

December 2011

TCT, Heroes and Willingham Life!

Some months ago Willingham Parish Council informed me that they would like to put my name forward for this year's 'Village Hero Award' – I hadn't heard of it either! My initial reaction was to say no but several people put forward good arguments why I should enter. In October I went to the awards ceremony not knowing what to expect: there was to be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards and 6 runner-up certificates. I was truly amazed to get the first prize – and my photo in the *Cambridge News*!

Actually, I didn't listen the to arguments for entering, I had my own. I didn't want to accept the award for me but to use it to focus attention on all heroes the in Willingham. It is easy take life in to Willingham for granted; we may take children to scouts, activity guides, classes, sports events, we may be a member



of a club, we may go to the jam night at the social club or the gala in the summer or events at the Feast. You may enjoy reading *Willingham News* each month. The activities are numerous and more so the volunteers who give their time for the benefit of others – they are all Willingham Heroes and too numerous to mention. Very few get paid in any way but they give their time to make our village a better place to live and they all deserve our congratulations.

There is another group of volunteers I can't omit. Every month I go to the Parish Council meeting. If you are ever tempted to think that the councillors don't do much, as I used to, then go along and see for yourself that they also work hard without payment for the benefit of the village. They deal with planning applications and health and safety issues so they must always be knowledgeable about the law,

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The churches in Willingham wish all readers a happy Christmas. Full details of services are on page 13.



Christmas lights on the Green

Come and celebrate with carols

It is planned to install the Christmas lights on the Village Green on 1 December.

On Monday 5 December at 4 pm children from the Primary School will come to the Green to sing some carols, as a way of marking the arrival of the lights.

Do come to hear the carols – and take part in the singing.

(We are grateful once again to Geoff Pake for putting up the lights.)

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Please don't hide your light under a bushel!

If you are able – why not send in something for us all to share? A recipe, or a DIY top tip? For those ham-fisted among us, it would be great to know how to set about doing the simplest of tasks.

No need to even include your name if you are feeling shy!

A Christmas recipe: Last minute mincemeat

1 apple, peeled and finely grated
100g butter, melted
250g raisins
110g ready to eat dried apricots, chopped
175g soft light brown sugar
zest and juice of 1 small orange
zest and juice of 1 small lemon
50g toasted almonds, chopped
½ tsp ground allspice
½ tsp ground cinnamon
4 tbsp rum/brandy/Grand Marnier/liqueur of choice

Mix together, cover and leave overnight before filling your pies. Merry Christmas!

Tips on Christmas tree care on page 15.

Bin Collections

7 December	Black bin
14 December	Blue and Green bins
21 December	Black bin
30 December	Blue and Green bins

Police Contacts: 0345 456 4564

Our PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) for Willingham and Over is Tom Baugh. His email is: Thomas.Baugh@cambs.pnn.police.uk and his mobile number is 07736 555441.

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WILLINGHAM NEWS December 2011



Willingham Walkers – December Walk

The December walk will be on Sunday 11th. We meet at the Duke of Wellington car park (Church Street) at 10 am. This walk will be a little shorter (5.5 miles) given the possibilities with the weather and a little further afield so if you want to go please contact Mike (01954 260647) beforehand so we can arrange lifts for everybody.

The walk will take in the Devil's Dyke, Swaffham Prior and Reach and takes in sites of historical significance, picturesque villages, wildlife and woodland.

We will end up at the Dyke's End pub in Reach during opening hours! If anyone is interested in having lunch there please let me know.

Ever wondered what happens behind the scenes at one of Willingham's orchards?

Well now you have the chance. Local photographer Julian Eales has spent the last year taking photographs at Manning's Fruit Farm, in Station Road, Willingham and has just published a new book *Fruit Farm - A Year in the Life of a Cambridgeshire Orchard.*

The Manning family kindly allowed Julian access to the farm and he has published a 144 page photo book, full of images of the people, the place and the processes throughout 2010-2011. The photos show the changes in the landscapes, the processes from planting new trees to harvesting and packing fruit, and some of the people who work there.

Julian has lived in the area for the last 30 years and has been a full time photographer for the last two years. He visited the orchard regularly, following the seasons, observing the changes in the landscape, the different light in varying weather, the wildlife, and the people who work there and the activities needed to produce the fruit. He then selected from over 2000 pictures to produce the final book.

This is a unique insight into rural life in Willingham. The farm is one of the few remaining commercial orchards in the area. As well as containing beautiful pictures, the book provides a snapshot of our local agricultural scene.

The book is available for sale at £14.99 from http://www.ealesphotography.co.uk/, direct from Julian tel: 07527 476531, from The Bushel Box Farm Shop at Manning's Farm, Station Road, Willingham, or Heffers book shop, Trinity Street, Cambridge. ISBN 978-0-9569902-0-4.

Jam Club

No Jam club in December. The next session will be on 30 January 2012.

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they maintain the various green areas, they remedy the effects of littering and vandalism as well as being involved with many bigger issues such as transport, the B1050, the A14 and Northstowe. The meetings provide an interesting way to hear what is going on in the village.

I'm not sure what the worst thing about being a volunteer is; perhaps it is being taken for granted or maybe having so much to do because there are sometimes so few willing to join in and help.

The best thing about being a volunteer is that it enriches one's own life as well as those of others and for my part, although I have only been here in Willingham for a relatively short time, I have been able to make so many great friends and have a very active social life. WAG could always do more for the village with more help. It would be brilliant if as a result of reading this you were moved to make contact and join WAG.

