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There are no minutes this month as the meeting in September was cancelled due to the death of the Queen.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

I write this month's news with a little wonder at how we are in November already. 2022 has flown by.

Warm Hub (see also page 23)

Last month I reported that we were looking at helping residents who may be struggling this winter and facing difficult choices, whether to keep warm, be able to feed the family, etc. We have been in discussion with the Free Church and St Mary's (amongst other groups) to look at the feasibility of providing a 'Warm Hub' where residents can go, keep warm and socialise. At the time of writing, we are waiting for an assessment to be completed on our proposed buildings and we will be advertising this as much as we can once finalised. We are looking for volunteers to help at each session, so if you are interested please contact Libby on clerk@greatshelfordparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Don't forget that there are two charities very local to us who are available for support if you need it. Within the village itself is the Great Shelford Parochial Charities <https://gspc.org.uk/> or please contact the John Huntingdon Charity based in Sawston <https://johnhuntingdon.org.uk/>. Both are available for nonjudgmental support when you need it.

'Shopping' Bus

It is with regret that while Great Shelford Parish Council have been looking at ways to keep the bus going, due to costs and the lack of numbers using the bus, CL Travel have informed us that they will no longer be running the service. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all their support, especially during the pandemic when they continued to operate throughout.

Transport is available through the Shelford Support Group to medical appointments, hairdressers, social visits, etc. They are contactable via shelfordsupport@gmail.com or phone numbers are inside the back cover of this magazine. If anyone is available to help provide the transport, they are always looking for willing volunteers.

Community Awards

We are nearing the time again when we will be seeking your nominations for those residents you feel deserve recognition for what they do for our community. Please keep an eye on the website and Facebook page for more information as it becomes available. Awards will be presented at our Annual Village Meeting on Wednesday 8 March 2023.

Don't forget to get in touch with us should you have any relevant concerns. Our telephone number is 01223 61 66 22 and Libby will be available to help during office hours (please leave a message outside of these times or email). Councillors have emails too, which can be found on the website. If you do email a councillor we ask that you copy in Libby.

Malcolm Watson, Chairman

PARISH COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN NOVEMBER

Planning Committee	7 November 7.30pm	Pavilion
Highways Committee	9 November 7.00pm	Pavilion
Full Council	16 November 7.00pm	Pavilion
Planning Committee	21 November 7.30pm	Pavilion

Meetings may be adjourned for up to 10 minutes when the public can ask questions and put forward points of view related to business on the agenda or for items they wish to raise for future agendas. No decisions can be made in this section of the meeting.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS PARISH COUNCIL COMMENTS

22/03247/HFUL	Beech Cottage 28 High Street	Single storey side extension.
Application supported.		

22/03241/FUL	2 Station Road	Redevelopment to form 39 Retirement Living apartments for older persons including communal facilities, car parking and associated landscaping.
Councillors continue to support the application but would like to see some sort of micro energy generation and consideration of water harvesting, together with the provision of swift boxes and electric car charging points and a traffic management plan for contractors. The application should be taken to planning committee.		

22/03272/HFUL	24 Woollards Lane	First floor side extension and two storey rear extension.
Application supported.		

22/03389/HFUL	40 Buristead Road	Two storey side and rear extension with additional single storey front and rear extensions following the removal of the existing garage and rear single storey extensions.
Application supported.		

22/03515/HFUL	79 Cambridge Road	Dormer window on the south east and north west elevations with obscure glazing and roof lights. Internal alterations.
Application supported.		

22/03616/HFUL	17 Westfield Road	Demolish existing loft and construct gable loft conversion plus single storey rear extension.
It was resolved to recommend that an officer should visit the site to investigate the concerns raised by neighbours and residents.		

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NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN (PART 1)

In September, the neighbourhood plan steering group published a report on the outcomes of its initial public opinion survey. Conducted between April and June 2022, the survey sought to understand what matters to local people about issues over which a neighbourhood plan may have some influence. The detail of our findings can be read online at www.greatshelfordparishcouncil.gov.uk/sgsnplan and a hard copy of the report is available to view at Great Shelford Library.

The report paints a generalised picture of residents' views across five broad categories: (1) village identity (2) housing needs and design (3) environment (4) travel and transport (5) amenities. Here, I will relay our findings across the first three of these, while subsequent updates in GSVN will cover the others.

Putting a story around our data can help to make it more digestible and, in some instances, it is worth going beyond the bounds of the survey to interpret why people might hold certain opinions. I have tried to make it clear, even if only implicitly, where I have done this.

Village identity

Regardless of our proximity to the City of Cambridge, most survey participants consider themselves to be *village* residents, either of Stapleford or Great Shelford, or of part of a group of South Cambridgeshire villages. We place high value on our village character and community feel, our rural setting and views. It is perhaps not a step too far to suggest that our surrounding green belt and green fields help to reinforce our sense of independence from Greater Cambridge – they serve as both a cultural and physical barrier.

That said, the feature that respondents prize most about living in Stapleford and Great Shelford is the villages' proximity to Cambridge and its amenities, be they for work or leisure. We are very fortunate to enjoy the 'best of both worlds': city and countryside.

The perceived erosion of the boundary between Greater Cambridge and our villages is a cause for great concern as we think about what Stapleford and Great Shelford could be like over the next 15-20 years. We are very worried about the loss of our green belt and village character to development and the

increase in congestion and environmental damage that such development could bring. There is a sense of powerlessness amongst residents over planning strategy and decisions which will have a significant impact on us, something which may partly reflect the engagement of some residents in objecting to large scale infrastructure projects affecting our area, notably East West Rail and Greater Cambridge Partnership's busway.

