

WILLINGHAM NEWS



June 2010

Summery Prospect of Willingham



Sri Lankan Exchange with Cottenham Village College

My name is Tim Lucier. I live in Willingham and am a Year-10 student at Cottenham Village College. Two years ago Cottenham set up a link with Nalanda College in Sri Lanka. During this time exchange visits have been made by teachers from the two schools.

This year the programme was extended to involve students as well as teachers. A few weeks ago four students and two teachers visited Cottenham; each Sri Lankan student was partnered with a student from CVC and was hosted by them throughout the week. During the visit a variety of activities took place including a tour of the Houses of Parliament and other London attractions along with bowling, ice skating, church visits and eating out.

The Sri Lankans' first day at a British comprehensive began by giving an interesting presentation on their school and country in Year-7 assembly. The boys repeated this to each year group in the school highlighting the differences between the two countries. During the week they visited a variety of lessons. On many occasions they were actively involved as the students shared their experiences.

I think that everyone who took part would agree that the week was very successful and I am looking forward to going to Sri Lanka and Nalanda College this coming summer. I feel very privileged to have been chosen to represent Cottenham Village College in Sri Lanka.



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Welcome to the June issue of *Willingham Newsletter*. We want to make it as informative and as interesting as possible and so we cordially invite you all to see it as YOUR newsletter – which it is! So why not share your views and news with the rest of the village? These experiences could warrant congratulations or commiserations or sympathy.

The song goes, June is bursting out all over but what does June mean to you – birthdays, the death of a loved one, happy family events, events you would rather forget?

Ever had a dream? Think you'll get round to it one of these day or do you think it's already too late? Turn to page 14 and read how it's never too late!

The Editor

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From the Parish Council

Newly-elected Parish Councillors

The Parish Council has six newly-elected Councillors who have taken the place of those who stood down this year. Their names and contact telephone numbers are detailed below.

The Chairman of the Parish Council expressed his thanks for the commitment of the Councillors for all their hard work over many years and welcomed the new Councillors on board.

Parish Council Office Administration Assistant

Ms Carolyn Dobson is the newly-appointed Administration Assistant and will assist the Clerk in all administrative duties and the opening of the Parish Office. Please see below that the Parish Office will now be open from Monday to Friday: 10 am – 1 pm.

Youth

A Trust has now been formed for the Willingham Youth Club. Things are moving forward to having a permanent Youth Club as well as a building to house them.

District Council News

The District Council is working with the Police on the issue of illegal Parking of HGVs in Schole Road. They will also be looking at the issue of illegal parking at the junction of Meadow Road/Rockmill End.

County Council News

During the Annual Parish Meeting the issue was raised regarding children not being allowed to board certain Stagecoach buses that pass through Willingham to go to school. Councillor Shona Johnstone looked into this issue and reported that the Number 95 bus uses Willingham as a route but does not pick up. However, the Number 91 bus does pick up Willingham residents.

Willingham Parish Council Website

Please do look at our Parish Council Website for items such as contact details, agendas and minutes. Any information relevant to the Village will be posted there.

If you have any ideas for any information you would like to see on our Website, please contact the Clerk.

The new Parish Councillor list is detailed below. However, at the time of publication, Chairman and Vice Chairman and Lead Councillors of Committees have yet to be decided.

Your Parish Councillors and their contact details at present (in alphabetical order) are:-

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Mr I Barratt	01954-261609
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Mr M Borland	01954-203347
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Mr S Mellows	01954-270063
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Mr R Purnell	01954-205257
Mrs R Tsomondo	01954-261836

Committee Meeting Dates

Go to the Parish Council Website (www.willingham-pc.org.uk), or look at the Parish notice board next to the Public Hall in the High Street or Library notice board for details of any Committee meetings that may be called.

All committee meetings are at the Parish Council Office, Ploughman Hall unless otherwise advertised. As usual, Minutes of all meetings will be placed in the Library once they have been signed as accurate.

Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Wednesday, 2 June 2010 at The Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road and is open to the public.

Parish Council Office Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road, Willingham CB24 5LP.

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Clerk: Mrs Dawn Spouge

The Office will be open on all weekday mornings from 10 am to 1 pm, except Bank Holidays. Appointments can be made by calling the Office. There is an answer-phone outside office hours, and the Clerk undertakes to return any calls as quickly as possible.

Women's Institute



The June meeting of the Willingham WI will take place on Monday, 14 June at the Social Club at 7 30 pm. The speaker will be Mary Nichols talking about her work as a novelist and biographer. We are a large and friendly branch of the WI and new members are most welcome. For further details telephone Doreen on 200561 or Julie on 260497

Little Notes – Thursday mornings, 10 15 am – 11 30 am in the Octagon.

We are a non-profit making organisation for pre-school children and their carers to come together and enjoy music in the village.

We meet every Thursday, even in the school holidays. There is music with instruments and actions followed by refreshments and social time. The cost is £1 per family. Please come along.

Emma Tregenna
Tel: 01954 205329



Jottings from your County Councillor

For those of you unable to attend the Annual Parish meeting, what follows is my report:

First, I would like to thank members of the Parish Council for their forbearance and support during my illness in 2009.

Elections took place to the Cambridgeshire County Council in June 2009. The Conservative Party continues to have a majority of seats on the council and therefore form the administration. The new council has seen the emergence of minor parties for the first time, with the election of a Green Party councillor and also, by way of a countermanded poll in July, a UKIP councillor.

One of the first tasks of the new council, with which I was involved, was a review of the advisory groups, set up originally to provide an all-party mechanism to develop policy. There was a suggestion that they could be subsumed into Overview and Scrutiny Committees, but the views of the review group was that policy development and scrutiny were two very distinct areas, best served, at least in Cambridgeshire, by keeping them as separate groups. The Liberal Democrat group decided to boycott both the review and the advisory groups since there was agreement among the other parties that there was merit in allowing free discussion that might not take place in meetings held in public.

