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SUMMARY FROM THE UNADOPTED MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 19 APRIL 2023

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

A member of the public, speaking on behalf of a number of residents, raised concerns and requested action regarding traffic issues on Church Street. The lack of enforcement of parking restrictions and of penalties for driving offences, the need for active school and parental engagement regarding pupil safety, illegal contractor parking when working on properties with no drives, pavement accessibility and safety, regular gridlock and daily driver altercations, aggression, incidents and accidents, along with increasingly heavy farm traffic, were all noted. The resident asked that the concerns of those that live on Church Street relating to an inordinate change in traffic behaviour in recent years be noted and taken seriously. Members acknowledged all issues, clarified the authority over highway improvements, explained current Parish Council activity and committed to continuing engagement with all stakeholders.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Clerk noted that

- A response has been received and forwarded to Councillors from Oakbank following the Parish Council's contribution to the Nine Wells Management Consultation.
- Initial contact has been received from the Police and Crime Commissioner's Office about the Community Safety Partnership.
- A new food vendor will start selling at the Memorial Hall car park in May.

REPORTS FROM COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBERS

District Cllr Fane noted various grants available to communities and Parish Councillors.

Cllr Disley requested that any feedback from County Cllr Milnes about the Sawston roundabout be circulated to councillors.

COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

Neighbourhood Plan

The Steering Group is currently undertaking the mid-term consultation on draft objectives and evidence provided to form policies of the Neighbourhood Plan. The survey is open until mid May and all councillors are requested to complete it and spread the word to their friends and family.

Better Ways than Busways

The Traffic & Transport Infrastructure Working Group will invite the Chair of the BWtB to one of their meetings to understand more about the campaign.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Cllr Disley provided an update on work being carried out by the Traffic and Transport Infrastructure Working Group and reported that they would like to engage with the Climate Emergency Action Group about the funding for Electric Vehicle charging points.

The Working Group has been reviewing the Greater Cambridge Partnership's responses following the Sawston Greenway Consultation. It was agreed that Cllr Disley will draft a letter to the Greater Cambridge Partnership expressing members' concerns over these responses.

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION MATTERS

The Parish Council has been awarded the Quality Level of the Local Council Award Scheme.

Following recent resignations some committees are short of members. Cllr Neil will join the Cemetery & Allotments Committee and Cllr Price will join the Human Resources Committee.

The proposed Social Media Policy was discussed and it was agreed to adopt this.

It was agreed to renew the membership of Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Association of Local Councils, which provides legal advice and support.

A Business Plan for 2023/24 compiled by the Clerk was discussed. The Local Council Award scheme had commented that the business plan was excellent but they would also like to see a plan for three to five years. The Clerk would like to start working on this shortly. It was agreed that the plan should be adopted and used for the year with addition of the Community Hub. It was suggested that there should be a meeting in the next couple of months for councillors to understand the longer term strategy of the council.

Two separate suppliers have been found for utilities for the Memorial Hall; Crown Gas and Power for the gas supply and SSE for the electricity supply, which will save the parish council in excess of £7,500 per annum based on the invoices already received by the Parish Council.

A meeting with Cam Valley Forum about how to best to look after the river bank was held on 20 March. It was agreed that more research should be undertaken.

COMMUNITY MATTERS

It was agreed to offer Parish Council support to OASISS (Open Arms in Shelfords and Stapleford) in their application to the District Council for funding.

Correspondence about an Over 70s Christmas Party was considered and it was agreed to offer the Memorial Hall free of charge and to offer other help that may be required.

There was a general discussion about the 2023 Feast. It was agreed to request a stall for Feast Day and to enter a Council team in the quiz.

Correspondence had been received from a Cam Valley Forum member about possible weir removal at Hauxton. The Parish Council had not known that this removal was being considered. It was agreed to write to Cam Valley Forum to understand who else has been written to, including other parish councils and the MP, and whether it is prudent to get a group together including these bodies and others such as farmers, wild water swimmers, the Greater Cambridge Chalk Stream Project, etc. It was also asked whether this work would worsen the invasive crayfish problem.

136 responses had been received to the Memorial Hall survey which closed on 14 April. 43 of these responses were eligible for the cash prize draw. The Clerk used a random name generator in full view of all councillors and the winner was chosen. The Clerk has contacted the architect to find out what information is required for them to look at options for the hall.

FINANCE MATTERS

The Clerk had been trialling the electronic checking of invoices to save time and paper. It was agreed that all invoices should be paid in this way and be approved by two councillors.

Having been in place for over 18 months, the wetpour on the Playscape is ready for a professional clean. Parish Council staff have attempted to clean the surface but are not suitably equipped for this. Quotations had been requested from three companies and it was agreed to ask Prestige to carry out the cleaning subject to references.

Invoices for the Non-Domestic Rates had been received from South Cambridgeshire District Council. It was agreed that direct debits be set up for these to aid cash flow and to ensure that there are no late payments.

Full copies of the minutes of the Parish Council and Planning meetings are on the Parish Council website greatshelfordparishcouncil.gov.uk/minutes-agendas

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PARISH COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS IN JUNE

Planning Committee	5 June	7.30pm Pavilion
Highways Committee	7 June	7pm Pavilion
Planning Committee	19 June	7.30pm Pavilion
Full Council	21 June	7pm Pavilion

Meetings may be adjourned for up to 15 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

23/00894/HFUL	4 Walden Way	Single storey side and rear extension.
Application supported.		

23/00942/PRIOR	31 Westfield Road	Single storey rear extension.
Recommend this application for Parish Council comment on overdevelopment as there is very little greenery on site. Request for the tree officer to visit for comment.		

23/01024/HFUL	19 High Street	Demolition of lean-to outbuilding; erection of rear single storey extension.
As the dwelling is in a conservation area, the tree report needs to be carried out by an arboriculturist and there should be a visit from the tree officer.		

23/01031/HFUL	123 Macaulay Avenue	Single storey front and rear extensions.
Application objected to as the proposals would be overdevelopment of the site and would not be in keeping with the street scene.		

23/0094201218/HFUL	10 Buristead Road	First floor side extension; single storey front and rear extensions.
Application supported.		

23/01270/HFUL	12 Buristead Road	Two storey side and rear extensions.
Application supported.		



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With Malcolm being on annual leave, I am afraid you have me as a substitute this month.

Coronation of King Charles III

A couple of other local residents and I were humbled by being invited to Westminster Abbey on 6 May for the King and Queen's Coronation. Though I am unable to speak on behalf of the others, I feel very fortunate to have been part of only a small number of people to have been so lucky to be invited. Though positioned slightly behind a pillar, I was so close to the door I saw all the comings and goings of the heads of state and Royal Family, the important people taking part in the coronation itself including the choir, the jewels and both Baroness Floella Benjamin and Lord Sebastian Coe. It is definitely a day I will never forget.

