



August 2011

Community Cohesion Artwork Unveiled

A special ceremony was held to unveil a piece of artwork created by children of travellers and those resident in Willingham.

The young people have been working on the community art project for three months.

A group from the nearby Meadow Road traveller site have created graffiti art depicting images and words that reflect their life and interests.

The youth group from Willingham's Connections Bus also made their own graffiti display. Now, the two pieces of art have been combined, depicting the aspirations of the young people of the village and the community.

The 20 or so children worked with professional graffiti artist Libby Morley and youth workers to learn the skills of graffiti art and create the final version.

The resultant mural – funded by Cambridgeshire County Council, ArtsMASH and the Connections Bus Project – was unveiled at a special ceremony at 5 pm on Friday 17 June at the Ploughman's Hall in Willingham, attended by



County Councillor Shona Johnstone, members of the Parish Council and Willingham Action Group and CVC Deputy Head Mr Marshall, to name just a few. The youth coordinators present were Project Manager Alan Webb, Area Inclusion Youth Worker Imogen Byers and Youth Development Worker Sam Crump.

With thanks to willinghamlife.org



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Bin Collections

3	August	black bins
10	August	blue and green bins
17	August	black bins
24	August	blue and green bins

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For the August issue: **Please note the deadline is 10 August.** Please send material to the following email address: willinghamnews@yahoo.co.uk and if possible, send your copy as an email attachment NOT incorporated into the email. Paper copy may be left at the library.

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB 2011

1-5 August 10am-12.30pm

at

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BAPTIST
CHURCH**



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RESCUE**

Come and have fun being spies & secret agents for a week!

The club is for children aged 5-11 years.

Have fun with games, quizzes, songs and bible stories.

The week will end with a special event on Sunday 7th August at 11am followed by a B.B.Q to which all parents and children are invited.

The week is free, but we do ask you to pre-register if possible.

For more information or to book a place:

Please phone Trevor Rowe on 01954 261193 or Hilary Wyllie on 01954 260051 or email Hilary at hilary.wyllie@btopenworld.com

See you there!

From the Parish Council

www.willingham-pc.org.uk

Guided Busway

One of the difficulties in writing this column is in timing. When you read this the long awaited busway will be open or opening very shortly to provide an excellent service into Cambridge, St Ives and on to Huntingdon. If by any chance it is not then the Parish Council is sorry but would remind you that it is the County Council's fault. The service will run seven days a week from 7 am on weekdays until midnight. Concessionary passes will be accepted on similar terms as on other services. More information is available on the County Council website by following the links to transport and the busway.

Library

A further meeting was held in early July with the library service, our County Councillor, a member of Over Parish Council and Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL). The position has not changed materially from that presented at the public meeting in April. The County Council has to find savings of £200,000 from the library budget and is seeking proposals from thirteen of the smaller libraries in the county. Willingham Parish Council is working closely with FOWL and Over Parish Council to put together a package of voluntary help with some precept cash that will enable Willingham Library to remain open in the current building. Proposals have to be finalised for submission to the library service in August.

OWLS

A community car scheme has been set up covering Over, Willingham, Longstanton and Swavesey (OWLS). It provides door-to-door transport for people who do not have a car and cannot make the journey in any other way. The scheme can be used for medical or social journeys but is principally aimed at helping the elderly and those without transport. There is a minimum charge of £3 for all journeys or 30p a mile. If you want to find out more there are leaflets available in the Parish office. To request a journey or offer to help the telephone number is 07505 254363.

CATCH

Cambridge Association to Commission Health (CATCH) has been set up by local GP practices to support them in buying health services. They work closely with local hospitals and community services and will take the lead in buying health services from 2013. They are anxious that the local community is closely involved and seek volunteers who are willing to participate in focus groups, workshops or questionnaires. If you would like to become involved or simply find out more visit www.catchcambs.nhs.uk or telephone 01223 725325.

The A14

A new A14 Study Group has been formed by the Dept of Transport. This one is supposed to look into affordable alternatives. It has been pointed out to them that

Northstowe and the Huntingdon Viaduct need immediate attention. It is obvious that the previous scheme is unaffordable but alternatives are needed urgently. The site of Northstowe was linked to the 2001 CHUMMS study which was based on the upgrade of the A14, plus the Guided Bus and a new Chesterton Station. SCDC are dealing with this matter and, whilst talking of our District Council, congratulations are due to them for being only one of five Councils to achieve formal recognition for Customer Service Excellence. They have clearly made huge progress.

The Pavilion

Space always restricts how much we can put in this column but we would like to thank all those volunteers that helped to clean the outside of the pavilion in June. It looks so much better. With the summer holidays now upon us can we also ask all the recreation ground and playground users to help us keep the area clean, tidy, free of glass and litter and safe for all to use.

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

Mr H Awal	01954-204526
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Ms W Hardman	01954-261036
Mr D Jacques	01954-261353
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Mr P King (<i>Vice Chairman</i>)	01954-260780
Mr B Kirkman (<i>Green and Boundaries Lead Councillor</i>)	01954-260393
Mr R Manning	01954-261235
Mr S Mellows	01954-270063
Mr G Pake (<i>Cemetery Lead Councillor</i>)	01954-260534
Mr R Purnell	01954-205257

Meeting dates are published on the website, the notice board outside the public hall in the High Street and at the library. The next full Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 3 August at the Octagon, St Mary and All Saints Church, Church Street at 7 30 pm. Parishioners are welcome to attend and speak briefly or ask questions.

The Parish Council office is open Monday to Friday from 10 am to 1 pm, except Bank Holidays. You can make an appointment or just call in and take pot luck. There is an answer-phone service outside office hours.

