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Events at a Glance

Fen Drayton Fenstanton Hilton

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Poppy Appeal

Nov 2024

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09 Hilton Fireworks
09 Christmas Craft Fair, Community Café,
Village Hall
16 November Fayre, URC
16 Calendar Girls Launch Party,
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Primary School
27 Meet your Neighbourhood Policing
Team, online
30 Christmas Fayre, Parish Church
30 Mulled Wine evening for
Church Restoration Fund,
contact Ian Hucklesby

Dec 2024

01 Christmas Lights, outside Three Tuns
03 Meet your Neighbourhood Policing
Team, online Fenstanton/Hilton
06 Christmas Lights, Clock Tower
06-08 Christmas Tree Festival, URC
07 Seasonal Sing-Along, Village Hall
13 Winter Fair, Primary School
14 Swavesey Community Choir,
Community Café
21 Christmas Crunch (crafts and
lunch) for children, Church Centre
26 Fenstanton Morris, Clock Tower

Feb 2025

08 Comedy Night with Jubado's

If you have an event coming up that you would like to have listed on this page please send the details to Anne at fenstanton@thejournal.life

The last month of

Autumn

Officially the last month of Autumn, the name November is from the ancient Roman calendar when it was the ninth month and was called 'novem' in Latin. An interesting fact about November is that throughout the 37 plays and 154 sonnets written by Shakespeare he doesn't make any reference to November!

The fifth of the month will see fireworks on both sides of the Atlantic. As we celebrate Guy Fawkes' night here the Americans go the polls to elect their next president. If you want to keep your head down, we have some fascinating articles in The Journal this month to keep you distracted. Don't miss The letter from the Home Front in this month of remembrance or thoughts on Gaudi's cathedral in Barcelona.

If you have a story to share please do get in touch we would love to hear it.

From all at The Journal we hope you enjoy this edition

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Hilton Feast Week



The Hilton Feast Week Committee has been hard at work planning the fundraising schedule for Feast Week 2025. It's shaping up to be an exciting year! Be sure to mark these dates in your calendars, and keep an eye out for more details here in The Journal, on social media, and on the village noticeboards as the events draw nearer.

- Comedy Night with Jubado's – Saturday, 08 February 2025
- Quiz Night – Saturday, 22 March 2025
- Family Egg Hunt – Saturday, 19 April 2025
- Murder Mystery Evening with Strictly Murder – Saturday, 10 May 2025

And most importantly, don't forget to save the dates for Feast Week 2025:

Saturday, 27 July – Sunday, 02 August 2025

We are looking forward to supporting Hilton Parish Council at the fireworks display on Saturday 09 November 2024 with our BBQ and refreshments stall. You will find us on The Wilderness, as usual, selling hot dogs, mulled wine, hot chocolate, drinks and snacks as well as an assortment of light up toys. It is always a fantastic event and a pleasure to be asked to run the stall.

We would also like to invite you to join us for our AGM at 8pm on Wednesday, 27 November 2024, at The Prince of Wales, Hilton.

Hilton Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings in aid of EACH
(East Anglia's Children's Hospices)

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Village News

Fenstanton Glebe Allotment Association Autumn Newsletter



It seems only five minutes ago that the allotments were beginning to show new shoots of growth and now we have almost finished harvesting the summer fruit and vegetables and are starting to clear away the remnants of these crops. Now is the time to prepare overwintering of the beds with mulch and cardboard or fleece, whilst keeping an eye on winter crops such as parsnips, brussels, cabbage, kale and leeks.

It has been a very good growing season, despite the weather and the various slugs and snails, and many plot holders have had a bumper crop of tomatoes. Even green tomatoes can be made into chutney.

We had a children's competition to grow the tallest sunflower during the summer and the winners were Finley and Jacob Taylor with a sunflower measuring 205cm. Well done! The prize was mini gardening tools to encourage them to grow an even taller sunflower next year.

We also have a competition for the biggest pumpkin, with the measuring taking place on 13 October. Watch this space to see who won! The competition this year has been quite fierce with rumours of sabotage!

Thank you again to the Parish Council for their continued support.

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On Sunday 3rd November from 1-4pm at the Hilton Methodist Church, Potton Road, Hilton, Elly Norman will be raising funds and awareness for Crohn's and Colitis UK. This can be an incredibly debilitating condition and she should know, as she is a sufferer!!

Everyone is welcome, she will cater for Gluten free, dairy free diets as she has to follow these herself. She is happy to answer any questions and talk about how we deal with this condition on a daily basis.

We need help for the Fen Drayton Poppy Appeal



We will be doing the usual door-to-door collection again this year for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

Several of our long-term collectors are now unable to help, so if this is something you would like to be involved with, please contact me! Everything you need is provided, and should take a maximum of an hour or two, depending on which "route" you're able to do.

Money collected is used to help members of the Royal Navy, British Army, Royal Air Force, veterans and their families, supporting serving and ex-serving personnel (for more information see www.britishlegion.org.uk).

We start door-to-door collections on 24 October and, as usual, hope to have boxes in our local businesses as well. For more information, my email is gonecompletelybonkers@gmail.com

Thank you! Jo Hitchins (Poppy Appeal Organiser, Fen Drayton)

FENSTANTON UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Friday 6 Dec 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Saturday 7 Dec 10:00am - 5:00am

Sunday 8 Dec 11:00am - 2:00pm

Donations at the door for
Local charities/church

Our Christmas Tree Festival will be on Friday 6 December, Saturday 7 December and Sunday 8 December. If you would like to enter a decorated tree into this, please let me know.

Any shape, size or theme.

Jean Ding - jeanelizabethding@gmail.com



Plans are already underway

The Fenstanton Big Village Fun Day team are already working hard towards next year's event. Save **Saturday 05 July 2025** for another family orientated day of fun on the school playing field. A new feature for next year will be a novelty dog show and all dogs will be welcome at the event. Kara from the Fairy Dog Mother parlour will be our judge, as she has been involved with a number of other similar competitions.

The team have been given permission by the school for dogs to be allowed at the event on the express understanding that no dog mess is left on the field. Bins and bags will be provided and they are confident that all owners will act responsibly.

The Craft and Produce Show will also be given a boost with new categories introduced. Categories will be published immediately in the New Year.



Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School PTA

CHRISTMAS WREATH WORKSHOP

Wednesday 27th November 7pm
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Hilton Advent Lunches

Hilton's Advent Lunches will start on Wednesday 27 November and will continue every Wednesday until 18 December.

This year, the chosen charity is the Huntingdon and Godmanchester Youth Café. The café started two years ago as part of the warm spaces initiative, when it was realised that many secondary schoolchildren were cycling past Huntingdon Methodist Church on their way home after school.

The Church decided that it could and should offer a safe, welcoming and warm space between school and home. The venture now draws over 50 children weekly into the Church's new extension, where they can just sit and chat or play games whilst enjoying cakes and hot chocolate or milk shakes in the summer. See list of date on page 14.



Hilton Coffee Morning

We would like to thank those of you who have kindly donated to our Macmillan Coffee Morning at the end of September.

We are still collecting and are pleased to inform you that we have already raised over £500. If anyone would still like to donate, please do drop your donation through the door at 16, Scotts Close, Hilton.

Thank you for your kind generosity as always!"



Peter Blake

It is with huge sadness that we are letting you know that Peter Blake sadly died on 4 October 2024.

Peter loved living in and contributing to Hilton village life, being part of this special community, and made lots of friends over the decades.

His family would like to thank you for all the cards, kind words, and loving support they have received from you.

Rosemary, Alison and Chris

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Hilton Royal British Legion

It is with sorrow that Julie and Margaret wish to record the sad passing of Peter Blake.

Following his retirement from the Royal Air Force, for many years Peter was a Poppy Appeal Collector in Hilton in support of the Royal British Legion for which we offer our profound thanks.

The village will also remember with gratitude the years when he and Rosemary supported the MacMillan charity with their autumn Coffee Mornings.