I sometimes help with fundraising for TCT, the Teenage Cancer Trust, and so do many of you since at previous Feasts we have used some of the collections to donate to them. There are many worthy causes to support but I chose TCT as one because both my parents died of cancer and I remember vividly how their diagnoses affected our whole family. That was some time ago and cancer treatment has improved considerably but I can't comprehend how awful it must be for a young person to be told the same news and so I do what little I can to help.

On 4 November, prior to its opening, I was invited to visit the new and wonderfully equipped ward at Addenbrooke's specifically designed for cancer treatment for young people. The ward was made possible by funding from TCT; £3.6m in fact, although once operational the running costs will be funded by the NHS. The ward is beautifully decorated, has many amenities for young people and all the equipment for treatment is hidden away to make it seem less threatening. It has all the resources these youngsters deserve so thank you for your support of the Feast and your donations.

Mike Tidball Chairperson – Willingham Action Group

Friends of Willingham Library December Book Quiz

(Answers on page 10)

Which fictional character(s) live(s)/d at:

- 1. 221B Baker Street, London?
- 2. 44 Scotland Street, Edinburgh?
- 3. Pemberley, Derbyshire?
- 4. Blandings Castle?
- 5. (a house in) Stanhope Gate?
- 6. Victory Mansion?
- 7. Dorlcote Mill?
- 8. 5 Willis Gardens, Battersea?
- 9. Manderley?
- 10. Salem, Massachusetts Bay?

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Christmas Crossword by Willow

(Answers on page 10)



Across

- 1 Pirate hanging 2 on Christmas tree? (4)
- 3/17 English carol sung to tune Adeste Fideles (1,4,3,2,8)
- 9 Merry chaps in Christmas song (9)
 10 At Christmas play and make good
- *Let one a year'* Thomas Tusser (5)
- 11 Object to plan (3)
- 12 Big shopping trip (5)
- 14 BBC nickname (6)
- 15 On which cricket's found in Dickens Christmas story (6)
- 17 See 3
- 21 Concealer of gifts (8,5)
 22 Representation of Jesus' birth
- 23 Borough draw getting point at Ipswich FC, say? (4)

Down

- 1 New Year celebration in Scotland (8)
- 2 Gold's last word in National Trust decoration (8)
- 4 I'm in vehicle with a photographer (6)
- 5 Christmas pie filling (9)6 Shepherds' heavenly visitor
- appears in strange light (5)
- 7 Animal's den (4)
- 8 Jamaican pepper, flavouring for mulled wine and Christmas pudding (8)
- 13 Believers in St Nicholas? (8)
- 16 Fruit of Juglans Regia tree (6)
- 18 Man's finesse with love (5)
- 19 One of the seven swimming (4)
- 20 Origin of the wise men (4)

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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 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 $\pounds 10$.

You may attend one meeting for a small charge of $\pounds 2$ to see what we do and to 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 which will commence in the spring. Provisional 2012 dates for your diaries are Saturdays - 19 May, 14 July, and 22 September with Wednesday 7 November for the Christmas Shopping trip.

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

Reminders for Members

The 5 December Meeting will also include the Christmas Party. Please advise Celia on the above number if you are able to help with catering arrangements. Don't forget your tickets for the lucky number draw.

David Green will attend the December meeting to speak to us.

The January 2012 Meeting will be held on Monday 2nd - details of speaker to be announced.

Thanks to all who supported our successful Christmas shopping trip to central Birmingham recently.

The Chairman and Officers of the Club wish all members a Happy Christmas and New Year.

Alzheimer's Society

The Alzheimer's Society works with anyone who is confused and forgetful and with their families and carers.

On Tuesday 6 December you are invited to 'drop-in' at The Octagon, Church Street from 10 am to 12 noon. Staff will be present to help you with carers assessments and provide you with help and support. There will be a confidential area if required.

Do come along - sometimes it helps to just chat to people who understand.

Oldwillingham.com photo of the month

Seeing the Salvation Army Band on last month's magazine cover reminded me of this picture taken 47 years ago in 1964. As is still the tradition, the band is playing or preparing to play on Feast Sunday afternoon. Then, as now, the local lads have climbed onto the village pump while others are milling around chatting. Unlike now, the village green has become a car park because a driveway ran across it – and was only recently removed. The truck parked outside the library is from Stanley Thurston's funfair. The fair lorries used to park along Church Street ready to set up once the Sunday Services were done.

If you have stories or memories about this picture, please contact Jon Edney, 31 High Street or oldwill@oldwillingham.com





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ristnas greeting Happy Christmas to you all! To all friends nd neighbours Merry Christmas everyone A happy 2012 From the Machintoshfamily Who knows what I will be eating this time next year in Africa?! Polly and Alan Fawcitt wish Take care and all the best all their friends in Willingham Love from Valerie McKee XX a very happy and healthy Christmas and New Year Happy Christmas Everyone! Liz Saxton **Carolyn and Paul Knighton** David and Sheila Clarke wish all their friends wishes all her neighbours a merry Christmas and a happy Willingham friends New Year. and neighbours a Mrs Eileen Allard of Josiah Smith Merry Christmas Bungalows wishes all her new and a friends a happy Christmas and Нарру 2012 peaceful New Year. SUE AND BRUCE KENT WISH ALL FRIENDS, NEIGHBOURS, FRIENDS OF NEIGHBOURS, HEIGHBOURS OF FRIENDS AND OTHERS IN THE VILLAGE & HAPPY XMAS AND & HEALTHY, Mrs Eileen Allard of Josiah WEALTHY AND WISE NEW YEAR. Smith Bungalows wishes all her new friends a happy Christmas and peaceful New Year. Wishing my friends a very merry Christmas and all the best in 2012, Jo Bonar

Willingham Library

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Monday		5 00 - 7 00 pm
Tuesday		2 30 - 7 00 pm
Wednesday	Closed	A
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	

Engage in the Afternoon

Come and join in with these special sessions for adults on the first Wednesday of each month from 2 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 November Anne Kirkman gave a very interesting talk on how to get started on researching your family history including entertaining anecdotes and useful tips.