Within the new administration I have been asked to chair the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee. One of the tasks of the committee is to hold a member-led review into the role of children's services within new communities. This will be particularly relevant to Northstowe as it develops.

On the subject of Northstowe, councillors will recall that for many years I have campaigned for Northstowe to be included in the government's Eco-town programme. I am pleased to say that in December, CLG announced that Northstowe would, finally, be included within that list. The County Council, with other partners, successfully bid for £1.5m of funding to undertake further work on the Northstowe eco-town proposal.

The draft 'Minerals and Waste Local Plan' has caused considerable disquiet in the parish, not least unfounded rumours, as to what would happen afterwards. I should emphasize that this remains a draft plan. If the additional allocation is approved it will be a number of years before extraction takes place and Hanson has made it clear that they expect the gravel to be taken by conveyor to the existing plant at Needingworth for processing. The plan has, however, prompted a campaign for a by-pass – a campaign which I am more than happy to support. The issue is not whether the bypass is needed, but how it will be funded.

I am sure that councillors will be as frustrated as I am at the attitude of BAM Nuttall, the contractors building the guided busway. Nuttall told the County Council that the guideway would be completed by May and then again by August last year. As you will recall, in the autumn they actually gave the County Council a date on which they would be in a position to hand the guideway over and for services to start. I regret that the last 12 months have been

a long story of one failure after another to deliver. The Council has been frustrated at every turn to try to get Nuttall to complete the outstanding defects. These include the maintenance track – which is continually flooded because it was built below the ditch into which water is supposed to drain and the bridge crossing the River Great Ouse, where water continues to pour off, causing long-term issues around maintenance. I would describe their performance as one of abject failure. They have let the Council down, and let residents down.

Finally, I have to confess to the following being a total misuse of my column. As many of you know I have been extremely fortunate in the last 18 months to have benefited from excellent treatment for breast cancer at Addenbrookes hospital. On 19 June, along with thousands of others, I will be taking part in the Moonwalk – walking a marathon starting at midnight to raise money for breast cancer research. I am equally lucky to be supported in this walk by a number of close friends and family who supported me during my illness. If you feel able to sponsor us, I should be very grateful – please go to our website at: www.walkthewalkfundraising.org/full_steam_ahead

I can be reached at the address or telephone number below.

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Proposed Sociable Ride – Peddars Way

As part of the programme of monthly rides we are thinking of a more adventurous event in June which will involve cars with bike carriers. The Peddars Way, is for the most part, a traffic-free cycleway/bridleway running from about 5 miles east of Thetford through to Holme-next-the-Sea on the north Norfolk coast with Castle Acre being the halfway point, each section being about 25 miles. There is also a good network of country roads tracking the Peddars Way for the road-runners.

At the time of submission a date is yet to be set so look under Willingham Wheels on www.willinghamlife.org for further details and information from a recce of the route, plus there is more available to read if you 'Google' Peddars Way, but we need to know who would be interested in taking part and who has car cycle carriers. Contact Graham Mumby on 01954 260553 graham.mumby@gwmumby.co.uk or Paul Knighton on 01954 270194 p.knighton@runbox.com if you are interested in joining.

NB Paul Knighton is now the new contact for the group



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Planning a pregnancy? Please check with your doctor or pharmacy if any medications you are currently taking are safe to continue in pregnancy.

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Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager

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Milford Jeeps has decided that from the beginning of September he will no longer be collecting used postage stamps for the Leprosy Commission.

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Thank you to all those that have contributed over the years.

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Wednesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 7 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	4 30 – 7 00
Thursday	8 30 – 1 00	Closed from 1 00 pm
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	Half day
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Willingham Gardening Club

Meetings are on the first Monday of each month at the Willingham Social Club, Fen End and start at 7 30 pm. There is usually a speaker on a subject of interest to gardeners and plant lovers and from time to time on subjects of wider interest. Meetings on average last about 1½ hours. There is a plant raffle at each meeting.

The Club welcomes new members to all of our monthly meetings. We are a group of people with an interest in plants and gardening. If you are too or just want to see whether you could become interested, come and join us to see whether you want to become a member at a very modest annual subscription of £10. You may attend one meeting for a small charge of £2 to see what we do and to speak informally to members and to the committee.

In addition to the meetings we have an annual programme of visits to gardens and other places of interest and there is usually an annual Club holiday lasting 4 or 5 days during which we visit the best gardens and other places of interest in the holiday location. See below for more details.

Contact Celia on 01954 261394 or just turn up to a meeting to experience what we do or to join.

During the next three months or so, Celia will be recording interest in a May 2011 holiday (late May bank holiday week) to Northumberland. If you are interested, contact her as soon as possible on the above number to make a provisional booking.

Club Meetings/Presentations and Outings

Monday, 7 June at our Club meeting Hilary Thomas will speak to us on the subject of 'Bulbs for all seasons'.

Monday, 5 July at our Club meeting Stephen Poyser will speak to us on the subject of 'Honey – hive to table'.

Important Dates for Your Diary

Saturday, 17 July – see article opposite.

Saturday, 4 September

Annual Village Horticultural and Craft Show organised by the Gardening Club: 1 30 pm to 4 30 pm

If you would like to try your hand at submitting a plant entry, then why not give Kathy a ring on 260745 or Tony on 201910 to arrange to collect your free begonia plant which you can grow on over the summer? This task would be ideal for a child to undertake but is not restricted to children.

Saturday, 18 September – destination still to be arranged but note the date please.

VISIT TO SAVILL GARDENS IN WINDSOR GREAT PARK

On Saturday, 17 July there is to be a visit to the famous Savill Gardens in the grounds of Windsor Great Park. The cost inclusive of travel and entry will be £23 pp.

The garden is set in 35 acres and includes an iconic new visitor centre and restaurant. The summer flowering Jubilee garden will be at its best.

The New Zealand garden has more than 3000 native plants – the largest collection in the UK.