Because of all these changes, most of us think that we will describe ourselves as living in Greater Cambridge by 2040. Although our survey did not explore whether this was due to passive tolerance or desire, a feeling of regret attached to this outcome was evident in some free text comments. In general, people wish to retain the individual and historic character of our semi-rural villages, with a strong community identity and an interdependence with both the natural and built environment.

Housing needs and design

When our survey went live (April 2022), the draft Greater Cambridge Local Plan had proposed roughly 100 new homes for our area. However, respondents generally feel that more than this will be required to meet housing needs within our villages over the next 15–20 years. These needs arise from rapid economic growth in and around Greater Cambridge, and a lack of affordable housing for local people. With respect to the latter, there is often a mismatch between what is built and what is needed. This leads to overall growth of the villages and exhausts suitable development sites but leaves younger people and those on lower incomes having to look elsewhere for cheaper housing.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the greatest perceived local housing needs are for small and medium sized homes, starter homes and affordable/low-cost accommodation to buy or rent. Unless these needs are satisfied, our villages could become unsustainable, inhabited by increasingly ageing populations and ever more dormant.

Perhaps developers have recognised this trend because recent larger scale building in our area has focused on what are known in planning terms as 'C2' properties, notably residential care homes. It is interesting to observe that only a quarter of survey respondents feel that retirement or sheltered accommodation is required in our villages. Whether that is because they perceive that the need for this will soon be met or because they don't see it as a particular need locally, is not possible to say.

Although we did not ask any specific questions about the aesthetics of new developments, we received several unprompted concerns that new builds should be sympathetic to the rural vernacular. Might residential development be more welcome in our area if it blended in better with existing housing

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stock? This is only speculation, but perhaps the aesthetics of large nearby developments which have embraced contemporary architecture (eg Ninewells, Trumpington and around Cambridge Biomedical Campus) are making Stapleford and Great Shelford residents concerned about what could be built here. This isn't necessarily a protectionist stance. After all, our survey shows that we are very keen to incorporate progressive clean and green technologies into new developments. We just remain conservative about the design of the buildings which utilise them.

Environment

Summing up responses to questions and free text comments pertaining to the environment, it is apparent that living surrounded by green spaces makes us feel better. We want to see them; we want better access to them; we would like more of them; and we very definitely want to protect the ones we already have, whether green belt agricultural land, meadows, recreation grounds, pockets of woodland, conservation areas or waterways. At a time of rapid economic growth in Greater Cambridge, this inevitably creates tension between residents, who place significant value on our rural setting and planners and developers.

Stapleford and Great Shelford are surrounded by green belt: we lack brownfield sites and infill development can only make a small dent in local unmet housing needs. Where, then, should development be permitted? Roughly two thirds of respondents want green belt land protected from development, while most of the remainder would support development under very special circumstances, such as meeting specific unmet housing, commercial or transport needs in our villages (eg affordable housing). Should any of our surrounding land be removed from green belt for development purposes, we would wish to ensure that important visual links between the villages and the landscape are maintained and that planning conditions to protect and enhance wildlife are imposed on developers.

The impact of economic growth worries residents beyond just where development might happen. We are particularly concerned by a loss of biodiversity, carbon emissions and water and air pollution. One additional feature was not included in our survey but popped up several times in free text comments: noise pollution concerns associated with increasing traffic and congestion. Many of us take pleasure in living in a relatively quiet corner of South Cambridgeshire but perceive this tranquillity to be under threat.

Jenny Flynn

Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

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2G3S is a friendly and informal group where visitors and new members are always welcome. Sometimes people just come along for one talk because they are interested in a particular topic, sometimes they would like to join in on a more regular basis.

Upcoming events

On Wednesday 2 November we are having a **Strategic Planning Meeting** where we will discuss themes such as what issues we feel we should be working on as a group and how we are achieving our mission statement (see our website). From there we will brainstorm some ideas of what we would like to do next year. It is an open meeting and all are welcome, even if you have never met us before! So, if you fancy getting involved in a Repair Cafe, discussing ideas on how to reduce single use plastic, rewinding a garden, planning a campaign or just listening in to the discussion - come along and join us and input your thoughts and ideas. We're meeting at 8pm in Cox's Close Community Room, Stapleford. Please email 2G3S (greengroupssss@gmail.com) to let us know if you are planning to come along or even if you would just like to send us some ideas!

Sawston Repair Café on Saturday 19 November 2022, 2pm to 4.30pm, at Sawston Free Church. Book your item in from Friday 28 October, via the booking link on the Cambridge Carbon Footprint web page cambridgecarbonfootprint.org/events/sawston-repair-cafe/. Bookings will remain open until Tuesday 15 November, or earlier if we become fully booked. If you have any questions, please email southcampsrepaircafe@gmail.com.

Monday 21 November – **social cycle ride** starting from Stapleford Pavilion at 10am. Join us for a leisurely ride on quiet roads and traffic free paths of around 20 miles, to include a coffee stop. Returning to Stapleford by about 1pm. This will be the last until Spring 2023. To book, email greener@sawston.org.

For cycle rides and walks, it is important that you are aware that you attend at your own risk. We do not accept responsibility for any accidents or mishaps that might arise during the activity.

Our book club meets on **Thursday 24 November** at 8pm to discuss 'Silent Spring' by Rachel Carson /'Silent Spring Revisited' by Conor Mark Jameson. This latter title was published in 2012 and focuses on what happened to birds in particular in the 50 years after the original classic 'Silent Spring' was published. All welcome – do come along having read both, either, or neither. For venue check our website.

Apologies – the nature walk with John O’Boyle that was advertised to be on 15 October had to be rescheduled to 29 October, many apologies if you turned up to find no one there. There will be no more nature walks until 2023.

