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GREAT SHELFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Summary from the draft minutes of the 20 September 2017 meeting

Two members of the public were present. The meeting was adjourned for them to ask questions of the Council and to put forward points of view in respect of the business on the agenda.

- A resident requested an update on the Neighbourhood Plan progress. The next meeting on the NP is scheduled for 5 October; a full update will be issued afterwards.
- A resident asked whether a coffee morning could be set up for new and existing village residents to get to know each other. The Parish Council thought that this was a good idea but that it was a function for the community rather than the Parish Council.
- A resident complained about rubbish bin collections. County Councillor Kevin Cuffley said that he was aware that shared services for bin collection were not functioning as intended and asked that incidents be reported directly to him so he could pursue them. Anyone reporting missed collections on the South Cambridgeshire website should find that the rubbish is subsequently collected within 2 days.

Reports from Elected and Nominative Representatives

County Councillor Kevin Cuffley

 A Local Liaison Forum was scheduled for 26 September, Cllr Charlie Nightingale was the Parish representative, and the PC Chair and Deputy Chair would also be attending. A Traffic Regulation Order meeting was scheduled for 3 October; Cllr Lina Joseph, is the Community Champion for Great Shelford and should be involved in local issues. The highways maintenance contract with Skanska was causing delays with many projects.

Standing Committee Reports

Highways The Parish Council still awaits CCC costings and the agreed location for two flashing school lights. The pedestrian crossing is delayed again and no new date has been announced for this work. 6 new positions have been identified for the second speed indicator device. Bus stop real time information displays have been requested from CCC. The provision of additional signs and posts on the cycle path to Sawston will be discussed at a forthcoming meeting with Andy Preston from the Highways Department of CCC, along with other topics where there are delays in implementation.

Recreation Ground Committee The river access work is complete but a digger will have to be hired to remove old foundations.

Cemetery and Allotments Committee The cemetery hedge needs cutting The Clerk will chase this work. Rats have been found at the Stonehill site but they are thought to be from local fields. An allotment holder has been told to stop using a banned chemical. The Garden Gang has tidied up the High Street.

Finance and General Purposes Committee Further quotations are to be sought for the replacement and relocation of the Memorial Hall heating system.

Neighbourhood Plan Joint Committee Spotlight Groups have been established for housing and travel. The Finance and Administration function is being transferred to the Stapleford Clerk.

Playscape Liaison Officer A decision on the Surface Water Plan is awaiting a second quotation. The Copse maintenance day in September went well. The Fun Run raised at least £4,000.

Police Liaison Officer Inspector Sutherland has gained promotion; the new Area Commander is Jon Hutch. The Clerk has contacted our PCSO, Julie Hajredini, regarding anti-social behaviour around the Pavilion and Memorial Hall late at night; a meeting has been arranged for 27 September to discuss this and other matters.

Social Media The pages on councillors and committees on the website have been updated and a calendar has been added. A new Facebook page is to be set up. Some village noticeboards are in poor condition. The Clerk will arrange for a new noticeboard at the new Post Office and for the removal of the noticeboards at both the former Post Office and at Orchard House.

Community Association (CA) The Village Hall lease requires that the hall replacement value be insured as part of the CA liability insurance. Cllr Barrie Ashurst is to investigate and review this issue. The Scout Hut maintenance process is to be reviewed.

Parochial Charites & Schools It was noted that planning for additional houses near More's Meadow is at the draft stage. A formal application is expected by the year end.

Library There will be a meeting with CCC about cost saving on 31 October 2017. CCC is hosting workshops around the county on the future direction of the library service.

Greater Cambridge Partnership (previously LLF) The plan for the A428/A1307 is being progressed. The A505/M11 issues will be resolved in phase 1 while the A1301 corridor will be considered in phase 2 in early 2018.

Christmas Event Planning It was agreed to proceed with plans on the basis of a maximum cost of £1.500.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Christmas Fair and Lights 2017 - Saturday 2 December

- 6pm City of Cambridge Brass Band will play throughout the evening.
- 6.15pm The KS2 Shelford School Singers will sing Christmas Carols.
- 6.30pm Shelford School Head Girl and Head Boy will turn on the lights.
- Refreshments and food will be provided by the Playscape Team.
- Craft Fair in the Memorial Hall (stalls available for £10 per table).

For more details or for stall bookings please contact Angela Milson at angela_niblett@hotmail.com or 01223 841100.

Big Issues for the Village

At the Annual Parish Meeting in April we talked about a number of big issues:

- Traffic and parking.
- Provision of improved recreation facilities, particularly Playscape and Grange Field.
- Pressures on village facilities for example the school and surgery are full.

We will be devoting 15–20 minutes in each Parish Council meeting over the next few months to look at our big issues in detail. There will be an opportunity for village residents to ask questions and comment on these issues.

18 October: GSPC finances We are currently running a larger than normal cash surplus (by historical standards); are we happy to continue to do so? Other issues include the likely impact of the precept for 2018/19 and the acquisition costs of Grange Field. **Lead: Helen Harwood**

15 November: Neighbourhood Plan, Housing and Planning Focusing on the status of the Plan, the acceptance of the Housing Needs Survey and actions to support it. At the moment GSPC is largely constrained to making piecemeal changes. The NP gives us a 'once in a generation' opportunity to be more radical. We need to look at land available in the village centre and how we might plan its use to reduce pressure on facilities. **Lead: Bridget Hodge**

17 January: Highways Issues include the current status, the 2018 Local Highways Initiative, and a re-evaluation of existing assumptions on a one-way system, traffic calming, car parking expansion, etc. **Lead: Barrie Ashurst**

21 February: Recreation Playscape & Grange Field. Lead: Malcolm Watson These are key issues for the village. Please do come along and make your views known.

Mike Nettleton Chairman



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No objections.		
S/3134/17/FL	Mr S Harris-Wright 8 Leeway Avenue	Two storey and single storey side and rear extensions and alterations.
No objections.		
S/3142/17/FL	Dr & Mrs J Melton 10c Church Street	Garage and store.
No objections.		

SHELFORD FEAST

The Bunch members are looking forward to giving money away!

Saturday 25 November, 7pm, Memorial Hall

A celebratory donation evening where proceeds from the 2017 Feast will be distributed to local good causes. All welcome.

Sunday 15 July 2018, Feast Day, preceded by the week-long Festival The 2018 Feast will be the 25th modern Feast since it was revived in 1994. £274,000 has been raised in that time.