On behalf of the Legion and ourselves we offer our deepest sympathy to Rosemary and her family at this sad and difficult time.

The Remembrance Sunday service was also important to Peter so may we remind everyone that it will take place at the Lychgate on Sunday November 10th at 10:45am



Hilton Churches' Advent Lunches

In Aid of Huntingdon and Godmanchester After School Café
Do come and join us for a light lunch between 12:30 and 2:00pm.

Wednesday, November 27th.
Wistow, The Green
by kind invitation of Claire and Nick Sarkies.

Wednesday, December 4th.
20, Chequers Croft
by kind invitation of Christina and Steven Sheppard.

Wednesday, December 11th.
Abbotsmede, Chapel Close
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Wednesday, December 18th.
7, Chequers Croft
by kind invitation of Heather and Ian Woods.

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10th November 2024 10.50am



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District News

For Fenstanton and Hilton

Updates from Clare Tevlin, your District Councillor



Local Plan:

Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC) is calling on the community to participate in the Local Plan Engagement 2024 - a crucial consultation process, running until 27 November, that will shape the future of Huntingdonshire.

HDC is seeking feedback on several key documents that are essential to the plan-making process. These include:

- Further Options and Issues Paper 2024: This document outlines various options for addressing a series of important issues facing the district.
- Land Availability Assessments: An assessment of sites that were submitted to the council that could be suitable for development.
- Sustainability Appraisals: An analysis of site proposals and options based on their economic, environmental, and social impact.

Feedback must be submitted through the consultation portal to be formally considered in the local plan process. Head to: <https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/planning/local-plan-update>

Flooding:

There has been significant amount of flooding across the District this autumn. You can find the latest flood alert information here: <https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/environmental-issues/flooding/> and: <https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/news/flood-warnings-and-alerts/>

The Environment Agency (EA) has a useful presentation on the River Great Ouse Sluices (impacting flood risk mitigation), see: <https://>

[youtube/6NiUlpZKfRI?si=r5lZVjJWEIGYf5Q](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r5lZVjJWEIGYf5Q) - River Great Ouse: Sluice Fact v Sluice Fiction.

You can also find the latest update on the St Ives Brownhill Staunth Sluices here: <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/east-anglia-c-e/st-ives-and-brownhill-staunth-sluices-information/> Commenting on the state of the Staunth Sluices, the EA has said: "The future of these structures is challenging and we are actively working to identify a long-term approach and available funding for the two structures, considering their primary purpose."

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority (CPCA) Bus Franchising consultation:

The CPCA recognises how important buses are to our communities and wants to address the current challenges, including the performance of local bus services. Under a franchised network, the Combined Authority would contract private bus operators to run services on its behalf but have control over the routes, frequency, fares and overall standards of the region's buses.

Now is the time for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough to review how its buses are operated, to improve services for all. The bus franchising consultation runs until Wednesday 20 November 2024. Your views matter, so please get involved and have your say – head to <https://cpca-yourvoice.co.uk/bus-franchising-consultation/>

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Christmas Day	TBC	Closed
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Friday 27 th December	12:00 - 23:00	12:00 - 14:00 17:30 - 21:00
Saturday 28 th December	12:00 - 23:00	12:00 - 14:00 17:30 - 21:00
Sunday 29 th December	12:00 - 22:00	12:00 - 17:00
Monday 30 th December	Closed	Closed
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* Merry Christmas from us all *



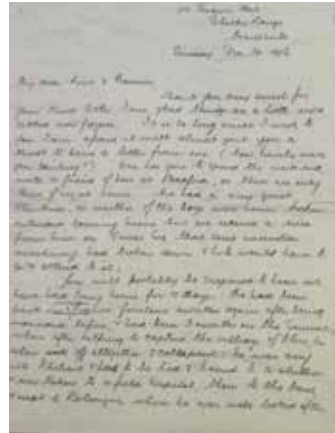
Step into the Past

A letter from the home front By Malcolm Lynn

In the early years of the last century, most people kept in touch by letter and postcards, as only very rich people had telephones. Some of the letters and postcards which were sent by members of my family in the early years of the 20th Century have survived and I would like to share this one, which was written in 1916, during the First World War.

The letter-writer, Ethel Walker, was living in Manchester and the recipients were in a small village in north Nottinghamshire. In this letter, Ethel describes some of the effects of the war on everyday life in Manchester and also some of the experiences of her brother, Erny, who has returned home from the front line in France.

Transcript of a letter, (original opposite) from Ethel Walker (my grandmother's cousin), to my great-grandmother and her daughters, Mary and Emily Walker. Ethel, Mary and Emily were all in their mid-20s when the letter was written.



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Manchester
Sunday, 31 December 1916

My dear Aunt & Cousins,

Thank you very much for your kind letter, I am glad things are a little more settled now for you. It is so long since I wrote to you I am afraid it will almost give you a shock to have a letter from me. (Now, Emily were you smiling?). Eva (Ethel's sister) has gone to spend the week end with a friend of hers at Bradford, so there are only three of us at home. We had a very quiet Christmas, as neither of the boys were home. Arthur intended coming home but we received a wire from him on Xmas Eve that some munition machinery had broken down & he would have to go & attend to it.

You will probably be surprised to hear we have had Erny (brother) home for 10 days. He had been back in France fourteen months again after being wounded before, & had been 3 months on the Somme, when, after helping to capture the village of Flers, he when [sic] off altogether & collapsed; he was very ill I believe & had to be tied & bound to a stretcher & was taken to a field hospital, then to the base, & next to Boulogne, where he was well looked after. Then the doctor said he must return to England. So he was sent to a private hospital in Sussex (one of Lord Brassey's Houses) where he stayed two months. One night while there (he told us) he thought in his sleep he was in a bombing raid, & got up shouting "Over the top, boys" & jumped on the man in the next bed & knocked him about dreadfully. Of course he didn't know until the next morning when everybody chaffed him about it. It seems he had too much to do on the Somme, he was the only officer in the platoon for two months.

We were glad to see him again; he arrived on the night of a Zeppelin scare & about 7 o'clock I lighted the hall lamp & put the other lights on at full & said I didn't care what the police said, as I was going to have a bright house and welcome Erny home. Anyhow about 9 o'clock the lights began to go low & by the time Erny arrived we had only candles. Of course the Zepps did not come, but the lights went off in case they did arrive.

It is very dark in the streets here now & the shops close at 8 o'clock, but of course we make the best of it.

Erny had a great many tales to tell us; he was in the village of Guillemont when the "Tanks" were first used. The men had orders to attack the Germans in the main street; they took half of the street, & paused; the other half was bristling with German machine guns & the houses were like forts pouring out shells all the time. Then the men got orders to hold where they were, & up came a "tank"; Erny said the British were scared of it, never mind the huns; anyhow it went straight up the street, right through the houses and out the other side, meanwhile the huns flew in every direction, & hundreds of our Tommies lives were saved.

I don't know whether I am boring you with this news but I could write all night about his adventures, so perhaps I had better conclude. It does seem a long time since I saw any of you but hope we shall meet again before very long, and trust this coming year will bring you more happiness than 1916.

I am,

Your loving niece & cousin
Ethel Walker

PS Erny is now in Camp in England & may go to France any day.

PS Your prayers for him, I am sure have been answered; it seems to us as if he had been plucked not once but many times from the jaws of death.

PS Mother and Father send their love & they hope you will come at the first opportunity you have.

(Readers may be interested to know that Emy Walker survived the war and married in 1923. Emy died in 1939)



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Fenstanton Chapel Green	3.50pm – 4.20pm

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A short service will be held in the churchyard near the Church Centre beginning at 10.40am followed by the Act of Remembrance at the Fenstanton War Memorial.

The service will move to the War Memorial for the Act of Remembrance, including the Last Post, silence, Reveille, the reading of names and the laying of wreaths.