Bart Hommels ‘Retrofitting your home’

On 3 October we hosted Bart Hommels, talking about retrofitting his own house. He got interested when he started doing an extension and realised what an opportunity it was to save cash, save carbon, and increase the comfort of his home. After researching and carrying out a full retrofit of his 1940s council house, he has a lovely warm house that is cool in summer and doesn’t emit tonnes of carbon or cost him huge energy bills. The ideal time to do retrofitting is if you are extending or remodelling a house, then the disruption can all happen at once.

Some actions we can take will save cash and carbon but won’t increase comfort eg solar PV. Heat pumps will save carbon but not save cash or increase comfort. A wood burner increases comfort and saves cash, but does not decrease carbon. The two things that do all three are making your home airtight (but with adequate ventilation) and insulation.

Cheap simple things you can do:

1. Find where your energy goes – space heating, water, cooking, greedy appliances. Look at your smart meter and your bills to get this information.
2. Borrow a thermal imaging camera from Cambridge Carbon Footprint to see where you lose heat from your house.
3. On a windy day see where the draughts are, using a camera as in 2, an incense stick or a wet hand. Fill gaps with tape, beads, strips etc that are available. Don’t cover your air vents though!
4. If you have a combi boiler (no hot water cylinder), adjust the flow temperature to 65C or less to get a better condensing effect.
5. Make sure you have modern sensitive controls for your boiler.
6. Insulate your hot water cylinder as thickly as you can.
7. Lag your pipes, hot and cold ones (to avoid condensation).
8. Insulate your loft with eg 270mm of rockwool.
9. Cavity wall insulation.

Bart then went on to discuss bigger changes. He stressed the importance of getting a professional whole house plan, costed and staged. It is important to work towards a uniform standard around the house – eg don’t insulate one area to a high level and leave another area nearby uninsulated, or there will be

condensation and mould in the latter area. He discussed energy standards from the current rather weak EPC regulations, right up to Passivhaus standards (where you don't need central heating, only an electric heater for very cold days).

Ways to make a house airtight but adequately ventilated were talked about. Ventilation can be passive (trickle vents etc) but tend to be too much in winter and not enough in summer, so there are ways of actively controlling it such as mechanical ventilation with heat recovery (MVHR).

He advocated exterior wall insulation, as it is very effective but doesn't reduce the size of your rooms and is not disruptive as underfloor insulation.

If you'd like to see the slides for his talk, see the link youtu.be/GtffrRf97CI.

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Helen Hale

DOG BINS ON MAGOG DOWN

To keep the paths free of dog waste at Magog Down, there are 10 green bins lined with black plastic sacks into which dog walkers put their dog's waste in small plastic bags. These plastic sacks are collected in a wheelbarrow twice a week and removed from the Haverhill Road entrance weekly by the Council.

Steve of Whoopsy Daisy who has emptied the bins for many years, has retired and we are looking for a replacement as reliable as him. If you are interested in helping the Trust by taking on this paid task please email Surge, the Magog Trust Administrator at admin@magogtrust.org.uk

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A Time to Remember.

We will be remembering those who died during the First and Second World Wars. We will also be thinking of those who have died since then, to protect us and our freedoms.

Please join in the short service on Friday 11 November at the War Memorial at 10.45am. The names of those who died will be read out. We will keep a two minute silence at 11am.

There will be a Village Service on 13 November at 10am at the Free Church, with St Mary's and the Free Church taking part.



The theme of this month is remembering. We begin by remembering the Saints, then we remember those who laid down their lives so that we can be free and able to make our own decisions about our culture and faith. Then we remember Christ the King, not just of 2,000 years ago, but still for many an inspirational and influential figure today.

Remembering is a good tool for well being. Remembering people who have supported us brings back their kindness, their belief in us and their values. In our memories they belong to us and help to make us who we are. They bring us hope.

Remembering also helps to shape our national and community identity. When we remember those who gave their lives for our liberty we prize our freedom to make choices. We see others around the world putting their lives on the line because this is a prize of great value. We must not take such freedom for granted.

Remembering the wise and compassionate Saints can also inspire us with wisdom for our current age. Here is a prayer used by scouts and guides in their remembering of St George. It reminds us to be courageous in pursuing what is good and our duty. This prayer can make us look for ways to be more authentic and to serve the common good:

Dear God, you gave St. George the strength of character to overcome his fear and to die for his beliefs. Please help us to develop the qualities of St. George, to take responsibility, to be truthful, to do our duty willingly, to have courage and determination and to dedicate our lives to helping others. Amen.

Finally, thank you for the warm welcome that I have received from so many as I take up the greater responsibilities of Vicar of Great Shelford Benefice.

Revd Dr Julie Norris, Vicar of St Mary the Virgin

News for children, families and all ages

We are continuing our Family Service and Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month. On **6 November at 10am at St Mary's**, we will be thinking of some of the great heroes of the past who can still teach us a thing or two. The theme is **Following in the Footsteps of the Saints**. There will be a story, some well known hymns and the children can take part in a game during the service. There will be some inspiration from a Saint and something for you all to think about. Children are welcome and we don't expect them to be silent. We also welcome those who are older, whether you are on your own, or with a family. There will be something here for you.

News for young people

This month the **Young People's Group will meet at St Mary's on 20 October at 5pm**. We start with a short service, with music and readings chosen by the young people's group. Afterwards we meet for an hour with refreshments. The theme for the discussion will be, "What has the Bible got to say to us today?" For more details, contact Rowan.staines@gmail.com or revjulienorris@gmail.com or, better still, **come along and join the group!**

Outdoor Church

The Free Church and St Mary's are working together to provide an afternoon of fun outdoor activities and games for children and families. This month we meet behind Cara Café at the **Free Church on 27 November, from 3pm to 4.30pm**. There is such a lot of laughter as people try out new things that they did not know they could do, or work together to make something. This month we focus on Advent as we look forward to the coming of Jesus. For more details, contact Gillian Pett gillian.pett29@gmail.com or Diana Parr diana@shelfordfreechurch.org.uk.