Fun Day

I want to take the opportunity to say a massive thank you to my Parish Council colleagues, Jenny and Lewis, who gave up their Sunday to help with the Fun Day on Sunday 7 May. This was in addition to all the local organisations who also helped on the day to make the event such a success including the WI, Shelford Free Church, Playscape, 2G3S, Shelford Scouts, Beavers and Girl Guides, Rainbow Pre-School and Shelford PTA. The Parish Council managed to raise £358 for local charities which will be divided out between the chosen charities at the end of the municipal year, along with any other monies raised from future events.

Verges and Hedgerows

You will have seen with the warm, wet April and May we have had, the grass has been growing at a very fast rate and with the large amount of rain, it has not always been possible to cut it as per the usual schedule. That along with 'No Mow May' (where only the verges which would cause a safety concern are cut) has meant that the verges are much longer than anticipated. Last year was not such a problem; with it being very dry the grass was a little slower in growth. We will be reviewing areas of the village to ensure that this is safe for all users and will think of a contingency for future years where the weather causes disruption due to a warming climate.

I would also like to take this opportunity to ask residents to keep an eye on their vegetation bordering any footpaths or roads. With the very wet weather, trees and shrubs have had much heavier branches which have in turn been lower down and causing issues for people to safely pass. If you could cast a critical eye and make sure vegetation from your property is cut back to the boundary and a minimum of 2.1m up off the pavement, it really would make it

much easier for residents to move safely around the village. Thank you in advance.

Village Events

Great Shelford Parish Council is keen to provide more events this year. We have already had our Fun Day and the Village Market continues on the fourth Saturday of each month. We would love you to also put 14 October in your diary as we will be holding an event in the evening which will include music and food. Christmas Lights Switch On will be towards the end of November (date to be finalised).

Don't forget to get in touch with us should you have any relevant concerns. My telephone number is 01223 61 66 22 and I am 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 me in.

Libby White, Clerk to the Council

GRANTA MEDICAL PRACTICES

Royston Health Centre is now part of Granta Medical Practices. We are very excited to work with the Royston team and extend a warm welcome to our new patients.

I would just like to take this opportunity to remind everyone about where our surgeries are and the telephone options:

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- Granta Linton, 0300 234 5555 – option 3
- Granta Barley, 0300 234 5555 – option 4
- Granta Royston Market Hill, 0300 234 5555 – option 5
- Granta Shelford, 0300 234 5555 – option 6
- Granta Royston Health Centre, 0300 234 5555 – option 7

You can continue to go to your usual surgery and request to see your usual clinician, but you are also very welcome to go to any other Granta surgery if you wish.

The NHS continues to be under huge pressure across the whole country. Here at Granta we continue to try to provide the best possible service we can in the face of GP shortages and increased demand.

We know that some of you struggle to get through on the 'phone to us and/or get an appointment. As we all know, there is no easy fix. However, there are small ways you can help, which in turn helps us.

Self-care: You can treat many **minor illnesses** such as colds and coughs, sore throats and upset stomachs at home. Make sure you are stocked up with healthcare essentials such as pain relief (e.g Paracetamol), cough and sore throat remedies, upset stomach treatment, rehydration treatment, heartburn/indigestion treatments and a first aid kit.

Use the NHS UK Symptom Checker www.nhs.uk: This helpful tool can guide you through your symptoms and direct you to the most appropriate health service for your needs.

Use your local pharmacy: As qualified health professionals, pharmacists can offer you advice and guidance on your symptoms and on the best treatment for you – no appointment required. Pharmacists are available on every high street and in supermarkets, with many being open in the evenings and at weekends. If your symptoms suggest something serious, pharmacists have the right training to make sure you get the help you need.

Community Pharmacist Consultation Service (CPCS): This service enables patients to have a same day appointment with their community pharmacist for minor illnesses or an urgent supply of a regular medicine. Should you need to be escalated or referred to an alternative service, the pharmacist can arrange this. Please speak to a member of our reception team to be referred into this service.

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Sandra East, Head of Patient Services

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SHELFORD SCHOOL

The weeks between Easter (9 April) and Pentecost (28 May) are traditionally joyful ones of celebration and feasting. Six weeks of fasting for Lent, seven of feasting for Easter. Appropriately, the school's theme for this first half of the summer term is 'Growth and Changes'. The time between the resurrection and the ascension was certainly one of growth and change for the earliest disciples, as they strove to come to terms with the earth shattering event which resounds throughout every page of the New Testament. And growth and change has likewise been a feature of life and learning at Shelford Primary School in more ways than one.

Reception pupils have had a wonderful time watching chicks hatch and take their first steps. Their 'Chick Watch blog' is recommended reading for all the adorable details: http://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/web/chick_watch_2023/648910



Further up the school, there have been two recitals, with the pianists performing on 2 May and a wider instrumentalist performance on 4 May. Excellent progress and polish characterised all the pieces, which were a credit to performers and teachers alike.

On Friday 5 May the school celebrated the coronation of King Charles III. The decades and centuries come and go, but the coronations of British monarchs keep coming. Stability and continuity is often a helpful counterpoint to growth and change. The weather on the day wasn't ideal for picnicking and outdoor activities, but huge thanks to all the staff for making the best of a difficult

situation. Despite the rain the event was hugely enjoyable for everyone from the school community who took part.

On Tuesday 9 May Year 4 visited the University Botanic Garden in Cambridge. The focus was biomes and climates and pupils enjoyed measuring the temperatures in different areas as part of their exploration. There's nowhere better to explore growth and change. As one of the pupils put it: 'I liked the tree that was 170 years old. It was a Redwood tree. I liked the different names of the plants and the contrasting plants in different temperatures.'

Looking ahead, Year 3 have a Victorian Day to look forward to, while the Year 6 pupils will be off to Graffham Water for their three day residential trip..

Douglas Leckie, Foundation Governor

ANTHONY BROWNE

The highlight of my month was undoubtedly the coronation. I was fortunate enough to be able to watch the procession from outside the abbey. I'm sure many of you would have noticed the rather unfortunate weather but it certainly did not dampen spirits. Although, I could not help but feel for the soldiers wearing their thick woollen coats in such conditions.

Events like the coronation provide an opportunity for the nation to come together. This event also provided an opportunity to reflect – not just on the monarchy but also on the way the country has changed since 1953. The various faith leaders playing crucial roles displayed the diversity of our national life and how our institutions adapt to the changing country they serve.