Wednesday 7 December – Christmas in Books. Bring along a passage of prose or a poem about Christmas to share with the group or just come along to listen and partake of a mince pie!

Wednesday 4 January 2012 – The Five Books that Changed your Life with James Nicol & Brenda Mead from Cambs Libraries Stock Team

Antiques Evening

On Wednesday 26 October, at a sold-out event that raised $\pounds 125$ for Friends of Willingham Library, we were treated to talks by two local experts in their fields. Alison Porter gave us a fascinating insight into the art of painting restoration with amazing before and after pictures. Robert Williams then talked about his life in furniture restoration with a personal history of antique dealing in Cambridge and

Answers to FOWL Book Quiz

- 1. Sherlock Holmes by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle
- 2. The Pollock family; Domenica MacDonald, Pat MacGregor, Bruce Anderson by Alistair McCall Smith
- 3. Mr Darcy, Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen
- 4. Lord Emsworth (9th Earl of Emsworth Clarence Threepwood) by P G Wodehouse
- 5. Old Jolyon Forsyte by John Galsworthy
- 6. Winston Smith (1984) by George Orwell
- 7. The Tulliver family (Mill on the Floss) by George Eliot
- 8. Ada Harris by Paul Gallico



techniques for taking care of old woods. Stephen Drake organised an enjoyable half time quiz which had us guessing (and in most cases outrageously over-pricing!) the value of a collection of antique items. Stephen's bottle of champagne for the winner went to Alison Porter and the wooden spoon (bottle of wine) to Renee Balmbra. Thanks to all concerned as well as Gail Peeke-Vout of Willingham Auctions for providing wine for the event and Linda King from Friends of Willingham Library for organising. The photo shows Robert and Alison, with Stephen in the middle.

Magazines

Just a reminder that we have a great selection of magazines for loan:

House and Garden, National Geographic and National Geographic Kids, BBC Music, Good Housekeeping, Prima Baby & Pregnancy, Countryfile, She, Food & Travel, Practical Photography, What Car? and Garden Answers.

They are issued free of charge but for one week only; overdue charges apply.

Christmas Books

We have a lovely selection of seasonal books for Adults and Children – why not come and have a browse?

Libraries Review

Little has happened over the past month. However, a further meeting has now been arranged between representatives of the County and Parish Councils and Friends of Willingham Library regarding the way forward for Willingham.

- 9. Maximillian de Winter (*Rebecca*) by Daphne de Maurier
- 10. Various characters in The Crucible by Arthur Miller

General Knowledge Crossword Answers

Across: 1 Hook, 3/17 O come all ye faithful, 9 Gentlemen, 10 Cheer, 11 Aim, 12 Spree, 14 Auntie, 15 Hearth, 21 Wrapping paper, 22 Nativity, 23 Town. Down: 1 Hogmanay, 2 Ornament, 4 Camera, 5 Mincemeat, 6 Angel, 7 Lair, 8 Allspice, 13 Children, 16 Walnut, 18 Heart, 19 Swan, 20 East.

WILLINGHAM BOWLS CLUB

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End of season dinner

I would like to personally thank all 21 members who came to this year's end of season dinner and presentation which was held at the Black Bull.

Bill and Maggie gave us a warm welcome & provided excellent food which everyone enjoyed immensely.

This year's trophies were presented to – Neville Denson – Men's singles champion Ken Grey& Brian Dempsey – Men's pairs Linda Aspinall, Neville Denson & John Honeyman – Mixed triples

The club teams had a mixed success in the leagues. In the Ely & District League we reached the semi-finals and also earned promotion to Division 1. The men's pairs finished in mid table of the Business House League. Unfortunately the Cambs & District team were demoted from Division 3.

We are already looking forward to next season and will hopefully be strengthened by some new members.

If you are interested or require any further information then please contact Linda Aspinall

Tel 01954 261562 e-mail: tony@araspinall.co.uk

Grandparents

Have you recently become a grandparent or have you been enlisted to help with the school run? We are a small group of grandparents who meet up occasionally and very informally, with or without our grandchildren, for coffee and a chat. It is also an opportunity to network ideas of places to go and things to do locally when we have our grandchildren during school holidays. If you are interested call, Liz 261506.

Charity Lunch

The last charity lunch for this year will be held in the Octagon on 10 December at 1 00 pm. This pre Christmas get together will be enhanced with 'Bring and Share' food. Our charity this year has been the East Anglian Children's Hospice. Suggestions will be sought for a charity to be supported for 2012.

Willingham Women's Institute

The next meeting is on Monday 12 December at the Social Club at 7 30 pm for members only.

This is the annual Christmas Party with entertainment from the Over Singers. Members are reminded to bring plate, bowl, cutlery and wine glass.



Contacts are Doreen 200561 or Jo 261246.