St Mary's Gift Day

On 30 October we held a Gift Day at St Mary's. By the time you read this, you should also have received a leaflet put together by the Church Wardens and the PCC to give information about how much it costs to keep St Mary's Church open and providing services to the community. The Church is not just a historical building of interest, it also provides wonderful liturgical and choral services and gives an ancient prayerful space for baptisms, weddings and funerals. We would really appreciate a donation to help St Mary's and ask you please to respond to the information at the back of the leaflet.

Food Box: We continue to supply a small number of tins, dried produce and other staples such as boxed milk in the Friendship Box in the porch of St Mary's Church. The tins of meat, microwave rice and milk go quickly from the box. Please can you consider putting in a tin. This is a friendship box. Those who give and those who receive wish each other well. We all benefit from this friendship.



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You will receive a warm welcome any Sunday at any of the following services. This is a brief explanation of what you can expect. The services are all at St Mary's Church except for the Zoom services:

8am **Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer (1662).** This is a spoken traditional language Prayer Book Communion with a short sermon.

10am **Family and Holy Communion on the First Sunday of the Month.** We bring the altar into the Nave and have children and young people involved in the activities during the service. We sing hymns used in schools and known by children.

10am **Parish Communion on other Sundays.** This is a contemporary sung service of Holy Communion, with a choir and a sermon. There are children's activities alongside the service.

6.30pm **Zoom Service.** We continue our weekly **Zoom Service** for those who cannot get to church or want to join us from around the world. This is a time of reflection following a variety of different styles; email revjulienorris@gmail.com to request the link.

Thought for the month

*We make a living by what we get,
We make a life by what we give.*

Sir Winston Churchill

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When you read this we will be in November! Where has the year gone?

I sometimes find that November can be such a depressing month, of course you may not feel the same and it may be your favourite month of the year, but I would probably describe November as damp and dismal. I dislike the dark mornings and evenings (I've always objected to travelling both to and from work in the dark) and I dislike the fact that the weather often gets much colder and the damp seems to seep in everywhere.

However, I believe that everything God made is good so I decided to look for some good things about the month. Here are some of the things I like about November.

I like the way some trees still retain their vibrant coloured leaves at the beginning of the month before these fall to leave stark, bare branches, reaching heavenward, silhouetted against the sky. I like the rolling mists which cling to the ground across the fields like a thick blanket of fluffy cloud. I like walking in the fog when the droplets settle on my hair and face and there is an eerie stillness. I like sitting in the garden wrapped in a blanket on a clear, crisp, night contemplating the multitude of brilliant stars and I like watching the bright lights of fireworks zooming into the sky too (although that's probably not very ecologically friendly). I like sitting in bed and watching the sun come up bright red behind the distant trees, it reminds me of the red poppies that we see in abundance for Armistice Day. November is a good month for remembering.

I also like planting tulip bulbs (November is the optimum time to plant these for flowering the following spring). It always seems amazing that we put something so dead looking into the ground, and expect to see something flourishing in the spring when the flowers bloom. It's like planting hope! Hope for new shoots, followed by glorious colours to emerge and flower. Hope for Spring to come again. These bulbs won't flower without that time in the dark earth, without that time in the cold. They won't flower without that time of rest and preparation over the winter.

At times life can seem gloomy and depressing, like November, but there are always pockets of joy and hope if we look for them. In Jesus I have a hope as an anchor for my soul, firm and secure; a faith that grows from being certain of what I hope for – a new life in Him. At times I may feel that everything is dark and dismal all around but hope is in planted within me, and it will bloom. My prayer for you today is that you will also know the joy of having a hope in Jesus planted in you too.

God Bless you

Diana Parr, Acting Pastor



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Café Church – an informal service which will be on Sunday 20 November at 10.30am

Community Café – every Monday 9.30 - 12 noon. No need to book.

Little Steps Toddler Group – every Wednesday, 10am - 11.30am. Please contact administrator@shelfordfreechurch.org.uk to book a place.

Tiny Toes Baby Group – every Wednesday, 1.30pm - 3pm. Contact administrator as above to book a place.

Open Space – Joint venture with St Mary's Church, Great Shelford. A time where families can have fun and explore faith together outdoors. The next event will be on Sunday 27 November, 3pm – 4.15pm behind CaraCafé .

Joint Remembrance Service with St Mary's Church: Sunday 13 November at 10am – service will be held at Great Shelford Free Church.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S

Winter Scenes at St Mary's



The Friends of Great Shelford Parish Church are inviting offers on two unusual seasonal photographs.

They have been given to us to help raise funds for St Mary's Church. With Christmas approaching the pictures could be gifts or maybe you would like one for your own home.



The photographs are mounted in frames measuring 22.0 in x 15.5 in. We've put a £25 reserve on each, otherwise the highest bids received by 30 November will secure them - AND the successful bidders will be helping the village care for its amazing Parish Church!

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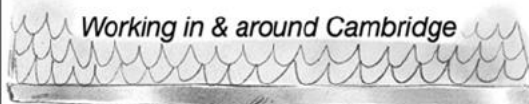
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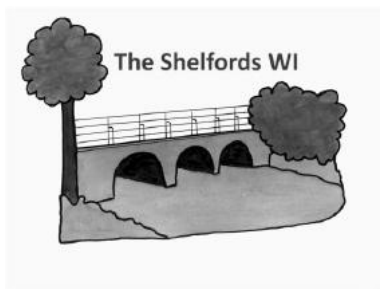
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WI



For our October meeting we welcomed Jenny Kennedy, who came to introduce us to British Sign Language (BSL). In forty five minutes, Jenny guided us through British Sign Language, which is the most common form of sign language in the UK. It was only in 2003 that the government officially recognised BSL as a language in its own right. Now known all

over the world, it is a combination of hand shapes and movements, lip patterns, facial expressions and shoulder movements. It has its own grammar and is structured in a completely different way to English.