The contact details are: Parish Council Office, Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road, Willingham CB24 5LP. Tel. 01954-261027; E-mail email@willinghampc.org.uk

Clerk: Mrs Dawn Spouge

Admin Assistant: Mrs Amanda Powell



WILLINGHAM SURGERY & LONGSTANTON BRANCH SURGERY

Willingham Reception Tel: 01954 260230 Longstanton Reception Tel: 01954 207600

Dispensary Tel for repeat prescriptions: 260073 Pharmacy Tel: 261787

Out of hours: Urgent Care Cambridgeshire (formerly CAMDOC) 0330 123 9131

When the surgery is closed please ring our Out of Hours Service UCC 0330 123 9131 or NHS Direct 0845 4647 For advice only

Willingham Pharmacy Annual Patient Survey Please could you take a few minutes to complete a questionnaire when you visit the pharmacy. This gives us and Cambridgeshire PCT valuable feedback so that we can make sure we are providing you with the best possible service in the pharmacy.

The Blood Donor Mobile Unit will visit Willingham Surgery Car Park on Friday 19 August. Appointments are from **9 45 am – 12 20 pm** and **2 10 pm – 4 10 pm**. Please ring **0300 123 23 23** quoting postcode CB24 5LB to make an appointment.

The New Community Car Scheme for Over, Willingham, Longstanton and Swavesey (THE OWLS) is now in operation. This is a voluntary car service supported by Cambridgeshire County Council for medical and social journeys. It can provide door-to-door transport for people who do not have the use of a car and cannot make the journey by bus or dial-a-ride. Passengers are asked to make a contribution of 30p per mile (minimum charge of £3). To find out more about the service or to arrange a journey please **call the scheme co-ordinator on 07505 254363**. The phone is answered between 9 00 am – 10 30 am Monday to Friday and there is an answer phone to leave messages at other times. Please try to give at least 48 hours notice of any request. **Leaflets are available in surgery reception.**

Car Scheme Volunteer Drivers are needed to help with this valuable new service. If you have a few hours a week to spare **please call on 07505 254363**. A mileage allowance for expenses and additional insurance cover are provided.

Change to opening hours at Longstanton Branch Surgery

We have replaced our short Monday afternoon surgery session with a longer morning surgery. Our new opening hours at Longstanton are:

Monday – Friday 8 30 am – 1 00 pm.

On-line booking for nurse appointments now available. Please contact reception if you wish to register yourself for this service. When both staff and patients are confident with the new system we will introduce doctor appointments.

Practice email address:

willinghammedicalpractice@nhs.net

This is for general non-urgent enquiries about the practice and we will aim to respond within 48 working hours. The service cannot be used for clinical queries or to make, amend or cancel appointments.

NHS Choices website www.nhs.uk has a wealth of information about NHS services including details of all GP

practices. You can search for any NHS service on the website and compare with others. There is also much helpful advice on all aspects of NHS care and medical conditions. If you wish to find details about our surgery click 'Find GP Practices' enter Willingham or a postcode and then click on Willingham Medical Practice.

Change 4 Life Top Tips for Top Kids booklets are packed full of hints about how to Eat Well, Move More and Live Longer. Pick one up from our Pharmacy or in Reception or register at www.nhs.uk/change4life for recipe ideas and information about local events and activities.

Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager

WILLINGHAM SURGERY NORMAL OPENING HOURS

Monday	8 30 – 1 00	2 30 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 6 00
Tuesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
Ante Natal/Baby Clinic		2 00 – 4 00
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
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
Emergencies		4 00 – 6 00

WILLINGHAM PHARMACY Tel: 01954 261787 NORMAL OPENING HOURS

Monday	8 30 – 1 00	2 30 – 6 30
Tuesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Wednesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 7 30
Thursday	8 30 – 1 00	CLOSED
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 30

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Fen Edge Festival

The Fen Edge Festival was held at the end of June. Usually it is based entirely in Cottenham but this year events were held in Willingham organised by Willingham Action Group.

The main event in Willingham was the evening of music at the Social Club. Two excellent local bands, PLC and Alchemy, prepared the audience for a further treat, the appearance of Keith Pearson's Coup de Grass. Keith appeared at the Feast 2009 and was invited back by popular demand. Yet again the band was superb, mixing excellent music with interludes of Keith's very humorous monologues. Everyone left with a happy smile! In addition, St Mary and All Saints was open to visitors to the festival during the week of the festival.

During the early preparations for the festival the Cottenham side challenged Willingham to a gladiator duel. Three 'gladiators' on each team were to hit their opponent as hard as they could while standing on a flimsy pedestal. Barry from the Duke of Wellington put together a team of strong men with Trevor and Jake – after all this is serious rivalry! When we got there, perhaps having seen the strength of our team, Cottenham played the devious trick of changing the event to a slow bike race. Even worse, they had taken first choice of bikes leaving Jake, who is over 6ft, on a child's BMX! Their underhand tactics mattered not as Barry performed brilliantly in being able to seem to hardly move at all for long periods of time, something previously confirmed by the staff at the Duke! Oh the joy when they had to announce over the public address system that Willingham had won and Barry deserves mountains of praise for his skill and representing the village.



We would like to thank all that helped with the Fen Edge events including the staff at the Duke of Wellington, the Post Office and the Social Club who sold tickets. The Social Club deserve our appreciation for hosting the music as do the members of Willingham Jam Club for organising the bands.

Unfortunately, we had planned another large event which was to be a disco in the Ploughman Hall and we had to cancel this at the last moment. We apologise for this, but

two days before the event we had only sold four tickets so we assume there is no interest in having a disco in the village from time to time.

One part of Willingham Action Group has taken on some responsibility for events in the village – this arose out of the Parish Plan, published a few years ago, where residents commented that not enough social activities happened in the village. The volunteers who plan the events make an effort to bring the village together while raising money for charities. We hope you will give them your support in participating in our events and those organised by other groups in the village.

