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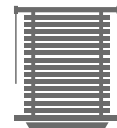
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3 April	Friday	Blue & Green
14 April	Tuesday	Black
20 April	Monday	Blue & Green
25 April	Saturday	Black
1 May	Friday	Blue & Green

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Willingham Leader Awarded for her Dedication and Contribution to Girlguiding

Lynn McGoff, a Guide and Ranger leader in Willingham, is celebrating after receiving the prestigious Anglia Brooch from Girlguiding Anglia.

The Anglia Brooch is a regional award given in recognition of commitment and service over and above 'the call of duty' to guiding.

Lynn has held a variety of roles in over 35 years of faithful service to Girlguiding, from achieving the Queen's Guide award as a teenager to running a number of Guide and Rangers units and, as county Residential Adviser for Guide and Ranger holidays and camps, supporting leaders to take their girls away on trips.



Local leader, Hilary Marsh, said how much she appreciated the time and effort Lynn puts into ensuring girls get opportunities to go away with Guiding, saying, 'During this time Lynn has been extremely reliable and committed to the task. Lynn thoroughly deserves the Anglia Brooch; she is very diligent, hard-working, and is a lovely person too!'

Kerenza, who was one of Lynn's Guides and is now in her

Ranger unit, said, 'Lynn is always there for a chat if you need to and she always listens. She always goes above and beyond helping others feel welcome and safe even under pressure and on camp.'

County Commissioner, Claire Course, said, 'I am so grateful for the hard work of all our volunteers. They put so much energy and enthusiasm into giving all girls and young women an opportunity to try out new adventures. Volunteers are so important in providing support, comfort, and friendship to girls as they grow while empowering them to reach their fullest potential.'

Over 150 members and supporters of Girlguiding Cambridgeshire East, along with her mother and leaders and members of Willingham Ranger unit, were present to witness a surprised Lynn receive her award from Andrea Oughton, Deputy Chief Commissioner for Girlguiding Anglia, during the annual Thanks and Recognition afternoon tea, celebrating the amazing contribution of guiding volunteers.

Lynn said, 'It was such a lovely surprise to receive the Anglia Brooch. I was delighted to receive it. I have received so much out of guiding over the years and it is such a privilege to be part of ensuring that girls and young women get all those opportunities now.'



Willingham Wolves Football Club

We are an FA affiliated amateur grass roots football club which allows children to play football in a fun, friendly and safe environment under the care of volunteer FA licensed coaches. We currently have 196 playing members playing for a range of teams from the age of U6 through to U11 at mini league and U12 through to U15 at colts.

We also now have a men's team in its first season.

Throughout the season and in all weathers our teams can be seen training or playing on a Saturday morning down on the Recreation Ground. Our men's team even play on a Sunday. If you are free and feel the urge to watch fun, entertaining and VAR free football, then come on down to the Recreation Ground, grab a cup of tea from the Kitchen and pick your game to watch.

On **13 and 14 June** we have our annual Football Festival on the Recreation Ground. This is an extremely important



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This, of course, is the inside of our beautiful medieval church. You might think it looks the same today, but this picture was taken around 1900 and there are some important differences. Although the pews in the church today look old, they were only installed in the 1970s and prior to that were chairs as seen here. The next thing are oil lamps – no electricity in the church then. These lamps would have needed to be lowered, filled with oil and lit for every service. You would probably struggle to read your hymn books under those! But the biggest change is that there is no pipe organ since this was not installed until 1910. We are not sure what they used for music. Perhaps there was a small organ at the back. There used to be a gallery upstairs at the back, but it was probably gone by this time.

See more photos at www.oldwillingham.com and, if you have stories or memories about this picture, please contact Jon Edney, 31 High Street or oldwill@oldwillingham.com.

Coronavirus Message

April's *Willingham News* was prepared in the middle of March. The advice from the Government and Public Health England may have changed by the time you receive this issue.

Please refer to the NHS website for up to date information.

Willingham Women's Institute

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INSPIRING WOMEN

New members are always welcome; please contact Wendy on 01954 202188 or email willinghamwi28@gmail.com if you are interested. You can also follow us on Facebook.

Come for a taster – we have some great meetings lined up.

The next meeting cannot take place in its usual slot of the second Monday of the month as it would fall on Easter Monday. Instead the Institute will be taking an outing to visit the **Queenholme Alpaca Farm** during the week commencing **6 April** although this visit is not open to guests

In May there is the Annual Resolution vote and a talk from Willingham Bee Group.

The Mixed Craft Group meets on the last Wednesday of each month, 10 30 am – 4 30 pm in the Baptist Church. All welcome, no need to be a WI member.

WI News

February meeting

History of Heffers

This month we were given a talk by Julie Bounford about the History of Heffers. Julie's talk covered the period 1876 to 1999. The original shop was based on Fitzroy Street, which, at the time, was classed as 'out of town'. From humble beginnings and with shrewd business acumen, the business grew and took over properties in the town itself. Student discounts were offered on University texts as a means of drawing in the University trade. In 1999 Heffers was bought by Blackwells. Julie gave an interesting and informative talk supported by various photographs, including some of Julie's ancestors, who have worked for Heffers over the years.

Author visits the Primary School

Children at the Primary School were treated to a visit from local author, Lou Carter, on World Book Day. Lou explained to a whole school assembly how books are produced. Younger pupils then made finger puppets of her book characters, others acted out scenes from the books and the older children tried their hands at becoming authors and producing their own picture books.



The Willingham British School Trust

The next meeting of the Trustees will be held at 7 30 pm on the **24 April**. This will be the Trust's Annual General Meeting and will be held in the Willingham Youth Trust premises at the Ploughman Hall.

In addition to receiving annual reports from the Trust's officers and the Trust's audited accounts for the 2019-2020 financial year the Trustees will also consider applications for financial support at this meeting.