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The eighth Wonder of the World

by Nigel Ferrier

Visiting Sagrada Família, the iconic cathedral designed by Antoni Gaudí in Barcelona, is a mesmerising experience that combines architecture, history, and spirituality. The basilica, which has been under construction since 1882, is one of the most extraordinary landmarks in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage site. Even though it remains unfinished, the Sagrada Família draws millions of visitors annually, offering them a unique blend of modernist design, religious symbolism, and artistic ingenuity.

Arrival and first impressions

As you approach the cathedral, its towering spires dominate the skyline, standing out against the backdrop of modern Barcelona. Gaudí's vision of a "church for the poor" is immediately apparent in its scale and ambition. The cathedral is not just a building; it's a visual narrative that unfolds as you explore it. The exterior façades are adorned with detailed sculptures and biblical scenes, drawing your eye to intricate elements even from a distance.

The most prominent feature of the exterior is its three façades: the Nativity Façade, the Passion Façade, and the Glory Façade. The Nativity Façade, completed during Gaudí's

lifetime, celebrates the birth of Christ and is full of naturalistic detail, reflecting Gaudí's deep love of nature. In contrast, the Passion Façade, designed after Gaudí's death, depicts the suffering and crucifixion of Christ in a more austere, minimalist style. Each façade tells its own story, giving you a sense of the journey through Christ's life.

Inside the basilica

Once inside, you are immediately struck by the soaring columns and the beautiful natural



Continued overleaf



light filtering through the stained glass windows. Gaudí's inspiration from nature is evident in the tree-like columns that seem to reach up and branch out towards the ceiling, creating the impression of walking through a stone forest. The columns are not just structural but symbolic, with each one representing a different biblical figure or saint. The interior is a symphony of colour and light, thanks to the large, vibrant stained-

glass windows that flood the space with different hues depending on the time of day. In the morning, the windows on the eastern side bathe the interior in warm oranges and yellows, while the western windows bring in cool blues and greens in the afternoon. This play of light creates an ever-changing atmosphere inside the basilica, where you can sit and contemplate the interplay of colours and shapes.

Gaudí's vision and symbolism

Gaudí, who took over the project in 1883, was not just an architect but a visionary. His design for the Sagrada Família is a blend of Gothic and Art Nouveau styles, but what sets it apart is the rich symbolism infused in every detail. The layout of the basilica follows a Latin cross plan, with towering spires that represent the Twelve Apostles, the Virgin Mary, the Four Evangelists, and the tallest one in the center symbolising Jesus Christ. When completed, the central tower will rise 172.5 meters, making it the tallest religious building in Europe.

The architectural details throughout the cathedral are imbued with religious meaning. For instance, the vaulted ceilings and hyperboloid shapes mimic the forms found in nature, which Gaudí believed were God's creation. He used natural forms not only for aesthetic reasons but also as an expression of his deep faith. Walking through the Sagrada Família, you can see how his devotion is reflected in the very fabric of the building.

Climbing the towers

One of the highlights of visiting the cathedral is the opportunity to climb one of its towers,

offering breathtaking views of Barcelona. You can either take an elevator or climb the narrow spiral staircase to the top. Once there, the panoramic view reveals the sprawling city, with its mix of ancient and modern architecture framed by the Mediterranean Sea in the distance. The climb itself is an exhilarating experience, as the towers are intricately designed and filled with small windows that provide glimpses of the city below.

You must book

Visiting the cathedral is an unforgettable journey into the mind of one of the greatest architects in history. It's a place where art, faith, and nature come together to create something truly extraordinary. Gaudí's masterpiece, though still unfinished, stands as a testament to human creativity and devotion, leaving you in awe of its beauty and grandeur. Whether you're an art lover, a history enthusiast, or simply someone seeking inspiration, the Sagrada Família is a must.

However, it gets as can imagine very busy and advance booking is a must.

You can book your visit here www.sagradafamiliatickets.org



Floods in Fen Drayton get worse

This September going into October, the RSPB Fen Drayton Lakes, the High Street, Daintrees Road area and the recreational ground have once again flooded. As you can see from the photographs taken at the time it is getting worse. People have reported that as other people walk past their houses water washes into their front room. Amazon delivery drivers couldn't reach their destinations due to flooding. Council employees were unable to close valves for drains, because the water was too deep.



A flood in 2013 caused a seal to swim an estimated more than 50 miles along a flooded river to the RSPB Fen Drayton Lakes where

Images taken on the 02 October 2024

This article and photographs were contributed by Tate Hipwell (age 13). Tate says, "If you need help getting shopping in or help getting items into the house or any other flood related issues, I'm happy to help and you can reach me on 07907 350961 or via hipwelltate.t@gmail.com."

it was filmed "hopping" into a lake. A man stated he thought it was a dog drowning, but he took a closer look which revealed it was in fact a seal. It was spotted five years later swimming down a river.

Three out of four sluice gates in St Ives are broken. And, Bedford had to let their water out of their sluice gates because their gates couldn't hold it anymore.

The high street is often too deep on the grass for some welly boots and it is looking quite rainy for the rest of the coming weeks.



How could you protect your house from a flood?

Firstly, to be prepared for the next flood, buy sand bags to put around the door, roughly four high, if you have stairs going up to the house five to six sand bags two wide at the front and one wide on the sides. Then if you have any plywood, build a box around the door and seal it. Every time it floods you can then put the box and sand bags down quickly. Be prepared to add stability to the wood so have 2"x 4" timbers going across to help it stay robust. That way you can pop it in front of the door every year along with the sand bags.

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Fen Drayton volunteers needed!

My name is Anne-Marie and I'm in the process of setting up a new Neighbourhood Watch for Fen Drayton, with the help and support of the parish council, the police and our area Neighbourhood Watch contact.

Currently we have coordinators for Cootes Lane, Springhill Road/Oaktree Road, Daintrees Road/Park Lane and The Rosary/Church Street. I'm now looking for volunteers for all the other areas, especially Middleton Way and Mill Road.

Being a NW coordinator only takes up a small amount of time and you would a valuable asset to your community.

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**Thank you in advance.
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NOVEMBER 2024 – SERVICES AND EVENTS

Saturday 2	11.00am Fenstanton	Time to Remember Service <i>(see paragraph)</i> <i>Followed by refreshments</i>
Sunday 3	10.30am Fenstanton	Holy Communion
Thursday 7	8.30am on Zoom	Morning Prayer
Friday 8	6.00pm-8.30pm	Youth Group, Fenstanton Church Centre
Sunday 10 Remembrance Sunday	9.15am Fen Drayton With 10.50am	Holy Communion, St Mary's Act of Remembrance, Fen Drayton War Memorial <i>(see poster for details)</i>
	10.40am Fenstanton	Outdoor Service for Remembrance Sunday, including Act of Remembrance at Fenstanton War Memorial <i>(see poster for details)</i>
Thursday 14	8.30am on Zoom	Morning Prayer
Sunday 17	10.30am Fenstanton	Holy Communion <i>with Sunday Club for children</i>
	5.00pm Fenstanton	Sung Evensong
Thursday 21	8.30am on Zoom	Morning Prayer
Sunday 24	9.15am Fen Drayton	Morning Prayer
	10.30am Fenstanton	Family Communion
Thursday 28	8.30am on Zoom	Morning Prayer
Saturday 30	7.00pm	Mulled Wine Evening. <i>Please contact Ian Hucklesby for more details</i>

For your information: please note that the Parish Church, Fenstanton has a ramp for disabled access which can be deployed upon request. There is also a toilet, with disabled access, in the church.

St Mary's has a small threshold that may be possible to navigate with a wheelchair. There are no toilet facilities, yet (on our list of things to do).

Although we have fixed pews in both churches there are plenty of spaces available for wheelchairs, prams and buggies. We will be happy to help you find a space if that helps you to feel welcome among us as we worship.

"Time To Remember" Service on Saturday 2 November

at 11am, in the parish church, Fenstanton. This is a time when we can remember our loved ones who have died, whether recently or a time ago. For some people remembering anniversaries or significant events is an important thing to do. Please do come along, bring some flowers if you would like, to leave in church. Come and light a candle in memory. Place a prayer on our memory tree (cards provided). Or just sit and take time to reflect during the service. Please stay for refreshments afterwards, if you can, and say hello.