I do appreciate that not all of us are passionate monarchists but I hope even the most ardent republicans were able to make the most of the additional bank holiday.

It has been a busy month for me personally as well. I was appointed as the Government's anti-fraud champion. Fraud is the most common crime in the United Kingdom and it is perpetrated against decent, hard working people. Fraudsters have become an organised business predicated on targeting the earnings of ordinary people.

It is a source of immense pride to be asked to serve my country in a cause I am passionate about. I am hopeful and confident that we will be able to make a tangible difference to people's lives across the country.

Anthony Browne MP



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UPDATE ON OUR WORK

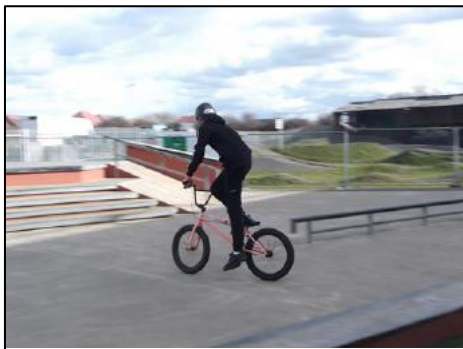
2022-2023 has been an exciting year for Shelford & Stapleford Youth Initiative. We have seen continued growth and development of our work, both in numbers and variety of sessions and the

support and activities that we offer. SSYI's work was carried out this year by our skilled team of youth workers, Charlie Trueblood, Tilly Akoto, Sophie Hurst, Tina Woodstock and our lead youth worker, Zac Britton. Jon Sanders the head of the Romsey Mill Youth Development Team has management oversight.

In the first half of the summer term of 2022, we were running seven weekly youth clubs, three of which were traditional community based open access sessions, where young people can come and go as they please, engage with youth workers, play games, and access support. Two were wellbeing focused sessions for two different age brackets and the remaining two were a football-

based session and a targeted girl's group.

We ran a jam-packed programme over the summer including regular open access youth clubs in Sawston and Shelford and trips to The Gauntlet (a youth motorbike charity in Ramsey), Wyboston Lakes Aqua Park, an outdoor activity day and more! We also took fourteen of our young people away for a three-night



A trip to Adrenaline Alley in Corby

Residential to Skreens Park in Chelmsford, where we did a load of activities including paddle boarding, high ropes, raft building and axe throwing. This was also a great opportunity for us to strengthen our relationships with our young people and encourage them to grow in confidence and self esteem.

In September we were able to resume an even larger programme of activities in the autumn term including running a second open access session in Sawston. Along with all our detached work and one to one work in the community, we have been engaging with over 200 young people at Sawston Village College.

We have seen growth in young people attending sessions, including a large number from the Shelfords and Stapleford but also from villages such as Whittlesford and Harston. We have run one to one support sessions with 20 young people this year, many of these on a long term basis.

Our relationship with Sawston Village College has gone from strength to strength and we currently do ten hours of one to ones, detached and group work in the school per week.

Young people are facing growing challenges year on year and we are privileged to be providing valuable support to many local young people.

We have also recently started a new recycling initiative. We now have a specific aluminium can recycling bin in the youth centre (above Shelford Memorial Hall) along with a



general recycling bin for paper, card, cartons, and plastic. We are grateful to the Parish Council for providing a recycling bin for us to use. The young people that attend are being educated on recycling and encouraged to participate in being more environmentally aware.

In May 2023 we released our annual report with a great selection of case studies, statistics and quotes from young people giving a detailed overview of all that we have been doing over the last year. We are so grateful to all of those who support our work including parish councils, churches and individuals.

For more information on the work we do and to view our full youth work report go to www.ssyi.club or contact our Lead Youth Worker, Zac Britton on zac.britton@ssyi.club or 07599024210.

Zac Britton (Lead Youth Worker) and Kirsty Townsend (Administrator)



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Julie's Jottings:

During the civic service to commemorate the coronation of King Charles III last month, the children asked the whole congregation to write on a crown shaped piece of card their hopes and prayers for the King. Ninety six people responded. This is how:

- 16 people focused on peace and unity
- 10 people focused on the environment and climate challenges
- 14 people wanted the King to advocate for the disadvantaged
- 13 hoped the King would promote and advise government to bring justice and equity
- 13 were looking for him to be a good example in society by showing kindness and being Christ-like
- 13 were hoping that the King will serve his people as he promised in the coronation service
- 4 expressly wanted him to listen and speak to people
- 6 people hoped and prayed that he would be healthy and happy in his role as King (and enjoy his grandchildren)
- and 7 coloured in their crown.

These responses reflect shared values and concerns. There is a desire for living together in concord and harmony, as well as for justice which empowers those who are disadvantaged and easily forgotten, so that they have a chance at fullness of life. Anxiety about the planet is also something which is widely felt.

In the Big Help Out, after the coronation, many people were engaged in voluntary work in their community. The hopes and aspirations for the King were matched by people's own endeavours to build the kind of community we want to live in.

This month we will have some special activities at St Mary's to which all are welcome. Please look below for details and join us if you can. These include looking at Trinity from different perspectives, including a child's eye view, on the first Sunday of the month. We celebrate new life when we welcome Sophie Thomas in Baptism and once again we will be joining with the Free Church for an Open Space adventure, this time in the Churchyard at St Mary's. There will be a garden party in the vicarage garden, No. 12 Church Street, with cream teas and games to play. There is also a Brass Band concert to look forward to.

Rev Julie Norris

Sundays in June

4 June, Trinity Sunday Rev Adrian Daffern will lead a traditional Trinity Holy Communion using the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) at 8am. He will also lead the Family and Parish Communion service at 10am, along with Gillian Pett. This is a service where children can help adults to understand what Trinity means.

11 June we celebrate the **Feast of St Barnabas the Apostle** at both the 8am and 10am service. Barnabas means ‘*son of encouragement*,’ and the Apostle Barnabas was known to be a wise mentor. It is remarkable what a difference it can make when someone else believes in you. Someone saying, ‘*I think you can*’ makes it much more likely that we will try.

18 June a traditional BCP Communion service at 8am. **The Baptism of Sophie Thomas** will take place at the 10am Parish Communion service.

The Youth Group will meet at 5 pm in the **Community Room**. Any young people who are over 11 are welcome to come to this. There is tea, coffee, juice and food available.

25 June The Bible readings for this day are a challenge. They focus on the value of human life and how to respond to bullying. At 8am there will be a traditional BCP Holy Communion and at 10am we will have a sung contemporary Parish Communion service.