At its meeting in January funding applications were considered. Cottenham Village College was awarded funds to support curriculum innovation to improve pupil literacy. A travel award was also made to support the completion of required fieldwork for a postgraduate qualification.

Initial enquiries about eligibility for funding and applications should be made to the Trust Secretary, Dr Ray Croucher – telephone: 01954 261113 and e-mail raycroucher47@gmail.com.

READER'S LETTER

Dear Editors,

Our lovely village supports many diverse organisations one of which is the Gardening Club. I have not been a member for long but have thoroughly enjoyed the amazing speakers' monthly contributions, all at some cost to the Club. The latest March talk about oriental vegetables has taught me so much – not least that mung beans, already pretty healthy beans, increase their value by an amazing 30% when sprouted into bean shoots! How easy is that to achieve at home?!

The Gardening Club is beginning a programme of support for the Primary School to help the children grow some vegetables: what a great link there. Then where would we be without the Horticultural Show? Our local annual event involving every age in so many aspects: a well done to everyone, plus to our W.I. and WAG groups for their valuable support too. Many people take up the extra spaces on the Club trips either to English special places or for Christmas shopping – likely to be Norwich this year. And, somehow again last year, in spite of the need for a boost in numbers to support it, the Club donated £600 to the cancer charity fund.

Maintaining the Willingham support by newcomers and younger villagers for organisations like the Gardening Club, breathes new life and keeps this fine village a good place to live! So, first Monday every month; why not give it a go?

Yours hopefully,

Valerie McKee

Pastoral Letter

There is no Pastoral Letter this month. Look out for the next one in the May edition of *Willingham News*.



Neighbourhood Watch

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Our penultimate article looks at Cash Point Fraud and about trying to avoid becoming a victim of scams.

Advice for Service Users

- If possible, get cash from a cash machine that's inside a branch rather than on the street, or consider getting cash by cashback when using a debit card in shops. Our local Post Office also has machines at the counter where you can withdraw cash.
- Look around – if someone is standing too close, just walk away.
- It can be very hard to tell if a cashpoint has been tampered with. If there is anything obviously wrong, like a loose part, don't use it.
- Always cover the keypad when entering your PIN and don't make it obvious which buttons are being pressed. Don't get distracted.
- Keep a note of the card issuer's emergency number in your handbag or wallet. If the card is held by a cash machine for whatever reason, call the bank straight away to make sure it can't be used. If it's safe to do so, stay at the cashpoint until it has been reported.

If you have information for the Police regarding a crime, call 101 (999 if it's an emergency). You can also contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

If you are interested in becoming part of Willingham Neighbourhood Watch, please contact us on the website at the top of this article.

Over and District Royal British Legion VE and VJ Day 75th Anniversary

To commemorate the achievements leading to this important day in history we invite you to join us for an enjoyable evening of music and dancing on **25 April** when The Alan Norris Big Band will be performing at Over Community Centre.

We would like to hear from any WW2 veterans who live within our branch area - Over, Willingham, Longstanton and also Swavesey or Bar Hill. Also, if anyone has any WW2 memorabilia that we could display we would be very grateful if we could borrow it for the evening.

Tickets cost £10 per person and are available from the Over Community Centre and Willingham Post Office, by telephone to Jane Matthews (see phone number below) or by email request to overanddistrictbl@yahoo.co.uk.

Our annual 400 Club starts again soon with the first draw due to take place in early June. Tickets cost £5, which gives entry into 20 weekly draws.

Jane Matthews Secretary

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Sudoku by Willow

Answers on page 19.

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		2					4	
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		5			9			
				2		4	1	
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Book Quiz

Answers on page 19.

The clocks have gone forward and the days are getting longer. I have chosen some books with 'Time' in the title for the book quiz. See if you remember the names of the authors.

1. *A Brief History of Time*
2. *The Time Machine*
3. *Leaving Time*
4. *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*
5. *Eight O'Clock Tales*
6. *Hard Times*
7. *Tom's Midnight Garden*
8. *Love in the Time of Cholera*
9. *Saturday Night and Sunday Morning*
10. *The Time Traveller's Wife*

Christine Lacey

Poem for April

April is a busy month
for the trees and bees
and opening flowers,
some soft April showers.

April is a pleasant month
for all things new
It promises better days,
shelters us in quiet ways.

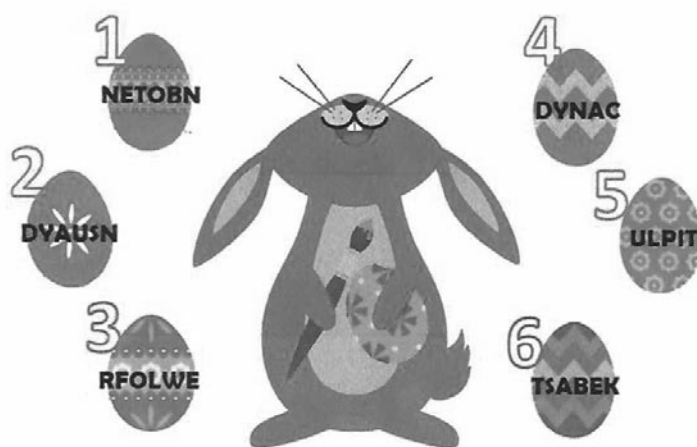
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Young Readers' Corner

Happy Easter Word Scramble

The Easter Bunny decorated some of his eggs with words, but when he delivered them, they got a little scrambled. Can you unscramble the words and find the answer to his favorite riddle?



1. _ _ _ 1 2 _ _
2. _ _ 3 4 _ _ 5
3. 6 _ _ _ _
4. _ _ _ 7 _ 8
5. _ 9 _ _ _
6. 10 11 _ _ _

What do you call a rabbit who tells good jokes?