And the following week there will be services for **Remembrance Sunday, 10 November**. As we have services in both **Fenstanton** and **Fen Drayton**, please read the service details for the village where you wish to attend. This year both services will be led by a Church of England Minister. The service in Fenstanton will be followed by refreshments served in the Church Centre, please do stay for a cuppa, all welcome.

And finally, advance notice...

If you live in Fen Drayton. During December, you might want to join in with us as we look for angels, in Fen Drayton village. **Where will you find an angel?**

...and if you live in Fenstanton

We will be trying to find stars. Find out more in the next edition of The Journal.



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Hilton Methodist Church



Ever felt you were living in a parallel universe? As I write, my sister has been on the phone asking for ideas for Christmas presents and the shops are filling with Christmas paraphernalia (she always gets in first!). The nation's mind seems focussed on the pending budget alongside the contents of Keir Starmer's wardrobe.

At the same time, we have seen the first anniversary of Hamas' atrocities on Israelis with many hostages still captive, and a year of Israeli retaliation (currently being investigated as genocide) now spreading to Syria and Lebanon. Mentions of World War 3 are made and are not mad mutterings. I wonder what the world will look like by the time you read this, just a few weeks on.

Most of us prefer to ignore what we can't control or influence especially all the while we are not directly affected. The AA mantra, adopted from the theologian, Niebuhr, comes to mind - calling for serenity in the face of that we cannot change, courage to change the things we can and the wisdom to know the difference.

There is little we can, individually, do to influence the world stage. But if you want serenity don't ignore the little. Remember the butterfly effect - the work of the mathematician Lorenz, otherwise known as Chaos Theory - demonstrating how something as small as the flapping of fragile wings in one part of the world contributes to the intensity and path of a tornado in another.

How each of us flaps our wings, how we live our lives, matters. The reality is that he world as we know it teeters on the edge of chaos in all sorts of ways right now.

Courage is required if we are not to put heads in the sand, not to let ourselves be blinded by tinsel and twinkling lights.

And whatever the effect, at the very least navigating our lives with integrity in light of our reality,, we might hope to hold on to our sanity and help those around us to do so too. May God, however, we understand her or him to be, grant us courage to speak and act for justice and peace for all peoples where we can in the weeks and months ahead.



Sue

You can contact Revd. Sue by email: sue.bakermaher@methodist.org.uk or by phone: 07483 153948

Services in November

3 November	10:00am	Ms. N. Pellatt
10 November	10:45am	United Remembrance Service at the Parish Church
17 November	10:00am	Rev. Sue Baker-Maher
24 November	10:00am	Mr. C. Webber

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Hilton Parish Church

Dear Friends,

November is the season for remembering – the very name of the month rhymes with ‘remember’. First come All Saints and All Souls, when our forebears in faith, and all the departed, are held in remembrance before God. Then there is the really quite sinister reminder to “remember, remember, the fifth of November, gunpowder, treason and plot.”

I love fireworks and bonfires, but when I remember why we are making such a racket on November 5th, and particularly if a Guy is burned, I shudder at the murderous feuding between Christians that is being commemorated, mostly quite unconsciously. Then comes Remembrance Sunday, which loses none of its poignancy with the passing years, as old soldiers from former conflicts appear in ever thinner ranks carrying the memories of their comrades with them.

It seems appropriate that all this remembering should take place in a season of falling leaves, lengthening nights and deepening cold. Nature seems to add her own melancholy backdrop to our mood, as we remember to remember every year. It is one of the things that make us human. Christians have put their trust in a God who remembers us all, and to be remembered by God is to be the object of a love that saves us from extinction. In all our remembering, let us give thanks that we are remembered.

With love,

David



Services in November

Sunday 3 November	8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)
Sunday 10 November	10:45am Remembrance Service Gather at the Lych Gate for 10:55 start, followed by service in Church
Sunday 17 November	8:00am Holy Communion
Sunday 24 November	11:15am Coffee, Cake and Church in the Village Hall

Friday 8 November 5:30pm Friday Feast (Messy Church)

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2024 Services

November

03	Led by Keith Cakebread
10	Revd Christine Davies - 09.30 service URC, 10.45 Remembrance Service at the Parish Church
17	Led by Pauline Zahner
24	Revd Christine Davies - Holy Communion

December

01	Led by Keith Cakebread
08	Revd Christine Davies
15	Led by Geraldine Swain
15	3.00pm Carol Service
22	Revd Christine Davies - Holy Communion
25	Revd Christine Davies
29	Elders Service

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Fireworks & Poppies

November is home to two historic events, so this month we have two crafts for you to have fun with.

Bonfire Night is on the 05 November, which symbolises Guy Fawkes failed Gunpowder Plot in an attempt to blow up the English Parliament.

Firework painting was a big hit with my daughter, it was very quick to set up and easy to complete with these three steps:

- Cut thin 1cm long strips in a paper straw
- Flatten out the strips and dip it in the paint
- Dab it on the paper



Local Fireworks

Date	Event	Location	Time
26/10/24	Huntingdon Fireworks Night	Huntingdon Racecourse PE28 4NL	4.30pm - 8pm
01/11/24	Kimbolton Castle Fireworks	Kimbolton Castle, PE28 0EA	5.30pm - 8.30pm
02/11/24	Cambourne Firework Display	Gt Cambourne Sports Field CB23 6LJ	5.30pm - 8pm
02/11/24	Grafham Fireworks	Grafham Village Hall PE28 0GB	5pm - 7pm
05/11/24	Cambridge Fireworks Night	Midsummer Common CB5 8DJ	6pm - 8pm
09/11/24	Fireworks in Hemingford	The Big Field, London Rd PE27 5ER	4.30pm - 8pm



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Mama Jo's Mischief

This year, we have Remembrance Sunday on the 10 November to commemorate the British service members who have lost their lives during wars and other military conflicts since the start of WW1. Remembrance Day follows on the 11 November to recall the end of WW1.



This is how we made our pinwheel poppies which we will be taking to the Remembrance Sunday service in Fenstanton.

- Cut a piece of paper into a square and cut from all 4 corners into the centre, stopping about 1.5cm from the middle
- On each of the four triangles, curve one end and bring the pointed end into the centre and glue.
- Repeat again with a smaller/bigger piece of paper to create more petals.
- Glue a paper straw to the back.

TIPS:

- Roll your straw up in green paper, or paint it beforehand for an aesthetically pleasing finish.
- Add some mini pom-poms in the middle to really give it the WOW factor.

See this magazine for updated locations and times of your local remembrance services and parades.

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Afoot in the Garden

Teenagers in the garden

I remember many years ago when as a member of a gardening panel we were asked how to keep children interested in gardening. All agreed younger children are naturally interested in flowers, leaves and all things creepy crawlly while middle aged children mostly appreciate a lawn to play on. But we couldn't come up with much to encourage uninterested teenagers. But things have moved on!

Nowadays fashionable garden accessories include lighting, firepits and solar powered water features all of which could inspire our teenagers. I've learnt that as children grow so do their dens and teenagers love to turn their bedrooms into their dens. So why not provide a den in the garden? An Arbor or Pergola would be ideal! Teenagers are almost always pretty tech/internet savvy so ask them to research fire pits, lighting and stand-alone water features. Nowadays many garden lighting systems can be controlled from a mobile phone and they undoubtedly now have mobiles in a teenage version of heaven!

During November winter bark comes into its own, I especially enjoy trees with peeling bark that catch the low winter sun.

As our gardens slumber into hibernation there is still some warmth in the soil and it is a good time to plant trees, shrubs, autumn bulbs. On a dry day a general prune and tidy can help to keep the garden looking tidy. I like to leave the seed heads on perennials for the tits and



finches. Remove autumn leaves from your lawn which can be raked them into borders or composted.

November tasks. Prune roses, take hardwood cuttings of shrubs and climbers, carry out lawnmower maintenance.