Duncan Grey

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Editorial Committee

DISTRICT COUNCIL

A selection of items from the September 2017 parish e-bulletin

Paper caddy changes from 11 December

South Cambridgeshire District Council is changing the way used paper is collected from residents for recycling. From 11 December, residents won't need to use their caddies to recycle paper anymore. From that date, residents should place their used paper directly into their blue wheelie bins instead. This used paper will still be recycled after being sorted from other materials at our facility near Waterbeach. Residents can keep their caddy to use for anything they like. Alternatively, they can be recycled by being dropped off at the nearest household waste recycling centre. They should not be placed into wheelie bins.

The decision to withdraw the paper caddy service was taken at South Cambridgeshire District Council's Cabinet meeting in September. The decision will save taxpayers money and simplify the recycling process for residents. Because of this upcoming change, the District Council will not be delivering any new paper caddies. If they are lost or stolen before 11 December, residents can begin putting paper in their blue bin.

More information can be found at: https://www.scambs.gov.uk/recycling

South Cambridgeshire Community Awards

Nominate the people and organisations making an outstanding contribution in your village for a Community Award. Online nominations open on Monday 2 October 2017 and close on Friday 19 January 2018. The awards celebrate the massive contribution made by volunteers to our communities and will be presented at a celebration evening in the Chamber at South Cambridgeshire Hall, Cambourne on Thursday 8 March 2018. There are six award categories: Village Hero, Parish Councillor of the Year, Outstanding Youth Initiative, Outstanding Local Service/Amenity, Environment Award, Wellbeing Award. For more information and to make your nomination please see: www.scambs.gov.uk/community-awards

DECEMBER ISSUE OF THE VILLAGE NEWS

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Annual Memorial Service: Sunday 5 November 6.30pm

We shall have a special Memorial Service for **All Souls' Tide**, when we will be inviting all those recently bereaved and anyone who would like to remember deceased family and friends. There will be an opportunity to light a candle and the names of the deceased will be read.



Remembrance Sunday 2017

The Great Shelford Remembrance Service will be held at St Mary's this year on Sunday 12 November at 9.30am, welcoming many groups from the community, including the members of the Royal British Legion. The service is shared with Great Shelford Free Church so there will be no 10am Parish Communion at St Mary's. The service will conclude at around 10.30am to move to the War Memorial in time for a short service starting at approximately 10.50am, including reading of the names of the Fallen, the Silence and laying of wreaths. Great Shelford Free Church will be offering the Silence at the same time for those who are less able and want to avoid standing in the cold.

Armistice Day Commemoration: 11.11.11

There will be a brief public service to mark Armistice Day on Saturday 11 November at 10.55am on War Memorial Green in Great Shelford.

Harvest Festival and Gift Day Appeal: Thank You!

We wish to offer a sincere thank you on behalf of the Cambridge Food Bank for the generous gifts which have been transported to their centre in Cambridge. Thanks also to those who planned and catered for the excellent Harvest Lunch. I hope we can mount another social occasion fairly soon.

Grateful thanks also to the many people who offered their pledges during the Gift Day Appeal. As we go to press it is rather too early to give an accurate report on results, but we will publish the final figure next month. We are delighted to report that we received a pledge from an anonymous donor pledging to give £1 for every £1 donated (before Gift Aid) to the Gift Day Appeal up to a limit of £5,000. This is most generous and the PCC would like to express their grateful thanks.

Music Group St Mary's is starting a music group which will meet on Fridays at 6pm in the Community Room. The group is for all ages and all abilities. Anyone who plays an instrument or would like to sing at any level is welcome to come and enjoy a time of shared music and at the same time grow in confidence. If you would like more information please email diannefraser@outlook.com or monicacameron45@gmail.com

Sound System Sincere thanks to the Friends of St Mary's and all those who contributed to their appeal to fund a new sound system. The work was completed on time and the results are impressive. Do come along and listen!

St Mary's Toddler Group

For children from 0 to 3 years of age with their parents/carers, meeting on Thursday in the Community Room 9.30–11.30am (term time only). Contact details from Gillian Pett – *gillian.pett29@gmail.com*

From the Registers

Baptism: 24 September Sylvie Godsell

Funeral: 13 October Viv King

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)

For further information about Great Shelford Parish Church

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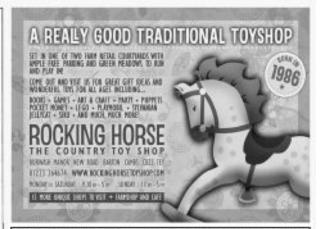
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PS If you're under 70, and good at baking or making tea, help is very welcome, either baking mince pies for the tea or helping serve up tea on the day.

Shelford Twinning Association presents

A Wine Tasting Evening

Saturday 18 November, 7.30pm for 8pm Great Shelford Free Church Hall

Tickets £12 per head to include wine and food.

An entertaining, enjoyable and non-competitive evening tasting a range of wines from the Loire Valley including sparkling wine, two whites, two rosés and two reds. Each group of wines will be accompanied by appropriate nibbles.

No previous knowledge of wine is required – see which you like best: have fun!

Wines tasted will not be for sale.

All welcome – members and non-members. Please invite your friends! Please reserve your tickets by 15th November

- Via our website: www.shelfordtwinning.org.uk/wine-tasting
- By phone/text Colin Jefferson: 07957 465033
- By email: colin@frenchfrogs.net

Tickets will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis, limited to 50 in all

HEIDI ALLEN NEWSLETTER

This month started in the northwest of the constituency as I was invited to open the 60th Elsworth & District horticultural show. My husband Phil and I enjoyed wandering around the stalls and seeing the impressive and sometimes misshapen (!) exhibits.

I was delighted to attend the presentation of a Queen's Award for Enterprise in Innovation to Geo. This developer of smart home energy products, based in Hardwick, was recognised for its technical and business success and the key role they have played in introducing ground-breaking solutions to help



consumers control their home energy usage. I am constantly reminded of just how many technology success stories we have tucked away in our beautiful villages. The employment opportunities they create make us very lucky indeed.

I have a corner of Cambridge City in my constituency, so it was a pleasure to visit EF, an international language school. After a tour of their Hills Road campus I joined a group of students for a Q & A session. International students are an asset not only to our local community, but also the UK economy as they progress onto higher education courses around the country.