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Parish Church

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



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

Messy Church – (a national and international initiative) is a fun session for the whole family, involving all the Churches. It is usually held on either the 3rd or 4th Sunday of most months in the Church and the Octagon between 3 30 pm and 5 30 pm. Occasionally when our Sundays are rather busy it will run on a Tuesday instead. Please see the outside notices or telephone or email for up-to-date information. There will be different craft activities, a story time and a time to eat together (sandwiches and cakes etc). Come with your children to enjoy. Contact Heather on 270063 for further details or Linda at revlin@me.com

time4T – is a weekly social event held every Friday, 2 – 4 pm in the Octagon. Good company. £1 includes tea and biscuits. More information available from Alan (261349), Rosemary (205718) or David & Mary (261353)

A Christmas Special - Children's Activity Day Fun, games, stories and craft in the Octagon

Saturday 3 December 10 am-2 pm For children from Reception Age to 11 years *Pre-booking essential.* Application forms will be

given out in school and also available from church. Cost £2 and your child will need to bring a packed lunch.

Salvation Army

Coffee Morning Monday 10 30 am - **12 pm.** 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

'Nimble Fingers' Craft Meeting Monday 2 pm. Bring your knitting, sewing, card making and come and join with others. Learn the skills of embroidery. Tea, coffee and good company provided! Luncheon Club every two weeks 1 and 15 December. Come and join us for a home cooked lunch and dessert – $\pounds 3$ 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 on 8 and 22 December 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 17 December 10 am -2 pm Exhibition of Nativity Scenes!

Willingham Baptist Church

Baby Notes: Mondays 2 30 pm. Mums and carers bring along your young children, newborn to crawling, for a time of music and baby massage – and make new friends.

TOPS: Tuesday mornings from $9 \ 45 - 11 \ 15$ am during term time. This is a group for children from 18 months to 3 years with parents and carers for fun activities and refreshments.

Bumps and Babies: Thursdays at 10 00 am for mums-to-be and those with babies up to 18 months.

Open Door: Thursdays from $10\ 00 - 11\ 30\ am - a$ chance to chat with old and new friends over tea and coffee.

Kids' Friday Club (KFC): Fridays during term time from $6\ 30\ -\ 7\ 30\ pm$ for children of primary school age. An action-packed club with games, craft, music, quizzes and much more.

TGI Sunday: Takes place on the 3rd Sunday each month at 11 00 am which still gives an opportunity for a lie-in! It is church but not as you know it. If memories of church leave you cold come along and see how Christian life can be joyful. This is a family orientated time of celebration with activities for all ages.



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

(NB Service times have changed for a trial period)

4 December

8 00 am Communion (said BCP) 9 00 am Morning Prayer 10 30 am Morning Worship

11 December

9 00 am Communion Service10 30 am All-Age Service4 00 pm Christingle Service

18 December

9 00 am Morning Prayer 10 30 am Communion Service

20 December 7 00 pm Carols by Candlelight (Tuesday)

24 December

4 00 pm Crib Service 11 30 pm Midnight Communion

25 December

10 00 am All-Age Family Service 1045 am Communion Service

We have a variety of styles of worship and we hope you will find one that suits you. You will be warmly welcomed whenever you come.

9 am Traditional

This service uses traditional Church of England communion and Morning Prayer services. Please note that there is no Sunday School provision for children at this service.

10 30 am Informal and Child friendly

Modern worship with a Sunday School for children in the Octagon on most Sundays during term time. On the 2nd Sunday of the month (and 5th when there is one) we stay together in church for 'All Age Worship'. Children are always welcome. 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 the Vicar (Linda) know. CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART 19 Needingworth Road, St Ives www.sacredheart-stives.org

4 December 5 pm Worship

11 December5 pmWorship

18 December5 pmWorship

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

4 December Away in a manger!

11 December Hark the Herald Angels Sing!

18 December 5 30 pm Community Carol Service

25 December 10 30 am Christmas Day Family Service

1 January 10 30 am We Three Kings.

WILLINGHAM BAPTIST CHURCH, GEORGE STREET www.willinghambaptist.org

4 December

1000 am Bible Sunday – What is it to you? 600 pm Bible Sunday – the Best Book

11 December

10 00 am Getting Ready – 10 Bridesmaids 6 00 pm Getting Ready – Mary's visitor

18 December

11 00 am Children's Nativity production 6 00 pm Carol Service

25 December

1000 am Christmas morning celebration

Friday, 23 December 7 00 pm Roving Nativity – meet at the village green and relive the Christmas story as we re-enact the events of that first Christmas. Followed by mince pies and mulled wine or juice.

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Out of hours cover: Urgent Care Cambridgeshire 0330 123 9131

When the surgery is closed please ring Urgent Care Cambridgeshire 0330 123 9131 or NHS Direct 0845 4647 for advice only

SURGERY OPENING HOURS CHRISTMAS 2011 Mon 19 - Fri 23 Dec Normal hours; Sat 24 & Sun 25 Dec WEEKEND CLOSED Mon 26 & Tues 27 Dec BANK HOLIDAYS CLOSED; Wed 28 - Fri 30 Dec Normal hours Sat 31 Dec & Sun 1 Jan WEEKEND CLOSED; Mon 2 Jan BANK HOLIDAY CLOSED; Tues 3 Jan Normal hours

Monday

Tuesday

The last date for ordering your repeat prescriptions in time for the Christmas holidays will be Wednesday 21 December before 6pm for collection on Friday 23 December.

When arranging where to collect your medicines please note that Longstanton Dispensary will close at 1pm on Friday 30 December. Willingham Pharmacy will remain open from 2 00 - 6 00 pm on Friday 30 December.

Please ensure that you order your medicines in plenty of time. Patients ordering repeat prescriptions late November/early December will be offered 2 months' supply to cover Christmas and New Year. To prevent wastage please only order those items you need from your repeat medication list.