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November Top Tips

- Plant trees, shrubs and roses
- Tidy borders
- Take Hardwood cuttings
- Clear autumn leaves
- Lawnmower maintenance

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Hilton Parish Council



Report from the Meeting of the Council dated Monday 027 October

Local Plan Consultation

Huntingdonshire District Council is consulting on the revision of their adopted Local Plan. The Call for Sites has identified 4 separate sites in Hilton:

- Land West of Potton Road
- Land East of The Paddocks
- Land North of New England
- Land North of High Street

The current consultation is in three parts. The land availability consultation evaluates the proposed sites. This paper discounts the land north of New England due to the flood risk and reduces the proposed number of properties on the land West of Potton Road. The sustainability appraisal looks at the sustainability of Hilton and scores it against the set criteria. The further issues and options paper consults potential strategy and policy areas. Further information, including the papers, can be found on the consultation portal - <https://consult.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/kse/HDC> has also put information, including how to respond to these consultations, on the Let's Talk Huntingdonshire website - <https://letstalkhuntingdonshire.net/hub-page/local-plan>

There are drop in sessions from 2pm to 8pm throughout October, where you can view the Local Plan documents, ask questions and share your thoughts in person. These were shared on the noticeboards, website and Facebook page.

Parishioners are urged to respond to these consultations and help shape the future of Hilton and Huntingdonshire. If you would like any help please contact the Clerk.

Dumping on the Wilderness

Reports continue to be received regarding

unauthorised dumping on the Wilderness and another unauthorised burning of the bonfire. Only the Parish Council and their authorised contractors are permitted to take material to the bonfire site and any subsequent fires lit should only be carried out by the Parish Council. We have also had green waste dumped near the Pumping Station on the High Street. Please let the Clerk know if you know who has been dumping unauthorised waste or if you notice anything suspicious.

Green Maintenance

The Council authorised expenditure up to £250 for additional cutting to tidy the edges of the Green and Wilderness.

Pavilion Bench

The Council has agreed to replace the bench to the left of the Pavilion with a wooden bench of similar size and style.

Fireworks and Bonfire Night

This event will be held on Saturday 9th November, gates open at 6pm and the fireworks will be lit at 7pm. In a change to the programme, this year the bonfire will be lit as part of the firework display. Hilton Feast Week will be there selling refreshments and novelties. Combustible donations will be accepted from Hilton residents from 9am to 1pm, and we ask that for no manufactured boards please (including chipboard, plywood, particle board, etc). We need additional volunteers to help run this popular event, if you are able to help please contact the Clerk.

Ant Springer

The Ant Springer in the playground is

damaged and the Clerk is seeking quotes for its repair. Please do not use this equipment until it is repaired.

County Broadband

The Council has granted a wayleave for an additional length of ducting on the Green to enable a property to be connected.

Royal British Legion

Hilton Parish Council will donate £60 to the Royal British Legion.

Consultations

The Clerk and Chairman will respond on behalf of the Council to the Cambridgeshire County Council Highways and Streetlighting Stakeholder surveys.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 4th November 2024 in Hilton Village Hall. Agendas will be issued in advance on the village notice boards and the Council's website www.hiltonparishcouncil.com. Parishioners are welcome to speak at council meetings on agenda items.



HILTON Fireworks & Bonfire

Saturday 9th November
£3 per adult, £2 per child
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Non-Court Dispute Resolution – New rules to guide separating couples and parents away from Court

Non-Court Dispute Resolution (NCDR) is a current buzzword in the Family Law world. Following recent rule changes, if someone is thinking of going to Court over family matters, whether in relation to a financial dispute with their spouse in divorce proceedings, or a disagreement with their spouse or former partner over children arrangements, they must now show active attempts to resolve their disputes by alternative means before making an application to the Court. These attempts do not end even after an application to the Court is made and must continue at various stages throughout their case whilst it is ongoing. For example, parties will now need to complete a form shortly before each Court hearing setting out their views on using NCDR as a method of settling their dispute.

Non-Court Dispute Resolution includes mediation, arbitration, private hearings (where the parties agree to appoint an experienced family law barrister as a private Judge to try and resolve their dispute) and collaborative family law.

NCDR has a reputation of being less confrontational, quicker and as a result often more cost effective than the Court process. Early resolution may also aid in preserving relationships. This is particularly important in cases where co-parenting is involved.

Until now, the Courts have not really pushed the non-Court method, one of the sticking points being that no one can be forced to negotiate as it is a voluntary process. Therefore, if one party does not want to engage with mediation, for example, then the whole process can fail. However, following the introduction of the new rules, this is likely to change. We may now see the Court compelling parties to attempt to resolve their disputes in an alternative way even if the parties are not necessarily keen to do so. The parties are also being encouraged to engage with NCDR to avoid the risk of a Court imposing

a costs Order against them for increasing the other party's legal costs unnecessarily for refusing to engage in NCDR.

Whilst the new rules stop short of mandating NCDR, they definitely tip the scales in its favour. The strong message is that separating couples and parents must try to agree matters out of Court first or risk the Court penalising them for avoiding NCDR. The aim being to reduce the number of disputes that go to Court which should benefit everyone involved in family Court proceedings with the significant delays in the Court system. This could have the advantage of a quicker settlement at a lower cost and more amicable resolution in family disputes.

Which NCDR option that is most suitable to you will be entirely dependent on the circumstances of your case. Our team of family solicitors at Leeds Day LLP will be able to advise you on which option is right for you. The team consists of experienced family law solicitors, all of whom are members of Resolution (www.resolution.org.uk) and include Resolution accredited specialists in divorce, finances and children.

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Winter flooding in Fenstanton and the surrounding areas

Your Parish Council has been actively involved in discussions with the Environment Agency regarding the urgent need to repair the St Ives and Brownhills Staunches. We believe these structures play a crucial role in helping to prevent flooding in Fenstanton and the surrounding areas. We are committed to continuing to work closely with other local authorities and interested parties to ensure the Environment Agency does all it can to make the repairs possible, and to help protect our community from future flood risks.



Inconsiderate parking



This subject seems to be a regular theme in our recent Parish Council reports.

Rookery Way residents have long faced the challenges of dangerous and inconsiderate parking practices, including blocked driveways, particularly since the Post Office moved its location. The recent roadworks exacerbated the issue. Furthermore, homes situated between traffic lights often have limited visibility, making it difficult to determine when the lights are red. This can lead to dangerous situations, as residents may exit their driveways and encounter oncoming vehicles, please be aware.

Your Parish Council has also received reports of dangerous parking near the junction by the United Reformed Church in Church Lane. There have been several accidents here and inconsiderate parking can make visibility even more of an issue at this already tricky junction. We remind all residents to be mindful of their parking habits and utilise designated parking areas whenever possible.

A new bench for the village

Following a request made by a resident, your Parish Council has agreed to purchase and install a new bench near the village sign. We hope the bench will provide a more comfortable seating option than the base of the sign itself.

New tree planting initiative – A tree for your garden

Your Parish Council remains committed to its tree planting initiative as part of our zero emissions efforts. With this in mind, your Parish Council has agreed to offer residents the opportunity to receive for free a Tree to plant in their garden. If you would be interested in receiving a Tree and a post, please contact Councillor Roy McGee – roy.mcgee@fenstantonparishcouncil.org.uk or the Clerk.



Councillor Surgeries

Councillor surgeries are now held once a month on a Saturday morning between 10am – 12pm at The Hub, 6 High Street, Fenstanton. Surgeries give Parishioners an opportunity to pop in to discuss any issues they wish to bring to the attention of your Parish Council. Please pop in.

26.10.2024	Peter Hayes	Roy McGee
30.11.2024	Tina Yates	Martin Hewitt
25.01.2025	Anne Mustill	Matt Tandy

*Please note that there may be changes to the Councillor/s scheduled.

Elizabeth Court – Hedge maintenance

The Hedges on Elizabeth Court are the responsibility of Huntingdonshire District Council but have been neglected for some time and are now encroaching onto the footpath and playing field. Your Parish Council has approached Huntingdonshire District Council to ask permission to cut these hedges back to allow residents clear access to the footpath and the playing field. This has been agreed and this work will be carried out shortly.