Based on the 2011 census it is estimated that there are 24,000 people using sign language in the UK today but this is likely to be an underestimate. Jenny explained that deafness can occur suddenly and at any time in our lives. Jenny made the evening fun and informative and in our last few minutes of the evening we sang along to the music of Louis Armstrong 'What a Wonderful World'.

Our November speaker is Catherine Armstrong and her talk is entitled 'An Unexpected Journey, A Woman's Life in the Colonies at the Empire End'. We meet in St. Mary's Community Hall on the first Thursday of the month and newcomers are most welcome.

Rosemary Livings, President

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20 October 2022 Elizabeth Robertson NAFAS demonstrator – 'My family and other animals'

17 November 2022 Gill McGregor NAFAS demonstrator – 'Festive Flowers and Fun'

For more information about these meetings or to enquire about joining Cambridge Flower Club please phone Freda on 01223 891464 or email fredaorgee@gmail.com.



Warm Hubs

Great Shelford Parish Council is working with Great Shelford Free Church and St Mary's Church to provide a community space which offers a warm welcome and friendly faces this winter.

Having secured some funding from Cambridgeshire ACRE¹ towards heating and running costs and with the support from volunteers, we are able to offer a Warm Hub in our community during the cost of living crisis. It is our intention to create a safe, warm and friendly place, with free WiFi, where residents meet others, enjoy refreshments, perhaps join in with some activities and gather some information and advice while there.

Our opening hours will be as follows²:

Day	Location	Times
Monday	Great Shelford Free Church	10am – 4pm
Tuesday	Great Shelford Free Church	10am – 4pm
Wednesday	Great Shelford Memorial Hall	9am – 3pm
Thursday	Great Shelford Free Church	10am – 4pm
Friday	Great Shelford Free Church	10am – 4pm

The start date is yet to be confirmed, but we anticipate it will be in early to mid November. Please keep an eye on the various village websites, Facebook pages, noticeboards and shop windows for news as we have it.

How can you help?

There are ways in which residents can help. If you have time you can spare to volunteer, please let Libby know by telephone 01223 616622 or by emailing clerk@greatshelfordparishcouncil.gov.uk. We understand that not everyone has time to volunteer, therefore other ways you can help include donations towards refreshments and running costs; donation of games, puzzles, etc.

¹ Funding is for six hours per week.

² Subject to change.

DIARY NOVEMBER 2022

Date	Event	Time	Place
3	WI Talk – Catherine Armstrong p22	7.30pm	St Mary's Church Hall
9	Little Shelford History Society "Court of King James" p27	7.30pm	St Shelford Memorial Hall
13	Joint Remembrance Service p20	10am	Free Church
17	Cake Makers p42	7.30pm	Stapleford Pavilion
17	Cambridge Flower Club p22	7.15pm	Whittlesford Memorial Hall
19	History Walk p39	10am	Rectory Farm
19	Sawston Repair Café p10	2pm	Sawston Free Church

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MARVELLOUS MR. BROCK



A badger regularly visits my garden. I see him on our wildlife camera, padding along, digging the lawn for grubs or lumbering into my bigger flower pots looking for bulbs.

The charm of a badger guest can wear off ... the lawn has holes big enough to twist an ankle and my nice pots look as if I garden haphazardly, flinging soil around.

I was spitting feathers last week when I spotted yet another trail of destruction. I went outside with a

brush and pan to clear up the mess. What made me pause was the sight, glinting in the tipped up soil, of the wedding ring which I had lost four years ago. Unbelievable!

This ring is very special. It was made by melting my mother's signet ring and another one from my childhood. It is worth peanuts in money terms, but is priceless in more important ways, not least because she died before I was a year old. When it disappeared, just about every item of furniture in our house was moved and all the bins were searched, but to no avail. I'm surprised it slipped off my finger into a plant pot ... it was a snug fit.



Anyway, thank you, Mr Brock, for that wonderful discovery. I hope you enjoyed the treats I put out for you that night. Do call again.

Pam Connellan

PS These pictures were taken at night in our Tunwell's Lane garden using an infrared camera trap. The badger visits us most nights, as do a couple of foxes and lots of neighbourhood cats.

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ANTHONY BROWNE

In recent weeks I have raised concerns with the District Council about their plans to move to a four day week. This represents a twenty five percent hourly pay increase. My constituents are now paying more for less.

I am afraid to say that Great Shelford appears to be the first to lose out on account of this policy. It is a cornerstone of my approach as a Member of Parliament that people choose where they live for a reason. We therefore must respect those choices when designing, implementing and approving changes.

I understand that residents have grave concerns about the new development off Station Road in Great Shelford. The character of Great Shelford is unique and must be taken into consideration.

The Council rejected these plans and rightly so. However, it appears that the plans will go ahead nonetheless because the Council did not make the decision in the required time. This is obviously unacceptable.

Residents of Great Shelford, along with the rest South Cambridgeshire, pay amongst the highest rates of council tax in the country. They have every right to expect that the Council gets basic things right like making decisions on time. As ever, I would encourage all in Great Shelford to raise any concerns with me at anthony.browne.mp@parliament.uk.

[*Parish Clerk Libby White adds: "He is criticising South Cambridgeshire District Council. They did not determine the planning application for the 39 retirement flats in time, which then went to appeal. No concerns were raised directly with the Parish Council about the flats at the time that the planning application was going through."*]

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READER'S LETTER

I would just like to make a few comments about the shoppers' bus and lack of passengers referred to in last month's Parish Council News.