11 6 3 2 7 8 10 9 1 4 5

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Apology re the March edition of *Willingham News*

We wonder how many of you read this page and if you do, did you spot the mistake in question 6 of the Mini March Quiz?

The question should have read.. 'What happens very late on Saturday 28 March or in early hours of Sunday 29 March this year?' This makes sense of the answer which is 'The clocks spring forward.'

FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

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New Councillor

The retirement of John Anderson from the Council, after many years of sterling service, created another casual vacancy. There were two applications, and this time a simple majority vote resulted in the appointment of James Hutchcraft to the Council. We would like to extend a warm welcome to James, by far the youngest Councillor we have had for many years, and our thanks to the other candidate for volunteering.

Northstowe Governance Review

South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) Civic Affairs Committee has now considered the first stage of the Northstowe Governance Review. They have chosen three options to go forward to the next stage of consultation. Option A is for all the new build housing to become a new Civil Parish. This option would see the area north of the Guided Busway become part of Willingham because it would be cut off from Longstanton. Option B is similar but with the area beyond the busway also included in Northstowe. Our Parish Council object to this because we feel it would encourage further development beyond the current planning limits. Option C would limit Northstowe to the east of the B1050. The new houses built west of the B1050 and the land north of the busway would then remain as part of Longstanton.

Full details, including maps of the options, can be found on the SCDC website at this ridiculously long link: www.scambs.gov.uk/your-council-and-democracy/parish-councils/community-governance-review-of-longstanton-and-oakington-and-westwick-prompted-by-the-development-at-northstowe/.

Drop-In Surgery

The next combined District and Parish Council drop-in surgery will be at the Ploughman Hall on **Saturday 11 April** at 11 am. Please come along to discuss anything with your District or Parish Councillors.

Traffic News

We have yet to hear the outcome of our application for a 40 mph buffer zone at the entrance to the village on the B1050 from Earith. However, you may have noticed the new Speed Indicator Device which is currently installed in the extended 30 mph zone at the south end of the village. This records vehicle numbers and speeds in both directions and will be moved to other spots at random intervals.

At the recent Parish Council meeting, a parishioner requested research into the traffic on Church Street, as it appears to have increased massively with the latest round of diversions and road closures. Community Roadwatch have this week installed a traffic counter to record volumes, direction and speed of vehicles. The results should be available at the next Parish Council meeting.

Council Meetings

The Council has considered the recent request for a second public speaking session in Council meetings. Members of the public have no legal right to speak. However, as part of Willingham's community engagement, we set aside time for public participation at the start of meetings. This is to allow parishioners to inform and question Councillors ahead of any decisions which are to be made on agenda items. Council meetings are open to the public for transparency, and to allow parishioners to watch and listen, but are not open public interactive sessions. The clerk has also consulted the Society of Local Council Clerks' legal adviser, who advised that there should only be one open session. Holding that single session at the end is problematic, because resolutions have then been made and cannot be rescinded for six months.

Annual Parish Meeting

This is an early reminder that the Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Octagon on **Wednesday 20 May** starting at 7 30 pm. This is not a Parish Council meeting but is held to discuss all public matters relating to the parish, whether or not they are within the remit of the Council.

Council meetings are generally held on the first Wednesday of the month in the Octagon, starting at 7 30 pm. Agendas are published on the website, the notice board outside the public hall in the High Street, in the library, and on Facebook. Members of the public are welcome to attend and speak briefly or ask questions (see agendas for further details).

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Reign of Queen Elizabeth I 1558 to 1603

King James I 1603 to 1625

Dr William Smith must rate as one of the most outstanding Rectors of Willingham. He was certainly a very busy man and must have been a rich one too. In his 30 years as Rector from 1585 he was also Master of Clare College for 11 years, Provost of King's College for three years, Vice-Chancellor of the University for one year, and Chaplain to both Queen Elizabeth I and King James I. Whilst being Rector of Willingham until 1615, he also variously held the livings of Kingston, Little Bardfield, and Halstead, as well as being a Canon at Peterborough. One might have thought that with all these responsibilities he would have been a fairly rare visitor here. Indeed, during his incumbency of 30 years he had four curates in all. However, the record shows that he did a great deal for the village. He endowed and built Almshouses at the east end of the churchyard and on his death in 1615 he left eight acres of land in West Meadow 'to be let as allotments to poor persons'. Now, 600 years later, those same allotments still exist behind what is now West Meadow Close.

Willingham's First Formal School

Dr. Smith was also one of the 102 founding benefactors of Willingham's first formal school in 1593. It was endowed with the sum of £100, raised by public subscription. This was quite unusual then, as most schools at the time resulted from a private bequest. The school was intended for the education of children of the 102 subscribers, but there was also specific provision for children of poor families to be taught free. Lawrence Milford, who had already been licensed 14 years earlier to teach children in his house in George Street, was appointed as the first Master. Through the 17th century the de Bruyne Chapel (now the Lady Chapel) in the Church was used as the schoolroom. There are scores of initials carved on the oak screen, on the window splays, and on the old family tomb that testify to this.

Ownership of Willingham Changes After 500 Years

In 1601, after 500 years in the hands of the Bishops of Ely, the Manor of Willingham was ceded to the Queen. She granted it to Thomas Parkes of Wisbech, whose only daughter and heir brought it by marriage to Sir Miles Sandys of Wilburton. Sandys immediately started a vigorous campaign to enclose what had previously been 'open' land. Within four years he had enclosed 250 acres and was starting to sell off arable land to tenant farmers. The impact of this change of ownership on the village must have been momentous.