The biggest news this month is that her Majesty the Queen has awarded a royal title to Papworth Hospital. I am bursting with pride that the *Royal Papworth Hospital* will become the first royal hospital in the East of England! Offering first class care whilst also undertaking pioneering and ground-breaking work, it is fitting this honour should come during the hospital's centenary year and as they make the move to the Cambridge Biomedical Campus.

I was honoured and deeply touched to receive personal recognition from the disability charity Sense recently, as I was awarded 'Parliamentarian of the Year' at their 2017 awards ceremony. Sense is a truly amazing organisation, working tirelessly to improve the opportunities for people with incredibly complex needs and I am glad I was able to meet some of the staff, carers and volunteers who donate so much time, passion and energy to help the most vulnerable of people.

Re-elected recently to the Work and Pensions select committee, I now also chair the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Young Disabled People. We want to provide a great response to the Minister, Paul Maynard's recently announced Accessibility Action Plan Consultation. What more needs to be done to improve transport accessibility for disabled? If you have any experience of this,

especially if it is on a point that might not have been identified in the consultation, please can I encourage you to contribute? The consultation closes on 15 November and can be found at https://tinyurl.com/y6wtybvy. If you are unable to access the internet or require the consultation document in a different format, please write to: Accessibility Action Plan Consultation, Department for Transport, Zone 2/14, Great Minster House, 33 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 4DR.

My next drop-in constituency surgery is on Saturday 18 November, 10am–12 noon, at Rocky's Bar & Restaurant, Chequers Lane, Papworth Everard.

Details of surgeries, news, information, and the full text of this newsletter can be found on the website at https://www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk.

For contact, please email *heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk*. Alternatively you can phone the Westminster Office on 020 7219 5091 about national issues, or the constituency office on 01223 830037 to raise local concerns.

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Following an increase in burglaries recently, Little Shelford Parish Council encouraged the formation of several new NHW schemes. They are working to create more. We should do the same in Great Shelford.

You can make a difference in the street where you live. Cambridgeshire Neighbourhood Watch is about local people working together to create safer, attractive and friendly places to live – places where crime is less likely to happen.

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SHELFORD MEDICAL PRACTICE

Additional Flu Clinic

We are holding a second flu clinic in the evening on Thursday 2 November, 5pm–8pm. Please ring and book a slot if you have not yet had your flu vaccination.

Research Studies

We have been very busy this year with research studies, the biggest ones being Best3 and iQuit.

Best3 is a very exciting trial involving the swallowing of a capsule/sponge to obtain cells from the inside of your throat (oesophagus) which may suggest a future risk of cancer and deal with them appropriately. We would like to say a huge thank you to all of our patients who have taken part in this invaluable study so far.

iQuit is ongoing. All participating quitters receive standard support and half of those who sign up get a tailored smoking advice report and text messages. This evaluates the extra benefit of the iQuit package of support. To be eligible for the study you need to be 18 or over and:

- want to quit smoking
- be willing to set a quit date within two weeks of joining the study
- own a mobile phone
- not be currently part of any other smoking study

Please ring the surgery or call in to reception for further information.

Daylight Robbery One of the GP's bicycles was stolen from outside the surgery last week. Any information on this would be very much appreciated!

Patient Feedback As always, we welcome any patient feedback so please feel free to contact us with comments, queries or questions; our aim is to provide the best possible service we can to all of our patients.

Sandra East, Administration & Communications Manager

LITTLE SHELFORD LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Little Shelford Memorial Hall Wednesday 15 November at 7.30pm A talk by Keith Dixon

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FREE CHURCH

'I wanna walk like you, talk like you'

Anyone who has had a new baby in their family is probably familiar with the 'Who is he/she like?' question. Noses, hair, colouring, etc. are all attributed to various relatives, some quite distant. Personalities and dispositions can likewise seem to be shared within families, with a child's placid nature, for example, attributed to a particular parent. I find it fascinating how even mannerisms can run in families, with cousins who very rarely see each other shrugging their shoulders, for example, in a specific way. The debate around whether nature or nurture determines a child's development has raged for years, with little sign of a resolution; while genes play a huge part, it is also true that a young child adopted into a loving, caring family will in all likelihood mature into a well-balanced, secure adult.

Young children look to many people as role models, but primarily to their parents, wanting to grow up to be like Mummy or Daddy. As King Louie sings in *The Jungle Book*, they think 'I wanna be like you'. Walking as an adult through the Derbyshire village where I grew up, it was affirming to be greeted by someone who did not know me, but could tell whose daughter I was. Likewise, my daughters' friends or colleagues have been known to greet me with 'Oh, I can tell whose mum you are!' (Sorry, girls.)

As Christians, we are all part of God's family.

'Long, long ago he decided to adopt us into his family through Jesus Christ.' Ephesians 1:5

'But friends, that's exactly who we are: children of God. And that's only the beginning. Who knows how we'll end up! What we know is that when Christ is openly revealed, we'll see him – and in seeing him, become like him.' 1 John 3: 2–3

And that is what we aspire to; to be like Him. As Christians our hope, our aim, our lifestyle is always to be like Jesus. Through spending time with God, watching through the Bible how He does things, how He responds to others, we become more like Him. As a child grows little by little, day by day, so our lives reflect His image more and more, provided we take time to allow Him to nurture us instead of rushing headlong into over-busy days. Often we fall short of this, but can be encouraged that without His grace, we would be far worse.

Liz Jenkin, Elder, Great Shelford Free Church

SERVICES AT GREAT SHELFORD FREE CHURCH

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SHELFORD COUNTRY MARKET

Our annual chutney tasting morning will be held on Wednesday, 29 November. You can taste before you buy. Not quite chutney for breakfast, but many different varieties with nibbles of cheese and biscuits will be ready for you to sample when the market opens at 8.30am.

However, the market is more than just chutney! New producers have joined us and we now have an extended range of interesting preserves: jams, jellies, marmalades, lemon curd, local set honey and honeycomb. Some weeks we have fresh bread, including some sourdough bread which is proving to be popular. These make a welcome addition to our more standard range of cakes, cookies and savouries. To quote one of our regular customers 'spoilt for choice' are her words when she looks at the Baked Goods section. And, don't forget the local free-range eggs.

Though the Garden tables are quieter at this time of year, seasonal fruit and vegetables are usually available along with a selection of interesting plants and foliage. You might also find Christmas gifts in our Craft area: knitwear, needlecraft, artwork, stained-glass, a selection of jewellery and cards for all occasions.