The new rose garden is opening mid-June and has been planted with roses specially chosen for their scent, strong colours and repeat flowering characteristics.

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Swavesey & Over Tennis Club

Andrew Papworth and Sue Kent were victors in Swavesey & Over Tennis Club's Spring Tournament.

Organised as a mystery partners' competition, with a new draw before each of the five sets, Andrew and his partners won all five of his sets to amass a score of 30 points for and only six against.

Sean Rutter came second with 25 – 16.

Sue Kent topped the ladies section with a haul of 25 – 13.

Karin Sherwood, playing her first competition since joining the club, came second by totalling 22 – 15.

Sally Lane was a close third on 22 – 18.

The club plays at Swavesey Village College. Club nights are from 7 30 pm on Mondays and Fridays.

More information from the Club Secretary, Naunton Pugh, Tel: 01954 230393; email – naunton.pugh@nthworld.com

News from WAG (Willingham Action Group)

As reported in the last issue, Willingham Action Group (WAG) members have started planning to make this year's Feast bigger and better. The Feast will take place on the weekend of 8,9,10 October. We need volunteers to get involved at the planning stage as well as during the event so please contact us if you can help.

The WAG Youth Group met a few weeks ago to set up the Youth Trust. We have just enough people to form a board of trustees. Before we can complete the application to become a limited company, we must have a bank account and we are in the process of opening one at the moment. Then we will apply for charitable status. The trust will be aiming to attract funding to improve facilities for young people in the village.

WAG plans to join as a member group of the Fen Edge Association and play an active role, in a sense representing Willingham. The Association covers the villages of Waterbeach, Rampton, Willingham, Landbeach and Cottenham and seeks to benefit the communities by improving the social, leisure and recreational facilities for all. Seed grants are available for members/member groups to encourage development of their community-based activities. Willingham clubs and groups are encouraged to join. Visit the FECA website www.fenedge.co.uk for more information.

WAG members have met with Linda Browne, Community Liaison Support Assistant, for South Cambridgeshire District Council whose role is to interface between Parish Plan groups and Councils in the implementation of Parish Plan outcomes. We look forward to her help and support.

Recently, following an initiative by SCDC, WAG members delivered 30 mph stickers for wheelie bins to all residents along Earith Road, George Street and Rampton Road. We hope they may play a part in reducing speeding within the village.

Pet Gallery – calling all hamsters, guinea pigs, goldfish, dogs and cats...fame awaits – just submit your photo and story to editor@willinghamlife.org

News, Views and Diary Dates – submit to editor@willinghamlife.org

WAG was set up after the completion and presentation of the Parish Plan in order to pursue the outcomes, as summarised in the Action Plan, both through direct and indirect action. WAG is representative of people who believe that it is possible to make a difference within the community and evidence of that was presented at the public meeting held earlier in the year to report back on what has been achieved so far. The WAG Report to Willingham Parish Council Annual Meeting is available on the Willinghamlife website (www.willinghamlife.org) and in the library.

There are costs attached to running any organisation ranging from paying for meeting rooms, stationery, communication to promotion and financing of events. This is before considering projects which would benefit the village or equipment for clubs and groups.

WAG has no guaranteed source of funds at the moment and indeed is currently in deficit. Last year WAG received some financial support from the Parish Council to cover meeting room charges of £50 and a one-off grant of £200 to cover necessary public liability insurance for our activities,

including the Feast. In addition, £500 was granted towards the Feast Weekend, which benefited the community rather than WAG itself. The Feast generated funds but WAG decided to donate most of the proceeds to charity (The Teenage Cancer Trust and MAGPAS) rather than to support WAG.

WAG cannot continue to operate effectively or run events for the benefit of the community without access to funds. There are external sources of grant funds, which WAG can apply for in order to fund a specific project or equipment. However in general, operating funds have to come from within the community either through profit from events or as a grant from the Parish Council. Profiting from events reduces the money available to support good causes or requires higher ticket prices, which would unfairly exclude some families.

The Parish Council has not yet confirmed that we will receive funding this year so at the moment we are considering making proposals to the newly-elected Parish Council to the effect that an annual allowance be granted to WAG against an agreed programme, budget and accounting procedures. Should WPC not be able to make such a grant then we would have to ask for a loan since we must make advance payments for the Feast activities in the region of £800 – £1000. We would also have to consider using more of the Feast proceeds to support future activities rather than donate to charity.

If you wish to contact us about anything in this newsletter you can via the 'willinghamlife' website or contact Mike Tidball at m.tidball@btinternet.com – or telephone 01954 260647.



Pastoral Letter

We have all been involved in making a choice recently - selecting a new government. For our part, all we had to do was to cast a vote for a political candidate that we believed could best represent us in parliament, while hoping that there were enough people nationally making the same political choice as us to ensure the new government was of the right colour. As it turned out, there was no outright winning political party, but we may conclude that the voters were still winners, even if the percentages did not quite translate. We all make choices everyday. What factors determine our choices? As the Israelites of the Old Testament were about to move into the land God had promised them, Joshua, their leader asked the people to make a choice. He said, 'Choose today who you will serve. As for me and my family, we will serve the living God.'

In the 1980s fans of boy band Wham wore t-shirts with the slogan 'Choose Life.' Many centuries earlier, just before Joshua became leader of the Israelites, Moses had used the same words to his people after crossing the desert. The people were facing a new day. They could leave behind their old lives and move into the land promised them for generations and start afresh,

or stay with the safe and familiar. Similar choices face us today. Stay with what we know best. It feels OK even if it is not the most fulfilling, or we could take a few risks and go for a fresh start.

In Deuteronomy, chapter 30 sets before the people a stark choice: 'See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction..... Choose life.' That seems an easy choice. Sometimes, however, making the right choice may involve leaving something behind; letting go of something cherished. Jesus told his disciples, 'I have come to give you life in all its fullness.' They then chose to follow him even though it meant rejection and sacrifice.