Some of those who form the core of volunteers are now less able to help due to family and work commitments so we need volunteers to take their place. We always operate on the principle that you commit as much or as little time as you want. Apart from the satisfaction of seeing things happen and people enjoying themselves we have all become good friends and are involved in lots of social activities within our group of activists. Should you want to come along to one of our meetings and see how we operate then please contact Mike on 01954 260647 or email m.tidball@btinternet.com

We are already planning this year's Feast in October but unless we get more support we wonder whether there will be a Feast in 2012!



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Sudoku

Solution on page 17

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1			6	2				9
	3		4					1
	1							
	4			9	1			3
			3			6		

Willingham Walking Group

August Walk – Sunday 14 August

Will the Guided Busway be open? We are hoping to leave cars at the Longstanton Park and Ride, walk to St Ives along the busway, have lunch or a snack in St Ives and catch the bus back.

Meet at the Duke of Wellington at 10 00 am to share cars or go direct to the Park and Ride and meet at 10 15 am.

Please let Linda or Mike know if you are planning to come along and if you will need a lift or can offer lifts to others to save taking too many cars.

Contacts: Linda Horne via email lhorne@hal-consultancy.com or phone 01954 202072 and Mike Tidball via email m.tidball@btinternet.com

Advance notice: 11 September – We are hoping to join the Bridge the Gap walk in Cambridge. Advance registration is £10 (by end of August). Hopefully we will be able to use the guided bus to get into Cambridge to avoid having to park in town.

To register: <http://www.bridgethegapwalk.org/site/> or phone 01223 723115.

HORSE RACE NIGHT

Over Community Centre Bar

Friday September 23rd

7.30–10.30

Letters

Edinburgh Marathon

I would like to thank everyone who sponsored me in the recent Edinburgh Marathon and helped me raise £1259.50 for EACH. Many thanks to Terry, Luke, Sam and Fiona for their sterling efforts. Special thanks to my angels, Myra and Claire, for being in Edinburgh with me. I completed the marathon in 4:16:20.

Best wishes and thank you.

Jimmy Ryan

Rubbish

I am not in the habit of looking in other people's black bins but, when I found a neighbour had dumped a bag of their rubbish in my bin, I felt entitled to look around, and I was appalled at what I saw. Our three neighbouring bins were full of material which, with a small amount of care, could have perfectly well been sorted out between blue, green and black bins. I don't know whether this is the exception in Willingham, but it is no wonder that we have a problem with landfill sites if this is the norm.

Name withheld

Willingham Stagecraft

will be holding

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for the *Christmas Play*

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on

August 3rd & 8th 2011
@ 8.00pm

at

The Public Hall, High Street, Willingham

All welcome!

Performing and backstage stars wanted!

For further details, please contact the Director:

Jan Farrar on (01954) 200515



Parish Church

Bubbles – is held in the Octagon every Friday during school term time from 10 am to 11 15 am

Bubbles is for pre-school children accompanied by parents or carers. It offers a time to meet others and be creative.



During August Bubbles will not meet in the Octagon but, weather permitting, there will be an opportunity to meet up in Heather's garden on some of the Fridays. Regular members of Bubbles will receive notification of these gatherings via email.

Bric-a-brac Always on sale at 19 Fen End, the home of Rene Gould.

Proceeds from the Bric-a-brac Stall go to the Restoration Fund.

Coffee Stop and Messy Church will not be meeting in August.



Salvation Army

Coffee Morning Monday 10 30 am -12 00pm. You are very welcome to come and join us for a coffee, tea and cake and a chance to chat with old and new friends

Craft Meeting Monday 2 pm bring your knitting, sewing, card making and come and join with others. Learn the skills of embroidery. Tea and coffee and good company provided!

Luncheon Club every two weeks 11 and 25 August. Come and join us for a home cooked lunch and dessert. £3.50 There is still room left for a few more. Ring Gordon on 260066 or Daphne 260568. Please book in advance if possible.

Bible Study and prayer group. 18 August. 2-3 pm. All are welcome to come and join us for an informal time of study and chat and prayer with a cup of tea!

Saturday 6 August 7 00 pm. Visit of Snettisham band and choir. Tickets £3. Available from Daphne 260568 or on the door.

Willingham Baptist Church

Baby Notes, TOPS, Bumps and Babies, and KFC will not be running during August but recommence in September.

Open Door coffee morning will continue but in various homes as announced. **TGI Sunday** will take place on 7 August as the climax of Mission Rescue Holiday Club at 11 00 am.

Mission Rescue Holiday Club, August 1-5, 10 00 am – 12 30 pm is for children of Primary school age. A packed programme of games, craft, stories, DVD, drama, puppets, music and loads of fun guaranteed. Register by calling 01954 260051 or on the day.

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Over Community Centre

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Val on 01954 230655



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

7 August

11 am Communion

14 August

8 am Traditional Communion (BCP)

11 am All-Age Service

21 August

11 am Communion

28 August

8 am Traditional Communion (BCP)

11 am Morning Service

Children are always welcome at St Mary and All Saints. During term time Sunday school takes place in the Octagon on 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays of each month. On the 2nd and 5th Sundays activities are provided in the service so that we can worship together. Fidget bags are available for use in the pews. There is no Sunday School during August but activity sheets will be available for the children to use in our children's corner.

If you know of anyone who is ill, or who for some other reason would like a visit please let the Vicar (Linda) know.

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

August 7

11 00 am Mission Rescue Finale

6 00 pm God's timetable

August 14

10 00 am Words of Jesus: 'Follow me'

6 00 pm Order in the church

August 21

10 00 am Words of Jesus: 'What do you want me to do for you?'

6 00 pm Women in the Bible: Eve

August 28

10 00 am Words of Jesus: 'What's the use of worrying?'

6 00 pm Women of the Bible: Rahab

Communion is celebrated on 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings and 2nd and 4th Sunday mornings.