So do keep coming and bring your friends along. Everything you see will be home-made and freshly baked, home-grown and freshly hand-picked, and hand-made.

Popular lines sell out quickly. So why not order in advance on 01223 843946 or early on market day on 07732 117892.

The Country Market is in the Memorial Hall, Woollards Lane every Wednesday morning from 8.30am to 11.30am.

Dorothy Doel

SHELFORD SCHOOL

Advance notice – Christmas Fair

Great and Little Shelford School PTA invite you to join our Christmas Fair at the school on Saturday 9 December, from 2pm until 4.30pm.

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Wenda Burbidge, who died on 27 August, moved to Great Shelford in 1982 with her husband Geoff. The bungalow and the garden they purchased were in poor condition. This was soon put to rights by Wenda using all her practical skills. In particular, she set about transforming the garden and over the years this became a place of beauty. This was to become a passion to which she devoted many hours giving her much enjoyment. Only flowers were allowed with the odd pot of tomatoes, vegetables being relegated to the allotment which was Geoff's province!

They joined the Gog Magog Golf Club and quickly made many friends, taking part in golfing competitions and social events. In 1987 Wenda took office as Secretary to the Ladies Section. This was followed by her becoming Lady Captain in 1991. During 1991 the situation of Secretary to Great Shelford Parish Council became vacant and Wenda took over the position. She was once again able to use her organising, management and administration skills to full advantage. This role continued for 23 years during which time her knowledge of the workings of the Council was invaluable, in particular the welcome and advice she was able to give to new Councillors.

She was devoted to her family and particularly enjoyed spending time with her beloved granddaughters, sharing a variety of activities with them. During this time she had other hobbies which included her love of swimming, walking and making many visits to the Norfolk coastline. Never one to have spare time on her hands, she took up tap dancing which she thoroughly enjoyed. Even so, her nurturing and love for her garden continued, resulting in her taking on the post of Treasurer to the Great Shelford Garden Club. For many years Wenda battled with serious illness. She dealt with this privately with dignity and courage, both attributes which had served her so well in her various official duties. Her attitude was always positive and forward-thinking. She lived life to the full and will be much missed in the village and by all her family.

Advance Notice

COMMUNITY CAROLS WEDNESDAY 20 DECEMBER

- Memorial Hall 7–8pm followed by refreshments.
- All are welcome to sing.
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SHELFORD SCHOOL

New School Website

The Shelford School star values are 'Be Happy. Be Busy. Be Safe. Be Healthy. Be Organised. Reflect. Celebrate. Be an Enthusiastic Learner.' What a great list of things to be and do! A year or two ago the children created a beautiful mosaic that reflects in colourful images many of these values in action. The mosaic is displayed in pride of place on the wall of the school building by the entrance. So it is very fitting to see this image used again at the head of each of the pages in the school's new website which was published this term.

The website provides a window into the busy life of our school and is a good way of aligning communication between the staff team, parents and prospective parents too: http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/website

Preparing Children for their Future

In the Headteacher's welcome section of the website Mrs Evans describes the school's joint focus on personal development and academic learning, ensuring a safe, happy and stimulating place for all children to learn and grow. She also outlines the twin aims of ensuring a positive learning environment in the present whilst helping to prepare children for success in the future when they move on from our school to the next stage in their life and learning.

To help ensure a smooth transition from primary to secondary education Shelford School parents and carers were invited to attend an open evening at Sawston Village College this term. In addition, Mr Russell, a Deputy Principal at Sawston, will be visiting Shelford School to meet with parents and carers of Year 5 and Year 6 children to share information and respond to questions.

Harvest Service

Thank you to the anonymous local resident who recently gave the school a beautifully crafted ceramic sheaf of corn, complete with a mouse, for our Harvest decorations – it is really appreciated. Our Year 3 class led a Harvest Service for the school in October. Food items provided by the children and their families and donated by the children at the service were kindly transferred by the churchwardens at St Mary's Great Shelford, along with their own contributions, to the Cambridge Food Bank.

PTA Elections, Fund-raising and the Community

The PTA at Shelford does a fantastic job raising money for our school. Many readers will be aware that school funding across the country is very restricted and that Cambridgeshire is particularly poorly funded per pupil compared with the average. This means that the extra funding raised by the active leadership

and participation of the PTA is increasingly important. The outgoing Chair, Charlie Russell, and the team of volunteers around her have done a wonderful job raising money over this last year. The whole school community is grateful to the newly elected Chair, Maria Lazarus, Secretary, Matt Bell, and Treasurer, Holly Gregory, for putting their names forward for the current PTA.

When readers see PTA activities advertised in the village please do come along to spend time (and money)! Whilst it is true that the school does need adequate funding to ensure high quality provision for our children and the PTA is successful in raising money to that end, that is not the sole purpose of the PTA. There is a lot of fun to be had along the way and PTA activities are a great way for the wider school community to enjoy each other's company and to build and develop strong friendships.

James Doubleday, Parent Governor

TELEPHONE BOX

This script was inspired by work on Roald Dahl's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* as part of the Year 2 topic 'Chocolate'.

Willy Wonka: Hello Charlie Bucket!

Charlie: Hello Mr Willy Wonka!

Willy Wonka: Are you looking forward to coming to my

chocolate factory?

Charlie: YES!

Willy Wonka: How do you feel?

Charlie: I feel really happy Mr Willy Wonka! Willy Wonka: What are you most excited about?

Charlie: I am most excited about seeing the chocolate river Mr Willy

Wonka.

Willy Wonka: How much chocolate would you like?Charlie: Lots and lots please Mr Willy Wonka!Willy Wonka: OK then. What flavour would you like?

Charlie: Wonka's Whipple Scrumptious Fudge Mallow Delight please.

Willy Wonka: Okay. Bye and see you soon.

Charlie: Thank you for the Golden Ticket Mr Wonka and bye-bye!

Flynn Darby and Beatrice Parsons

SHELFORD FUN RUN CHASES DOWN £5,500 FOR PLAYSCAPE!

By Sunday 17 September over 380 runners had registered for the 5km and as the clock struck 11 they were off!

There is something rather uplifting about being applauded by spectators as you embark on your first 5km run. (I was the tail 'runner' and was very grateful that two lovely ladies had taken us at our word and were walking the route!) As we were enjoying the scenery of the Shelfords devoid of cars, some serious runners were recording some very impressive times ...