As a church leader in Willingham I urge you to make a choice. It is, of course possible to live without including any thoughts of God, let alone following him. You will get by, but why make do with less than the best? I would never ask anyone to choose church over something else, but what I would say is this: choose to follow the blueprint plan that God has for your life. It is guaranteed to be the best route. Choose life; choose to follow God as did the thousands at that first Pentecost in response to the message delivered by the followers of Jesus.

*Trevor Rowe
Baptist Minister*

Church roof – work in progress

Work to repair the north aisle roof of the Parish Church is – at last – well underway. It is the happy result of many long months of planning and fund-raising. The work is being carried out by Rattee & Kett.

The need for the work became clear several years ago – and then the church was the victim of lead thieves, who stole sections of the roof.

Temporary repairs had to be carried out – and, because of the risk of further thefts, the decision was taken that it would be better to replace the lead with stainless steel. English Heritage had to agree, because the church is a grade 1 listed building. They did agree. So did the Ely Diocesan Advisory Committee.

With these crucial permissions in place we had to be sure that we could pay for the work. Over the years, fund-raising has steadily continued. The monthly cake stall and Rene Gould's bric-à-brac stall have been important sources of funds. So has the collecting box in the Co-op.

Major and vital help has come from charitable foundations. Chief among these is the National Churches Trust, which is the leading national independent body concerned with the protection and welfare of Christian places of worship throughout Britain. (It was formed in 2007 when two older bodies merged. They were the

Historic Churches Preservation Trust, which had been founded in 1953, and the Incorporated Church Building Society, in existence since 1818.)

The National Churches Trust helps 'faith communities maintain and enhance the buildings in their care in practical and innovative ways. It will try to ensure that churches, chapels and meeting houses survive and flourish at the heart of their communities'.

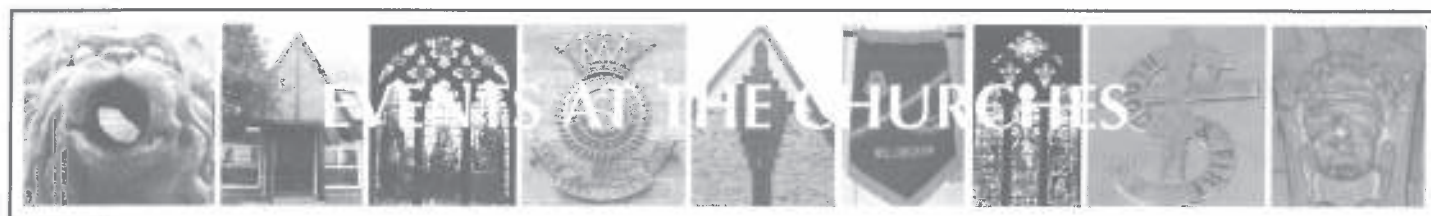
The NCT is keen to recruit Friends, to raise funds to enable it to fulfil its role. The address is: 31 Newbury Street, London, EC1A 7HU. The website is: www.nationalchurchestrust.org.

St Mary & All Saints church has also been awarded grants by the Garfield Weston Foundation, the Wolfson Foundation (through the Archbishops' Council), and the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust – funded by WREN (Waste Recycling Environmental Ltd).

*Bill Kirkman
Restoration Co-ordinator*

Willingham Walking Group

**The next walk will take place on Sunday, 13 June.
Meet in the Duke of Wellington car park for
9 50 am.
Details to follow.**



Baptist Church

Bumps and Babies: Thursday mornings at 10 00 am for mums-to-be and those with babies up to 18 months. This is now run with support from Bar Hill Children's Centre.

Baby Notes: A music group for babies and their parents/carers meets on Mondays at 2 30 pm for newborn to crawling; at 3 pm for babies to walking.

TOPS meets on Tuesday mornings from 9 45 am to 11 am during term time. This meeting is for children aged 18 months to 3 years with their parents/carers for fun activities and refreshments. Please come along and join us.

Rock Solid: A youth group every Tuesday during term-time from 6 30 pm – 8 pm for anyone aged 10–14 years. A fun-packed evening of games, quizzes, discussions and a tuck shop. Please come and join us.

Open Door: Come for coffee/tea and a chat on Thursday mornings in the Baptist Church from 10 am – 11 30 am. All welcome.

Kids' Friday Club for all those currently at primary school. Come along from 6 30 pm – 7 30 pm for crafts, games, stories, quizzes, music, puppets and much more.

WORLD CUP – All the England matches will be shown on a big screen (very big!) throughout the duration of the World Cup. Food will also be available so the whole family can enjoy the occasion without needing to prepare a meal – or wash up. See details under Baptist Services.

Parish Church

Bubbles

Bubbles takes place every Friday during school term time and is for pre-school children accompanied by parents or carers. It offers time to meet others and be creative. It is held in the Octagon from 10 00 am – 11 15 am.

Coffee Stop

Every Tuesday morning from 10 00 am to 11 30 am, you are welcome to drop in to the Octagon for coffee or tea and a chat. There is no formality: just walk in.

Cake stall

The cake still this month will be on Saturday, 5 June. It takes place at the church from 10 00 am.

Would you like to help with the cake stall? Volunteers are needed to bake and

serve cakes. Joyce Bowen (telephone 261075) would like to hear from you.

Bric-a-brac

Rene Gould's bric-a-brac stall continues at 19 Fen End and is well worth a visit – as a buyer or contributor of goods.

Proceeds from the cake stall and the bric-a-brac stall go to the Restoration Fund. Repairs to the north aisle roof are now in progress (see separate article).

Salvation Army

Lunch – alternate Thursdays at 12 30 pm which are **10 and 24 June**. There are still a few vacancies. Please ring Gordon on 260066 for further information.

Coffee morning – every Monday at 11 00 am and **craft meeting** at 2 00 pm.