The website for Cara Café says it is shut on Monday, so you can't spend half an hour chatting over coffee in there while waiting for the return bus. I would use the bus because I can't walk very far, but THREE HOURS ... maybe more people would use it if you weren't marooned down there for so long. Elderly people need to sit down, not shop for a long period of time. So perhaps the Parish Council could consider a revised timetable for the bus.

M. Myson

Parish Clerk Replies:

Great Shelford Parish Council has funded a bus to take older residents from Chaston Road/MacAulay Avenue area to the centre of the village for a few years. This allowed residents to meet with family, friends and neighbours, do a little shopping and perhaps take a break at the Community Café run by the Free Church. Numbers dropped considerably after Covid and we have attempted to increase numbers by changing the day of the bus to tie with the change of the Community Café day to a Monday. Unfortunately, this has not increased numbers at all with potentially only one customer a week at most.

Though the Parish Council was due to consider the viability at their Highways meeting in November, unfortunately CL Travel who provided the service have told us that they can no longer provide the bus as it is not cost effective for them.

Libby White BEM FdA FSLCC

Parish Clerk/Proper Officer – Great Shelford Parish Council

BUS ROUTES

Re 31 Bus Service Cambridge, Stapleford, Shelfords, Hauxton, Newton, Thriplow, Fowlmere, Barley.

The good news is that this service is continuing to be run by A2B Travel. However, the 6pm journey from Cambridge Drummer Street has been cut and the 4pm service delayed until 4.30pm.

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SHELFORD SCHOOL

The past month has seen us continue to celebrate the return of more ‘normal school’ in the shape of creative opportunities and the ability to open the school’s doors to its wider community once more.

School trips are real highlights for many children, with the memories enduring many years later, long after recollections of all those engaging maths and literacy lessons have faded. So far this term, Year 3 have enjoyed a wonderful visit to Hedingham Castle, where they enjoyed a variety of events and activities relating to their current topic, ‘What happened in 1066?’, which unpicks how the identity of the country changed at this point.



A vibrant Harvest Service was held at St. Mary’s, led by Year 3. It was wonderful to hear their poems, prayers and readings, along with seeing some of their beautiful artwork. Parents, grandparents and friends were

particularly glad to be able to join the children once more. The children’s harvest donations were sent to the Cambridge Food Bank.

Many of the Shelford school children start their education at Rainbow Preschool and so we are very pleased that families and committee members have voted to come under the umbrella of the leadership of the school. Whilst there will not be significant change to the operation of either of the establishments, there are many factors that mean the decision is favourable, including supporting the proposed building of a permanent structure for the use of Rainbow and Wacky After School Club, together with the Local Authority.

We have welcomed Mrs Chrysandreas as our new Interim Inclusion Leader, ahead of a permanent post holder next term. She has already made herself known to many parents and is proving a valuable member of the staff team. The board of governors has likewise welcomed two new members, Alice Walker and Douglas Leckie and bid farewell to Gillian Scahill and Maria Lazarus, who have both made significant contributions in recent years. The Reverend Doctor Julie Norris, Vicar at St. Mary’s is also to join us soon.

Meanwhile, our school orchestra is thriving and recorder lessons have started again in Key Stage 2. It is such a joy to hear music in the school again after months of being unable to sing or blow instruments (although parents of fledgling recorder players may disagree about the ‘joy’ bit as the practice takes place!) They may even manage Jingle Bells by Christmas...

Liz Jenkin, Local Authority Governor

SHELFORD TWINNING

Rencontre Triangulaire 30 September – 3 October

Verneuil en Halatte, our twinned village, is also twinned with two other places – the commune of Piegara in Umbria, and Dvur Kralove nad Labem, a town approximately fifty miles north of Prague. Each year the three countries get together at what is now called their *Rencontre Triangulaire* (triangular meeting), each taking it in turns to host. This year it was the turn of the French.

We were delighted to receive an invitation from the *Comité de Jumelage* (French Twinning Association) to attend this gathering, and on 30 September we made our way across to Verneuil, where we were warmly welcomed by old friends. Twinning visits are special in that all visitors are accommodated in families, thereby affording the opportunity of getting to know people of a different language and culture on a personal basis and of learning more about their culture, views and way of life.

Verneuil is surrounded by forest and we were very pleased to take the opportunity after the journey for a short walk with our hosts along one of the forest paths to visit a natural spring before enjoying the evening with them, catching up with all the news over a good dinner.

On Saturday morning we rose early to set off to Giverny, the village where Claude Monet lived. Italians, Czechs, French and English piled into the coach for the journey of about 1¾ hours. After being issued with tickets and maps, we went immediately to the famous water garden. The small lake, still and tranquil, was edged with abundant flowers and shrubs; a path leads all the way around, and across the well known bridge. After full admiration of the scene we made our way to the house and the main gardens which were stunning, a mass of flowers and colour. We were also able to look around Monet's house, a good sized building with a big studio at one end, the walls covered in paintings.



An excellent lunch was provided for everyone by the *Comité de Jumelage* in an adjacent restaurant, after which we visited the nearby Art Gallery where there was an excellent exhibition of works by contemporary artists inspired by Monet.

Sunday saw the official celebration of the 20th anniversary, which was actually

last year but of course couldn't take place then. A small courtyard adjacent to the Town Hall (*Mairie*) was officially named Parvis Dvur Kralove nad Labem (Dvur Kralove nad Labem Square) and two plaques commemorating the anniversary were also unveiled. A fanfare of trumpets, a lively Czech song performed by *Le Choeur des Aulnes* (the Verneuil choir) and of course speeches by the Mayor and the presidents of the French and Czech Associations, all enlivened the occasion. The official business over, a *Pot D'Amitie* (champagne) gave opportunity to mingle and chat and this was followed by a four course lunch, all courtesy of the *Mairie*. A warm and happy atmosphere prevailed throughout as people of each nationality caught up with old friends or made new ones.