Congratulations to Miguel Branco (16:48), Jo Coates (18:06), Sam Russell (20:39), and Sophie Brock (24:13), respectively the first man, woman, boy and girl across the finish line.

Thank you to all those who took part, cheered, and ate cake, and particularly all those who volunteered on the day (thank you Free Church, Shelford PTA & the WI) – we couldn't have done it without you!

A huge thanks too to the cheery Bidwells team, our main sponsor, who ran (in tutus!) the 5km, staffed the water station, provided wonderful gifts and gave out medals at the end. We are also very grateful to: Vindis, Davies Solicitors, David Reed Homes, Tesco, Day Accountants, Gymbos, Scotsdales, Waitrose and Budgens. Their generous sponsorship and donations enabled us to close the roads and give out brilliant medals and goodie bags.

With all proceeds from the registration, entertainments and food, plus a fantastic £970 raised by runners (a particular shout out to 'The Leopards', Beverley Cornaby & Lou Everard) we raised an amazing £5,500 for Playscape.

All in all a fitting event for Playscape – open to all ages, starting and finishing on the rec – we'll be bringing it back again next year!

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DIARY NOVEMBER 2017

Date	Event	Time	Place
2	Carpet Bowls (page 39)	7pm	Memorial Hall
3	Twinning Choir Concert (page 43)	7pm	Parish Church
4	Twinning Choir Concert (page 43)	7.30pm	Stapleford School
9	Carpet Bowls (page 39)	7pm	Memorial Hall
11	Armistice Day Service (page 8)	10.55am	War Memorial
14	Garden Club Talk (page 36)	7.30pm	Shelford School
16	Carpet Bowls (page 39)	7pm	Memorial Hall
18	Wildlife Trust Arts & Crafts Event	10am-2pm	Memorial Hall
18	Wine Tasting Evening (page 11)	7.30	Free Church Hall
22	Over-70s Christmas Party (page 11)	2.15-4.30pm	Memorial Hall
25	Farmers' Market	9am-12 noon	Memorial Hall
25	Feast Charitable Distribution (page 5)	7pm	Memorial hall
29	Chutney Tasting, Country Mkt (p.18)	8.30–11.30am	Memorial Hall
29	Engage Talk (page 31)	2pm	Library
30	Carpet Bowls (page 39)	7pm	Memorial Hall
2 Dec	Christmas Fair and Lights (page 3)	брт	Memorial Hall

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



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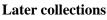
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GARDEN CLUB HISTORY OF THE APPLE

Shelford resident Joanna Crosby spoke about Apple History, the subject of her doctorate study. Joanna has been involved in the establishment of the Trumpington Community Orchard, which began ten years ago. Derelict land was cleared and planted with 22 heritage apple varieties, all of which originated in Cambridgeshire. These include Lord Peckover, Lady Hollendale, St Everard, Wayside, Histon Favourite, Chiver's Delight, Thoday's Quarrendon, Barnack Beauty, Cockett's Red, New Rock Pippen and Lord Burghley. Information can be found at www.trumpingtonorchard.org

The wild apple *Malus sieversii* originated in the fruit forest, together with plums and pears, in the Tien Shang mountains of Asia. Apples were distributed as pips passed through the digestive systems of bears. The crab apple *Malus sylvetris* was spread by birds. Apples were traded by man and have been found in ancient graves. The sweet apple *Malus domestica* was known to exist in stories from Celtic times. By the 19th century there were nurseries producing many different varieties of apples and a ring of market gardens were established around London. Cambridgeshire was known for its orchards and a common practice in the Wisbech area was Bramley apple trees undercropped with gooseberries. A book, known as a Pomona, with illustrations of all the apple varieties, was popular in well-to-do families in Victorian times.

Apples do not grow true from pips so established varieties need to be grafted on to a rootstock. This was practised by the Romans and later by monks living in the monasteries. The choice of rootstock determines the height of the tree; in areas where there is chalk, a semi-vigorous rootstock such as MM111 or MM109 is probably the best choice to prevent wind rock. Whilst some apple trees are self-fertile, most require another apple tree or crab apple for cross pollination to produce fruit. Some varieties, known as triploids, such as Bramley, Blenheim Orange and James Grieve require two different apple trees. These tend to have large leaves and produce large fruit. Apples are divided into different pollination groups, based on which varieties flower at the same time.

Nearly 3,000 apple varieties are known to have been grown commercially, many of which can be seen at Brogdale Farm in Kent, which is the home of the National Fruit Collection. Apples can be identified by their shape and characteristics, although the size of fruit can vary depending on the weather. During the 19th century locally named apple varieties were often taken to other parts of the country where they were given different names, but testing has shown them to have the same DNA.

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BOTANIC GARDEN LET THEM STAND!

November can bring with it the feeling that the growing year is over. If you can prise yourself away from the warmth of your sofa and venture out into the garden, it is tempting to cut all herbaceous plants back to the ground and wait for the spring. Yet are we being too hasty here and robbing ourselves of

unexpected winter delights?

Even after the flowering performance of many herbaceous plants has finished, the dead flower heads provide vital food in the form of seeds or sheltering insects for overwintering birds. Letting dead heads stand over winter can also help protect plants from cold snaps. Leaving the dead heads on lavender plants for example, can act as thermal lagging to protect next



Photo: Howard Rice

spring's frost sensitive buds. An early cut down of herbaceous borders will also rob you of the fleeting visual delights of a hoar frost picking out in silver the winter structure of ornamental grasses and seed heads.

Cutting back is always a compromise. Visit the Scented and Mediterranean Gardens at Cambridge University Botanic Garden and you will see the silver-leaved hummocks of many Mediterranean plants are not cut back, giving excellent structure throughout the winter. However, sometimes a wet autumn can turn herbaceous plants into a soggy mess. Some plants need a good tidy around them to remove the year's pests and diseases: cutting out all the leaf spot in infected hellebore leaves helps prevent next year's leaves being reinfected and raking up the leaf litter around roses prevents black spot and exposes pesky sawfly larvae in the soil for robins to eat.

Perhaps the answer is a selective cut down? Tidy up the soggy mess and keep good hygiene around disease-susceptible plants but let those *Phlomis* seedheads and ice plants (*Sedum*) stand for height and visual structure and enjoy this year's tall grasses, which look graceful even in death as they catch the low winter light.