Later there is the **Open Space Activity** for children and families. This starts at 3pm at St Mary’s just outside the Community Room and in the Church Yard for games and creative activities as well as juice and biscuits for children and tea and coffee for adults.

Other Events

Saturday 3 June 10.30–12 noon. Coffee Morning in the Community Room.

Saturday 17 June 2–5pm. Garden Party and Gift Day will take place in the Vicarage Garden, at 12 Church Street. There will be cream teas, children’s games and bric-a-brac and book stalls. *We hope that the weather will be good!*

Friday 23 June The City of Cambridge Brass Band will visit St Mary’s Church once again for a concert. The programme will be ‘A Celebration of Our British Isles’, carrying forward the patriotic spirit of the coronation. Tickets £15 for adults, accompanied children under 16 free. This concert is in aid of the Friends of St Mary’s.

Preparation for confirmation A number of children and families are going to undertake this. The first session will be on **2 July after the 10am service**. If you would like to be part of this please let Rev Julie know. 07771984699, or email. revjulienorris@gmail.com.

Last month we said a final farewell to our much loved friend **Maureen Dobson** who was laid to rest on 17 May. Maureen had been with us for over 30 years giving selfless service to anyone in need. She was a kind and thoughtful confidante and comforter and a wise counsellor. We shall greatly miss her.

On 28 May we thanked **Katharin Page** who has worked for us as Parish Administrator for the last ten years, as she moved her focus to other work. This means that if you need to contact St Mary's Church, you can either email Rev. Julie or our new Parish Administrator David Wilding (see details below).

Do pay us a visit

We are seeking to make the church a place to drop into for solace and space during the week. You are welcome to come in and look around at the historical features of a building, some dating from Saxon times. We have historic information to read and photographs of the church interior to view. There is an area where children can come and read some books, a space to light a candle and leave a prayer request. There are books on how to pray. There is also a book stall where people can donate books or buy books for a small charge.

Flower Festival

This is an advanced notice that on the weekend of **9 and 10 September**, St Mary's will be holding a **flower festival**. We are letting you know in advance so that flowers can be grown and planning can begin. We would like children to arrange flowers in jars or in a cup and saucer. If you would like to offer to do a larger flower arrangement then please let us know.

New website St Mary the Virgin Great Shelford

Our updated and revised website is now online at <https://www.stmarysgreatshelford.org> Sections of the site will be edited every month so that, as with this bulletin in the Village News you will be able, with confidence, to track our activities.

Thought for the month:

Kings have cares that wait upon a crown.

Robert Greene 1560 -1592

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‘YOU GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO EAT’

Is it really June already? Valentine’s Day suppers for two, Shrove Tuesday pancakes, Easter eggs, hot cross buns, not to mention this year’s extra treats of coronation this-and-that and now the approach of barbecue weather: food in its various forms is our constant companion in our progress through the year. Sadly, an increasing number of households struggle to feed themselves and have no treats.

There is quite a lot about eating in the Bible. On one occasion a crowd of some 5,000 people followed Jesus up a mountain to listen to him teach them. They listened to him until evening and by then they were hungry. When his companions asked Jesus how these people were going to be fed, Jesus replied, ‘You give them something to eat.’ (Mark 6:37). They were able to do just that, but only after Jesus had used his godly power to stretch a small basket of bread and fish to feed the entire crowd, with generous leftovers.

‘You give them something to eat.’ One of the ways we try to do this is by supporting a food bank. Our nearest food bank operates from the John Huntingdon’s Charity (JHC) at Sawston. You can contact the food bank on 01223 492492. Please do not hesitate to contact them if you are in need, and, equally, please donate any of the items below, if you can.

From June 1 we are moving the hamper for your donations from outside the church back inside the Ashen Green entrance. As well as on Sunday mornings, the church is staffed on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 8.30am until 1.30pm. Ring the doorbell and someone will come and let you in. We deliver your donations to the foodbank once or twice weekly.

Please be aware that all items must be in tins, jars, packets or pouches. There are no facilities for keeping fresh foods. Recommended items are meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, pasta, rice, beans and spaghetti in tomato sauce, cartons of UHT milk and juice, tea, coffee, chocolate powder or cocoa, biscuits and bake it yourself bread. The food must be in date. Sadly homemade items aren’t accepted. Basic toiletries and cleaning products are welcome, but no cosmetics. Everything you donate will be greatly appreciated and you will know for certain that you have helped someone.

Denise Bell, Member of Great Shelford Free Church

EVENTS AT GREAT SHELFORD FREE CHURCH

Sunday Services 10.30am, all welcome.

Café Church Sunday 18 June at 10.30am.

Informal service where refreshments are served around tables.

Open Space Sunday 25 June, 3–4.30pm.

Joint outdoor family event with St Mary's, held in St Mary's Churchyard.

Community Café: every Monday 10am–12noon.

Come join us for tea/coffee and homemade cake.

Little Steps Toddler Group on Wednesdays 10–11.30am. Term time only.

Tiny Toes Baby Group on Wednesdays 1.30–3pm. Term time only.

Praise and Worship Evening Friday 30 June, 7.30pm.

An evening to worship God together in song and prayer. Everyone welcome!

WI

Our most recent meeting was held just before the spectacular coronation weekend and was full of shimmer, colour and vibrant music. It was entitled A Musical Journey through Middle Eastern Egyptian Belly Dance.

Our tutor, Sue spoke of the importance of the many different styles of music depicting the many regions in Egypt. The dances, many of which are still used today, have been performed for hundreds of years. They celebrate work and rural village life across the various regions. Rhythms are produced on various instruments including pipes, primitive violins made of coconut shell with horse hair bow, drums and the voice, and the varying speeds are used by the dancers to travel (mainly sideways) across the dance floor. The leader using the castanets with drums and waving a handkerchief performs elaborate jumps and hops. The silks, braids and strong colours of the fabrics made this a very colourful and entertaining evening.

Our WI ladies would like to thank all those who contributed to the Coronation Tea, held on Sunday at the pavilion, which raised over £450 toward the eventual replacement of the clock on the Memorial Hall. Many supplied and purchased teas and cakes, set out tables and washed up to make this warm and sunny afternoon a memorable and glorious coronation weekend to remember. We are always happy to welcome visitors when we meet on the first Thursday of the month, apart from August.

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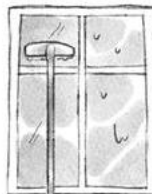
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Still going strong after 133 years, but under a new name.

When first registered with the Charity Commission in 1890, the Parochial Charities owned just a handful of cottages and smallholdings and one of its key activities was the distribution of coal to villagers who would otherwise freeze in winter. These days, while we no longer distribute coal, the charity has a larger scale of operation, providing homes for around 100 villagers and, with the completion of the new £4.4M almshouse development, it also has substantial financial commitments.