Bus franchising consultation

Your input is important in determining the future of bus routes in our community. By filling out the questionnaire, you can help ensure that the proposed routes meet the needs of Fenstanton residents.

Remember that the final decision on bus routes has not been made yet. Your participation could make a significant difference in shaping the transportation options available to us.

Thank you for your time and involvement.

Next Parish Council meetings

Your Parish Council meets next on **Thursday 14 November at 7pm** in the Church Centre. There will be no meeting in December unless your Parish Council believes it necessary, please keep an eye out on our website and Facebook page.

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Join the Local Plan Engagement 2024 and have your say in how Huntingdonshire will evolve. They are seeking feedback on key documents that will guide future growth and development. Your voice matters—let's create a sustainable future together!

Learn more and get involved: <https://letstalkhuntingdonshire.net/hub-page/local-plan>

Please share your thoughts on the consultation documents by 27 November.

Honey Hill Green – two new trees

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Life on a Plate

Hilton WI Favourites

Flo's Beans

Ingredients:

- 2 Tins of Heinz baked beans
- 1 or 2 chopped onions or shallots
- 1 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1/4 cup Demerara sugar
- 1 heaped teaspoons coffee
- Chopped bacon or lardons to taste



Method:

Stir all the ingredients into a heatproof dish, cover with foil and put into the oven at about 160 for about 40 minutes then increase to 180 for 10 minutes without the foil.

Brilliant at BBQs or with a Jacket potato, even on its own. Vegetarians can omit the bacon.

Glamis Castle Grape Brulée

Printed in the Daily Mail in November 1985 and claimed to have been a favourite of Her Majesty the Queen Mother. A bit of a chore to begin with but worth the effort.

Method:

Peel, halve and seed enough large grapes to nearly fill an ovenproof dish (seeded are great if you can be bothered, otherwise use the seedless variety)

Whip up enough double cream to cover the grapes

Chill in the fridge for about 2 hours to stiffen the cream

Sprinkle 3 or 4 tablespoons of Demerara sugar on top of the cream

To caramelize, place the dish under a very hot grill or use a kitchen blow lamp

Put the dish immediately into the oven fridge for about 3 hours until it's all firm.



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Business Spotlight

The local tooth fairy

**Kiran and Ajay Patel spent three years
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finding a suitable property in Fenstanton.**

"We were living in St Ives with our two children and were keen to find a property where I could establish my own practice", Kiran explains. She is a qualified dentist having originally studied human biology in Manchester, Kiran then spent a further five years studying dentistry qualifying in 2010. Her early school life was very transient as her father served in the RAF having joined at 16 and she studied wherever he was posted. Her parents were Ugandan refugees having fled their home country as part of the Idi Amin expulsion in the seventies. Arriving in the UK with only what they could carry, they took refuge in Leicester. Kiran's grandmother who is 91 has remained there and she visits her often.

"My father saw action in The Falklands and in Afghanistan before retiring from the service after 35 years of active duty. He now has the most unlikely job as a Guinness Book of Records adjudicator", Kiran continues. "He definitely installed in me his work ethic and now I could not be busier. When not practising as a dentist I volunteer with DentAid helping deliver their BrightBites programme. This involves visiting schools and educating children about the importance of dental care



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through practical fun activities. I have already done a session in the local primary school and I am going to the nursery next week. Our children are the key to good future dental care."

For Kiran child dental care is close to her heart and she cannot wait until she can offer this service to local children in her practice, but that is not as easy as it sounds. *"I wish I could flick a switch and start taking on NHS patients. I have to wait until a local tender comes up for renewal to undertake the work and even then we have to bid for the work, hoping our bid is sufficient and successful. And, we will be bidding against other dentists who already have the contract. I think it is criminal that the population has grown and there is no provision for extra dental contracts in the area. Until then to survive we have to rely on private patients and I work elsewhere to balance the books."*

To try and bridge the gap in child dental care at her practice Kiran offers a cost-effective private insurance plan called Practice Plan and any adult undertaking an initial assessment can have their child, under five, assessed free of charge. If the new patient were to join the scheme then their children would receive regular free dental appointments.

When asked what Kiran does when not working she replied, *"My two children are everything to me and it is difficult balancing being a full-time mum and a dentist at the same time. There are multiple clubs, karate, swimming and football to name a few. My son plays for the under 10 Fenstanton team so I spend a lot of time on the sidelines! And, like my parents did with me I will be encouraging a good education amongst my children."*

Fenstanton Dental can be found at 37 High Street and is open 08.30 - 17.00 Monday to Friday.

Contact:

email: fendrayton.clerk@gmail.com

website: www.fendrayton.org

post: PO Box 1102, Fen Drayton, Cambridge CB24 4WZ

September/October floods

Following the heavy rain in the last week of September, the water levels in the River Great Ouse rose dramatically and floods ensued - the earliest time in the autumn that anyone could remember!

In Fen Drayton heavy rainfall caused an increase in the water level in Oxholme Drain that runs alongside the High Street. Within two days the High Street and Daintrees Road were flooded to a depth impassable for cars. The road was closed to prevent vehicles driving too fast through the flood water and causing bow waves. The Fen Drayton flood group and residents worked together to minimise the chance of any houses being flooded.

The major issue was the lack of access for emergency vehicles: an ambulance to attend to a small child and a fire engine to deal with a car stuck in the flood.

At the request of the parish council earlier this year, Cambridgeshire County Council agreed to put one-way valves on the road drains at the south end of the High Street. These should be fitted by the end of October. They will delay the flooding of the road, not prevent it.



To seek a long term solution, the parish council met with CCC, its consultants (Atkins) and SCDC on 1 October. The PC presented data and analysis and suggested some short and long term actions. At the meeting, the key issue became the current flood. Cllr Mandy Smith, our county council representative, tried to get CCC to do something immediately, but, given the extent and amount of flooding across the county, a short term fix was not possible. Fortunately, the water receded within a few days as the river levels dropped quickly. Fen Drayton PC has set up further meetings with CCC and SCDC to look for a short-term solution to moderate the impact of future floods.



Sue Ellington - South Cambs district councillor

SCDC's Local Climate Action Conference 2024 is being held on Tuesday, 19 November, 11 am to 3 pm, at The Hub Community Centre, High Street, Cambourne.

It will be a day of workshops, engaging case studies and networking; and is open to the public, parish councils, community groups and charities. Refreshments and a plant-based lunch will be provided. Email Fen Drayton PC to request a weblink to join the event: fendrayton.clerk@gmail.com (please apply by Tuesday, 5 November).

SCDC's Local Climate Action fair will take place on the evening of 19 November from 5.30 pm to 8 pm, also at the Hub Community Centre in Cambourne. Here you can find out what's going on in the district to tackle climate change, and to protect and enhance nature.

All ages are welcome at this casual, marketplace-style event, where you can meet local eco groups and charities, enjoy arts and crafts stalls and take part in activities. Refreshments will be available.

Feel free to come to both, or come along for the evening if you can't make the day event.

For help with any district council issues: cldr.Ellington@scambs.gov.uk
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*Left page top: Recent flood scene
Bottom: Fen Drayton Lakes in autumn*

Cambridge Road - narrow bridge improvements

Fen Drayton PC heard in early October that its LHI (Local Highways Initiative) application for a grant to improve the safety of the narrow bridge on Cambridge Road had been successful.

This will result in better give way signage and road markings on both sides of the bridge. The designs have been agreed by Highways and the PC and we are now waiting to hear when the work will be carried out.

Community Cafe

Our next cafe is **Saturday 9 November**, from 10.30-12.30 pm in the village hall, when the cafe will host its annual Christmas craft fair, with stalls selling cards and prints, fused glass, crafts, gifts and ceramics and much more!

As usual, the cafe will serve freshly-made tea, coffee and cakes, plus, for the winter months, delicious soup and crusty bread.