Paul Aston, Alpine and Woodland Supervisor

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SHELFORD LIBRARY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Many congratulations to our local young readers who took part in this year's Summer Reading Challenge at Great Shelford Library and especially to those who completed the challenge.

119 children (mostly of primary school age) took part in the challenge and 71 successfully completed it, by reading a total of six library books of their own choice over the summer holidays. The Summer Reading Challenge is very popular and is run every year by libraries nationwide. It's sponsored by the Reading Agency.

Sessions were run at the library on Wednesday and Friday mornings and the children were helped and encouraged by library staff and by adult and teenage volunteers. This year's theme was 'Animal Agents' and part of the challenge was for children to act as detectives and help the animal agents to catch a crafty crook who had been up to no good at the library. Stickers providing clues (some scratch and sniff!) were given out for each book read and the sixth sticker revealed who had carried out the crimes!



Photo: Sarah Coppendale

Parish Councillor, Helen Harwood, awarded special certificates and medals to successful children at a library awards ceremony on 18 September.

Anyone who completed the challenge by the end of the holidays but has yet to collect their certificate and medal can still do so by visiting the library.

GREAT SHELFORD LIBRARY

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In October Susan Krueger spoke about 'How to Eat Healthily and Why Diets Don't Work'. The discussion covered portion size, sugar and salt content and the importance of breakfast and a balanced diet.

At our next meeting on Thursday 2 November our subject will be 'Postcards From the Edwardian Era' and Vanessa

Mann will be the speaker. Thursday 7 December will be our Christmas party. Meanwhile our fabricators group continues to meet and we have formed a new darts team.

New members and visitors are always very welcome. Do come and join us on the first Thursday of every month at 7.30pm in the North Room behind All Saints' Church in Little Shelford.

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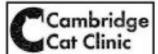
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FOOTBALL CLUB

The First team's early season form unfortunately deserted them with a win, draw and loss in the three fixtures, all at home, they had in the month. Sawston United took an early lead in the local derby and it took two headers from set pieces from centre-half and captain, Luke Upcott, to snatch a win. In an equally lacklustre performance against Cambridge City's development team we had to come from two goals



behind to rescue a draw. Linton Granta's form had picked up since we beat them earlier in a league match and this continued when they inflicted a 2–0 defeat to knock us out of the Premier League Cup. We were on the back foot from the start, conceding two early goals, and our plight was not helped when first a player had to go to hospital with a dislocated shoulder and then our goalie was sent off before half-time. Whatever was said at half-time seemed to galvanise the team however and a much-improved performance saw us take the game to Linton and come close to scoring on several occasions, despite suffering two further injuries.

After an away win in their opening league fixture the Reserves came up against a very good Steeple Morden team from the division above them in the first round of the Creake Charity Shield and were beaten 3–0. The league campaign resumed with two further away wins against Cambourne Rovers (4–2) and Linton Granta A (6–1) respectively, which saw them nicely situated in second place in the table at the end of the month.

Regular followers of the club will be aware that sadly, one of our longest serving members, Paul Mann, recently passed away after a long illness aged 91. Paul joined as a player in the early 1950s and later served as chairman for many years. He continued to actively serve the club after relinquishing that position and up until the onset of his illness two years ago was still supporting and helping on match days. He will be greatly missed and our condolences go out to his wife Pearl and their family. Paul's funeral will take place at 11.30am on Thursday 19 October at St Mary's Church, Sawston.

There are home matches on most Saturday afternoons so why not come along and support your local club. Refreshments for young and old will be on sale in the Pavilion during first team matches and the clubroom above the Memorial Hall will be open for a drink after games. Everyone is welcome.

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LADY GARDENERS – VIRGINS, WEEDERS AND QUEENS

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Tuesday 14 November at Shelford School Hall

Join us for homemade refreshments at 7.30pm and the talk at 8pm Visitors are most welcome £2

CRICKET CLUB

The club is physically breaking new ground next season in the summer of 2018 as our First team will play their home matches at Cokenach CC. This is because our pitches at Great Shelford rec were not up to the standard demanded by the Whiting & Partners League, Division Two after the club had made the radical decision to relay the entire square in the autumn of 2016. For the thousands of our supporters who will want to come to First team home games, Cokenach is a beautiful cricket ground set on a country estate between Barley and Barkway. We are grateful to Cokenach CC for allowing us to use their lovely ground. The Seconds will continue to play on Great Shelford rec and the Thirds at Stapleford rec. Much work has been done already on both those grounds to improve playing conditions for next season and we hope to welcome the Firsts back to Great Shelford for 2019.

Awards The following players received trophies at the recent awards evening: **First team** Batting: Kane Munday, Bowling: Matt Chave, Player of Year: Ben Clilverd

Seconds Batting: Niall Barber, Bowling: Paul Ellum, Player of Year: Niall Barber, Captain's Player: Ben Floto

Thirds Batting: Damon Rainsford, Bowling: Theo Ball, Fielding: Peter Creed, Captain's Player: George Rolls

Under 15s Batting: Ben Will, Bowling: Seb George, Fielding: Peter Creed **Under 13s** Batting: Ben Floto, Bowling: Omar Mahroof, Most Improved Player: Ryan Clarey, Coach's Player: Theo Ball

Under 10s Batting: Hugh Hayward, Bowling: George Pritchard-Jones, Fielding: Freya West

If anyone wants to contact the club regarding training sessions in the winter and playing games next summer for the adult teams or the youths, please write to me at <code>brian_higgins50@hotmail.com</code>

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Volunteers play an integral part in Cambridge PPF's (CPPF) work, looking after precious habitats and green spaces. On Wednesdays, 10am–3pm, over the autumn and winter, we are holding volunteer work party days at Coton Reserve and Wandlebury Park to carry out conservation maintenance tasks. The sessions will allow you to gain hands on, practical experience. All are welcome and there's no need to book. Just turn up on the day and meet at the car park noticeboards. Please bring warm, waterproof clothing and a packed lunch.

Wednesday 1 November: Hedge-laying at Coton Reserve

The task involves cutting hedging plants part way through and laying them in the same direction. The new growth creates a thicker, more robust hedge. Hedge-laying is an ancient skill that has been continued and refined since as early as the Bronze Age

Wednesday 15 November: Coppicing at Wandlebury Park

Coppicing is an ancient management practice dating back to Neolithic times, the earliest written record in this country being from East Anglia in 1251. CPPF are restoring several coppice sites that have long been out of rotation.