(C) = Communion

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

7 August

5 00 pm Worship

21 August

5 00 pm Worship

14 August

5 00 pm Worship

28 August

5 00 pm Worship

**THE SALVATION ARMY
SILVER STREET**

www.salvationarmy.org/uk/willingham

7 August

5 00 pm Daniel

21 August

5 00 pm Peter and Prayer

14 August

5 00 pm The Lord's
Prayer

28 August

5 00 pm Prayer – More
than you can
imagine!

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

In August, Pyrethrum Way, Rampton End,
Rampton Road and Ravens Yard will be in our
thoughts

**Alzheimer's
Society**

Leading the
fight against
dementia

The Alzheimer's Society works with those who are confused or forgetful, their carers, family and friends. We are here to provide information, support and help with understanding the difficulties that arise during the journey. We help people develop coping strategies to deal with those difficulties and create opportunities for people to meet others in similar situations.

We are currently running a number of services across Cambridge and Ely these vary between peer support groups, lunch clubs and drop in sessions. If you would like more information you can contact us on Alzheimer's Society, Cambridge and Ely Office, 01223 863854 or alternatively you can pop into one of the Cambridge Drop In sessions which are held every Monday and Wednesday at St Columba's Church Hall, Downing Street, Cambridge.

Village Diary

MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
AUGUST				
1	Visit to Histon Windmill garden	Gardening Club		7 00 pm
1 - 5	Mission Rescue Holiday Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	10 am – 12 30 pm
2	Home Fixture	Bowls Club	Recreation Ground	6 15 pm
3	Wendy Law – How to solve cryptic crosswords	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 – 3 30 pm
3	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	The Octagon	7 30 pm
3	The Flint Street Nativity auditions	Willingham Stagecraft	Public Hall	8 00 pm
5	Home Fixture	Bowls Club	Recreation Ground	2 15 pm
6	Garden Afternoon	Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise	46 Earith Rd	2 30 – 5 00 pm 01954 260204
8	Home Fixture	Bowls Club	Recreation Ground	2 15 pm
14	August Walk	Walking group		Meet at Duke of Wellington 10 am
15	Home Fixture	Bowls Club	Recreation Ground	2 15 pm
31	Amazing Zoolab. Animal facts and games for children of 5 years and up	Willingham Library/ Parish Council	Willingham Library	11 am – 12 noon
SEPT.				
2	Home Fixture	Bowls Club	Recreation Ground	2 15 pm
3	Annual Horticultural and Craft Show	Gardening Club	Primary School	
5	Ali Ashby – Fungi Kingdom	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm
5	Money Management for Students	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	7 45 pm
7	Bill Kirkman – History of Wolfson College, Cambridge	Engage in the Afternoon	Willingham Library	2 – 3 30 pm
11	Bridge the Gap walk	Walking Group	Cambridge	Register 01223 723115
15	Summer Reading Challenge Medals Ceremony	Willingham Library	Willingham Library	4 -5 pm
24	Visit to Old Vicarage, East Ruston	Gardening Club		Meet on Green 8 30 am

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 00 am – 12 30 pm 2 30 – 7 00 pm
Friday	10 00 am – 12 30 pm
Saturday	10 00 am – 12 30 pm

Feeling bored in the school holidays?

Amazing Zoolab! Wednesday 31 August, 11 am – 12 noon, Willingham Library

A workshop looking at nature's very own contortionists, weight-lifters, clowns and acrobats.

Animal facts and games plus a small animal and creature handling session. For children 5 years and up, and parents/carers must stay with their children. Free tickets available from the Library but hurry – they will soon go!

With the generous support of Willingham Parish Council.

Plus

Roll up, Roll up! It's not too late to come to the Library and sign up for the Children's Circus Stars Summer Reading Challenge. Read a book a week throughout the

holidays and get a sticker for each one to go in your Circus Stars wallet. There will be a medal ceremony for everyone who completes the challenge on Thursday 15 September, 4 – 5pm.

ENGAGE IN THE AFTERNOON

Special sessions for adults on the first Wednesday of each month from 2 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 July we enjoyed a fascinating session about Willingham in the Cambridgeshire Archives with Philip Saunders, Principal Archivist. He has left a display of his materials in the library on view until the end of August.

Future Speakers:

Wednesday 3 August – *How to solve Cryptic Crosswords* – Wendy Law

Wednesday 7 September – *The History of Wolfson College, Cambridge* – Bill Kirkman

Wednesday 5 October – *Getting Started on Family History* – Anne Kirkman

Library Review

As already mentioned on the Parish Council page, discussions are now underway on how the community could provide resources to keep the Library open. Volunteers to help run the Library will play a key part, so if you would like to offer help, please tell a member of the Library staff or contact Linda King, Secretary of the Friends of Willingham Library, on 260780 or LJD10@cam.ac.uk. We are also looking for ideas on ways that the Library building might be used to generate more income.

Willingham Library Children's Book Quiz

Under 5s

Complete the titles of these books by Eric Carle.

- 1) *The Very Busy* *****
- 2) *The Bad-Tempered* *****
- 3) *The Very Hungry* *****

Primary School

Complete the titles of these books by Jeff Kinney

- 4) *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last* *****
- 5) *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick* *****
- 6) *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly* *****

Secondary School

- 7) What is the title of the first book of the Young Bond series by Charlie Higson?
- 8) In the Sally Lockhart series of books by Philip Pullman, what is the title of the first book?
- 9) In *The Angel Experiment* by James Patterson, the 6 boys are 98% human. What is the other 2% of their make up?

Answers on page 17.

Farewell to Cake Stall

After many years, the monthly cake stall outside the Parish Church has closed. Joyce Bowen, who has been indefatigable in running it (including baking many of the cakes) has decided, on medical advice, to give up.

The cake stall has been one of the social events of the village – and it has also been a major source of funds for the church restoration fund, generating about £1000 a year.

Joyce deserves very warm thanks for all that she has done.