Remember to visit our pharmacy and stock up with over the counter remedies for your medicine cabinet before the Christmas holidays.

Doctors and staff wish you all a very happy and healthy holiday

Christmas Lucky Squares in aid of MAGPAS £1 each Available from Reception in Willingham and Longstanton surgeries. Numerous prizes including food hampers, bottles, chocolates, and other Christmas goodies. Please support this worthy cause by either donating prizes or purchasing a Lucky Square. Many thanks.

Alzheimer's Society Drop-In Session Tuesday 6 December 10 00 am - 12 noon in St. Mary's Church Octagon Room, Church Street, Willingham. Are you worried about your memory? This session can provide information, help and support to you and your family and carers.

Willingham Diamonds Netball Club



Willingham Diamonds was formed from local ladies wanting to get 'back to netball'; we are

a small and very friendly club and our members are ladies of all ages. We are currently enjoying our third season in the Cambridge and District Netball League. We would like to invite anyone wishing to play netball to contact us and to come along to a training session (Cottenham Village College, Tuesdays 7 00 pm – 8 30 pm). Training is fun and keeps us fit - there is no pressure to play matches.

If you are wanting to play your favourite school sport again or are even a complete beginner, please contact Hannah on 01954 260993 and dig out those trainers!

Acknowledgements Thank you to the family of Mr Edward Gilbert who have made donations to the Surgery Equipment Fund in his memory.

Cynthia Bidwell - Practice Manager - December 2011

NORMAL OPENING HOURS 8 30 - 1 00 230 - 600**Appointments** 830-1100 300-600 830-100 200-600

WILLINGHAM SURGERY

Appointments Ante Natal/Baby		3 00 - 5 30 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 Appointments Emergencies	8 30 - 1 00 8 30 - 11 00	2 00 - 6 00 3 00 - 5 30 4 00 - 6 00

WILLINGHAM PHARMACY Tel: 01954 261787 **NORMAL OPENING HOURS**

8 30 - 1 00	2 30 - 6 30
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8 30 - 1 00	2 00 - 7 30
8 30 - 1 00	CLOSED
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Willingham WEA

The Spring Term starts on Monday 9 January 2012, 10 am in the Baptist Church Hall, George Street.

The course this term is Wet and Wild East Anglia.

Come and explore the wealth of wildlife and ever changing history of the Broads, Fens, ponds, rivers, coasts and shores of our region. Learn how to identify common plants, birds, shells and creepy crawlies!

Tutor – Frances Dipper Course Fee – £45.

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

Pastoral Letter

As I write this in November the news is full of the financial crises of Greece and Italy. Campaigners are still living in tents outside St Paul's Cathedral as they protest about how rich the bankers are whilst Joe Public hasn't got enough to live on. By the time you read this we will be well into Christmas preparations and I wonder if, for many this year, it will have to be a 'Christmas without all the trimmings'?

Christmas, for many, bas come to mean a time of enjoying 'all the trimmings':food, drink, presents and parties. It is most certainly a time to celebrate a VIP's birthday. Moreover a VIP who gave more for other people than anyone else ever has or ever will.

Since bis recent death Jimmy Saville bas been proclaimed a bero on account of bis baving given away 90% of bis earnings, and also for working as a bospital porter. He certainly bas done an enormous amount for the welfare of others. But, at Christmas, we celebrate the birthday of someone who gave much, much more. The creator of the world willingly gave up His role of king in beaven to come and be born, not just as a human being but as a refugee in a dirty stable. You might wonder if God could not have arranged all of this a little better and I'm sure, being God, He could have.

Maybe though, He actually thought it was necessary to be in, and amongst, those whose lives are not all hunky-dory? Those whose lives are difficult, those who are weak and vulnerable. Those for whom Christmas doesn't come with all the trimmings? Perhaps this was why the very first guests invited to meet this new baby were shepherds? Not important rulers or religious leaders: dirty, and as they were then, despised, shepherds.

Emmanuel is another name for Jesus and it means 'God with us'. God chose to come and share in our human predicament. This truly was a Christmas without all the trimmings. And for those who will be celebrating it that way this year my prayer is that they will allow God to draw along side them in their troubles and in so doing they may know a new freedom, a release from the often heavy burdens of this world.

A little girl was once asked if she got everything she wanted for Christmas. 'No', she replied, 'but then it's not my birthday'. Remember whose birthday we are celebrating on the 25th and invite Him to come and share it with you. Just as we, the churches in Willingham warmly invite you to come and share in the celebrations with us too.

Rev'd Linda Liversidge Vicar of St Mary & All Saints

FIRST AID COVER FOR EVENTS

When organising the recent village litter pick event there was a problem in identifying First Aiders and organising cover. It was therefore suggested that WAG should maintain a list of those in the village with recognised First Aid training who may already belong to established groups or be prepared to offer cover on an occasional basis when it is desirable to do so. If you have First Aid training and are willing to provide cover please contact Graham Mumby graham@gwmumby.co.uk



Christmas Tree Care

- 1. Buy a fresh tree with needles that don't bush away with your finger, and avoid any tree that has been pushed into a block of wood as you can't water it.
- 2. Store the tree outside in a cool, dry place out of the wind, and out of public view, preferably with the trunk in a bucket of water
- Just before you take the Christmas tree in the house, saw off the bottom 1" (3cm) of the trunk to expose bark pores so the tree can drink
- 4. Keep your Christmas tree away from any heat sources such as radiators to delay drying.
- 6. Place your tree trunk in plain water not soil or sand which would block the pores in the bark.
- 7. Keep the Christmas tree stand topped up with water. Your Christmas tree may drink 2-3 pints (1-2 litres) of water per day, depending on its size and your central heating settings. This is very important as once the water level drops below the tree's trunk, sap will re-seal the bark within a few hours, preventing the tree from drinking any further water – even if you then re-fill the Christmas tree stand. Use a couple of empty wine bottles for this task – and a good way of remembering to give your tree a Christmas drink!

