as an item for their collection. Have you, by any chance, tidied away what looked like a bit of old wood? If you have any information, please ring me on 840393.

Helen Harwood

Engage at Great Shelford Library**Neolithic and Bronze Age Stone Circles and Henges of Wiltshire**

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A KNOCKOUT FOR PLAYSCAPE

Congratulations to The Saints team, who ran, bounced, catapulted and waddled, their way (complete with fluffy halos) to lift the inflatable Trophy at Playscape's *It's a Knockout* competition in April! (See cover photo.) Three hundred spectators cheered on the eight intrepid teams (as well as eating cake and burgers!) and there was a wonderful sense of community amongst the assembled crowd. It was a brilliant, if rather chilly, afternoon, and there was plenty of talk of rematches before the day was out.

But this wasn't just an excuse for a laugh down on the rec, oh no, we're in the serious business of raising funds for a new playscape. And we're delighted to announce that we've raised a fantastic £12,000 towards the playscape appeal!

So a huge thank you to all the amazing teams who took part and sought sponsorship, to TTP Group who sponsored the event and match funded their team's donations, for the volunteer bakers who produced a delicious array of cakes, the WI who ran the café, the volunteer face painters who did a marathon non-stop session, to those who lent us the BBQs and to all the spectators! Thank you, thank you! Donations for this event have now closed, but you can donate to the charity at any time via our website: www.shelfordplayscape.org – scroll down our home page and find the green donate button.

Wishing you'd had a go at 'human demolition' or 'ski crazy' now? Well, the next exciting event will be in the autumn: sponsored abseiling down St Mary's Church Tower! This will also be open to anyone over 10. Registration will be via our website shortly, however in the meantime if you'd like to reserve your spot then please just drop an email to Jenny at events@shelfordplayscape.org.

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HISTORY WALK



On Thursday June 16 at 7.30pm I will lead a guided walk round the village, a blend of history and storytelling, entitled 'The Shelford Pub Trail'.

At the beginning of the 20th century, Shelford was endowed with a multitude of pubs. Since then most of them have fallen by the wayside. But the pubs in their day represented a rich if rumbustious part of village culture. So come along and hear about the pubs and the part they played in village life.

The walk will begin at St Mary's Church in Church Street at 7.30pm, and should last up to 90 minutes. It is free. We will walk from Church Street to Bridge Close. Afterwards you may wish to join us at the Square and Compasses, for a practical exploration of the subject matter!

Important note: I am still awaiting a second eye operation, so it's just possible I may have to cancel the walk. To be sure it's taking place, ring up a couple of days beforehand to check. I will leave a message on my answerphone confirming that it's going ahead (or not).

Contact details: Helen Harwood, email helen_harwood_uk@yahoo.co.uk, tel 840393. HH

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BOOK REVIEW

THE THIRD MAN, BY GRAHAM GREENE



Summer's nearly here and if you haven't already had your holiday and are wondering what to take away with you to enjoy on the beach, then how about trying some solid noir writing that will not mentally drain you, but is far from a Spanish airport bookshelf paperback?

The Third Man (1949) is Graham Greene's tricky novella about occupied Vienna after the Second World War.

Narrated by Calloway, a British colonel, the story focuses on Rollo Martins, a pulp author of westerns, visiting his childhood friend and hero Harry Lime. Calloway describes Harry as: 'the worst racketeer who ever made a dirty living in this city'. Unfortunately, when Rollo arrives he discovers Harry has died from a motorcar accident. As the plot unfolds Rollo questions the legitimacy of the accident and tries to find out, any way he can, who the mysterious third man is.

Greene experiments with the novella form: the distant, objective narration; the short time period of a couple of days; one central problem; a triangle of main characters; and the delightful twist in the tale ending. The biggest success of this work is the grittiness of Vienna after the war. Reading it almost seventy years later, it discloses what it must have taken to survive during those times.

At our wonderful Great Shelford library you can order *The Third Man* in a collection with Greene's *The Fallen Idol* (1935). Greene also wrote the script for the excellent 1949 film of the same name directed by Carol Reed.

I appreciated the noir elements in this book and the ending is genuine and surprising. A nice quick read, well worth an afternoon of your time at home, or the odd hour a day whilst you lie in the sun.