Letter to the Editor

Rook Grove Fencing

What a lovely but sad story from Valerie McKee last month. I felt that I must write in her support. Having lived in the village for over 40 years, I too remember the footpath sign at the end of Rook Grove and the railway sleeper across the lode and have walked the route, with my kids, to the Recreation Ground many times.

I think that her reasoning for the removal or blocking of footpaths in order to protect the security of the farmers' fields is far from the truth. I suspect that it is much more likely that greedy landowners are looking to the future and endeavouring to facilitate their possible planning requests for housing development.

As for the Willingham Combined Charity, I had always believed that their role was to benefit the residents of Willingham. It would seem not. How could any business, let alone a charity, spend thousands of pounds to protect what can only be described as a peppercorn rent – especially as I now hear that the 'Stalag' type fences are to be extended across the old people's bungalows – to prevent them escaping across the fields, I assume.

Wouldn't it be nice if the WCC made a donation of the land in question to the village; tore down the fences; started a tree fund and converted it into a wooded area? Good for the environment; good for the conservation of wild life, good for families to walk and play and good too for the residents of the village – producing a haven of peace and tranquillity in the centre of a village that is rapidly becoming a bland, concrete jungle.

Richard Bullock
1 Thoday's Close





**ST MARY AND ALL SAINTS
CHURCH STREET
WILLINGHAM**
www.willinghamchurch.org

- 6 June**
11 00 am Parish Communion
- 13 June**
8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)*
11 00 am All Age Worship
6 00 pm Evensong
- 20 June**
11 00 am Parish Communion
- 27 June**
8 00 am Holy Communion (BCP)*
11 00 am All Age Worship

* BCP = Book of Common Prayer

During the interregnum there is a special time for prayer in the sacristy on the first Saturday morning of each month. (In **June – 5th**).

Children are welcome at all our 11 am services. On the 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays, there are activities for primary school-age children, and for younger children there is a crèche. On 2nd and 4th Sundays we have activities in the Church Service. 'Fidget Bags' are available for use in the pews.

If you know of anyone who is ill, or who for some other reason would like a visit, please let Steve Mellows (01954 270063) or Janette Mullett (01954 261003) know.

**CHRISTIANS TOGETHER
PRAYING FOR THE
PEOPLE OF
WILLINGHAM.**

In June: Mere Way, Mill Field,
Mill Road, Newington
will be in our thoughts.

**WILLINGHAM TABERNACLE
BAPTIST CHURCH
GEORGE STREET**
www.willinghambaptist.org

- 6 June**
10 00 am The Fugitive
6 00 pm Christian service
- 13 June**
10 00 am Holy Smoke!
6 00 pm Rev Dick Prior, Chatteris
- 20 June**
9 00 am Freedom!
10 45 am All-age celebration –
Primary School
6 00 pm Saved for what?
- 27 June**
10 00 am God's Provision
6 00 pm A Gospel for all

Any enquiries please contact: Rev Trevor Rowe (Minister – 01954 261193); Alan Wright (Church Secretary – 01954 261770)

**WATCH THE WORLD CUP AT
WILLINGHAM BAPTIST:**

All the England matches will be shown on a big screen (very big!) throughout the duration of the World Cup. Food will also be available so the whole family can enjoy the occasion without needing to prepare a meal – or wash up!

Saturday, 12 June – 6 00 pm
England v USA

Friday, 18 June – 7 30 pm
England v Algeria

Wednesday, 23 June – 3 00 pm
England v Slovenia (Bring the family from school)

Saturday, 26 June – 7 00 pm
Quarter final with England (we hope!)

We will try to theme the food to fit the opponents. Half-time DVD and other entertainment. All other regular church activities remain the same

**THE SALVATION ARMY
SILVER STREET**
www.salvationarmy.org/uk/willingham

- 6 June**
5 00 pm Worship
- 13 June**
5 00 pm Worship
- 20 June**
5 00 pm Worship
- 27 June**
5 00 pm Worship

**CHURCH OF THE
SACRED HEART**
19 Needingworth Road, St Ives
www.sacredheart-stives.org

- Saturday**
5 00 pm (Anticipatory)
- Sunday**
8 00 am and 11 00 am

Introducing Everyday Adventure

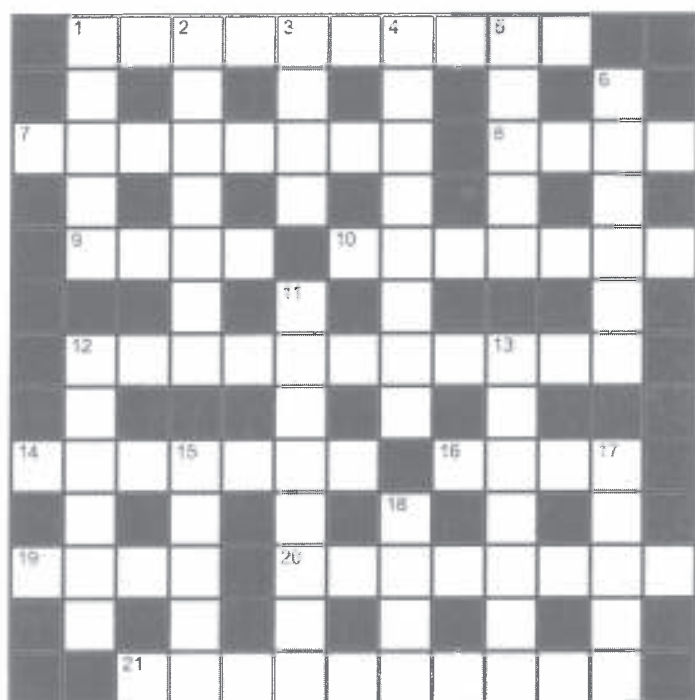
1st Willingham Scout Group
www.1st-willingham.org.uk

Do you like to have fun?
Have you a few hours to spare each week?
Do you like helping children and young people?
Would you like to widen your circle of friends?
Do you enjoy challenges?
Do you value the future?
Said "yes" to any of these?
Then Scouting could be for you!