From the Parish Council

www.willingham-pc.org.uk

Library:

The County Council has thrown matters into some confusion by appearing to announce a change in policy. At the open meeting in Willingham earlier in the year they stated quite clearly that savings had to be made and that thirteen libraries including ours were at risk of closure unless the local communities could respond with offers of voluntary and financial assistance. Willingham offered both. County are now saying that no libraries will close but that services will be tailored to meet the requirements of the twenty first century. Discussions continue but meanwhile the offer from Willingham remains on the table. For now, our library looks safe, or certainly safer than it did nine months ago. Thanks to all who helped with this, especially Friends of Willingham Library.

The Big Society:

Huge thanks are due to Willingham Action Group for their organisation of the Feast Weekend and WPC would like to add their congratulations to Mike Tidball on his recent award for all the work he has done for the village and of course to all the other volunteers that give freely of their time. We would like to come back to this subject next month when volunteers will have completed a litter pick and discuss what everyone in the village can do to make our environment cleaner and better. In particular the Parish Council would like to work with residents to stop the few unsociable people that throw cans, bottles and other litter into the hedgerows. It is an offence which we are happy to pursue through SCDC to prosecution in the courts.

The Ploughman Hall:

Big changes are planned to the hall including the creation of a permanent youth facility, external decoration and better car parking facilities. We will keep you updated on progress.

Trees:

A number of problems have been identified with trees on Parish Council land. We have a duty to make them safe and that is being done as sympathetically as possible by experts employed to cut, trim and crown them. One badly diseased ash has had to be felled. We know how strongly many of our parishioners feel about tree preservation and we share their concerns.

Community Chest Grants:

South Cambridgeshire District Council awards grants for community projects. Community groups are welcome to apply for small sums to fund improvements to facilities or for specific activities. A simple application form is available from SCDC. Apply now, you have nothing to lose.

The B1050:

WPC has warned Highways for some time about the dangerous state of the road to the north of Willingham. The warnings are becoming daily more evident. WPC are convinced that the only answer is a new road away from the river bank that could and should encompass a bypass. The costs of course are very significant, probably in the order of £50 million. Understandably CCC cannot fund this outlay. WPC argue that with a combined effort from Grants, Mineral Extraction and Northstowe Development this can be funded. We have support from CCC that a bypass is needed but at this stage we do not have support to find funding.

Bus Service 5:

Sadly there are still no plans for a proper joined up service between Willingham and the guided bus but a small step forward is on the cards with a proposal to have the number five route via the park and ride stop.

The Parish Clock:

Enough has been written on this subject recently other than to note that, as the United Kingdom entered what may be its last chance to enjoy the worldwide time system we invented known as Greenwich Mean Time, the Beast moved effortlessly to record a perfect twelve chimes at noon GMT on Sunday 30 October.

Long Pond:

Sadly we no longer have a pond on the village green. We do however have a pond tucked away on the corner of Rampton Road, Schole Road and Rampton End. Well, a sort of a pond, but it looks more like a ditch at the moment that badly needs dredging and clearing. There is shared responsibility for maintenance of the area and so we have had a meeting. SCDC have been most helpful and have offered to do maintenance work at some time over the winter when the water levels are higher. At the moment there is so little water in the pond that clearing and dredging is likely to cause more harm than good.

Communications:

You can find out much more about what your Parish Council is doing by attending any of the meetings, which are all open to the public, but if you do not have time for that we would encourage you to read this column and persuade your neighbours and friends to do so. Regular readers may have noticed that we have tried to move to a more informal style. The column is now edited by a Parish Councillor and the job rotates to give different styles and different perspectives each month.

Contact Details:

Your current Parish Councillors are:-

Mr H Awal	01954-204526
Mr I Barratt	01954-261609
Mr H Berry	01954-204575
Mr D Clarke	01954-26060
Mr A Cook (Chairman of the Council)	01954-260325
Mr R Foster (Halls Lead Councillor)	01954-261293
Ms W Hardman	01954-261036

Mr D Jacques	01954-261353
Mr C Jones (Planning Chairman)	01954-261036
Mr P King (Vice Chairman)	01954-260780
Mr B Kirkman (Green and Boundaries	Lead Councillor)
	01954-260393
Mr R Manning	01954-261235
Mr S Mellows	01954-270063
Mr G Pake (Cemetery Lead Councillor)	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 7 December 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. Our parish clerk is Mrs Dawn Spouge and our Admin Assistant is Mrs Amanda Powell.

The contact details are: Parish Council Office, Ploughman Hall, West Fen Road, Willingham CB24 5LP.

Tel. 01954-261027: E-mail email@willinghampc.org.uk

Willingham Salvation Army Coffee Morning & Exhibition of Nativity Scenes Saturday 17th December 10am - 12pm Silver Street Willingham



Tiggers Christmas Party Wednesday 14th December.

Tiggers

01954 260608

This will be a fun session with Christmas crafts, games and music, party food and maybe an appearance from Father Christmas (if he can make time for us! As we know he will be very busy).

To book your place, if you are interested in joining us, please come along to a Tiggers session on a Wednesday morning 10.00 - 11.30

Salvation Army Hall, Silver Street Or call Sarah on 01954 202005



WILLINGHAM LITTER PICK – WAG Environmental Group

This took place on 12 November.