Wednesday 29 November: Orchard Pruning at Coton Reserve

Orchard management has been a traditional practice for centuries. First formally established during the Roman occupation, when army veterans were given parcels of land to grow fruit trees as an inducement to stay. Careful pruning of the trees will take place to encourage healthy future growth.

Wednesday 13 December: Woodland Thinning at Coton Reserve

Woodland thinning includes felling small trees, removing brambles and nettles to allow trees to grow tall. Thinning woodland every 5 to 10 years encourages a greater diversity of species, allowing a greater abundancy of wildlife.

Wednesday 10 January: Hedge-laying at Wandlebury Park

Wednesday 24 January: Coppicing at Wandlebury Park

Wednesday 7 February 2018: Orchard Pruning at Coton Reserve

Enquiries: admin@cambridgeppf.org

CARPET BOWLS DATES FOR NOVEMBER				
Thursday 2 November Club night				
Thursday 9 November Home match against Littlebury				
Thursday 16 November	Home match against Arrington			
Thursday 23 November	Away match at Litlington			
Thursday 30 November Club night				
All club or match nights are held in the Memorial Hall and start at 7pm.				



LOOKING FOR FUNDS OR PREPARED TO BE INVOLVED?

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Each year, the event, donates around £15,000 to charities and organisations serving villages around Sawston. Since 1986 we have raised more than £440,000 for local hospitals, hospices, schools, youth groups, support groups and local branches of national charities.

You need to identify a specific project or activity that needs support, tell us who will benefit, and say when the funds are needed. Whilst capital projects are preferred, the selection is based on the strength of each case. **The closing date for applications is 30 November.** Application forms are available from the website www.sawstonfunrun.co.uk or by contacting me by phone or email.

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Ian Chamberlain, Rotary Club of Cambridge Sawston



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To help Lloyd maintain this much needed service, he would like to recruit more lifeguards. For more details about the pool or if you are a lifeguard who is looking for flexible shifts and feel passionate about making a difference in the community, please call him on 01223 882289 or email *pool@eddies.org.uk*.

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RUGBY CLUB

Senior Rugby

Shelford 1st XV started the season slowly with three losses but came back with a couple of good wins and currently sit 11th in the League. The Nomads started the season with a couple of wins and one loss.

In November both the 1st XV and the Nomads kick off at 3pm at the Davey Field; on 4 November versus Barnes and on 25 November versus Tring.



Social Rugby

The 3rds play at home on 4 November (Bury St Edmunds Rovers) and 25 November (Cottenham Renegades). The 4ths and 5ths both play at home on 11 November against West Norfolk and Wendens Ambo respectively.

All are welcome to come and watch.

Ladies Rugby

The ladies team is rebuilding after a number of injuries and played a couple of games at the beginning of this season.

Mini and Youth Rugby

Shelford has over 400 mini and youth players regularly turning up on Sunday mornings at 10am at the Davey Field. It's a great sport for boys and girls. We welcome new players to come along and try rugby any Sunday. This season has seen five Colts players take the step up to adult rugby.

Other News

On Saturday 25 November there will be a pre-match Carvery at 12.30pm. To attend please contact Jackie Burgoyne at *jackieshelford1@gmail.com* or on 07787 724496.

The club is holding a music event at the clubhouse on 17 November at 7pm featuring The Ouse Valley Singles Club, a Bedford based comedy skiffle where George Formby meets The Clash! Tickets £10 (food available to purchase). Contact shelford2015e@gmail.com or www.wegottickets.com/event/416216. or see www.theousevalleysinglesclub.com

To find more information about what's happening at the club:

Club website – www.shelfordrugby.co.uk

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SHELFORD TWINNING ASSOCIATION CHOIR CONCERTS

Le Choeur des Aulnes, the choir from Verneuil-en-Halatte, our twinned village, is visiting Shelford from 3–5 November 2017 and presenting two concerts of choral music in conjunction with two local choirs. The programme includes pieces by Rossini, Glück, Purcell, Sain-Saëns, Lully, Offenbach, Vivaldi and Rutter.

Friday 3 November – Great Shelford Parish Church, 7pm Le Choeur des Aulnes and The Magog Singers

Saturday 4 November – Stapleford School, 7.30pm Le Choeur des Aulnes and Stapleford Choral Society

Entry is free to both concerts, but a retiring collection will be taken.

The choir was started in 1983 by *L'Association Musicale* of Verneuil and is directed by Béatrice Flores-Garcia. Their repertoire encompasses the Renaissance to modern times, including jazz and film music. They give concerts regularly at Verneuil and other local venues, but have also sung in Italy, Poland and ten years ago in Shelford.

In 2000 they also took part together with the local amateur dramatic society in a theatrical production -Le Siècle d'Or - to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the arrival in Verneuil of Henri IV and his mistress Henriette d'Entragues. In 1599 Henri bought the still unfinished Chateau de Verneuil-en-Halatte and gave it to Henriette, entrusting its completion to the architect, Salomon de Brosse, whose works include the Palais du Luxembourg. Sadly the magnificent château is now almost completely gone except for the foundations.

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FILM EVENING LITTLE SHELFORD MEMORIAL HALL

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Bridge of Spies is a 2015 historical drama / legal thriller, directed and co-produced by Steven Spielberg, starring Tom Hanks, Mark Rylance, Amy Ryan and Alan Alda. Set during the Cold War, the film tells the story of lawyer James B Donovan who is entrusted with negotiating the release of Francis Gary Powers – a US Air Force pilot whose U-2 spy plane was shot down over the Soviet Union in 1960 – in exchange for Rudolf Abel, a convicted Soviet KGB spy held under the custody of the United States, whom he represented at trial.



The film received six Academy Award nominations including Best Picture and Best Original Screenplay and won Best Supporting Actor for Mark Rylance.

There will be a licensed bar and a fish and chip or equivalent supper. Tickets are available at £12.50 each from Diana Haines (841415), Sarah Coppendale (842498) and Jill McMenemy (842414). Please buy your tickets by Monday 6 November so that the food can be ordered.

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Sawston Village College likes to keep in touch with its former pupils and invites all former pupils to join their Alumni Network. The joining form is available at www.sawstonvc.org/alumni.