Garry Pope

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I'M A POOR, POOR GARDENER

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Well, I grow vegetables, and I sympathize. This is a glorious time of year. We've suddenly plunged from a very cold spring into glorious summer. The sky is blue, the sun is warm and bright, and the swifts have returned and soar in the upper sky, then race and scream round the rooftops for sheer joy. And here I am, running round like a headless chicken, trying to get all my garden ground cleared, the seeds sown, the

plants transplanted, and keep it all watered. I'm exhausted! Why do I do it?

This year should be designated the Year of the Slug. Every time you lift a stone, or a mulching sheet, or an upturned bucket, you find them in awe-inspiring numbers. Before sowing, you have to do a mental assessment – is this plant slug-proof or not? I'm trying out copper rings and copper tape which are supposed to act like an electric slug fence. So far I'm impressed. Last year we barely had any lettuces, but so far the copper line is holding. Additionally, I'm collecting the slugs and snails and stamping on them. My hens obligingly eat the snails. They won't touch slugs, though.

Then there's the pigeons. They lie in wait to get at the chicken corn after the chickens have eaten their fill. Then they like to round off with a bit of green stuff – peas or brassicas for preference. So those all have to be netted. Oh, and there's the mice. They like pea seeds, broad beans and beet seeds. After much experiment I've found that surrounding the sowings with a narrow sheet of galvanized iron



keeps them out. Mostly.

So much for the animal pests. There's another foe. Ground elder. It spreads by underground roots, and boy does it spread. You can spray, which I don't, because I'm strictly an organic grower. Or you can endlessly dig it out. You never win, because the roots snap easily, and you always miss bits and they grow back, and you have to do it all over again, relentlessly, repetitively. The myth of Sisyphus, in which the protagonist is endlessly forced to push a rock up a mountain, only for it to roll down and thus oblige him to start again, has considerable meaning for me.

So why **do** I keep on doing it? First and most obviously for the food. If you've never eaten potatoes dug straight from the garden, or lettuce picked ten minutes earlier, then you've never tasted real food. Never mind gourmet restaurants, the really good eating is in stuff that's been organically grown and is freshly-picked. You can grow varieties of fruit and vegetables that you'll never find in any shop: greengages, the ellison's orange apple, and Duke of York potatoes. The old village families might be poor in money, but as long as you had your 10-pole allotment, you could eat like a king.

Besides, it keeps you fit. Definitely no need to go to the gym. Then there's the sheer pleasure of being out of doors. And it's not just in summer. There's a joy in winter, as it nears dusk, in seeing the rooks spread all across the sky, flying to their roosts. In working within nature, you become part of nature. For the month or so of the nesting season, the hen blackbird becomes fearless, dogging my every footstep, and snatching worms from under the fork. Meanwhile, the cock bird sits up a tree pouring out notes of liquid song.

I try not to dig up the white deadnettle, the white comfrey and the dandelions because the wild bees love them so much. This year I've discovered a little solitary bee called the hairy-footed flower bee (who on earth thinks up these names?). It's a little black furry bee with a long proboscis which makes it look like it's a stinger, but it isn't. It buzzes loudly, and buzzes more loudly still in disgruntlement if you happen to disturb it. But it doesn't sting. It just likes to tell you off. The chickens too can be good company. Did you know that hens purr? Well they do. And sometimes they lie in the sun with a wing spread out and sun themselves, baking out the parasites.

So, in spite of all the frustrations, and the sense of being under siege and the endless, endless battles, being a gardener, or more particularly, a vegetable-grower, is an endless source of pleasure.

As Adge Cutler's song has it: *I'll always be a farmer, don't care about a thing, And if I get me tractor fixed I'll be back in the spring.* And so will I!

Helen Harwood

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Sunday June 19 is Father's Day – what better way to treat Dad than a stroll around gorgeous gardens followed by tea and homemade cake! Tickets are £5 for adults, accompanied children are free. Entry tickets, programmes and parking are available on the day from The Village Hall, Frogge Street, Ickleton, CB10 1SH. Proceeds from the event are in aid of Ickleton Village Hall and Arthur Rank Hospice Charity. The event is kindly sponsored by Arkwright & Co. estate agents.

STAPLEFORD

Gardens in Stapleford will be open on **Sunday June 26** from 2pm to 5pm in aid of Stapleford Community Primary School PTA. Explore a variety of beautiful gardens, including some opening for the first time, and enjoy a fun afternoon out around the village for all the family.

Programmes are available in advance from Stapleford Spar or from Beckie 07480 242390, or on the day at the Vicarage, Mingle Lane. Entrance is £5 for adults, children free. Refreshments and cream teas will be available.