The **Fen Drayton Gardening Club** will meet as usual at 10.45. All are welcome, new and seasoned gardeners alike. We look forward to seeing you there!

Macmillan Cancer Research

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News from Fenstanton and Hilton Primary and Preschool



It is hard to believe that the first half term of the school year has already passed. It feels as though at one moment we are just back from the summer, and the next we are preparing for Christmas nativity plays and our Winter Fair. We have had a positive start to the school year here at FHPS and remain grateful for the fundraising efforts of the PTA. We are looking forward to the PTA's first school disco of the year (Glow Disco!) on Friday 8 November.

In our social times, we have been focusing on the play opportunities children have outside on the playground. This has included our partnership with Cambridge Kids Club and their Park & Play Mobil. This has widened the children's range of play opportunities and it has been a pleasure to see such high engagement in creative play. Our next step is to collect the resources to make this play offer a part of our daily school provision.

Before the half term break, our Year 1 and Year 2 children enjoyed a visit to Ron's Farm Shop. This was part of their learning on *Where does our food come from?* Thank you to Ron and Chris for making this visit possible for the children. In our classrooms, children across the school have been tasting ingredients, making wraps and preparing 3-course meals!

It was positive to hold our first parents' evenings of the school year just before half term. The links between home and school are crucial to the development of all of our pupils. We will build on these meetings to adapt learning opportunities for children through to the end of term.

With best wishes, from all of us at Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School and Preschool.



Our Year 2 children enjoyed tasting foods and making wraps in October.

Fen Drayton Primary School



As many of you will know, our school suffered a devastating roof fire over the summer holidays. It has left us unable to use the main building whilst the damage is assessed and fixed.

Sadly, we lost a lot of resources in the fire. The majority of our IT equipment, books and many other items have been destroyed. A huge thank you to everyone who has donated items and contributed to our GoFundMe fundraiser so far.

We reopened to all the children at the end of September in the mobiles that have been placed on our school field. The staff have worked incredibly hard to get them ready for the children's return. The children have settled back in to their new surroundings and routines extremely well. The mobiles themselves are lovely- spacious and airy (not like the mobiles I remember when I was at school!)

If your child is due to start school in September 2025, then please go to our website: <https://www.fendraytonprimary.co.uk/Admissions/> to find out how to apply for a place. We will be doing tours of the school in November, so please get in touch if you would like to look round. We will also be holding 'Stay and Play' sessions in November so keep an eye on our Facebook page and website for more details.

Nina McQueen
Headteacher

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What you're Missing

Fen Drayton Lions

by manager Simon O'Neill

It's not been the best start to the season for the Lions. A couple of poor performances saw us concede more goals than we would like to.

Illness and injuries left us short on numbers in the first four games. However, I'm confident that we can turn it around. If we can get some consistency in players' availability and start to play our football, the results will come.

I would like to send our condolences to the family of Dan Evett who sadly passed away. Dan had played a couple of seasons for the Lions and was a top lad, a strong player and never one to shy away from a tackle. He will be sadly missed by everyone at the club.

On a positive note we have Liam Greef to thank for our two new kits. He secretly entered us into a competition with Carling and had to write about our club and why we deserved to win over loads of other entries.

He did a fantastic job and won a bundle worth over £600. Well done Liam!

Let's hope the results start to go our way soon!



SAVE THE DATE!

FEN DRAYTON

Community Café

Saturday November 9th

1030-1230

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Saturday

7th December 2024

6pm

Hilton Village Hall

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Refreshments
Raffle in aid of the Samaritans

What you're Missing

Hilton Community Hub

Just as in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales of the 1300s a welcome to passing travellers is a centuries old historical tradition and likewise here in Hilton.

So partly by our 'fame' but also attracted by the welcome sign outside the Village Hall, our numbers were swelled on one of our Wednesday morning meetings at the beginning of October by a group of Ramblers who dropped by for something to drink, biscuits or cake. So we were pleased to welcome altogether upwards of forty people before they set off again.

The jigsaw depicting us all is nearly done, we have been continuing with those tricky quizzes (brains benefitting already?) and varied challenging activities keep us busy, together with the all-important conversation.

This Hub is proving to be such a valuable weekly event, thanks to Jan and her team. Old friends are meeting and new ones finding how friendly we are so our little motto could definitely be 'please don't be lonely in Hilton'.

We meet on Wednesday mornings weekly from 10ish to 1ish ending with a tasty light lunch. **AND IT'S ALL FREE!**



Mosaic tiles

Hilton Art Club

The last en plein air art session of the year was held at the market end of St Ives and was a good morning.

Kathy tweaked the 'Bonnie Scotland' theme to include amalgamating a few photographs and then drawing this, before getting down to the final drawing and painting. This really concentrated the mind! A very enjoyable and challenging morning, one that I'm sure we will utilise in other paintings in the future. Thanks go to those who provided the gorgeous cakes. It was nice that Norma was able to attend as well and hope to see her again.

At the time of writing, members are excited about the acrylic workshop with Julia Rigby, which will be from 10 am to 3 pm, giving us, we hope, lots of time to produce a piece of artwork.

15 November 10 am to 12.30 pm 'Winter Warmers' is the subject.

Please bring your own pictures / props.



Hilton Women's Institute



It really is the 'Season of Mists and Mellow Fruitfulness' isn't it? Jumpers are coming out - hopefully with no moth holes and 'where did I hide those gloves'?

So - our WI friends are looking ahead to the hugely varied talks that Mel has found for us as far ahead as 2026!

In next month's issue we can tell of a visit to the Cambridge Botanic Gardens and a meeting to tell of the vital and urgent importance of plant pollination by bees (please start to think what you can plant to attract them). This is followed in December by a visit from Trevor Chapman to explain Better Health by Better Hearing and we will announce the results of the Federation Autumn quiz in Abbots Ripton. Hilton is sending three teams of four very knowledgeable competitors and don't worry, Hilton, we won't (deliberately) let you down!

Non-members may come to our meetings as a guest for a small fee if the subject particularly appeals. You might even have thoughts to

join us as a result!

Craft Club continues and we are aiming to hand-make Christmas tree balls and Book Club is currently reading a gripping family saga titled 'The Family Upstairs' by Lisa Jewell. Was it chosen following a recent talk about Ghost Hunting?

Finally, on a solemn note, we have sent our deep sympathy to Rosemary Blake and her family at the passing of her husband and our very good friend, Peter. Hilton can of course thank Peter and Rosemary together for providing the beautiful hanging baskets on the village hall that we all enjoy every year. Rosemary has been a member of Hilton WI for very many years and served as our President for part of that time. She knows that she has our love and fullest support both now and in the months to come.

New members always welcome:-
hiltonwisecretary@gmail.com



Hilton WI Committee show what "busy bees" they are

Fenstanton Football Club update



Flood stops play!

After a great start to the season, sadly our home games have had to come to an abrupt halt due to the torrential rain. It's a really frustrating time for the club with the flooding causing disruption so early in the season. Our home ground really suffers and unfortunately our fixtures are having to be postponed, relocated or cancelled, causing a lot of disappointment to so many of our players.

We are, as always, very grateful to Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School for the access and use of the school field for two of our youth teams to continue to play. But we, as a club, are always looking at ways that we can improve our home ground. The club would love to hear from anyone with experience

of drainage solutions for advice and would welcome anyone with experience to aid us getting the club back up and running sooner, and preventions to stop this happening so easily in the future.

On a positive note, looking ahead, we have some fun and community-based fundraisers for the club. Starting with our Halloween Trail on 31 October and our Christmas Festivities to come later in the year.

Please keep an eye out around the village for posters and the village social media pages for information.

If you would like to be part of the team and get involved in fundraising for Fenstanton Football Club, please get in touch at fenstantonfootball@outlook.com

Fenstanton Friendship Club

If you would like to meet new friends and socialise, please come along and help the club grow. Age is no barrier and we welcome everyone into our fold. It is always good to get new ideas and suggestions for meetings. We meet every other Wednesday at 2.00pm, in the building of the United Reformed Church in Chequer Street. Although we hold our meetings in the church building, we are not affiliated to the church. Our activities are varied and as well as the yearly trips out to lunch, cream teas, boat trips on The Ladybird, strawberry tea and Christmas celebration, we will have various speakers and entertainers.