Being a charitable trust, the Parochial Charities had no legal personality, which meant that all contracts, legal actions (sue and be sued, etc) and other liabilities were underwritten personally by the trustees. Having taken legal advice – and with the approval of the Charity Commission – we have restructured the charity under a new name, **The Great Shelford Village Charity**, and appointed **GSVC Trustee Ltd** as its sole corporate trustee. The former trustees become unpaid directors of this not for profit charitable company.

Chair of the charity, Sarah Rann said, ‘We are not alone in doing this; other almshouse charities, such as those in Girton and Saffron Walden, have adopted similar structures. The Parochial Charities and its forerunners have assisted local people in need down the centuries and, rest assured, the directors of The Great Shelford Village Charity remain fully committed to continuing this work long into the future.’

The Charity Commission has also approved extending the reach of the charity so that assistance can be provided to a wider pool of beneficiaries. The 1890 charter did not allow assistance to be provided to anyone living outside Great Shelford, no matter how strong otherwise their connection to the village might be. Under our new constitution, we can now assist people who live in the village *or the surrounding area, or who otherwise have a strong connection to the village*. This allows us to help, for example, individuals who have been brought up within the village, who have had to move away because of the expense of local accommodation and who now wish or need to return.

With the announcement of the new structure we are also launching our new website <https://gsvc.org.uk>

Brian Connellan
Director, Great Shelford Village Charity



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Date	Event	Time	Place
1	WI	7.30pm	St Mary's Community Room
13	Granta Flower Club	7pm	GS Memorial Hall
14	Annual Cactus Show	7.30pm	GS Memorial Hall
17	St Mary's Garden Party	2pm	Vicarage, 12 Church St
17	2G3S Nature Walk	2.pm	Mingle Lane Cemetery
23	Brass Band Concert	7.30pm	St Mary's Church
24	Village Market	9.30am	Memorial Hall
28	History Walk	7.30pm	Foot of Granhams Rd
<p>Wednesdays: Country Market 9–11.30am Tuesdays: Dr Bike at Stapleford Slaughterhouse 3–5.30pm</p>			

	<p>BIN COLLECTIONS</p> <p>Black bins Tuesday 13, Tuesday 27 June Blue and Green bins Thursday 6, Tuesday 20 June</p>
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SHELFORD COUNTRY MARKET

Wednesday 3 May was a very special market day. A big thank you to everyone who joined us to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III. (see photos on front and back covers!). We enjoyed dressing up ourselves and there was a mass of 'red, white and blue' throughout the Memorial Hall. All the stalls were much admired. The display of regional foods included a Dundee Cake, Irish Soda Bread, a Bara Brith (Welsh tea bread), Oxford Marmalade, a Duke of Cambridge Tart, Shelford chutney and the Coronation Quiche. Teas and coffee were served in china cups with an assortment of cookies and a taster of Coronation Quiche and a Victoria Sandwich.

We were left feeling quite upbeat after the Coronation celebrations which made us think 'what next' so look out for our next special effort. Meantime the plant tables are becoming well laden with fine healthy plants – everything from herbs for your kitchen window sill, vegetable plants for your own home grown early vegetables to garden shrubs. The Market has so much to offer. Look at our logo: 'COOK-CRAFT-GROW' and everything we sell is home made, home grown or hand crafted.

The Wednesday Country Market is a social cooperative and belongs to the wider network of 'Country Markets Ltd'. Members work together and are not individual stall holders. If you'd like to join us as a cook, gardener or crafter, please get in touch. There are lots of ways to make contact: come into the market, visit our facebook page, phone 01223 843946 or send an email to dorothy@woodlandroad.plus.com

Dorothy Doel

GRANTA FLOWER CLUB

We met on 9 May with members battling through the epic downpour to arrive and enjoy a fantastic, tasty buffet followed by a floral demonstration by Kathy Stangaard.

We were agog at the speed of Kathy's work not to mention her skill at producing such amazing arrangements and delivering an engaging chat. It was a memorable evening.

Our next meeting is Tuesday 13 June with demonstrator Elizabeth Robertson from Prickwillow. Her presentation is entitled 'My family and other animals!'

Visitors are most welcome at 7pm at Great Shelford Memorial Hall.

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Saturday 10 June, 2–4pm, eco-event for children. Find out about insects, do some citizen science and make a bug hotel! Please book in advance at the library. <https://greatbiggreenweek.com/>

Wednesday 14 June, 10am–1pm. The Friends are holding a drop in event inviting you to write a Letter to Tomorrow. Express your thoughts and concerns about climate change in a letter to a future person – it could even be your future self. Letters will be added to a campaign to encourage decision makers to act now on climate change. <https://www.letterstotomorrow.com/>

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If you have caring responsibilities come to the library this month to find out about support and other useful information – look for our display.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Story and Rhyme Time. Tuesdays 10.30am, 6 June and 20 June. For children aged 0–4 years. Come and enjoy stories and rhymes led by our wonderful volunteers. A free drop in event. Parents/ carers please stay with your children.

Lego Club. Monday 19 June, 4.30–5.30pm. Come along and have some fun making LEGO models. All materials provided. Suggested donation of £1.00. Parents and carers please stay with your children.

Engage Talk. The Joys of Nordic Walking, Wednesday 28 June 2–3.30pm. A donation of £2 is appreciated. Please stay for a drink after the talk. Pre-book in the library or via email (see below).

Opening hours see page 24

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Mel Abbiss

2G3S

Some of you may have seen us at the Great Shelford Family Fun Day, where we gave out sunflower seedlings for children to plant and helped people make bug hotels using jars, flowerpots, twigs, corrugated card, fir cones, and so on. We also intend to be at the Stapleford Village Weekend and at the Shelford Feast, so come and talk to us about anything green.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Nature Walk, Saturday 17 June, 2pm. The next walk, led by John O'Boyle, will meet at the path down to the Cemetery on Mingle Lane. Land at the back of the cemetery has been planted as a wildflower meadow, come along and see the flowers and insects that can now be found there. See biodiversity in action! Wear suitable footwear and clothing; all walks are at attendees' own risk.

Cycle ride, Monday 19 June, 10am start. Join us for a leisurely ride (around 20 miles) on quiet roads and traffic free paths, including a coffee stop. Start at Stapleford Pavilion, return by 1pm. Booking essential at greener@sawston.org

Dr Bike, Tuesday afternoons, 3–6pm The bike repair sessions are continuing in the Slaughterhouse in Stapleford. (for more information see next page).