Geography at Sawston Village College



Year 11 visit the Eden Project

36 Year 11 pupils travelled to Cornwall recently to visit the tropical rainforest biome at the Eden Project. They were able to experience firsthand the climate, humidity, plants and animals found in the tropical rainforest, and so enhance their knowledge for their final exams. All pupils and staff braved the Rainforest Canopy Walkway, where temperatures reached 25 degrees and humidity was 85%. Some pupils even travelled 660m at 60mph in 45 seconds on the Skywire. On the return journey, they visited Glastonbury, where they climbed to the top of Glastonbury Tor to look at the area flooded in the 2014 Somerset floods.

Secondary Geography Quality Mark (SGQM)

The SGQM is awarded by the Geographical Association in recognition of excellence in teaching and learning in Geography. In 2017, Sawston Village College was one of 16 schools awarded the coveted **Centre of Excellence** status. The SGQM is a prestigious award, which recognises quality and progress in geography leadership, curriculum development and learning and teaching in schools. The SGQM recognises student attainment, progress and achievement in geographical knowledge, understanding, values and skills, and sets expectations about the quality of teaching in geography.

Jonathan Culpin, Principal of Sawston Village College, says:

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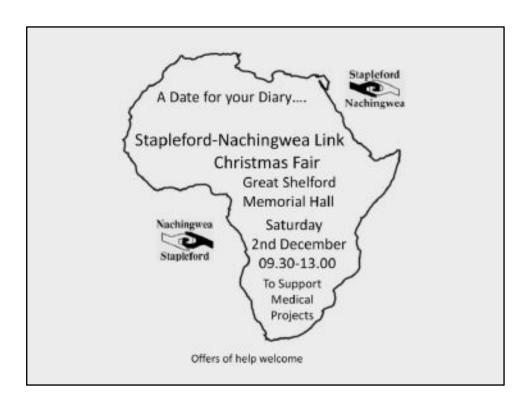
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CAMBRIDGE ARTS THEATRE				
30 Oct-4	How the Other Half Loves by Alan Ayckbourn			
6–11	Driving Miss Daisy starring Siân Phillips and Derek Griffiths			
12	David Starkey 'Henry VIII: The First Brexiteer?'			
14–18 Around the World in 80 Days 'A magnificently preposterous ron				
15–18	The Gruffalo's Child, a magical musical adaptation of the book			
21–25	People, Places & Things, an intoxicating play about surviving			
30–7 Jan	Jack and the Beanstalk with Tony Christie as the King of Amarillo			
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SCOTSDALES				
1.0	10.20	Arrival of Santa		
18 10.30am		Elf Express Christmas Grotto Experience opens (online booking essential)		
23				
24 10am–12 noon Christmas Wreath Workshop (booking		Christmas Wreath Workshop (booking essential)		
25	call for times	Arrival of Donkeys		
28	28 10am & 11am Let it Snow, children's event			
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SAWSTON CINEMA (MARVEN CENTRE)						
9	9 7pm <i>Viceroy's House</i> starring Hugh Bonneville & Gillian Anderson					
16	16 7pm Follies National Theatre Live production of Sondheim's show					
Telephone: 01223 712825 Web: www.sawstoncinema.org.uk						

	STAPLEFORD GRANARY					
3	3 7.30pm Allegri String Quartet, concert					
12	12 2pm Ali Smith: Reading and Converstion with Dame Gillian Beer					
14	14 7.30pm Andy Sheppard 'Beyond the Dancing Sun', concert					
17	17 7.30pm Imogen Cooper, concert					
19	19 11am Alex Hitchcock Quintet, Sunday jazz coffee concert					
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WANDLEBURY				
15 10.30- 11.30am Outdoor Craft and Storytelling, for accompanied children up to 6 years				
13	11.30am	up to 6 years		
15	15 10am–3pm Coppicing Woodland, volunteer activity			
For details of regular walking events contact CambridgePPF Telephone: 01223 243830 Web: www.cambridgeppf.org				

MIDSUMMER COMMON					
4	4 6–10pm Bonfire Night Event				
	7pm Firework Display				
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24 Oct–4 Feb Codebreakers and Groundbreakers, a pioneering and interdisciplinary exhibition, Fitzwilliam Museum				
2 Oct–28 Sept 2018	Astronomy and Empire, Whipple Museum of the History of Science			
27 Sept–22 Dec Uummannaq: A Century of Exploration in Greenland, The Polar Museum, Scott Polar Research Institute				
26 Sept–2 Apr Swish: Carved Belts & Fibre Skirts of Papua New Guinea, Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology				
1 Nov–21 Dec	International Garden Photographer of the Year, Ten Year Anniversary Exhibition, Botanic Garden (Autumn Garden)			
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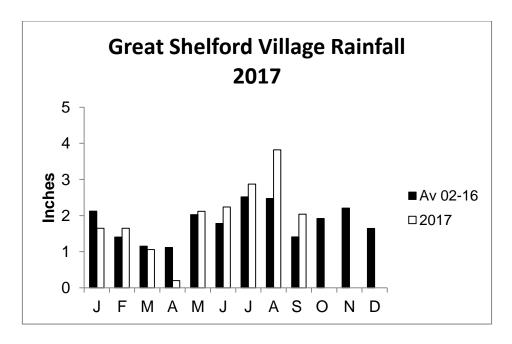
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Royal British Legion	Mark Chennells			891817	
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Sawston Sports Centre	The Village College			712555	
Scouts and Cubs	Jillian Hardwick			840066	
Scout & Guide HQ	Jenny Grey			842191	
Shelford & Stapleford Men's Assoc.	Chris Everitt			846984	
Shelford & Stapleford Strikers	Derek White			561753	
Shelford Primary School	Alison Evans (Headtead	Alison Evans (Headteacher)			
Shelford Support Group	Biddy Wilkinson	, ,			
(transport to hospital, etc.)	Denise Newman	842514	Carol Bard	571380	
	Rosie Cranmer	513572			
South Cambs DFAS	Sheila Tilbury-Davis		•	844384	
Sunnyside Preschool Stapleford	Jane Doyle			707817	
Stapleford Choral Society	Adam Pounds			843468	
Tennis Club	Lydia Seymour			07790 498875	
Twinning Association	Penny Pearl			842483	
U3A (Sawston Branch)	Mr D Cupit			871527	
WI	Vanda Butler (Secretar	y)		561053	
Youth Initiative	Ollie Leonard			07768 545915	

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Clockwise from top left Warm-up Sam Russell, winner (boys) Oliver Seaborn,aged 7 Playscape team members Finish line for Miguel Branco