Come along and check us out, you will find a friendly group and a warm welcome.

11 September Once more we had a delightful afternoon with Martin John. He is such a good musician, playing the piano and guitar, also singing. He so obviously loves music and this comes across to his listeners. He is so friendly and willing to play and sing requests. We would recommend him for any type of event. He is also a DJ.



25 September A crew of five firefighters came with their tender, to speak to us about their work in the community. We learned about the different aspects of the job and were shown the equipment required for different fires and also water rescues. We have a renewed respect for these young people who put their life on the line for our safety. This crew



was at the recent fire at Burger King in our village. Safety in the home was discussed and a reminder was given that if anyone needs a smoke alarm, these can be fitted free. Just contact Huntingdon Fire Service and the crew will come to your home. We all enjoyed looking around the vehicle, as did people passing by, particularly the children. Great afternoon.



Upcoming Meetings

6 November A talk on the "Warboys Witches" by a representative of the Norris Museum.

20 November An afternoon of music from the "Merrymakers", with a nod to Christmas

Any questions please contact me. Marie Newns bubblenews@gmail.com 01480 350119

What you're Missing

Fen Drayton Bowls Club

With autumn fast approaching and the days becoming cold and overcast, have you thought about some evening exercise and a sociable atmosphere in the warmth of Fen Drayton village hall playing short mat bowls?

You might be saying, 'What is short mat bowls?' Well, it's similar to lawn bowls but played indoors in a warm environment on a carpet 22 yards long. You don't need to have played before, just come along as there are plenty of members willing to provide help and assistance.

We have practice sessions on Friday evenings from 7 pm to 9 pm each week between September and April. The club has a team entered in the Cambridgeshire Short Mat Bowls League and these fixtures are usually played on Sunday afternoons, however there are a few in the evening.

On completion of the indoor season and with spring upon us, we turn our attention to lawn bowls. If you would like to continue with some outdoor exercise during the summer evenings, this might be for you. Practice sessions are held on Tuesday evenings from 6 pm. We are entered in the Cambridgeshire and District Bowls League and matches are usually played on evenings during the week.

If you would like to give it a go, please come along to any of the club practice sessions.

Fen Drayton village hall is located on Cootes Lane (CB24 4SL) and the bowls green is directly at the rear of the hall. Should you wish for more information, contact Mike Gillett, Club Secretary, on 01480 385297 or email Michael.gillett1@ntlworld.com.



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Hilton Flower Club

07 October: We had a wonderful afternoon, our flower demonstrator was Ann Purt, she did six great autumn arrangements using brilliant coloured flowers.

Six lucky ladies won an arrangement to take home. We always enjoy seeing Ann, so we hope she will come back next year with more of her great creations.

04 November: Lesley Beeton is our flower demonstrator, she will be getting us in the Christmas mood, so we look forward to getting ideas from her creations.

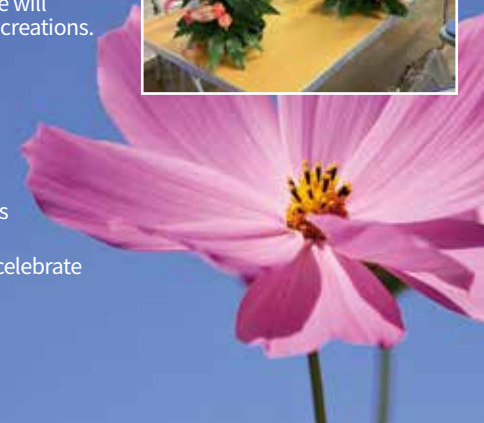
02 December: End of year party, June and Beverley will be demonstrating two Christmas arrangements each, so four ladies will take an arrangement home.

Afterwards we will have drinks and food to celebrate another great year.

Hilton Village Hall 2pm - 4pm

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Fen Drayton
Village Hall on Cootes Lane
moons.grumbles.admires

Fenstanton
Ash's Store (NISA) on the High Street
pouting.cabinet.washroom
Church Centre on School Lane
reclusive.creeps.deleting
Zaza barbers on Headlands
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Hilton
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The Yellow Pages

Venues for hire

Fen Drayton Village Hall	07596 576515
Fenstanton Church Centre	01954 230471
Hilton Village Hall	07752 678415

Councils

Cambridgeshire County Council	0345 045 5200
Fen Drayton Parish Council	07704 023534
Fenstanton Parish Council	01480 465300
Hilton Parish Council	01480 830605
Huntingdonshire District Council	01480 388388
South Cambs District Council	0345 045 0500

Community Groups and Clubs

Books and Jigsaws at FURC	01480 498221
Fen Drayton Bowls Club	01480 385297
Fen Drayton Lions FC	07718 900880
Fen Drayton Parent and Toddlers	07549 630124
Fen Drayton Tennis Club	01954 231752
Fen Shanty Folk	07841 599492
Fenstanton Baby and Toddler Group	07742 259653
Fenstanton Beavers, Cubs and Scouts	07531 863368
Fenstanton Bowls Club	07541 968125
Fenstanton Community Hub	07949 453767
Fenstanton Football Club	07968 081874
Fenstanton Friendship Club	01480 350119
Fenstanton Glebe Allotments	07817 786298
Fenstanton Town Trust	01480 464753
Fenstanton Indoor Bowls	01480 497202
Fenstanton Knitter and Natters	01480 498221
Fenstanton Litter Picking	07949 453767
Fenstanton Rainbows, Brownies and Guides	07730 369565
Fenstanton Speed Watch	07949 453767
Hilton Art Club	01480 830696
Hilton Baby and Toddler Group	07527 394945
Hilton British Legion	01480 831186
Hilton Community Garden	07488 351128
Hilton Flower Club	01480 830571
Hilton HGV Watch	07768 294878
Hilton Neighbourhood Watch	01480 831658
Hilton Rainbows and Brownies	07970 404569

Community Groups and Clubs

Hilton Speed Watch	07540 811115
Hilton Town Trust	01480 830866
Hilton WI	01480 831186
RSPB	01954 233260
Slimming World	07568 444140

Community events

Fen Drayton 10k run	07919 254467
Hilton Feast Week	01480 830605
Hilton Produce Show	01480 830412
Hilton Summer Ball	01480 831299
The BIG Village Fun Day	01480 370973

Education

Fen Drayton Primary School	01954 273346
Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School	01480 375055
Hilton Day Nursery	01767 688715
Ladybird Day Nursery	01480 469166
Sunhill Nursery	01954 230030
Swavesey Village College	01954 230366

Churches

St Mary's Church, Fen Drayton	01480 465211
Fenstanton Parish Church	01480 465211
Fenstanton URC	07710 240363
Hilton Methodist Church	01480 830686
Hilton Parish Church	01480 830866
St Ives Roman Catholic Church	01480 462192
The Particular Baptist Church	01480 830142

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A&E Hinchinbrooke Hospital	01480 416416
Environment Agency (Flood Line)	0845 9881188
Fenstanton pharmacy	01480 495159
Fenstanton surgery	01480 461873
Fly Tipping	0345 0450500
Gas leak	0800 111 999
Non emergency medical	111
Non emergency Police	101
Papworth pharmacy	01480 831415
Papworth surgery	01480 830888

Emergency numbers

Peterborough City Hospital	01733 678000
Power cut	0800 678 3105
Samaritans	116 123 Free
Swavesey surgery	01954 230202
Water leak	0800 316 7676

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Dews Coaches	01487 740241
Stagecoach	01223 423578
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Little Piggy Cafe	07764 336911
The Duchess, Fenstanton	01480 350859
The Three Tuns, Fen Drayton	01954 230242
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Ron's Farm Shop	01480 495127
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Garden services

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Hamptons Groundcare	01480 274848
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