Great Shelford Repair Café, Saturday 15 July, afternoon. Our next Repair Cafe is at the Great Shelford Rugby Club. We hope to combine it with a clothes swap or jumble sale to expand on the idea of making the most of what we already have and reducing our impact at the same time. There will be a link for booking in items for repair on the Cambridge Carbon Footprint events web pages where you can also find details of other local repair cafes. Remember: Reduce, Repair, Reuse, or Recycle if all else fails.

WHAT WE CAN DO

'Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.' Margaret Mead,

Hopefully you are adopting **wildlife friendly gardening** in some way: feeding birds, growing nectar rich plants or following No Mow May. Get more ideas from the South Cambs Organic Gardeners Club (find on Facebook, or more details on our website). Don't forget, if you saw flowers and insects on your unmown lawn, do send in pictures to our email address.

Many residents will have received a letter from James Littlewood, the CEO of Cambridge PPF, about **the busway**. Do consider helping the campaign if you can, more info at bw4b.org. People living in Great Shelford and Stapleford have had the opportunity to give their views on the Neighbourhood Plan proposals. It's important to use your voice when you can, don't just think you can't influence decisions and policies.

Helen Hale

DR BIKE CONTINUES

NOW ON TUESDAYS, 3–5.30PM THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

Dr Bike, ‘Making your bike better’ is run by volunteers at the Slaughterhouse in Church Street, Stapleford, used with kind permission of the Parish Council.

Throughout the winter we have fixed numerous bikes, some only needing minor adjustments to get them into fine fettle, but common faults have been worn or corroded brakes or gear cables or just lack of lubrication. We can show you a 22 point check, for your, or your children’s bikes, and can normally fix issues. We ask you to stay throughout the process, to better understand your bike. That knowledge should help you in the future. With donations received, we now even have a supply of minor parts that are often all that’s needed to make your bike better. If we can’t help we’ll suggest a local bike shop.

If you want your bike, or your children’s bikes to be safer and easier to ride please bring them to us.

We’ve a good band of experienced, but amateur bike fixers, but we also need more helpers to build up a team during the summer. For each session we need just one person capable of understanding and fixing those difficult to diagnose issues, but for the majority of fixes or adjustments all that is needed is a few DIY skills, the right tools, which we generally already have, our checklist, and possibly a few of our spares.

If you have DIY mechanical skills and can spare a Tuesday afternoon just once each month, we need you.

For those of you with a bike that isn’t quite right, or a child’s bike that has seen better days, please bring them along and we’ll do our best to make them better. It is rewarding to fix those minor faults on a quality, but 30 year old bike, and then see the owner returning from a test ride with a big grin on their face. All we ask is that you follow our 22 point check, to see how best you can maintain your bike. If adjustments or minor repairs are needed we request a donation to help maintain our stock of minor parts and consumables.

We want to continue to run this service for those who live in our local villages, but this needs both customers and volunteer helpers, to ensure better bikes for all in our villages.

We’ll also be at the ‘Tour de Stapleford’ on Sunday June 25 from 10am

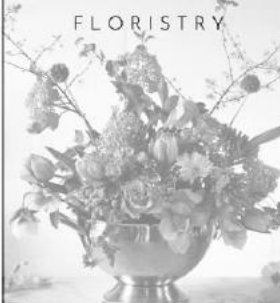
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SHELFORD FEAST

Shelford Feast is running this year from Saturday 1 to Saturday 8 July with a variety of events to suit all tastes. Although it is organised by a valiant 'Bunch' of people (all volunteers), many more are needed to help with the various tasks entailed.

Starting with set up, there's a bar to be built, a food tent to be organised and a stockade to be built.

Feast Day is on Sunday (2 July) when the stalls appear (all staffed by kind volunteers), a hog roast, arena events, music and all the fun of the fair. We need salad preparers, food servers, tea helpers, cake makers, litter pickers – and lots of all of them.

There are events each evening with a bar which needs staffing, a door to be manned and a food tent with cooks and servers to be found. Finally, when it is all over, we need volunteers to help clear up, stack chairs and tables, fill skips and return equipment to the shed.

Can you help with any of these tasks? **PLEASE?** If you enjoy the Feast and wish to support it by doing more than just attending, get in touch (coppendales@btinternet.com) and volunteer. Even if you can spare only an hour or so to help serve Feast food on the Sunday, it would be great to hear from you.

For more information about the programme, go to www.shelfordfeast.co.uk
Tickets can be purchased from local pubs and shops who display '**Feast tickets on sale here**' signs.

Some of these outlets (Barkers Brothers Butchers, Cambridge Building Society, The Three Horseshoes and the Plough) have card readers if you prefer to play by card instead of by cash or cheque. Tickets can also be bought online with a booking fee via the Feast website (see above).

The Feast entertains the local community, it is a registered charity and profits are disbursed to local good causes BUT it cannot go ahead without kind volunteers to help make it happen.

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	Judge Jules: Live	7-11pm, Grand Marquee	<i>Labb</i>
Sun 2 July	FEAST DAY	12-5pm, Great Shelford Rec.	<i>Scotsdales</i>
Mon 3 July	Dance night	7-9pm, Grand Marquee	
	Children from local dance groups perform		
Tues 4 July	Sawston Youth Drama	7-9pm, Grand Marquee	<i>HR Millen First Aid Training</i>
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Wed 5 July	Comedy Night	7-11pm, Grand Marquee	
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Thurs 6 July	Big Quiz Night	6.30-11pm, Grand Marquee	
Fri 7 July	The Amy Winehouse Band		<i>Adcock</i>
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	Phoenix Winds	7-9pm, St Mary's Church	
Sat 8 July	Mark Crooks Quintet	5.30-9.30pm, Stapleford Granary	
	Trevor Nelson	7-11pm, Grand Marquee	<i>Bidwells</i>

NOT LONG NOW UNTIL THE 2023 SHELFORD FEAST!

The Feast is coming and excitement is mounting. The Feast organising committee, the Bunch, has been meeting, discussing, planning and discussing some more for months and months and now the Feast is almost in sight!

We have an amazing line up of events over 8 days and 4 locations and tickets are selling fast. Buy yours online via our website www.shelfordfeast.co.uk or find them in local shops (see website or social media posts for details).



The Shelford Feast is a wonderful village tradition, a registered charity that brings joy to the village and raises funds for so many local organisations. And it couldn't happen without the support of our sponsors, who generously offer time, money, ideas and all sorts of other assistance. Our new main sponsor for 2023 is **Cambridge Creative**, the creative design and digital marketing agency based in Little Shelford; their energy and dynamism make it a pleasure to work with them.