Willingham and the Gunpowder Plot

One of the many appointments held by Dr William Smith when he was Rector of Willingham, was that of Chaplain to the protestant King James I. As such he is likely to have been heavily involved in the aftermath of the famous Gunpowder Plot on 5 November 1605. Guy Fawkes had led a desperate band of Catholics to avenge the harsh treatment to which Catholics were being submitted. Barrels of gunpowder in the vaults under the Houses of Parliament were meant to have exploded under the King and his Ministers, but Guy Fawkes was betrayed and arrested. He was subsequently convicted and publicly hung, drawn and quartered. As Chaplain to the King, it is probable that Dr. Smith would have been much consulted, and it is doubtful if the village would have seen much of their Rector around that time.



Guy Fawkes



King James I

Alan Fawcitt

Next time: *Roof Crisis – A Remarkable Solution*

Celebrating Village Spirit

On Sunday 1 March more than 100 people gathered together to raise money for a local family whose one year old son Daniel is suffering from Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome, a rare immunodeficiency disease.

On a beautiful bright sunny day, friends, families and village residents trudged through the mud of West Fen for a straightforward walk to be followed by warm drinks and scrumptious homemade cakes. After a very long 50 minutes we returned to the Garner & Wakes Farm, where bellies were filled with sugary treats and warm coffee.

A small idea was brought to life by Owen Garner and then grew with the help of Willingham Auctions, who made a cake and staged a raffle raising £212. Thanks also

go to Jane Burrows for donating a giant teddy bear that raised £50 at auction and the kind donations of birthday money from Pete Cornish. All of this wouldn't have been possible without everyone turning up, walking and making their own very generous donations. An amazing total of £1,677 was raised to help baby Daniel and his family through this testing and worrying time.

I think it goes without saying that we wish Daniel and his family love and luck through this time and we thank everyone who contributed and made this day such a success.

The Garner and Wake Family

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Services

5 April

11 00 am Palm Sunday – Morning Worship

9 April

7 30 pm Maundy Thursday – Holy Communion Said Service

10 April

10 30 am Good Friday – Joint Service in SMAS with the Baptist Church

12 April

11 00 am Easter Sunday – Holy Communion

19 April

11 00 am All Age Service

26 April

11 00 am Holy Communion

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. There are activities for children and young people at the back of the church during term-time.

If you know of anyone who is ill or who for some other reason would like a visit, please let us know. Also if you'd like to discuss getting married, or having your child christened, we'd love to talk to you!

Admin contact details: Gillian Beal, 01954 203459 or admin@5folds.org.uk.

Clergy contact details:

Simon Gill 01954 230434 or simon@5folds.org.uk

Beth Cope 07720 330272 or pioneerminister@northstowe.church

Jenny Hill 07970 949331 or revdjennyhill@5folds.org.uk

Jan Payne 07780 674563 or jan.payne@northstowe.church

Events

Time for Prayer – 9 – 9 30 am every Thursday morning in the Church. All welcome.

First Steps: meets fortnightly – but only on **24 April** during April (due to the Easter holidays) – in the Octagon. We welcome all pre-school age children and their carers. We meet 10 – 11 30 am for tea and toast, play, story, song and craft. It's a great chance to make friends while the little ones play. For the latest info go to: 'Willingham First Steps' on Facebook. We look forward to seeing you!

Also There is also a group of parents who meet to explore the Christian faith on alternate Friday mornings. For more details about this, please email Hannah Overton at hannah.overton@yahoo.co.uk.

Coffee Break is on **Saturday 4 April**, 10 am – 12 noon. Coffee in the Octagon will now be known as Coffee Break. A chance to enjoy coffee and company in the Octagon from 10 to 11 30 am on the first Saturday morning of every month, except January.

Mothers' Union

Thank you to all our Coffee at the Cake stall friends. Last year donations at the coffee mornings raised £145. This will be sent via Mothers' Union Ely Diocese to Whitworth House in Cambridge who provide accommodation and support for young women aged 16-22

Please note that the Cake Stall is sadly no longer running until further notice.



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Services

(**= + activities for children)

5 April

10 30 am Family Worship**

6 00 pm Evening Worship

12 April

10 30 am Easter Celebration Service – Cafe Style

6 00 pm Evening Worship

19 April

10 30 am Family Worship**

6 00 pm Evening Worship

26 April

10 30 am Family Worship**

6 00 pm Evening Worship

Events

Nimble Fingers Craft Club: Mondays 2 – 4 pm. Bring your crafts and join with others, or come and learn new skills. Tea, coffee and good company provided. Contact Daphne, 01954 260568.

TOPS Toddler group: Tuesdays at 9 45 am for age 18 months plus in the church. Great place to meet other families whilst the children enjoy the activities and playing. Contact Katy Gilbert, 01954 261922.

Open Door Coffee Morning: Wednesdays 10 – 11 30 am. Contact Cynthia Nolan, 01954 202240.

Community Luncheon Club: Thursdays bi-weekly, **2, 16 and 30 April**. Prior booking essential. Contact Daphne, 01954 260568.

Kids' Friday Club: Fridays at 6 30 – 7 30 pm for children of Primary School age Year 1 upwards. Action packed hour with craft, games, songs and drama all based around a Bible story. Contact Lorraine Bald, 01954 261189.

WBC Youth Club: Fridays 8 – 9 pm for Years 7, 8 and 9. Time to meet friends, music, X box, table football, pool, joint games, tuck shop and stage time. WBC aims to help children, young people and adults consider their own response to the Christian message. Contact Bev Thomas, 01954 789230.

Men's Breakfast, 18 April: 7 45 am for a hearty cooked breakfast followed by a short topical talk. Contact Pete Sacre, 01954 261655 or peetamin@gmail.com.

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Weekend Mass times:

St Ives, Sacred Heart – Saturday evening: 5 pm and Sunday: 8 and 11 am.

The priest for this area is now Reverend Thomas J Walton.

Commemorating VE Day 8 May.