SOULED OUT IN OVER

SATURDAY 8th October

Northern Gem's

60's Soul

R'n'B

Ska

£5 Adv & £7 Otd

<http://www.wegotickets.com/event/>

All profits to Children In Need & The Oaks, Over

8pm till Midnight

Late Bar till 11:30pm **WITH**

Mick Janes

Declan Donnelly

Big Jon & Paul Sawtell

& Andy Hill

01954 201963 / 206600



Tiggers Summer Fun!

Tiggers are pleased to announce that we will be running sessions throughout the summer holidays!

Sessions will run on Wednesdays from 10 00-11 30 at the Salvation Army Hall. If the weather is good there will be indoor and outdoor activities. Other days out may also be organised.

All under 5's are welcome with their parents/carers. Older children are also welcome but we ask adults to ensure that they behave appropriately.

To end the Tiggers Term in style, the Bar Hill Children's Centre are running a Messy Play session on Wednesday 13 July. A baby corner will be set up as usual.

For more information, please come to a Tiggers session, Wednesdays (term time), 10 00 – 11 30 at the Salvation Army Hall, contact Sarah on sarah.custance@googlemail.com / 01945-202005 or look under events on www.Willinghamlife.org



Friends of Willingham Library

August Book Quiz

Answers begin with either V or W
(Answers on page 17)

1. This is one of her pseudonyms. She also writes under the name of Ruth Rendell. What is it?
2. *The New Machiavelli; The History of Mr Polly; The War of the Worlds*. Who wrote these?
3. A TV series of Frost starring David Jason was created from his books – *A Touch of Frost; Frost at Christmas; Night Frost; Hard Frost*.
4. Rex Stout's detective is?
5. She wrote about Miss Silver who solved cases with help from Randal March, the Chief Constable. Who was she?
6. He founded the book chain that bears his name. His new novel *In For A Penny, In For a Pound*, 'is a searing treatment of the world of books that contains recognisable caricatures of several figures in publishing, newspapers and high finance'. Who is he?
7. *Brideshead Revisited; Sword of Honour*, etc etc. Who wrote them?
8. She has written the creepy *The Little Stranger*, set in an apparently haunted country house.
9. She is Frédérique Audouin-Rouzeau and apart from being an historian and archaeologist, she writes crime novels. What name does she write under?
10. She gave up her daughter for adoption then found her after 20 years. She wrote a book entitled *More than Just Coincidence*. She also writes for the TV serial *Eastenders*. Who is she?
11. Among other loveable characters he created Jeeves and Wooster. His name?
12. Written by William Thackeray: ----- *Fair*.

i.VOLUNTEER COULD YOU?

1st Willingham Scout Group Needs You!

We're on the lookout for new volunteers who can bring new activities and ideas to young people.

As one of the biggest groups in the county we need help to continue providing everyday adventure to the young people of Willingham and the surrounding villages. We also need to make spaces for the children on our waiting list.

We are in urgent need of Leaders who will assist in the running of Beaver, Cub and Scout meetings. Don't worry if you don't have any experience we'll give you all the training you need. It really is a rewarding experience.

Any time you can offer will make a massive difference

If you would like to get involved either as a leader or helper please contact;

Group Scout Leader (Marina Deller) on 01954 260045 or email willinghamwoggle@gmail.com



**JOIN THE
1ST WILLINGHAM
ADVENTURE.**

scouts
in partnership with
scouts.org.uk/join

Willingham WEA

The Autumn Term starts on

Monday, 19 September

10 00 am, in the Baptist Church Hall,
George Street.

The course this term is

‘The Golden Century of Spain.’

The course examines the rise of Spain to become
the superpower of 16th Century Europe.

This was based on her extensive empire,
impressive military strength and the unifying
effect of Catholicism.

Course tutor is Mike Muncaster

The fee is £45.

For further information please ring Rosemary
Mumford, Secretary, 01954 260934.

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 one and a half hours. There is a plant raffle at each meeting.

The Club welcomes new members at any of our monthly meetings. We are a group of people with an interest in plants and gardening. If you are a plant lover/enthusiast 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 to see what we do at a small cost of £2 and speak to members and to the committee informally.

In addition to the meetings we have an annual programme of visits to gardens and other places of interest.

Contact Celia on 01954 261394 or just turn up to a meeting to see for yourself what we do.

Members' Evening Monday 1 August – we will be visiting the windmill garden at Histon. Members make their own way there unless they need lifts.

If you require a lift contact a member of the committee; the contact telephone numbers are on the reverse of your 2011/12 Programme Card. We meet at the windmill at 7 pm

Outings – Unfortunately we had to cancel the planned outing to Wisley for lack of sufficient support. Our next outing will be to Cromer and thence to the delightful gardens at the Old Vicarage, East Ruston in Norfolk. We go on Saturday 24 September leaving the Green, Willingham at 8 30 am. Other pick-up points may be arranged with Celia on the above number. **The full cost inclusive of coach travel and entry fee to the gardens will be announced at the next meeting but will be in the region of £20 pp.**

There is something for everyone at East Ruston: the many garden rooms and vistas provide delightful viewing and the soft and hard landscaping are stunning. There is a well stocked plant centre and a good restaurant. One can only wonder at the cost and effort of creating such a garden from virtually nothing as the owners did.

If you wish to travel with us contact Celia on the above number.

Future Attractions

Speakers will cover a range of topics including 'Fruit and vegetables in a modern garden', 'Soft fruits pruning and propagation' and 'The history and use of herbs'.

Reminders

The Annual Horticultural and Craft Show will be held at the Willingham Primary School on Saturday 3 September – Please see separate note about the history of the show in these pages. This is a village show and gives local people the opportunity to take part by exhibiting items which they have grown or made. We welcome all comers both young and old to submit exhibits. The school summer holidays are upon us giving children the opportunity to become

involved in growing plants, making craft exhibits or showing items which they have already made themselves.