We also have support from staunch year on year sponsors and Friends of the Feast: Panther Taxis; Tayabali & White (a longstanding local accountancy and business consulting firm), Scotsdales Garden Centre; Adcock Refrigeration and Air Conditioning, and Wedd Joinery. New this year are the sponsors of *Judge Jules: Live*, Labb, digital transformation and services consultancy, and the sponsors of our *Trevor Nelson* night, leading property consultancy Bidwells, as well as Welch's Transport, office fit out specialists Coel, and HR Millen First Aid Training.

The Bunch would like to say a great big enormous thank you to all our sponsors, old and new!

If you or your business can offer any help or support, be it financial or in kind, we would love you to become a Friend of the Feast! All offers of help of any size are very gratefully received. Please contact any member of the Bunch or email us on sponsorship@shelfordfeast.co.uk

We look forward to hearing from you – and to seeing you at the Feast!

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SAWSTON'S CORONATION FUN RUN

GREAT SHELFORD'S SULLIVAN SMITH SETS THE PACE

A big thank you to all our kind sponsors, participants and volunteers for taking part in the 37th successful year of active fundraising. This year we attracted our largest entry figure ever, with a whopping 1,335 runners taking part; we estimate to have raised over £15,000 for our chosen beneficiaries. This will take our cumulative total close to £530,000 that has been donated towards local charities and organisations since the event was started in 1986.

It's not all about competition, our main focus is to bring families together for an amazing event! But we have to give credit where it is due to our 2023 Sawston Fun Run champion Sullivan Smith from Great Shelford, who completed the run in just 23 mins and 26 seconds. The first lady home was Catlin Wade from Trumpington, with a finishing time of 30 mins and 6 seconds.

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the event. A full list of results will be posted on the Sawston Fun Run website. www.sawstonfunrun.co.uk

The two major charities to benefit from the 2023 Sawston Fun Run and Walk will be Arthur Rank Hospice Charity and Cambridge Cancer Help Centre.

Other local groups to benefit will be Camms Meals on Wheels, Active With Parkinson's Cambs Group, The DX Club (Duxford After School Club), Icknield Primary School PTA, Anglian Leisure Sawston, Whittlesford Over 80's Pilates Group, Sawston Air Cadets and dictionaries for students at our local Primary Schools.

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I received the initial invitation by email, to my great surprise, weeks ago. I almost missed it, being away at the time. And I could not work out ‘why me?’ But I immediately booked hotel and train. It was not until Buckingham Palace announced that 450 recipients of the British Empire Medal had been invited, especially those that had received the award to recognise their work during COVID-19, that it became clear why: I was one of them. My focus had been helping 100s of Cambridge homeless people off the streets, arranging good accommodation and excellent food and support, bringing together a wide network of volunteers and organisations. All part of It Takes a City, the community response to homelessness I founded in 2018.

The beautifully inscribed and handwritten invitation arrived in the post a couple of weeks before the Coronation – envelopes stamped Buckingham Palace do not arrive very often!

The day dawned cool but clear, with the threat of rain. All of us, small and great alike, queued from just after 7am and were shepherded through a long line of ‘street-liners’ – wonderful cheerful volunteers who had all been up since 2.30am – and into the security area. Perhaps the friendliest bag check ever.

The Abbey hits you on first entry – the colours, the coronation theatre, the scale, the array of people from the suited and day dressed to the ermined and robed all mixed together, all trying to find their seats. I got lost but was eventually guided.

In my seat – no wandering around please and no photos! – by about 8am, it was time to study the large and beautifully printed order of service. Looking around I did not recognise anyone – some with BEMs like me, some with extensive rows of medals, some with none.

Most in the Abbey had to see most of the proceedings on a TV screen, not always nearby – we were a small group with a big screen so were really engaged. It was a profound experience, spiritually, lending my voice to the King and Queen and saying amen to the Archbishop’s proclamations, and musically, an extraordinary quality of composition and playing. I downloaded the recording – it still moves me.

The time flew by as we concentrated on the words and the actions – over five hours of sitting was relieved by a lot of standing during the service – but once the main procession had left, we could ‘wander around’. After leaving the Abbey it was not possible to walk round to see the procession to Buckingham Palace or it was back to the hotel, a cup of coffee with a fellow attendee, lunch and a wander home, digesting the sights and sounds into a life long memory of a great day, a great privilege and a great blessing.

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U3AC's course programme follows an academic cycle, with three terms, starting in October. However, new members can join at any time. In addition to courses, U3AC offers a weekly lecture series and social events throughout the year, which bring members together and offer the chance to meet more like minded people. You'll also find members congregating over a cup of coffee after classes in Bridge Street.



Visit

www.u3ac.org.uk for more information on courses, vacancies and membership.

HISTORY WALK

Now that it's summer, it's time for a History Walk! On this occasion we'll be going from the corner of Granhams Road, along High Green and down Tunwells Lane to Freestones' Corner.

I'll talk about the houses there, and why they are where they are, about the old Green, after which High Green is named and about the changing shape of the village. Find out who Tunwell was and why the Freestones were such a part of the village.

And finally, the postcard pictured below was probably produced earlier than its 1971 postage date – if anyone knows when the photo might have been taken please do contact Helen Harwood or *GSVN* with your ideas!



High Green and Tunwells Lane Walk

Wednesday 28 June at 7.30pm

Meet on the corner of Granhams Road and High Green (beside Noel Young Wines).

The walk will last between 60 and 90 minutes, ending on the corner of Station Road and Tunwells Lane.

Afterwards, you may join us for a drink at the Square and Compasses, if you so wish.

There will be a charge of £2 for the walk. No booking required. For further details contact Helen Harwood, tel. 840393, email

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OLD NEWS

Extracts from The Great Shelford Chronicle 1774–1868

*Compiled and re-published by Anne George, Glynis Trundle
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3 June 1825

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17 June 1843

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SAWSTON OPEN GARDENS 2023

Four Sawston gardens will be open to visitors on Sunday 2 July to support the National Garden Scheme. Buy your ticket (£6) and collect a map at the first garden you visit. The gardens are all open from 1–5 pm.

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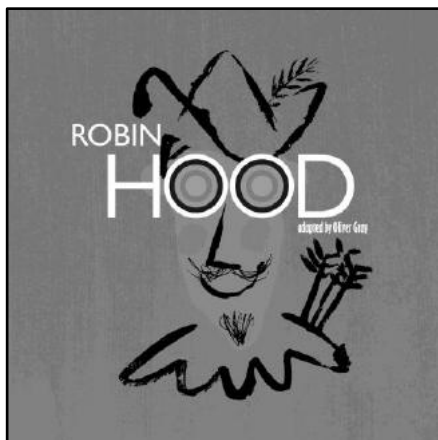
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TENNIS CLUB

MEET YOUR COMMITTEE

Summer league matches are well under way and the last stages of our winter mixed handicap tournament are wrapping up. The final of that tournament will be between Sarah Richards and Rik Henson against Marcus and Judith Forgham.