We will be commemorating VE day with a display of flowers in the Church on **Friday 8 May**. The displays will have flowers appropriate to 1945. This will be supported by articles, items, photos and memories of the event.

Anyone with relevant items who is willing to lend them for incorporation in the displays, please contact Carol Bailey 01954 260794.

If you have memories of that day we would welcome your input for our 'Memory Board'.

Should you be able to help in any way please contact Carol.

We look forward to hearing from you.
Willingham Church, Flower Arrangers

Willingham Bowls Club – Community Scheme

This year Willingham Bowls Club are starting a Willingham Bowls Club Community Scheme, the idea being to give something back to the village. The bowls green has periods where it is not being used, which seems to be a waste of a good facility, so we are making the following proposals to encourage use of the green and offer the community a service.

We have been in talks with the local Primary School to provide bowls sessions for their final year students. There is a lot to organize and various regulations have to be met. If this is not possible, we will offer a Saturday morning session for parents and children.

We have also contacted Willingham Medical Practice and Over Surgery with a proposal to run a coffee morning once a week during the bowls season which will include playing bowls. This would be suitable for people/patients who need some kind of rehabilitation or, perhaps, are suffering from Dementia, Vision Impairment, Arthritis, or are just lonely and would enjoy a morning out. Bowls is a very gentle exercise, but it does give you some movement plus you meet up with fellow bowlers.

To carry out both the above we will need to purchase some more equipment and, as with most Bowls Clubs, funds are not that buoyant. So, we are seeking sponsorship. Already, one company and one society have come forward with very generous donations and that means we will go ahead with our plans. A very special thank you to Eastern Marquees and Willingham and District Ploughing Society who made those donations. We also need to thank Willingham Parish Council, who

support us with a donation towards maintenance of the bowling green. It is incredible how much it costs to run a bowls club.

We have recently invited other local companies to support this scheme and hopefully some of them will support us. We want to run both sessions free of charge. Our policy for 16 years and younger is to offer free membership so that, hopefully, we will encourage younger people to play bowls.

It is still a couple of months until the outdoor bowls season starts and as usual, we are looking for more members. We are especially short of female members. We are having a joining up evening on **Friday 17 April** at The Duke of Wellington from 5.30 – 7.30 pm.

Our annual membership is £35 for Adults and we offer 16 years and under free membership.

Our season now runs for 12 months as we not only play outdoors but we also have a team in the Indoor/Outdoor League at Chesterton Indoor Bowls Club. We have teams in outdoor leagues, Ely and District League is an afternoon league and we also have two teams in the Business Houses League, which are played in the evenings.

If you would like any further information on any of the above, please contact either me or our Club Secretary, Ian Bissett.

Terry Buckley

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District Councillors' Report

A special message from our South Cambridgeshire District Councillors on climate change and action on carbon reduction

When we burn fossil fuels like coal, oil and gas, greenhouse gases are released into the atmosphere. Like a greenhouse, these prevent heat from escaping and, in doing so, keeps the world warm. The main greenhouse gas is carbon dioxide (CO₂) responsible for over 80% of global warming, and so, for shorthand, we talk of carbon. Over the years, greenhouse gases have accumulated in the atmosphere, and their warming effect is now leading to changes to our climate; extreme weather is becoming increasingly common with floods, heatwaves and drought in many parts of the world, including the UK. The more warming, the more serious the consequences. There is general agreement that we should aim to keep warming to no more than 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels. To do this, emissions have to come down to net zero by 2050 at the latest. The way to do this is to reduce the energy we use and instead of using energy derived from fossil fuels, switch to energy from low carbon sources. Net zero carbon means balancing any remaining carbon emissions by removing an equal amount of carbon from the atmosphere, for example by growing more trees.

In November 2019, and in common with councils of all colours up and down the country, South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) declared a Climate Emergency. The council wishes to put its own house in order and become an exemplar in the region. Its aspiration is to deliver a 50% reduction in carbon emissions from the South Cambridgeshire area by 2030, relative to a 2018 baseline. For our own estate and operations, over which we

have direct control, we aim to deliver a reduction on 2018-19 levels of at least 40% by 2025, and at least 70% by 2030. This includes a 50% reduction of emissions from our vehicles by 2025, and a 90% reduction by 2030 and for South Cambridgeshire Hall, a 50% reduction by 2025 and a 75% reduction by 2030.

The council has already embarked on a number of initiatives to realise these objectives, including the installation of solar panels on its buildings' roofs, a new taxi policy requiring a phased change to electric vehicles and plans to replace SCDC's streetlights with energy-efficient LED lamps and a major retrofit to South Cambridgeshire Hall which will include a solar car port, a ground source heat pump and an LED lighting upgrade.

We will work with partners (such as neighbouring local authorities through the Cambridgeshire Energy Partnership) to support and encourage the delivery of energy efficiency projects and will work with parish councils and community groups to help them to do the right things too.

Look out for the council's zero-carbon strategy which is to be published soon.

Our apologies that the last Councillor surgery had to be cancelled. The next one is on **Saturday 11 April** between 11 am and 1 pm at the Ploughman Hall.

Councillor Dawn Percival and Councillor Bill Handley
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Please note the Surgery will be closed on **Friday 10 April** and **Monday 13 April** for the Easter Weekend. Please plan ahead and ensure you have ordered enough medication by **Tuesday 7 April**.

Coronavirus COVID-19

The NHS in Cambridgeshire and Public Health England (PHE) are extremely well prepared for outbreaks of new infectious diseases. The NHS has put in place measures to ensure the safety of all patients and NHS staff while also ensuring services are available to the public as normal.

For up-to-date advice go to the websites for the NHS and Public Health England

You do not need to contact 111 to tell them that you are staying at home.

Testing for coronavirus is not needed if you are staying at home

Read the [NHS advice about staying at home, including how long to isolate for](#).