The weekend was a huge success and it was evident that it was greatly enjoyed by all. Our grateful thanks for the invitation to attend this delightful event go to our French friends in Verneuil.

Penny Pearl

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OLD NEWS**Extracts from The Great Shelford Chronicle 1774-1868****THE SHELFORD ARSONIST OF 1833**

In 1830 Great Shelford was an agricultural community with transport relying on horse and cart or walking. Wooden barns stored hay and straw, while lighting was by candle or oil lamp. Fires were common but there was no organised municipal fire brigade. Fires were easy to start, difficult to extinguish and could be used as a force in a class struggle between poor disenfranchised labourers and rich property owners. The people who started these fires were known as “incendiaries” and they struck fear in the hearts of villagers.

Between 1828 and 1833 a rash of unexplained fires in Shelford caused consternation in the village.

14 November 1828

On Friday last an alarming fire occurred at the farming homestead of Mr William Headly. Between six and seven o’clock the flames were discovered issuing from a stack of straw, from whence they communicated to the haystacks, cornricks and farm buildings, which were soon reduced to a heap of ruins. The flames being distinctly visible from Cambridge, the [fire] engines repaired to the spot without loss of time, and assistance was rendered with alacrity. The farm-stead being at some distance from the dwelling-house, there is every reason to believe that the stack was wilfully set on fire, and a liberal reward is offered for the detection of the incendiary.

1 May 1829

On Monday night last, an alarming fire occurred. The flames were observed to issue from a haulm sack in the rick-yard of Mr Stacey, and communicated to a barn, containing about 30 loads of wheat. We regret to state that there is every reason to believe the fire was occasioned by an incendiary.

16 December 1831

EXTENSIVE FIRE. Yesterday morning, between six and seven o’clock, a fire was discovered in the farmyard of Mr Headly. The farm being near the river there was an abundant supply of water, and the inhabitants of the village, as well as those who arrived from adjacent places, exerted themselves with great alacrity in assisting to extinguish the flames.

30 December 1831

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8 February 1833

FIRE – Yesterday evening a fire was discovered on the premises of Mr Henry Headly, but which providentially was prevented from extending beyond the haulm stack, in which it commenced; there is no doubt but that it was the act of an incendiary. A large quantity of property was consumed upon the same premises about fourteen months since.

1 March 1833

On Monday afternoon last, between two and three o'clock, another fire was discovered upon the premises of Mr Henry Headly. The flames were, however, confined to a cart shed (where they were first observed) but which was destroyed. We sincerely regret to state that this is the fourth or fifth incendiary fire that has taken place in that neighbourhood, without any satisfactory clue having been obtained to lead to the detection of the offender.

19 April 1833

FIRES AT GREAT SHELFORD – Last Saturday evening, about six o'clock, a haulm stack on Mr Wm Headly's premises was discovered to be on fire and was speedily consumed. And yesterday ... a fire broke out in a barn

24 May 1833

ANOTHER FIRE AT SHELFORD Yesterday afternoon, between four and five o'clock, a barn and two stacks of straw, situate on the premises of Mr Kirby, were wilfully destroyed by fire. The barn had only been erected last summer.

7 June 1833

ANOTHER FIRE AT SHELFORD On Wednesday morning last a fire broke out in the sheep-yard upon the farm of Mr Grain, on the green.

14 June 1833

FIRE On Wednesday last, about three o'clock, smoke was found on the premises of Mr William Dean issuing from a stack. From suspicious circumstances a man named John Stallan has been apprehended; several long examinations have taken place and the man is committed for further examination

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Better Ways 4 Busways (BW4B!) update

Another delay for the GCP and check out our new website

The latest news from Greater Cambridge Partnership is that its timetable for the CSET busway through Stapleford and Great Shelford green belt has been pushed back significantly by route changes required to accommodate the new retirement care village on Haverhill Road. This is just one more obstacle to the GCP's plans!

The BW4B! website www.bw4b.org has now launched and provides maps and information which are accessible to all villages impacted by the busway.

Significantly, we have commissioned many banners and posters, not dissimilar in style to the East West Rail banners that have been in the villages for quite some time, and these are now in position. Do keep an eye out for our distinctive logo.



We are keen to continue to enlist your active support. This may be via practical support for the campaign (eg helping to deliver flyers), assisting with research or writing the reports which will form the brief for our legal team at the public enquiry. If you can help in any way, please contact BW4B! at hello@bw4b.org

Howard Kettel

HISTORY WALK

The Heart of Shelford

A History Walk along Church Street and High Street
on Saturday 19 November at 2pm



The walk will last up to 1 ½ hours, and will take us from Rectory Farm to the Square and Compasses, looking at some of the older buildings and discussing the lives of the villagers who lived and worked in them.

Meet by the entrance to Rectory Farm, Church Street. Please ring or email and book a place on the walk.

Tickets £2 per person. Contact Helen Harwood for details, tel.840393.

email helen_harwood_uk@yahoo.co.uk

READER'S LETTER - PARKING

I was pleased as a resident of Great Shelford to see that AngliEAR were supporting the local fun run in September. I was horrified however to receive a parking fine of £100 (reduced to £60 if paid fast) for parking in the car park next to their premises for 13 minutes one Saturday morning in October. They clearly don't want to contribute to the local community; the business was not open and the car park was empty but they still issued a fine. They don't want to share their assets with the community when they don't need them. The size of the fine also points towards corporate greed, the same point, if it needed to be made could have been made with a £5 or £10 fine. Penalising members of the local community in this way does not reflect any community spirit whatsoever.