A HUGE THANK-YOU TO EVERYONE:

who came forward to help clean up the village

- who tidied up around their own homes
- who created the posters for advertising the event

• who took their litter home instead of dropping it in the street!

Over 50 sacks of rubbish were collected as well as metal, wood, car tyres, a bike and other fly-tipping junk from ditches!



Watch this space for the next litter pick.

We hope then to report far fewer sacks of rubbish – if any at all!

Janette Bailey, Liz Kinnear, Graham Mumby



Cottenham Village College welcomes a new Headteacher

I am Steve Ellison and, as from 1 January 2012, I will be the Executive Headteacher of the Cottenham Academy. As most readers will be aware, the Academy is made up of the Village College and the Centre School.

I am currently a Deputy Headteacher at Hinchingbrooke School in Huntingdon. My responsibilities include the leadership and management of the curriculum, developing teaching and learning and line managing the school's guidance work. I have been fortunate to have gained a broad range of experience at Hinchingbrooke and in the other schools at which I have worked. Other responsibilities have included personnel, pastoral and post-16 responsibilities. I believe that this range and depth of experience, gained over thirty years in five very different comprehensive schools in different parts of the country, will allow me to build on the excellent leadership which Tony Cooper has given the Academy and its community.

I have managed to spend some time at Cottenham since my appointment. I am ever more impressed with each visit. As OFSTED noted in 2009, it is a good school with outstanding features. I have found the staff, students and governors to be very welcoming and there is a shared drive for further improvement. Indeed, from my point of view, the most encouraging feature of the school is that there is no sense of complacency. No organisation can stand still; they either move forwards or backwards. I am absolutely confident that by working in partnership we will drive the academy to even greater success.

On a personal level, I live in Cambridgeshire and have done since moving to Hinchingbrooke in 2000. I am married to an infant school teacher and we have two children. I have a keen interest in sport, albeit less as a participant than when I was younger. I am also interested in current affairs. I read widely, particularly modern fiction and historical or political biography. As I am a history teacher, the latter is not very surprising!

I am really excited about the possibilities and challenges offered by my new post. I am a passionate believer in the importance of schools and colleges being part of a wider community. This means that whether or not you have direct links with the Academy, I hope to meet you and to work with you, in the coming months and years, as that is undoubtedly the best way to increase the life chances of all our young people.

With very best wishes

Steve Ellison

Christmas peal of bells

The church bells will ring from 10 00 am to 1 00 pm on Saturday 10 December.

JOTTINGS FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Below is my response to the Northstowe consultation. The next step will be for Gallaghers and the HCA to take account of all comments received before submitting a planning application scheduled for early 2012.

I have been in discussion with Stagecoach about whether they can improve the links to the Busway through the Citi 5 service. They have agreed that the bus can easily divert into Longstanton Park and Ride, which will be helpful, but have also proposed a different timetable, which will act as a shuttle service from Bar Hill. As with any change there are clearly advantages and disadvantages and I wanted to be sure that everyone affected had the opportunity to comment before any changes were made. The simple question is - do you prefer the service as currently exists to stay, or would you like to see the new timetable. If you have any views either I, or Stagecoach would be very keen to hear from you. The proposed timetable is printed on p 21.

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

Shona Johnstone Highfield, 5 Lowburyholme Road Over CB24 5NP Tel: 01954 230565 e-mail: shona.johnstone@cambridgeshire.gov.uk @ShonaFJ

Response to the Northstowe consultation

Councillor Mrs S F Johnstone Highfield 5 Lowburyholme Road Over Cambs CB24 5NP

Northstowe Consultation Terence O'Rouke Ltd Everdene House Deansleigh Road BOURNEMOUTH BH7 7DU

20 October 2011

Dear Sirs,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the latest plans for Northstowe.

First, I would like to express my disappointment that so little time was allowed for response. Less than a month is totally inadequate – indeed, Willingham Parish Council has not had a scheduled meeting during that time. Had you wanted a genuine open debate, then you would have allowed at least six weeks for local communities and interested parties to respond. It is also the case that the Development Framework Documents available on your website are not laid out in a user friendly form for reading on a laptop. I'm sure it is not intentional, but it will not help you win friends in the local communities.

The consultation as it is set out is so bland that there is very little that can be opposed. Indeed, from the description in the brochure 1 am hugely looking forward to being one of the first residents. However, that blandness hides a myriad of omissions.

Phasing

Phase 1 only provides very basic facilities, many of which will not even be provided in Phase 2. The comment that Phase 2 will:

Provide access to the town centre and secondary school site

implies that these will not even be provided as part of Phase 2. You put a great deal of emphasis on community, but appear to be doing very little to bring it about in the initial phases.

What are your plans for secondary and post-16 education in Phases 1 and 2?

What plans are there for provision of health facilities in Phase 1?

In what order will Phase 1 be delivered? In particular, at what stage is the local centre planned for construction and what will it contain?

How will you encourage local businesses to re-locate?

You state that Phase 1 contains substantial green space. It would be helpful if you were more specific as to what this contains; is this in addition to or instead of the community gardens and allotments you describe later in the vision document? I would also point out that Phase 1 builds on an existing major green space, namely the golf course, rather than brownfield land.

What plans do you have to replace the golf course, or at least provide space for recreation of a similar standard including the driving range?

I note that Phase 1 also includes a local centre. Many local centres across the country are little more than concrete eyesores, characterised by litter, graffiti and gathering places for young people with nowhere else to go.