Show schedules will be available at Rainbow Crafts, The Post Office, Berrycroft stores and the Library giving details of the various classes and age ranges. We need your support and participation. Proceeds after expenses are donated to a local cancer research charity.

We emphasise that this is a local show for local people and it depends on you for its success.

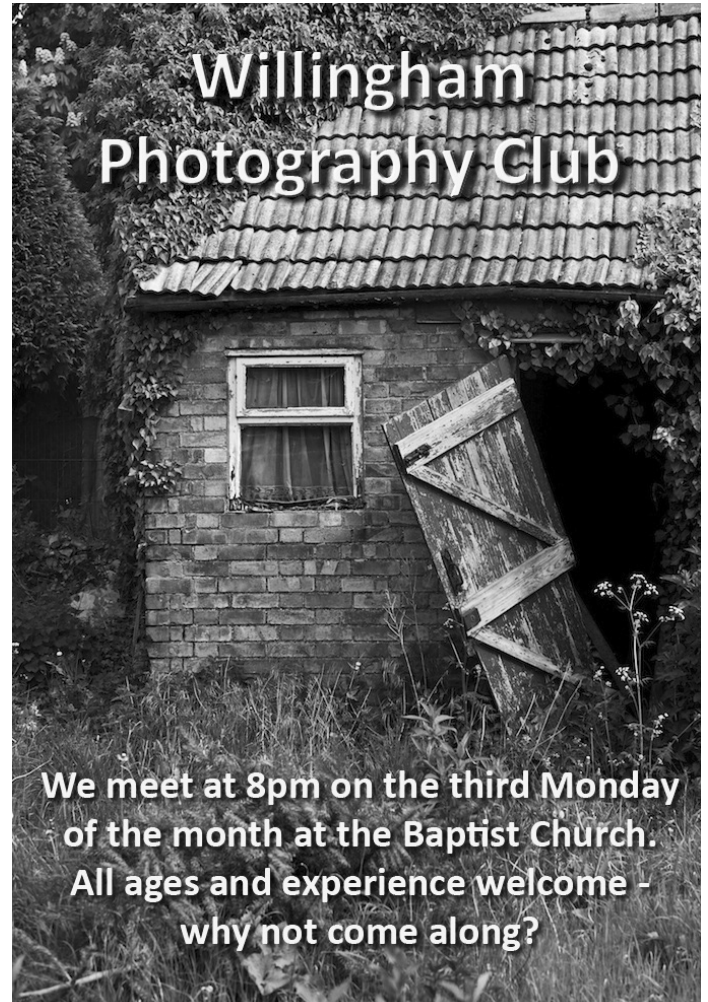
Please consider what you might enter for exhibition and judging: photographs, models, paintings, stitchworks, flowers and vegetables. There are classes for all ages. It is good fun, fulfilling and rewarding especially if you win a prize or a cup. Experienced judges are employed to judge the entries.

The timetable for the day's events appears on the front page of the show schedule from which you will see that the show is open to the public after judging from 1 30 pm to about 5 pm.

Why not have a go?

The next Club Meeting will be on Monday 5 September when Ali Ashby will talk to us about the 'Fungi Kingdom.'

The Xmas shopping trip will be to Birmingham (the Bullring and main city centre shops) on Wednesday 2 November). Further details to be published later but to reserve your place on the coach contact Celia on the above number.



This year's Over Players pantomime is

Beauty & The Beast

December 7th–10th

There will be a readthrough of the script on September 7th and auditions will be held on September 14th, both in Over Church Hall starting at 7.45pm.

If you would like to be part of *Beauty & The Beast* either singing, dancing, acting or back-stage, we would love to hear from you. It's hard work but tremendous fun!

Contact Sean Baker: 01954 230963 or
seanbaker1@me.com

Visit our website www.overplayers.org.uk for more details as well as photos of past productions.

Recent Over Players pantos have drawn the following praise from the National Operatic and Dramatic Association:
ALADDIN: *"extremely professional . . . Inspirational! . . . moments of sheer magic".*

PETER PAN: *"a first class production . . . the whole company were clearly enjoying every minute . . . excellent locally written show".*

SLEEPING BEAUTY (2008 Best Panto Award):
"a real bumdinger of a pantomime . . . The three piece orchestra was excellent . . . This show undoubtedly had everything".



Honey Pot Pre-School

Located next to Willingham primary school we offer a happy, stimulating and caring environment for children between 2½ and school age.

Running Monday to Friday during school terms we offer a choice of the following session times
9am–3pm / 9am–12pm / 12pm–3pm

Children over 3 years old are able to receive government funding of up to 15 hours a week.

We are now taking bookings for children to start in the September 2011 placement.

For more details please call us on
01954 201567 or visit www.honeypots.org.uk

Registered charity number: 1009789

Oldwillingham.com photo of the month

This month we see a photograph of the High Street probably in the 1960s. These cottages were located opposite the current post office. In the past there were many more thatched cottages in Willingham – leading to devastating fires on occasion. These cottages survived the fires but, sadly, they were all demolished at the same time in a clearance. It should be said that although the cottages look pretty, the living conditions were often quite basic and they would have needed very substantial modernisation to meet today's expectations.



If you have stories to share about life in past Willingham, please drop a note to Jon Edney at 31 High St. or email oldwill@oldwillingham.com

From e-cops

We are examining how we respond to calls from members of the public as part of an ongoing review.

We're asking people: if they were a victim or a witness of crime, would they prefer to be visited by a uniformed or plain clothed officer?

The question is part of the third week of the 'Have Your Say' forum launch.

The new online tool gives the public the chance to help shape the future of policing in Cambridgeshire.

As part of its work to develop a more efficient and effective policing model, we're looking at the way we responds to calls for service from the public.

One issue being looked at is the visibility of the police service in the county. An element of this is to consider whether uniformed or plain clothed police officers visit victims or witnesses to crimes when making their enquiries.

Each week a topic under review will be posted on the force website for people to comment on or post questions.