Let your adventure begin

1st Willingham Scout Group
Contact Group Scout Leader Marina Deller
Phone: 01954 260045
E-mail: gsl@1st-willingham.org.uk

Crossword set by Willow



Across

- 1 Endorse good stuff in Arsenal's end of season game (10)
- 7 Worrying about children having drunk gin (8)
- 8 Regular cricket team gets openers out (4)
- 9 Saved dying man in whirlpool (4)
- 10 Big cat has little sleep up on the rooftop (7)
- 12 Farmer hasn't half cashed in producing for market (11)
- 14 Princess puts on spread for show (7)
- 16 Notice zit (4)
- 19 Tragic King has real problem (4)
- 20 Draw near, very quietly, going after a fish (8)
- 21 Resolution to form colony (10)

Down

- 1 Force way on to boat (5)
- 2 Note way in which the German makes fish soup (7)
- 3 Smile at getting day off from mill (4)
- 4 Myopia's starting Arthur's mum with awful headache (8)
- 5 Open to bit of cricket with first team (5)
- 6 Still perceived to be keeping right to point (6)
- 11 Farm worker has aspiration to get gamebird (8)
- 12 Girl's a clothes horse! (6)
- 13 Beg politician to follow international traditions (7)
- 15 Wallet's super for change (5)
- 17 Silent about CIA activity in Trinidad and Tobago (5)
- 18 Noble peer grasps sword (4)

Solution on page 18.

It's never too late to live your dream

I moved to Willingham from France in 2004 – it was at the end of June. My daughter and her family had lived in Willingham since 1994 and were well into the community and Bovis, the builders were building a new estate – Covent Garden. About half the homes had not been built. My house was surrounded by a builder's yard and the sites of houses still to be built. I could look out at breakfast and they'd be starting on a roof and by evening, the roof would be on, capstones and all. It was interesting, the speed they finished each house. Six years since then and all the houses are occupied – some for the second time!

It is almost never too late to grab a dream and act on it! I was 71 years old but I still had energy and had decided to downsize anyway – lots of furniture etc going to the family. People were amazed at my plan but I had friends who had recently gone to Boulogne – who could speak French and had lived in France for some time. They knew 'the ropes' – such as how to arrange with an agent and how to get electricity, gas and water turned on.

The second reason why I went to France was because I'd always wanted to live there but never thought I'd have the opportunity. I was quite happy about this – I'd done nothing to turn my dream into reality because I thought it would be a waste of time. However, these friends of mine went there to look after an Anglican congregation and after the Induction we (three of us) went to spend a few days in Boulogne before we all went back to England. They weren't happy about the accommodation they'd been given so I said, 'I know, I'll come and live in Boulogne and you can come and stay with me whenever you like!'

What did I like most? I liked most of all the people of Boulogne as well as Boulogne itself. It's a nice small town with pre-war, post-war and old historic parts – an Old



Town and the 'New Town' – it's a port with sea walls. Boulogne has been there for centuries. Little old streets and high walls, the 'ramparts' enclosed the Old Town. Windows with shutters – why can't we have shutters? They keep the cold out in winter and the heat in summer. Going down the

street – there are a lot of hills – the houses have pretty lace curtains and the shutters are pinned back against the wall but there is a lot of unemployment because the main fishing industry has moved south to Etaples.

I had a nice, small, first-floor flat on a busy shopping street which was the scene of processions and protest marches and there were religious festivals, saints' days too. I enjoyed the weekly market on Saturdays; the walk and stroll through the quiet streets on my way to church on Sundays, seeing French friends; the little bistro in my street. Was it only because it was new and strange to me – quite different from my life in England and the town I'd always lived in? Maybe, but they were five happy years and I still have French friends who keep in touch.

I signed up to take a French language course at the local 'Tech'. I had a good teacher and met more people – all ages and ethnic groups – North Africans, Tunisians, Ethiopians, Icelandic girls and more English people – twice a week for the whole day in term-time.

Writing this has brought it all back – a very happy time in my life.

Ursula Saner

Willingham Library

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library
0345 0455225



Monday	5 00 – 7 00 pm
Tuesday	2 30 – 7 00 pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	10 00am – 12 30pm 2 30pm – 7 00pm
Friday	10 00am – 12 30pm
Saturday	10 00am – 12 30pm

Library News

Open Evening

A few weeks ago, the Friends of Willingham Library organised an Open Evening to give residents a chance to look around and see what the library has to offer. As shown by the photo, an enthusiastic group spent a pleasant hour looking around and viewing some of the many local history items held in the library that were on display. If the relatively small turnout suggests that the village is generally happy with their library then that is good news, but there is no room for complacency. The more people that use it the better protected it is from forthcoming spending cuts. Remember that you can browse online the catalogue of the huge range of books held in Cambridgeshire libraries, reserve online and collect from Willingham library, free.

You can also help to support your local library by joining



the Friends Group. New members are always welcome. Pick up an application form in the library or contact Linda King on 260780.

Engage in the Afternoon

Come along to these special free sessions for adults on the first Wednesday of each month from 2 00 pm to 3 30 pm. There are speakers, tea/coffee/biscuits and a chance to change books and use the computers. It's free but donations are welcomed towards refreshments.

In May there was a lively and interesting discussion, reminiscing about school days. Why not come to one of the future sessions?

- Wednesday 2 June – Mary Nichols, Historical novelist
- Wednesday 7 July – Julie Ferguson, Local Magistrate will host a discussion 'How would you sentence an offender?'
- Wednesday 4 August – David Jacques will talk on 'Medicines by Accident'

Cake Break

Many thanks to all who supported the Cake Break held on 30 April in aid of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. A magnificent £306.70 was collected, and the cakes were much appreciated.