Use the NHS 111 online coronavirus service if:

- you feel you cannot cope with your symptoms at home
- your condition gets worse
- your symptoms do not get better after 7 days

Only call 111 if you cannot get help online

- www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public
- Further information is also available on nhs.uk

Do not go to the GP Surgery, Community Pharmacy or Hospital. Stay indoors and avoid close contact with other people.

Like the common cold, coronavirus infection usually occurs through close contact with a person with novel coronavirus, via cough and sneezes or hand contact. A person can also be infected by touching contaminated surfaces if they do not wash their hands. Everyone is being reminded to follow Public Health England advice to:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze. Then bin the tissue, and wash your hands, or use a sanitiser gel.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after using public transport. Use a sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are unwell.

Dr Stevens

We are delighted to welcome Dr Faye Stevens to the practice as a permanent member of our team.

Cervical Screening

Around 2,600 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer in England each year, and around 690 women die from the disease, which is two deaths every day. It is estimated that if everyone attended screening regularly, 83% of cervical

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Tuesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 7 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	4 30 – 7 00
Ante Natal/Baby Clinic		2 00 – 4 00
Wednesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
Thursday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 00
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 5 30
Emergencies		4 00 – 6 00

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Tuesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 7 00
Wednesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
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Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00

cancer cases could be prevented.

New research from Public Health England shows that nearly all women eligible for screening (90%) would be likely to take a test that could help prevent cancer – and of those who have attended screening, nine in ten (94%) would encourage others who are worried to attend their cervical screening. Despite this, screening is at a 20-year low, with one in four eligible women (those aged 25 to 64) in the UK not attending their test.

If you have been invited or are overdue your cervical screening test, please contact the surgery and book a routine appointment with one of our nurses.

Cambridgeshire Hearing Clinics: The next Hearing Aid Clinics at Willingham Surgery on **Wednesdays 15 April, 20 May and 17 June** from 2 – 4 pm. No appointment necessary, just pop along for your free NHS hearing aid batteries and for help and advice regarding hearing loss.

Carers Support Meetings: Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month. If you are a carer, please pop along and get some support from other people in the local community. Refreshments are provided, there is no need to pre-book and it is completely FREE! Please contact Sue Lawson at the surgery or email her at susan.lawson7@nhs.net for more information.

A&E is not an alternative to a GP appointment. If we are closed, please call 111.

Lisa Smith
Assistant Practice Manager

Willingham Social Club

Tickets are now available for all events into June. Many of our events have sold out recently.

What's on in April?

Cash Bingo every Wednesday, books on sale from 6 30 pm with eyes down 7 30 pm - over 18's only.

Easter Lucky Squares are now on sale in the bar for members to win lots of Easter goodies!

We originally advertised a Roy Orbison Tribute act for April. This has now been cancelled – apologies for any disappointment.

Friday 17 April, 7 30 pm, Cricket Club Quiz Night

For Information and to pre-book your team contact Matthew at mattreferree1@gmail.com.

Saturday 18 April, 8 pm, Scooted n' Booted, Live Ska Band

Returning to the club to play covers from bands such as The Specials, Madness, UB40 and much more! As this is a very popular night, we recommend purchasing tickets in advance from the club or www.wegottickets.com/event/491161 £5 in advance or £8 on the door if still available. Please check to avoid disappointment. Everyone over 18 welcome.

Friday 24 April, 8pm, Danstar, Live Singer.

This is Daniel's debut performance at the club, he will be singing covers from The Stereophonics, Oasis, Human League and more! This will be one of our free Members Nights and guests will be welcome for just £2.

Saturday 25th April, 8pm, Graham Whitfield, Psychic Medium

Graham was at the Social Club a few years ago and certainly impressed the audience with his abilities. The event is in an audience format and not everyone is guaranteed to have a personal reading. Whether a sceptic or believer, his abilities cannot always be explained. Come along and see for yourself. £5 on the door. Over 18s only.

What's on in May?

Saturday 16 May, 8 pm, The Indietones

Live Rock Band Tickets from www.wegottickets.com £5 in advance

Friday 22 May, 8pm, Submarine Racers

Live Band. Free Members Night. Guests £2.

Date for Your Diary

The Willingham Social Club Beer Festival, incorporating many music acts will be held on **Friday and Saturday, 18 and 19 September.**

Well Done to the Darts Team

Finally – Congratulations to The Social Club Darts team for winning the Willingham Winter Darts League having been unbeaten all season. A terrific achievement as they only re-formed this year.

Willingham Youth Centre

Call for Help

After a very active 2019 and a successful funding application to the Parish Council covering the costs of the Youth Club for a year, the Youth Centre is currently struggling for volunteers to help us run the Charity and support our events. Without a full set of Trustees and dedicated helpers we will struggle to keep the Youth Club, Coding Club and Cafe running. Also, it would be doubtful if all our annual events such as the Fall Disco would be able to happen as planned.

The positions we are in most need to fill are a Treasurer, a Trustee or two for governance purposes and some extra committee members who can occasionally help out on a Wednesday night or a Saturday morning, (when we try and open the cafe after the Easter holidays) and who can help with putting on the occasional events such as Community Discos.

If you, or anyone you know, can help out with this valued community project we would really love to hear from you.

The Trustee positions are not onerous and are greatly supported by the strength of a good chair and secretary who have been involved for many years now. Treasurer roles require payment of a handful of annual bills, one monthly invoice and one monthly payment to the cleaner. Possibly an hour or so of one's time per week at most.

The committee meets about once a quarter and has a Whatsapp group to organise many of the events and clubs. Members offer up at most one Wednesday night in six to support the youth club.

Please do get in contact at enquiries@willinghamyouthtrust.org or via our Facebook page.

Thanks for your ongoing support.