All comments, questions and answers will be viewable and the forum will be live for at least the next three months.

www.cambs.police.uk/newpolicingapproach/haveyoursay/

Pastoral Letter

HIGH DAYS AND HOLIDAYS

It's that time of year when we look forward to packing up loads of things we won't need, sticking the kids in the car or an airplane and heading off for a holiday we can't really afford. Before long there will be the familiar cry of 'Are we nearly there yet?', and the response, 'No, we haven't left the drive!'. Did you know that holidays are the idea of religion? Every one of the world's major religions has holy days. The first one was probably the Sabbath. God's instruction to Moses on Mount Sinai was to tell the people that every seventh day should be observed as a day of rest. In fact, in the Genesis story of creation God himself took the seventh day off after creating the universe.

The human body needs to take time out. We can't go on forever without taking a break. A good night's sleep is fine but it is never a good idea to work seven days a week all through the year, or even just for a month. Whether we have families at home or not, the human body needs time to recharge and recuperate or it will wear

out very quickly. What we do with that time out is important. If you don't spend quality time in your relationships there will be a breakdown. That may be with your marriage partner, your kids, your parents, your friends or God. Every relationship needs to be worked on. How do you think you would score on the relationship front? If you value that relationship don't crowd it out with work or anything else. Work is important, but no employer expects staff to work without a holiday.

This summer, value your time out to refresh those relationships, and don't leave God out either. He has the master plan for your life and knows how you can get the best out of it. Don't be fooled, living the dream is not about winning the lottery and buying all the things you have so far managed without. The real dream life, making the most of every day, can only be lived by following the maker's instructions.

Trevor Rowe

Baptist Church

A Brief History of the Willingham Horticultural and Craft Show

As many of you may already know Willingham has had a long association with the commercial growing of plants - flowers especially. The commercial growers in the village had their own show in the 1900s and subsequently householders were invited to exhibit at this show when, due to the decline in the numbers of commercial growers based in the village, that format was no longer viable. The original 'householders' show was organised and run by a family group and helpers but eventually by request, and to ensure that the tradition did not die out, the Willingham Gardening Club assumed responsibility for the organisation and running of the show. The show is therefore a show for village people and not just for the members of the club. The exhibitors now are mainly amateurs which is not to say that their exhibits are less than excellent and much appreciated. Without your participation the show would not be possible. See the main feature on the show which appears elsewhere in these pages for details of how you can make an entry.

Children's Book Quiz Answers

- 1) Spider. 2) Ladybird. 3) Caterpillar. 4) Straw. 5) Rules
6) Truth. 7) Silverfin. 8) The Ruby in the Smoke. 9) Bird.

Answers to Library Quiz

- 1) Barbara Vine. 2) H G Wells. 3) R D Wingfield.
4) Nero Wolfe. 5) Patricia Wentworth. 6) Tim Waterstone.
7) Evelyn Waugh. 8) Sarah Waters. 9) Fred Vargas.
10) Julie Wassmer. 11) P G Wodehouse. 12) *Vanity*

WAG Environmental Group Produce Market

The WAG Environmental Group is considering the benefits of a produce market in the village. It would be an opportunity for people to sell their surplus home-grown fruit, vegetables and plants. We are looking to gauge interest and investigate possible venues, suitable dates and times.

If you have any thoughts on this or would like to register your interest in selling, please email hannah.francis55@ntlworld.com or telephone Hannah Francis on 260993.

Sudoku solution

3	8	1	5	6	4	9	2	7
5	2	7	9	8	3	1	6	4
9	6	4	2	1	7	8	3	5
4	9	2	1	3	5	7	8	6
1	7	5	6	2	8	3	4	9
6	3	8	4	7	9	2	5	1
8	1	3	7	5	6	4	9	2
2	4	6	8	9	1	5	7	3
7	5	9	3	4	2	6	1	8

Wettest Willingham School Fete ever ?

Even a thunderstorm and downpour couldn't wash out Willingham School fete's princes and princesses this year, and a great attendance raised over £3000 towards the cost of a new multimedia suite at the school. This is the latest fundraising target, and previous efforts have funded a pirate ship climbing frame and play equipment, IT facilities and swimming pool developments.

After meeting at the Green, the splendid fancy dress princes and princesses paraded to the school for the fete. Attractions including Splat the Dragon, Beat the Goalie and a bouncy castle kept everyone busy, and real ale was available from the bar to keep spirits up.

The fastest of the two teams to assemble a new picnic bench won a drink each, and the losing team were still struggling to organise the parts and correct early mistakes when the heavens opened. To their credit, they carried on and completed the task, with many spectators cheering from the bar and cream tea tents!

Despite several centimetres of rain, the event was a great success, with many children enjoying getting soaked, and the BBQ selling out of burgers and hotdogs. The event was a testament to the hard work offered by the WSA committee and helpers, and the sponsorship of many local companies, including Tylers and Spymissions.

WILLINGHAM BOWLS CLUB Founded 1937

Ever tried lawn bowling?

If not, then come and join us at

WILLINGHAM BOWLS CLUB

We are a friendly bowling club situated on the Willingham Rec.

We are currently looking for new members
(of ALL ages).

Whether you are looking for a bit of social fun, friendly 'roll up' game or even a challenge in the competitive leagues, then come down & join us.