Judith, Sarah Thacker and Caroline Clulow recently joined the committee, establishing an Events subcommittee. They're up next in our series.

Q: What are your names and how long have you been members?



A: Caroline and Judith – we were both members at the Grove in Saffron Walden before we both coincidentally moved to Great Shelford five years ago and joined the club.

Sarah has played at the club for 20 years – she knows everyone and everything!

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

A: Obviously all the members enjoy playing tennis at various levels at the club, but the social aspect is also important. We were excited to have the opportunity to relaunch the social events that were run pre Covid but also inject some new ideas into the agenda for the year.

Q: What events have you got planned?

A: Our first event is on Wednesday 24 May when Top Spin Tennis will bring an extensive range of rackets down to the club for members to try out and GSTC clothing will also be on sale. We will be running a Wimbledon tournament, of course to include strawberries and cream, we will have an interactive stall at the Feast. We will conclude the season with a bash and we hope to run a Christmas quiz.

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

A: It's a very friendly, relaxed and inclusive club where everyone is welcome!

Did you know: If you pop down to the club on a Friday evening you can often get to see some excellent competitive tennis when our GSTC teams compete against other teams in the Cambridgeshire League.

Angharad Harris (Photo: Marcus Forgham)

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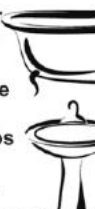
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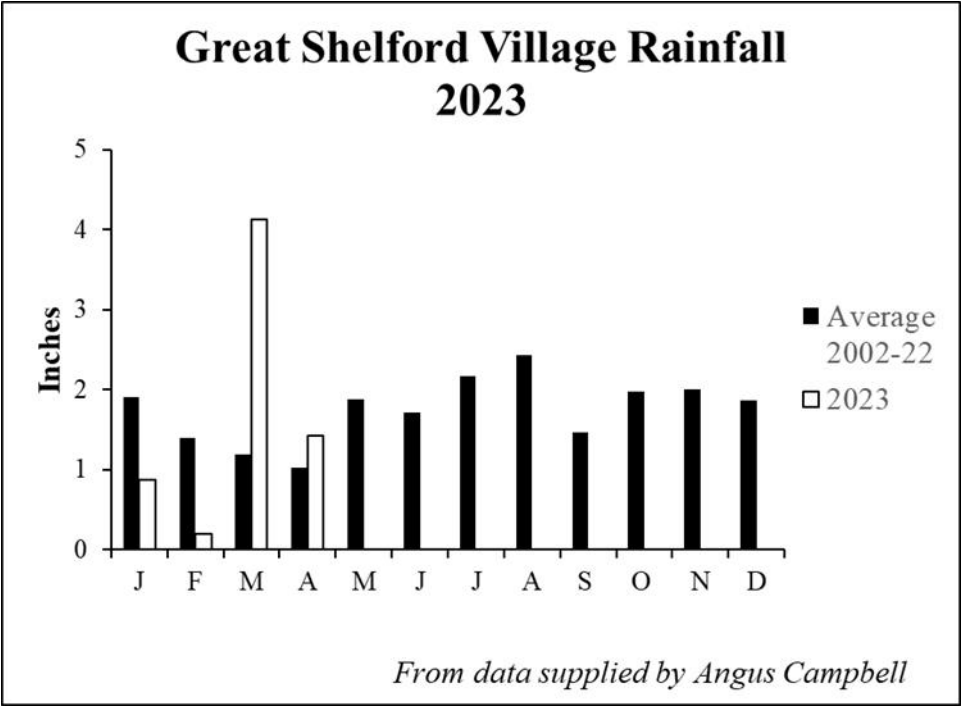
CRICKET CLUB

After the first match was lost to the coronation day rain the season got underway on the rec a week later – on a very cold day that felt more like March than May – with a match against Barrington who were promoted with us at the end of last season. Barrington gained revenge for our two victories over them last year, but it went down to the final ball before we lost by just two runs. Dropped catches contributed to Barrington’s total, but special mention goes to a great catch by our young debutant, Jack Carnegie to dismiss their best batter for a duck. Several of our team made runs, but nobody was able to go on to make a match winning contribution.

Our Under 10s started their season with a 37 run victory away to Saffron Walden and our other youth teams will have started their seasons by the time you read this – though given the recent conditions perhaps I should add ‘weather permitting’.

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WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

A round up of what's on at some of the venues near us. For more information, times, ticket prices and bookings, please contact the organisation. This information has been taken from websites, can be subject to change and the event may already be booked.

CAMBRIDGE ARTS THEATRE	
31 May – 4 June	Demon Dentist (<i>for children</i>)
5 – 10	Stumped
20 – 24	The Smeds and the Smoos (<i>for children</i>)
27 – 1 July	Around the World in 80 Days
Telephone: 01223 503333 Web: www.cambridgeartstheatre.com	

SAWSTON CINEMA	
8	Best of Enemies - National Theatre Live (7pm)
15	Fleabag (7pm)
Telephone: 01223 712825 Web: http://sawstoncinema.org.uk/	

WANDLEBURY COUNTRY PARK	
6	Tree Identification (10am–12 noon)
13	Walk with a Warden (10.30am–12.30pm)
27	Wandlebury Wildflowers in Summer (10am–12 noon)
https://www.cambridgeppf.org/Pages/Events/Category/wandlebury-country-park-events	

STAPLEFORD GRANARY	
4	The fearsome Giant (10am and 12noon)
9	Flook (<i>outdoor courtyard concert 7.30pm</i>)
16	LYR (<i>outdoor courtyard concert 7.30pm</i>)
30	The Trials of Cato (<i>outdoor courtyard concert 7.30pm</i>)
Telephone 01223 849004 Web: www.staplefordgranary.org.uk	

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY		
3	Museum of Zoology	Night Off (<i>after hours tour for 16+</i>)
3	Botanic Garden	Wild Weaving (<i>for families, 10am–1pm</i>)
30 May – 3 Jun	Scott Polar Institute	Sensory Trail (<i>Half term activity</i>)
Until 25	Kettles Yard	Lucie Rie Exhibition
Web: https://www.museums.cam.ac.uk/		

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS

2G3S Green Group	Linda Whitebread	greengroupssss@gmail.com	843438
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