SAWSTON

Six Sawston gardens will open to the public on the afternoon of **Sunday July 3** from 1pm to 6pm as part of the National Gardens Scheme. The **NGS** raises around £2.5 million annually to support charities including Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospices UK and the Carers Trust. Details, including descriptions of Sawston gardens, are on the NGS website www.ngs.org.uk.

This year's Open Gardens are Brook House at 138 High Street, Drift House 19a Babraham Road, nos. 11 and 35 on Mill Lane, Vine Cottage in Hammonds Road and 22 St Marys Road. The entrance fee of £5 per adult (children free) includes all the gardens. Tickets and village maps are available at any of the gardens. There is parking behind Budgens supermarket. Cream teas, cakes and drinks are available at **Sweet Tea** café from 1–5pm in the High Street. For further information please contact Mike and Ann Redshaw (01223 834511).

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For many, the flower which conjures up summer more than any other is the rose, and it is no surprise that this quintessentially English flower frequently tops the list as the nation's favourite bloom. With a plethora of species and hybrids from which to choose, the gardener is spoilt for choice when selecting the ideal rose for their own garden. Not only are we faced with a range of colours from white and cream through to deep burgundy and shades of blue, but also with a choice of forms, ranging from vigorous bush to carpeting and climbing; species or hybrid; traditional or modern; and fruit bearing or not.

There are many gardens which incorporate roses, all of which act as a source of inspiration for the gardener. While soaking up the spectacle and heady aroma of a rose garden, how many of us pause to consider the origin of this popular flower? In our own Rose Garden here at the Botanic Garden, the display is arranged to present the complex history of the garden rose.

Much of the history and development of the rose was carried out here in the Garden by Charles Hurst in the 1930s. The Rose Garden was subsequently designed in the 1980s by the renowned horticulturist Graham Stuart Thomas to demonstrate Hurst's work. Starting with ancestral European roses, the beds chart the history of extensive hybridisation of European and Chinese species roses. These have given rise to many of the garden roses with which we are now so familiar.



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Our Garden includes a diverse range of plants, from the European species such as *Rosa gallica*, through to Chinese introductions such as the impressive, mound-forming *R. soulieana*. *R.* 'Burgundy Ice' is a selection of a modern floribunda; 'Felicite et Perpetue', among others, represents the climbing roses; and 'Graham Thomas' provides an example of the modern English Rose. The Rose Garden, with its history, diversity of form, colour and season of interest, combined with herbaceous underplantings and heady scent, brings a reminder not only of the typical English country garden, but also of the valuable role of research and hybridisation in our gardens. Whatever your reason for including roses in the garden, now is the time to enjoy them at their best.

Sally Pettit, Head of horticulture

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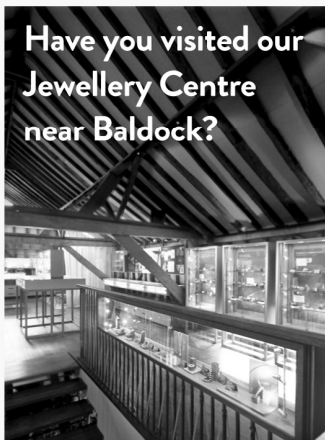


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If a person dies intestate (i.e. without a valid Will), the estate will pass in accordance with the intestacy provisions, which are a set of statutory rules. The 'Rules of Intestacy' will divide your estate in a pre-determined way which may mean that your intended beneficiaries do not inherit. Without a Will, spouses may not automatically inherit all of the deceased's estate; any children will automatically receive their share at 18 years; and unmarried partners will not receive anything. It also may not be carried out in the most tax-efficient way.

It is important to have your Will drafted as soon as you are able: a Will is not valid if it has been drawn up when the testator is no longer of sound mind.

Please contact Davies Solicitors on 01223 842211 if you would like to discuss making or changing a Will. Davies Solicitors also run a free legal advice centre on Wednesday evenings between 6pm and 8pm by appointment only.

Laura Ball, Davies Solicitors



AUDITIONS

Wednesday June 8 and Monday June 13

Barton Drama Group's next production will be
Albert Make Us Laugh by Jimmie Chinn
Wednesday November 23 to Saturday November 26

We will be auditioning for actors on Wednesday June 8 in The Barton Pavilion on the Barton recreation ground, and Monday June 13 in the Barton Village Hall from 7:30pm onwards. Please come along if you are interested in being involved.