How will you ensure that the local centres in Northstowe, particularly in Phase 1 are attractive and welcoming?

Climate

You state that there will be a range of initiatives so that Northstowe can become a low carbon town. There is no clarification as to what these are.

What plans do you have for a Combined District Heat and Power Plant?

Will homes have solar power, ground source heat pumps or grey water systems?

Will homes be provided with suitable cycle storage?

What plans do you have to source materials locally to reduce travel?

Connectivity

Perhaps the most glaring omission from any of the documents I have seen is any reference to how the existing road network will cope with an additional 1500 homes. This is adding another village the equivalent size of Willingham to traffic, not all of which will go towards the A14.

What plans are there to upgrade the existing B1050 and in particular is there any intention to provide a bypass for Willingham, if not in Phase 1, then in future phases?

How will you prevent traffic using Longstanton as a rat run?

What is the outcome of your discussions with the Highways Agency for limited improvements to the A14 in advance of a full upgrade required for future phases?

In relation to the guided busway, there is provision in future phases for a local route to go through Northstowe. However, it is not clear from the consultation how this will be provided in Phase 1.

How will residents access the Guided Busway?

At what point is it intended that the local route through Northstowe will be completed?

Character

There is very little reference to drainage in the vision document, or indeed in the framework documents. I have been unable to find any reference to foul drainage.

What plans are there to ensure adequate sewage for Northstowe, given the problems currently experienced in Longstanton?

There is no mention at any point of the actual construction process and how it will be managed. Nor is there any reference to the workforce required.

What arrangements will be in place for construction traffic and where is it anticipated that it will originate from?

What plans do you have for the workforce and a travel plan for those working on site?

What opportunities might there be for apprenticeships for local students?

I hope that these comments will be addressed before the formal planning application is submitted. I look forward to giving the proposals full and cateful consideration in due course as they progress through the planning process.

Yours faithfully Councillor Mrs Shona Johnstone

PROPOSED BUS TIMETABLES

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CONNECTIONS WITH BUSWAY A/B ARE SHOWN FOR GUIDANCE - THROUGH FARES ARE AVAILABLE

Route 95 runs direct to/from Long Road College and Hills Road College

FE - to or from Fenstanton and Fen Drayton

Coll - runs on College days only

NColl - runs on Saturday and Monday to Friday during College Holidays

C - to or from Swavesey Village College

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MONTH	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO						
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1, 2, 3	Flint Street Nativity	Willingham Stagecraft	Ploughman Hall	7 30 pm Box Office Tylers 260952						
1	Luncheon Club	Salvation Army	Silver St	12 30 pm £3.50						
2	Time4T	Parish Church	Octagon	2 – 4 pm £1						
3	Children's Activity Day	Parish Church	Octagon	10 am – 2 pm Pre booking essential						
4	Christmas Fayre	WSA	Primary School	2 – 5 pm willinghamschoolassociation@gmail.com						
5	Christmas Lights and Carols		The Green	4 pm						
5	Xmas Party	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm Celia 01954 261394						
6	Alzheimer's Society Drop-In Session		The Octagon	10 am - 12 noon						
6-10	Beauty and the Beast	Over Players	Over Community Centre	Tues 7 15 pm Wed – Sat 7 30 pm 232985						
7	Christmas in Books	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm						
7	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm						
8	Bible Study	Salvation Army	Silver Street	2 – 3 pm						
9	Time4T	Parish Church	Octagon	2 – 4 pm £1						
9	Quiz Night	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm Ron (01954) 260144 willinghamcc@gmail.com						
10	Charity Lunch		Octagon	1 pm						
10	Christmas peal of bells			10 am						
11	December Walk	Willingham Walkers	Meet Duke of Wellington Car Park	Mike 01954 260647						
12	Christmas Party	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm						
14	Christmas Party	Tiggers	Salvation Army Hall	10 – 11.30 am						
15	Luncheon Club	Salvation Army	Silver St	12 30 pm £3.50						
16	Time4T	Parish Church	Octagon	2 – 4 pm £1						
17	Coffee Morning and exhibition of Nativity scenes	Salvation Army	Salvation Army Hall	10 am – 12 noon						
19	Photography Club	Photography Club	Baptist Church	8 pm						
22	Bible Study	Salvation Army	Silver Street	2 – 3 pm						
23	Time4T	Parish Church	Octagon	2 − 4 pm £1						
23	Roving Nativity	Baptist Church	Meet at the Green	7 pm						
30	Time4T	Parish Church	Octagon	2 – 4 pm £1						
ANUARY										
4	The five books that changed your life	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm						

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	Willingham Out Of School Club (3-6 pm only)	Mrs R Tiley	01954 201567
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	School Governors Chairman	Rob Laycock	01954 203528
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	British School Trust	Richard Foster	01954 261293
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		Heather Mellows	01954 270063
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	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	Rosemary Mumford	01954 260934
	Baptist Bookings	Julie Stock	01954 202221
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	Social Club	Sarah Rutherford	07989 242155
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	Willingham Youth Club	Trevor Rowe	01954 261193
	Women's Institute	Mrs Doreen Young	01954 200561
	Willingham Jam Club	Julian Eales	01954 201818
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	Willingham Photography Club	Christopher Cross	01954 260790
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	Ladies' Hockey	Teresa Hutchcraft	01954 260177
	Badminton	Sarah Custance	01954 202005
	Bowls Club	Mrs Linda Aspinall	01954 261562
	Willingham Running Club	Sally Titmus	07771 834393
	Willingham Sports Pavilion	David Clarke	01954 260600
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