Hilary Wyllie



Press release – Swavesey Festival Local History Project

Pupils from Swavesey Village College History Club have learnt that their interest in Swavesey's history has been rewarded and their efforts will be recorded with permanent information boards. Their work, as part of Swavesey Festival 2010, with Swavesey and District History Society and Oxford Archaeology East on mediaeval Swavesey has secured grant funding of £4600 from Heritage Lottery Fund and Cambridge Antiquarian Society. Swavesey Parish Council is also supporting this programme of work which includes lectures, visits and examining accounts of Swavesey's past. This funding will be used to install three permanent information boards about Swavesey's castle, docks and priory. It will also allow the young people to produce portable information boards for use by Swavesey Village College and Swavesey and District History Society, and to post material on the village website.

Swavesey Festival enables local groups to stage a range of recreational, cultural and sporting activities encouraging people to participate, and shows the range of recreation opportunities available to people locally.

Village Diary

MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	TICKETS/INFO
June				
2	Mary Nichols – Historical Novelist	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 00 – 3 30 pm
5	Childrens' pre-World Cup disco	Willingham Social Club	Social Club	2 00 – 5 00 pm/£3
7	Hilary Thomas on 'Bulbs for All Seasons'	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm
12	Family BBQ & England's first World Cup game	Willingham Social Club	Social Club	Ticket only
12	World Cup viewing England v USA	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	6 00 pm
14	Speaker: Mary Nichols; Novelist and biographer	WI	Social Club	7 30 pm
18	World Cup viewing England v Algeria	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	7 30 pm
19	Charity Lunch		13 Rockmill End	1 00 pm/£3
19-26	Swavesey Festival			swaveseyfestival.org.uk or Tel: 01954 201840
23	World Cup viewing England v Slovenia	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	3 00 pm
26	World Cup viewing Quarter Final	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	7 00 pm
27	Summer Fair	Honeypot Pre-School	Willingham Primary School	10 30 am – 1 30 pm
28	Bring a poem or a reading	Mothers' Union	The Octagon	2 30 pm
July				
3	Willingham School Fete and Walking Parade	Willingham School Association	Willingham Primary School	2 00 – 5 00 pm
5	Stephen Poyser on 'Honey – hive to table'	Gardening Club	Social Club Fen End	7 30 pm
7	Julie Ferguson, Local Magistrate: 'How would you sentence an offender?'	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 00 – 3 30 pm

Old Willingham

Here's trouble on a familiar road in Willingham in the 1960s. The fire engine is in action and locals are gathering to watch. Do you recognise the location? Do you remember what caught fire? Answers will be given next month. Please send information to: oldwill@oldwillingham.com or Jon Edney, 31 High Street.



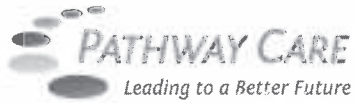
Swavesey Choir during the Festival

The Community Choir's next concert on Sunday, 20 June is part of the Swavesey Festival taking place that week. The choir will be performing Karl Jenkins' The Armed Man: A Mass for Peace and Four South African songs. The concert is a double bill with Jonathan Sage and his White Rose Trio.

The concert is at 7 30 pm in St Andrews Church in Swavesey. Tickets are £9, or £2 for under 18s, and are on sale now: Telephone 01954 201840 or go to the festival website: www.swaveseyfestival.org.uk.

The June charity lunch, held in favour of Motor Neurone Research, will be held on 19 June at 1 pm at the home of Diane and Cliff Hopkins at 13 Rockmill End. The meal consists of soup, bread and cheese and costs £3. All are welcome.

SEVEN MYTHS IMPACTING ON ATTRACTING POTENTIAL CAMBRIDGE FOSTER CARERS



Seven myths surrounding fostering are helping to create a shortfall in carers in the Cambridgeshire area

according to a local leading independent foster care agency.

'There are so many myths surrounding fostering that it is clearly putting off people who would be ideally suited to undertake such work,' says Karen Parsons, Carer Recruitment Officer with Pathway Care.

'In the UK there is an estimated shortage of 10,000 foster carers and it is very important to address this and get these children into a safe and supportive environment. In our experience some of the most successful applicants have been thinking about fostering for years, but have held back from applying for one or a number of reasons. For some, there is a belief that they simply could not afford to foster – but the days of meeting expenses from out of your own pocket have long gone.

'Foster carers come from all walks of life and have a range of life experiences to draw on. Some may have a natural vocation towards becoming a carer, others may possess transferable skills gained from a variety of work ranging from caring for the elderly, or people with disabilities, teaching assistants, retired police officers or a background in the armed services.

'Being a foster carer can be challenging work, but with it can come great satisfaction. Some of our carers have enjoyed a very good life and feel they want to give something back to society; others come from difficult backgrounds and have overcome adversity and now want to help others in a similar situation.

'However, before you rule yourself out please see below some of the most common myths about fostering.'

1. I can't afford to foster. Carers through Pathway Care receive good remuneration for their services and all expenses are met.

2. I am too old to foster. People often rule themselves

out because of their age. Pathway care doesn't have an upper-age limit, but applicants are required to undergo a full medical and need to be fit and active.

3. We've never had children of our own so we won't be considered. This is a total misconception. We are looking for people who have experience of children – so if you have been very involved with children from your wider family – or friends – this may count. Perhaps you work with children through your job, or have been actively involved with youth groups etc.

4. I'm a single carer, I can't possibly be considered. Yes you can, but it is recognised that being a single parent is tough and you would need to be able to demonstrate a good support network is in place through family and friends.

5. I've only heard negative feedback about foster children and this has put me off finding out more. The public perception of foster children is that they can be very difficult and likely to be troublesome. Whilst recognising that these children do come with issues and can be challenging, they respond to support and care and the level of satisfaction you can gain from helping them can be immense.

6. I can't foster because I've been in trouble with the police. In many instances this just isn't true. It does, however, depend on the type of conviction and when it was received. People who have turned their lives around can prove to be excellent foster carers.

7. I live in a socially-deprived area, I can't possibly foster. If you have the necessary skills to foster and your accommodation is suitable – a child must have his or her own bedroom – then don't rule yourself out.