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TENNIS CLUB

The season is now in full swing, with a total of eight men's and six ladies' teams which, I am sure *News* readers would agree, is not at all bad for a little village club. We are slow starters at GSTC, and therefore not remotely put off by a few early losses. Once the sun comes out and we get up steam there'll be no stopping us.



One player who certainly hit the ground running, almost literally, is our young coaching assistant Ashley Powter (pictured). During one sweltering May day he played a total of seven sets of competitive tennis. Ashley embarked on his sporting odyssey by competing for the club's under 16s in an afternoon match. Pausing only for a cup of tea and perhaps a

swift jam sandwich, he then took part in his very first Cambridgeshire League men's match for the club. Ashley partnered Graham 'Girders' Barr to a fantastic clean sweep, taking three sets out of three off Soham. For that prodigious feat Ashley, you have been awarded the prestigious GSTC Member of the Month award for June. Congratulations!

The *News* loves to give its readers exclusives, and here's another one: after an exhausting and wide-ranging consultation we can reveal that the annual GSTC Big Day has a new name. For 2016 and beyond it will be known as the Open Day. We're open to all on July 3, the middle Sunday of Wimbledon, while there is no play at the tournament but tennis fever maintains its grip on the UK, and South Cambs in particular.

To be frank, the Big Day was never that big. However, the Open Day promises to be massive, with top players, top sausages and beer. If you have never tried tennis it's your chance to grab a racket and have a go, or sink a drink while watching others make fools of themselves. Everyone is welcome, particularly children who might get a chance to rally with a Wimbledon player. No face-painting either ... guaranteed!

Details will appear at gstc.org.uk where you can also find out how to join.

See you at the Big, er, Open Day!

Stephen Chittenden

FOOTBALL CLUB

It was an action-packed final month of the season for the men's team with five league games and two cup finals, all played away from Woollards Lane. The club had high hopes of a first Premier League and cups treble since 1989 but both finals turned out to be very damp squibs indeed, with the team going down 2–1 to an impressive young Chatteris Town in the Challenge Cup and 2–0 in the Premier League Cup to a Gamlingay United team we had already beaten three times during the season. The league games were completely the opposite, however, and a magnificent run of five wins saw us retain the title we won last year with a game to spare and eventually by eight points. As well as being the first team to retain the title for 10 years, it was also our third in four years. Hard fought wins were obtained against Sawston, Hardwick, Fowlmere, Hemingfords and Fulbourn, the highlight by far being the 1–0 win in a close encounter with Hardwick, who could have claimed the title themselves if we had slipped up.

By contrast the ladies' team had a very disappointing final month with four defeats in which they failed to score a single goal. Their cup hopes were dashed again as they lost to Cambridge United Women in the Cambridgeshire Invitation Cup final for the fourth successive year. 5–0 defeats to Great Wakering and Billericay Town and a final day 6–0 defeat to champions Stevenage saw them rooted to the bottom of the league table. The team will be leaving us next season to become part of the Histon Football Club set-up. Although we will be sorry to see them go, we wish them every success in their new venture and thank them for their efforts representing Great Shelford FC over several seasons. Their management team of Matt Payne, Clint Lanham and Steve Esdale will be moving with them and we thank them for all their hard work, both with the team and as members of the football club committee.

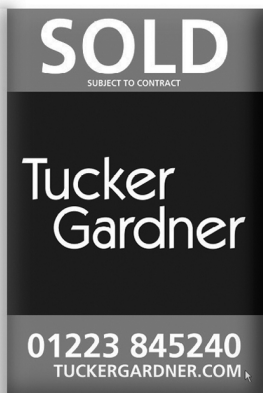
Terry Rider, Chairman

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The 2015–16 season has finished and starts again in September 2016. We have some exciting changes at the club – please see the message below from Colin Astin, the Club President.



Following a unanimous vote of members at an EGM on April 25 and pending planning approval from South Cambridgeshire District Council, Shelford RFC will be installing a 3G artificial grass pitch at the Davey Field ahead of the 2016/17 season. The 3G pitch, which is the same as the one at Saracens' Allianz Park, is the result of a partnership between Shelford RFC and the RFU.

This is an exciting time for Shelford Rugby Club and the pitch will make excellent new training and match facilities available to all our members. In addition to improving the match-day experience, the 3G pitch will hugely increase pitch capacity at the club and this will have a positive impact on the quality of training and the development of young players. In addition to being available to players and members at Shelford RFC, other local rugby clubs, schools, universities, colleges and sports clubs will be able to book time on the pitch. Work at the club will start as soon as possible and the pitch will be ready by October 2016.