*Bonnie Twiss, Chair
Willingham Youth Trust*

BOOK REVIEW

Silas Marner, The Weaver of Raveloe by George Eliot

Set in the late 18th to early 19th centuries, Silas Marner, a member of a strict religious community, is wrongly accused of stealing money from his chapel. He leaves the community and moves to a distant village to start a new life. For the next 15 years, he lives alone, choosing not to integrate into his new village or welcoming visitors into his home but instead derives his pleasure from the gold coins he makes from weaving. This all changes after he is robbed and subsequently finds a small child asleep on his hearth. Gradually, he learns to love again and be loved. The book group gave it an overall mark of 7.8/10 – meaning some loved it but others didn't which always then involves lots of discussion. Well worth reading to make up your own mind.

Liz Kinnear

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Thursday		4 – 7 pm
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Saturday	10 am – 1 pm	

Library News

Engage in the Afternoon

Come and join in with these special sessions for adults on the first Wednesday of each month from 2 to 3 30 pm. There is a speaker, tea/coffee/biscuits and a chance to change books. It's free but a £1 donation is requested.

In March, we were squashed into the library like sardines to hear Chris Hudson from the RSPB speak about the Ouse Fen Nature Reserve and the wonderful advances made in reclaiming the gravel pits, turning them into reed beds to attract water birds. This has been really successful so far and bearded tits, reed buntings, marsh harriers and even critically endangered bitterns have been seen. This is a 30 year project, which is about two thirds of the way through. Have a look at the RSPB website for more information.

Next talk: **Wednesday 1 April – A Glimpse Behind the Scenes at Westminster Abbey.** John McAngus speaking about 1,000 years of this magnificent building from

Friends of the Rosie

We hope all our supporters are looking forward to Easter. We are helping you all to get ready with our selection of gifts for all ages – see below for where you can shop with us again.

Selling gifts for all ages –

Tea Bar, Rosie Hospital Outpatient Clinic – **Monday to Friday 9 am – 4 pm**

Bar Hill Community Market – **Saturday 4 April 10 30 am – 2 pm**

Selling hand knitted clothes from premature to age four and gifts for all ages –

Rosie Hospital – **Tuesday 7 April 10 am – 4 pm**

We always need help in the Tea Bar in Clinic 21 for a few hours a week or on an occasional basis. At present we do not have a regular volunteer for either Monday afternoon or Thursday morning. We also require occasional volunteers to help when a regular volunteer is unable to help due to holidays/illness etc. Please email annlaskey@icloud.com if you would like to volunteer.

New members are always welcome, whether to contribute financially, to join our team of knitters, provide transport for our volunteers, display a small selection of our wares or to help on the Rosie tea bar. Contact Mary Sanders on 01223 356615 – further details are given on our website www.rosieinstitches.org.uk.

Thank you for your continued support
Avril Williams

William the Conqueror to the present day.

Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL) News
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Games Afternoon, Friday 3 April, 2 – 4 pm in the library.

First Friday of every month - come along and play Scrabble or bring along a game of your choice to share. There is a small fee of £1 and tea, coffee and biscuits are provided.

Second-hand Book Stall, Saturday 4 April, 10 30 am – 12 noon

On the first Saturday of every month until November – we currently have a brilliant and wide selection of all kinds of books for adults and children – proceeds help support our library.

Future Events

Children's Easter Book Trail, 4 – 18 April

Some of the children's books have escaped from the library and are all around the village! Help us to find them. Pick up a form and map (entry fee £1) from the library during opening hours from **4 April**. Write the title of each book you find on the form and return to the library for a reward and chance to win an Easter egg. The trail is not suitable for unaccompanied children.

Author Talk – Emily Winslow, 29 April, 7 pm

Please see the separate advertisement below for this exciting event.

Contact us at willinghamlibraryfriends@gmail.com or find us on Facebook.

Your support at these events helps our wonderful library. Thank you.

Emily Winslow, Author Talk

Wednesday 29 April

7 pm for a 7 30 pm start in the Library

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An evening with local author Emily Winslow.**

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Book early as space is limited.

Emily is the author of a series of crime novels set in Cambridge: *The Whole World*, *The Start of Everything*, *The Red House* and *Look for Her*, as well as a memoir, *Jane Doe January*. She teaches at the University of Cambridge's Institute of Continuing Education at Maddingley Hall and will be part of the team offering a new master's degree in crime and thriller writing.

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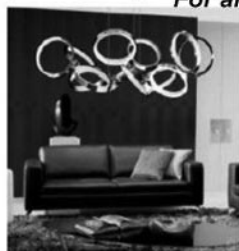
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Willingham Gardening Club

The Gardening Club meets at 7 30 pm in the Social Club on the first Monday of each month, except January. New members are most welcome. Annual subscriptions are £20 and are due this month, but visitors who wish to attend individual meetings can do so for £2. Please call Celia on 01954 261394 for details or simply turn up to a meeting.

Our next meeting is on **Monday, 6 April** when our speaker, Nigel Start, will give us a very useful and timely talk on *Getting to Grips with Pruning*. His love of gardening started in the late 70s when his first small house came with a large plot. Nigel found the best way to manage it was by growing fruit and vegetables, with the help of a small flock of chickens to clear the weeds and fertilise the ground. Nigel started talking about his experiences to clubs and societies in the Cambridge area over 10 years ago.

Coach Outings

The Club's first two excursions are:

- **Saturday 20 June** to RHS Wisley, near Woking, the flagship garden of the RHS and one of the UK's most visited and best-loved gardens, attracting around one million visitors each year. The garden has expanded hugely over the years to its current size of 240 acres and houses one of the largest plant collections in the world.

Wisley offers groups a 60-minute guided walking tour of the garden (a minimum of 10 people needed.). If you would like to take advantage of this, we must book in advance – the cost per person is £3. Please indicate when booking or by **Monday, 11 May** if you wish to join a guided tour. The inclusive cost of travel and entry to RHS Wisley is £23 (Optional guided tour is an additional £3).