Dates for your diary –

Home fixtures in August (18 15 start unless stated)

Tuesday 2nd	Trumpington
Friday 5th	Milton – 14:15
Monday 8th	Ely Beet – 14:15
Monday 15th	Chippenham – 14 :15
Monday 2nd	Cottenham B – 14:15

Come down to support your local team & watch some great bowls

If you are interested or require any further information, please contact

Linda Aspinall on 01954 261562 or
e-mail: tony@araspinall.co.uk

Jottings from YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

I think progress is being made on finding a solution that will enable Willingham Library to stay open. We are extremely fortunate that there is already an active Friends group that supports the Library in many ways. That is not the case for some of the other libraries under threat. I met with representatives from the Friends, both Parish Councils and officers from the County Council at the beginning of July to see what progress had been made through the Friends. A number of volunteers have come forward to run the Library on a voluntary basis. I hope that with sufficient volunteers, along with fund raising and support from both Willingham and Over Parish Councils, the funding gap that exists after this year can be filled. In the meantime I have continued to press the officers to justify the basis for many of their figures, particularly the assumptions about changes to the population, which at present do not take account of the Northstowe development, which will rely on Willingham library at least in the early days. I also still refuse to believe that Willingham is one of the most prosperous villages in the County – ranking higher than places like Linton (no offence to Linton intended!).

On a positive note, since the beginning of this year, the County Council has been looking at its policy for managing Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs). One of the most frequent complaints is the volume and speed of HGVs coming through Willingham and I have long campaigned for at least a night time ban on them using the village as a through route to avoid the A14. The County Council announced recently that it intended to pilot some of the new policy in three villages, including Sutton and Earith. I went to Cabinet last week to lobby for the trial to be extended to Willingham, on the basis that traffic from Earith and Sutton invariably ended up going through Willingham anyway, and also because of the long standing issues regarding HGVs. I am pleased to report that my lobbying worked and the County Council will be working with Willingham Parish Council and the local Speedwatch team over the next few months. Hopefully there will be some improvement to the quality of residents' lives – particularly in Earith Road, High Street, Station Road and Rampton Road. I will keep you posted

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

Shona Jobnstone

Highfield, 5 Lowburyholme Road, Over CB24 5NP

Tel: 01954 230565 e-mail: shona.jobnstone@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Willingham Women's Institute

As usual there will be no meeting in August.

Contacts are Doreen 200561 or Jo 261246.



Village Directory

Please notify *Willingham News* of any changes

Council	Parish Council (<i>See full details on page 6</i>)		01954 261027
	County Councillor	Mrs S Johnstone	01954 230565
	District Councillor	Mr R Manning	01954 261235
	District Councillor	Mr B R Burling	01954 230168
	District Councillor	Mrs P S Corney	01954 213221
Services	Police		0845 456 4564
	Surgery		01954 260230
	Dispensary for repeat prescription requests		01954 260073
	Pharmacy		01954 261787
	Over Surgery		01954 231550
	Urgent Care Cambridgeshire		0330 123 9131
Schools	Primary School		01954 283030
	Willingham Out Of School Club (3-6 pm only)	Mrs R Tiley	01954 201567
	Phoenix Prep School	Mrs Jackie Daire	01954 263113
	School Governors Chairman	Rob Laycock	01954 203528
	School Association	c/o school	01954 283030
	British School Trust	Richard Foster	01954 261293
Children	Beavers, Cubs and Scouts	Mrs M Dellar	01954 260045
	Honeypot Pre-School (term-time only)		01954 201567
	Tigger Toddlers	Sarah Custance	01954 202005
	Old Buttery Nursery School		01954 260046
	Holiday Playscheme	Phoenix School, Mrs Jackie Daire	01954 263113
	Willingham Guides and Senior Section	Lynn McGoff	01954 261296
	Ladybird Borland's School Of Dance	Mrs L Borland	01954 203347
	Bubbles/Messy Church	Rev L Liversidge/ Heather Mellows	01954 263187/ 270063
	Bumps and Babies Group	Pam Buckridge	01954 780714
	TOPS (Baptist Church Toddlers Group)	Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Little Notes Music group	Emma Tregenna	01954 261775
	Rock Solid (Baptist Church)	Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Kids' Friday Club (Baptist Church)	Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Ploughman Hall Bookings	through Parish Council	01954 261027
	Wilford Furlong Centre		01954 261445
	The Octagon	Rosemary Mumford	01954 260934
	Baptist Bookings	Julie Stock	01954 202221
Local Representatives	Allotments – See Willingham Combined Charities below		
	Billavincea Lodge 8719	Mr M Scrivener	01480 413533
	Cambridgeshire Older People's Enterprise (COPE)	David Hart	01954 260204
	Fen Edge Community Association	Alan Leeks	01954 250061
	<i>Cambridge News</i> Correspondent	Anne Kirkman	01954 260393
	Workers' Educational Association	Rosemary Mumford	01954 260934
	Willingham Combined Charities	Mrs J Ambrose	01954 260446
Clubs	Gardening Club	Mr T Halsey	01954 201910
	Social Club	Sarah Rutherford	07989 242155
	Willingham Stagecraft (drama group)	Charlotte Prince	01954 230837
	Willingham Youth Club	Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Women's Institute	Mrs Doreen Young	01954 200561
	Willingham Jam Club	Julian Eales	01954 201818
	Women's Royal British Legion	Mrs M Few	01954 260124
	Willingham Photography Club	Christopher Cross	01954 260790
	Willingham Walkers	Mike Tidball	01954 260647
	Willingham Wolves (Boys & Girls Football)	Claire Few	01954 203001
Sport	Cricket Club	Mr R Ambrose	01954 260446
	Cycling Club	www.willinghamwheels.com	
	Ladies' Hockey	Teresa Hutchcraft	01954 260177
	Badminton	Sarah Custance	01954 202005
	Bowls Club	Mrs Linda Aspinall	01954 261562
	Willingham Running Club	Sally Carroll	07771 834393
	Willingham Sports Pavilion	David Clarke	01954 260600
	Mothers' Union (Branch Leader)	Mrs S Hayden	01954 260363
	Baptist Church	Rev Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Methodists (Ministerial Contact)	Rev Hilary Cheng	01223 700778
Churches	Roman Catholic Priest	Fr Edward Tredota	01480 462192
	Salvation Army	Captain Emma Knights	01954 260608
	Parish Church	Rev Linda Liversidge	01954 263187