Pathway Care has experienced staff that can help and support you all the way and provide ongoing training. You will also be paid a generous fostering allowance. If you think you can help your local community by becoming a foster carer, why not contact Pathway Care to find out more on 0871 2263760, or visit our website: www.pathwaycare.com

Hearing Dogs for Deaf People – Cambridge & District Branch News

The local branch of *Hearing Dogs for Deaf People* has now been in existence for just over a year. Due to job relocation the inaugural Branch Organiser, Sandra Mace, is unable to continue in post and I have recently agreed to take up the challenge of moving the branch forward. As a branch our

objectives are to raise money for the charity (which receives no government funding whatsoever) and to raise awareness of the work of *Hearing Dogs for Deaf People*.

There are many ways in which we can come into local communities and raise awareness; equally there are

many ways that you, either as individuals, community groups or local businesses can help us. For example, we can supply speakers for schools, cub, scout, brownie and guide groups, which can help with young people's perception of disability and ways of overcoming problems that are faced on a regular basis. We can also supply speakers for local groups such as WIs, Rotary Clubs etc and also for corporate events.

You can help us in many ways. For example, you could join our small committee of volunteers who meet on a monthly basis. If committee work is not your cup of tea, would you be able to spare a couple of hours on an *ad hoc* basis to help us? I am really keen to build up a database of people who are willing to help on an occasional basis – this could be by holding your own fundraising event such as 'Paws for Coffee' (we can provide support materials),

continued overleaf



manning a stall for a couple of hours, donating items for tombolas/raffles to help raise money locally, or by selling raffle tickets for one of our national campaigns – all offers of help will be warmly welcomed. Also, if you are planning a local event where we could attend with our information leaflets and merchandise, please let us know.

Currently we are in the early stages of planning a sponsored dog walk, which will be held in Milton Country Park in October. If you are able to help us make this event a huge success, please tell us as we will need helpers on the day. Further details of the dog walk will be sent out later in the summer.

If you have questions about the work of Hearing Dogs for Deaf People or would like to offer to help, please do not hesitate to contact me.

*Jenny Parker – Branch Organiser
01223 833562 (evenings only please)
jennifer.parker5@btopenworld.com*

CROSSWORD SOLUTION (See page 14.)

Across: 1 Backgammon, 7 Brooding, 8 Even, 9 Eddy, 10 Panther, 12 Merchandise, 14 Display, 16 Spot, 19 Lear, 20 Approach, 21 Settlement.

Down: 1 Barge, 2 Chowder, 3 Grin, 4 Migraine, 5 Overt, 6 Serene, 11 Pheasant, 12 Maiden, 13 Implore, 15 Purse, 17 Tacit, 18 Épée

Honeypot Pre-School Summer Fair Sunday, 27 June 10 30 am – 1 30 pm at Willingham Primary School

It is the time of year once again for summer fetes, fairs, galas and other festivities for families to join together and have fun, whilst raising funds for their common interests – their child's school/club or local charity.

The Honeypot Pre-school Committee has decided to move away from the Honeypot tradition of a 'Trundle' this year. Instead, there will be a 'Summer Fair', where the main interest will be a Treasure Hunt around the Honeypot and School grounds for the children and their families to enjoy. There will also be stalls and games, a bouncy castle, face-painting, BBQ and an ice-cream van. Funds raised from the event will go towards improving the outside learning environment. We have great plans to make the 'outside classroom' a fun and educational place, within a nursery rhyme theme, something from which the pre-school children will gain immense pleasure.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Willingham Cricket Club Fixtures

	First Team	Second Team
5 June	St Ives 3rds (A)	St Ives 4th (H)
12 June	Cottenham 2nds (H)	Soham 2nds (A)
19 June	Over 2nds (A)	Little Thetford (H)
26 June	City of Ely (H)	Little Thetford (A)
3 July	Over 2nds (H)	Chatteris 3rds (A)
10 July	City of Ely (A)	Burwell 4ths (A)
17 July	Cottenham 2nds (A)	Soham 2nds (H)
24 July		Wimblington 2nds (A)
31 July	Doddington 2nds (A)	
7 August	Chatteris 2nds (H)	
14 August	St Ives 3rds (H)	St Ives 4ths (A)
21 August		Wimblington 2nds (H)
28 August	Longstanton 2nds (A)	Abbots Ripton (H)
4 September	Burwell 3rds (H)	

We are still looking for old and new players for the coming season.

We now have outdoor nets thanks to a grant from South Cambridgeshire District Council. Practice sessions will start at 10 30 am. There will also be sessions every Wednesday from 6 30 pm. Only club members are insured when using the nets. For further details, please contact either R Ambrose on 01954 260446 or R Leach on 01954 260144.

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	Willingham Out Of School Club (3-6 pm only)	Mrs R Tiley	01954 201567
	School Governors Chairman	Rob Laycock	01954 202185
	School Association	c/o school	01954 283030
	British School Trust	Richard Foster	01954 261293
Children	Beavers, Cubs and Scouts	Mrs M Dellar	01954 260045
	Honeyptot Pre-School (term-time only)		01954 201567
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	Old Buttery Nursery School		01954 260046
	Willingham Guides and Senior Section	Lynn McGoff	01954 261296
	Ladybird Borland's School Of Dance	Mrs L Borland	01954 203347
	Bubbles	Kathryn Wright	01954 261770
	Bumps and Babies Group	Pam Buckridge	01954 780714
	TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group)	Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Little Notes Music group	Emma Tregenna	01954 205329
	Rock Solid (Baptist Church)	Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Kids' Friday Club (Baptist Church)	Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
Halls	Ploughman Hall Bookings	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Wilford Furlong Centre		01954 261445
	The Octagon	Mrs A Robinson	01954 261076
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	Willingham Combined Charity	Mrs J Ambrose	01954 260446
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	Social Club	Mr J Sibley	01954 260436
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