Pick-up times are: Cottenham 7 45 am; Willingham 8 am. Note: Earlier start times for Wisley

- **Saturday 11 July** to Jordan's Mill, the Shuttleworth Collection and Swiss Garden (Bedfordshire)

Our first stop is at Jordan's Mill on the banks of the River Ivel in Biggleswade and then onto the famous Shuttleworth Collection and Swiss Garden just a few miles away.

At the historic Victorian Mill we can take a self-guided tour of the mill itself and a wander around its compact gardens as well as, time permitting, a meander taking in the wildlife and tranquillity of the meadow and woodland. There is a Riverside Café for drinks and snacks.

The Shuttleworth Collection is an aeronautical and automotive museum, and is rated one of the most prestigious in the world.

The Swiss Garden offers an insight into the project created by the 3rd Baron of Old Warden, Lord Ongley, whose family bought the estate in the 1690s.

There is no entry charge for Jordan's Mill but the inclusive cost of travel and entry to Shuttleworth and Gardens is £33.

Pick-up times are: Cottenham 8 15 am and Willingham (the Green) 8 30 am.

The main pick-up points for our outings with Pamray Travel are:

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- Willingham – High Street near the Post Office.
- Arrangements can be made to pick-up at Longstanton if travelling in that direction.

Please specify when booking your seat, which of the above pick-up points you intend to use and stick to that one. (It helps the organisers.)

Also, please provide a telephone number for contact (preferably a mobile) in the unlikely event of cancellation of the trip on the day. The contact for bookings is Celia on 01954 261394.

Seats are allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis and non-club members are welcome to join us. The excursion cost is payable on the coach in cash or by cheque. Cheques should be made payable to Willingham Gardening Club. The cost per person for travel includes driver's gratuity.

Liz Kinnear

Willingham Photography Club

Our Club meets every month at the Baptist Church. We aim to learn more about photography and to enjoy ourselves.

The next meeting will be on:

20 April from 8 – 10 pm

The theme of the meeting is *Symmetry* with the second part of the evening being a demonstration of *Water Droplet photography*, followed by a practical session.

(The programme of events and topics is subject to change; please refer to our website for the most recent details.)

Technical questions and answers will be invited. Tea and coffee will be served.

We cordially invite anyone who enjoys photography to come along and see what is on offer. Your level of expertise level does not matter, nor does your type of camera. The membership cost is £20 for 6 months. First month is free.



Contact: Steve Harding, 07595 668161.

Website: www.willinghamphotoclub.org.uk.

Sudoku Answer

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

Book Quiz Answers

1. Stephen Hawking
2. H G Wells
3. Jodie Picoult
4. Mark Haddon
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DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Wed 1 April	<i>A Glimpse Behind the Scenes at Westminster Abbey</i> with John McAngus	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm, see p17
Wed 1 April	Carers' Support Meeting	Surgery	Surgery	2 – 4 30 pm, see p15
Wed 1 April	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p10
Thu 2 April	Community Luncheon Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	See p12
Fri 3 April	Board Games Afternoon	Library	Library	2 – 4 pm, see p17
Sat/Sat 4/18 April	Children's Easter Book Trail	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	See p17
Sat 4 April	Coffee Break	Parish Church	Octagon	10 am – 12 noon, see p12
Sat 4 April	Second Hand Book Sale	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	10 30 am – 12 noon, see p17
Sun 5 April	Jazz Club	Social Club	Social Club	12 30 – 3 30 pm willinghamsocialclub.com
Mon 6 April	<i>Getting to Grips with Pruning</i> with Nigel Start	Gardening Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p19
Wed 8 April	Willingham News Deadline	Willingham News		See p3, articles to be sent to: willinghamnews@gmail.com
Sat 11 Apr	District & Parish Councillors' Surgery	District & Parish Councils	Ploughman Hall	11 am – 1 pm, see p10 & p13
Wed 15 April	Hearing Aid Clinic	CAMTAD	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p15
Thu 16 April	Community Luncheon Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	See p12
Fri 17 April	Joining Up Evening	Bowls Club	Duke of Wellington	5 30 – 7 30 pm, see p13
Fri 17 April	Cricket Club Quiz	Cricket Club	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p16
Sat 18 April	Celtic Breakfast & Topical Talk	Men's Breakfast	Baptist Church	7 45 am, see p12
Sat 18 April	Scooted 'n' Booted - Ska Band	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p16
Mon 20 April	Theme – <i>Symmetry</i> Demonstration – <i>Water Droplet Photography</i>	Photography Club	Baptist Church	8 – 10 pm, see p19
Thu 23 April	Golf Day	Black Bull Golf Society	Oundle	Nigel Aspinall 01954 200592 nidgeandjenny@yahoo.co.uk
Fri 24 April	First Steps	Parish Church	Octagon	10 – 11 30 am, see p12
Fri 24 April	Danstar - Live Singer	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p16
Sat 25 April	Graham Whitfield – Psychic Medium	Social Club	Social Club	8 pm, see p16
Sat 25 April	The Alan Norris Big Band	Over & District Royal British Legion	Over Community Centre	See p8
Mon 27 April	Impromptu Music with the Jam Club	Jam Club	Social Club	7 30 pm willinghamsocialclub.com
Wed 29 April	Mixed Craft Group	Women's Institute	Baptist Church	10 30 am – 4 30 pm, see p7
Wed 29 April	Author Talk – Emily Winslow	Friends of Willingham Library(FOWL)	Library	7 for 7 30 pm, see p17
Thu 30 April	Community Luncheon Club	Baptist Church	Baptist Church	See p12

Some of these events may have to be cancelled due to the Coronavirus restrictions.

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