Colin Aston

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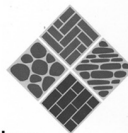
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CRICKET CLUB

The season is now underway and the first team have won one and lost one so far in their League programme in Senior One. We started with a defeat against Abington at their delightful ground on May 7. It was last year's runners-up (Great Shelford) in Senior One against our hosts, who were narrowly relegated from the Tucker Gardner League last year. We batted poorly on a slow pitch and were all out for 151. Only skipper AP Stafford, with an excellent knock of 73, looked the part and Abington won by three wickets despite the best efforts of Mark Milne who claimed three wickets.

The next week, we were at home to Godolphin, and our visitors were shown no mercy as we skittled them for 55. The Newmarket stable-based team had no answer to Mark Milne who was the pick of our bowlers with 5 for 21 and he was well supported by Paul Ellum (3–25) and AP Stafford (2–10). We lost only Kane Munday in our reply as Alan Sutton and Alex Hellens quickly knocked off the runs required for a very convincing nine wicket victory.

The Seconds began with a convincing win against Comberton in Junior Five South. Ashley Parkinson, Steve Johnson and James Shelford all took wickets as Comberton struggled to 88 all out. We had little trouble in getting that total as Steve Johnson, skipper Gion Martin and Stuart Creed saw us home.

The youth section is flourishing again at Great Shelford. Our Under 13s under the leadership of Stuart Creed started with two wins which was remarkable because they lost every game last year. Against Over at home, there were excellent performances with the bat from Byron Miller, Ben Will, Peter Creed and Arthur Waddington and skipper Alex West and Seb George bowled well. Then we played Hundon in the Cup and once again won emphatically thanks to strong batting contributions from Harry Calne (who has joined us this season and is proving to be an excellent wicket-keeper too) and Peter Creed. All the bowlers chipped in with wickets but Seb George was again the most successful with two victims. Next opponents were an excellent Coton side who won convincingly, but our team showed good spirit and there were some good individual performances, especially from Theo Ball and Omar Mahroof. The Under 12s, under coach Mark Milne, lost their first completed game against a strong Thriplow side (after a rain-abandoned match against Saffron Walden Girls). Omar Mahroof played superbly with bat and ball but his efforts were not enough to save us from defeat. Theo Ball also showed what a prodigious leg-spinner he is with an excellent spell. Theo is another new player who is proving to be a very valuable member of the club. Our Under 9s have been having training sessions under the tutelage of coach and first team captain, AP Stafford and will play some friendly matches soon. Sessions for Under 9s take place on Thursdays at Great Shelford rec from 5.30 to 6.30pm.

Ring AP on 07809 463506 for further details of opportunities for young players at Great Shelford Cricket Club.

Brian Higgins

WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

A round up of what's on at some of the venues near us. For more information, times, ticket prices and bookings, please contact the organisation. Please note that this information can be subject to change and events may already be fully booked.

CAMBRIDGE ARTS THEATRE

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10, 11	1pm–6pm	<i>Conversazione</i> Annual exhibition of the Cambridge Natural History Society at Dept of Zoology
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7	7pm	Wilbraham Fen Nature Walk
8	7.30pm	Allegri String Quartet (Haydn, Britten, Schubert)
18, 19	10am–4pm	Weekend of throwing practice for potters with some experience
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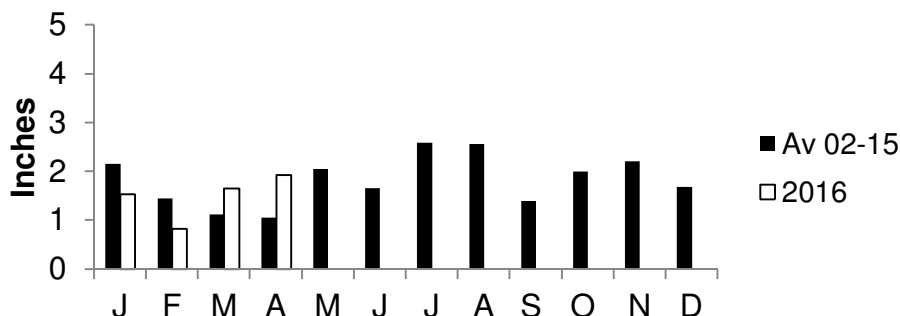
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