I am paying the fine as I am in the wrong; I chose to park in a private car park with signs indicating a parking notice might be issued, but I certainly won't be bringing this business my custom as I want to support local businesses that want to work well with the local community.



Name and address supplied

SHELFORD GUIDES



Shelford Guides had a wonderful session recently thanks to the Cambridge Flower Club. After an expert demonstration, five of the club's members skilfully piloted the Guides (aged 10-13 years) in making fabulous autumnal flower arrangements in pumpkins. The Guides were thoroughly engrossed in the process and the final products were very impressive!

This term we've also been doing activities from the Girlguiding programme's Express Myself Theme, including learning sign language and doing collaborative junk modelling to build a giant

mythical beast. We'll also be making energy snacks, visiting ClipnClimb and celebrating Christmas with crafts and food.

We'd love some new leaders, so if you'd like to find out how to join in the fun, please contact Lisa MacGregor at: shelfordgirlguides@gmail.com.

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COUNTRY MARKET

The months move on so quickly. As I write this we are now looking towards November and our annual chutney tasting mornings. The two dates for your diary are Wednesdays the 16 and 23 when you have the chance to taste before you buy!

We always like to think we are seen as a welcoming social hub. In the present uncertain times do remember the market can offer a tiny bit of hospitality with free entry to a friendly and warm environment, plenty of chatter, plenty to look at but with no sales pressure and refreshments at very modest price.

The Food section is well stocked with freshly baked bread, cakes, cookies, savouries, jam, marmalade and local honey. Though the Garden section is moving to its quieter time, you'll find some seasonal vegetables, apples, plants and foliage. For more than you can



see on the craft tables, go to <https://www.facebook.com/gtshelfordmarket> Everything we sell is home baked, homemade, home grown and hand crafted.

We now have a few customers who regularly use our ordering system but we would welcome more. It's easy and helps us! Contact:

dorothy@woodlandsroad.plus.com or gscm1976@gmail.com or call 01223 843946 by Monday evening.

Sunshine or showers, cash or card, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you on a Wednesday morning - **9am to 11.30am** in the Memorial Hall, Woollards Lane.

Dorothy Doel

CAKE MAKERS

We are a local group and hold our meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month in Stapleford Pavilion at 7.30pm.

Gingerbread is the theme for November's meeting.

We will be decorating anything from biscuits, houses or gingerbread men. We are hoping this will be a relaxed evening so if you fancy coming along let us know beforehand, so we can provide you with your chosen item and you can add the magic on the night.

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TENNIS CLUB

Following on from last month's summer tournament excitement, we now bring you news that entries are now open for the Winter Mixed Doubles Handicap. Now in its third year, this is a very popular tournament so don't miss out. Contact Marcus on tournament@gstc.org.uk to enter, with or without a partner.

In this month's instalment of 'Meet your Committee', we talked to Simon Lancaster – Treasurer and all round 'good egg'.



Q: What's your name and where do you come from?

A: I'm Simon – a proud Aussie, but I've lived in the UK for 16 of the last 24 years. After a stint in London in the late 90s, where I met my now wife, we moved back to Melbourne in 2003 before returning to the UK in 2011. We landed in Little Shelford and, shortly afterwards, Stapleford.

Q: How long have you been playing tennis?

A: I started when I was eight or so, but then only played socially a few times a year until I joined Shelford 33 years later!

Q: Why did you join the committee at the tennis club?

A: After being a member for ten years and enjoying so many aspects of how the club is run – the range of activities and coaching, the welcoming atmosphere, the fantastic opportunities for kids – I increasingly realised the important role the volunteer committee plays in making all that happen. I felt it was my turn to contribute to that.

Q: What's the one thing you want readers to know about you?

A: As a keen Australian Rules Football fan, Aus-Eng rugby banter is mostly lost on me – sorry. Rugby is only really played in two states in Australia; Aussie Rules is the much bigger code in Victoria where I'm from. I am, however, usually up for all cricket related banter...

Q: What's your guilty pleasure?

A: Salt and vinegar chips (or crisps is you insist!); trashy science fiction; sandwich sudokus.

Q: If you really knew me you would know...

A: ...how easy it is to beat me at tennis – and that I'm even worse if you hit slow and loopy shots to me!

Angharad Harris

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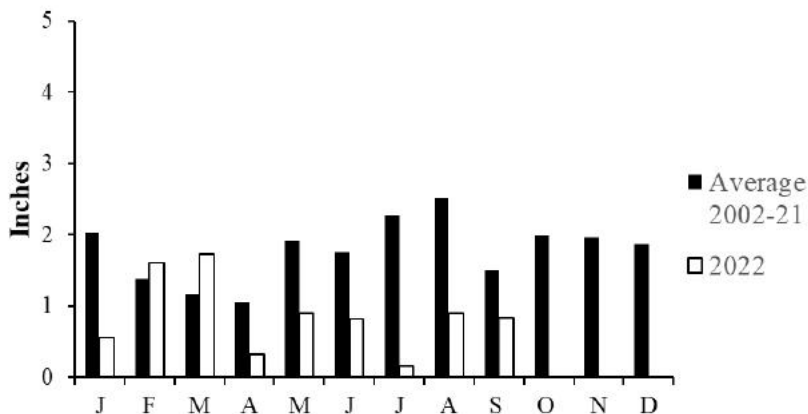
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https://www.admin.cam.ac.uk/whatson	

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Summer Reading Challenge 2022



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Thanks to all the volunteers who helped with the Challenge. It was much appreciated by all the staff, parents and children. Helen Harwood, Chairman of the Library Friends Group, awarded the certificates and medals to those children who could attend at a small ceremony on Friday 23 September. Some of them are pictured here proudly displaying their medals and certificates.

Those children who weren't able to attend the ceremony, can call in to the library during opening hours to collect their medal and certificate, as many have already done.

Congratulations to you all!