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Ploughman Hall – see
article inside



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Sunday 2 October

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Friday 21 October	Black
Friday 28 October	Blue and Green

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Old Willingham



Here is a picture of the High Street taken in about 1920. The view today is not so different with the Public Hall dominating this part of the street as it has since Victorian times. There are a couple of things to note. First this was before pavements were installed and the muddy mess extends from one side to the other with just a couple of small gutters dug at the side of the 'road'. Second, while there is a telephone pole, there are no electricity poles. People still relied on candles or oil lamps and batteries for the radio if they had one. The third notable difference – bicycles but no cars! Just a few cart tracks in the mud.

See more photos at www.oldwillingham.com.

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

Willingham Repair Café is Returning for Willingham Feast

Due to popular demand Sustainable Willingham (part of WAG) is organising Willingham's second repair café as part of Willingham Feast. The event will be taking place on **2 October** at the Ploughman Hall from 1 – 4 pm.

We have some amazing repairers who will be joining us and have skills in the following:

Sewing • Jewellery • Bicycle • Electrical • Computer Mechanical • and more.

If you have an item which needs repairing, instead of taking it to the recycling centre, why not come along to the repair café and see if it can be fixed? You may even learn a tip or two which will help you repair your own items in the future. Refreshments (including cake!) will also be available.

This event is run by volunteers and whilst our aim is to work hard to fix your item it is not guaranteed.

Willingham Feast

Feast Fair, Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 October

10 30 am – 3 30 pm

Willingham Feast is taking a bit of a punt on the weather this year. Previous markets have been held in the primary school to make the most of having a roof over everyone's heads. This time it is on the Green, which should make it very visible and hopefully attractive to all passers-by, both wheeled and shod. We are particularly excited to have MOLA (Museum of London Archaeology) join us on the Saturday to show what they found during the A14 digs. They will also be bringing along their 'dig boxes' to enable people, especially the younger ones, to experience what it is like to unearth a genuine artefact from antiquity. For more information, go to www.mola.org.uk/about-us.

A number of our Open Studios artists and artisans have also signed up for one or both days, as has the Library with their second-hand books, plus several craft stalls keen to catch a tailwind before Christmas. We were hoping to get a couple of food trucks to accompany Willingham's own KROMEBAR mobile bar in providing refreshments, but they were all booked up by the time we asked at the end of August. So if any organisation or group of individuals out there wants to make a killing as the food outlet for the fair, give us a call on 07529 221954. At the time of writing at the beginning of September, there are still several plots left on the Green for both days, so if you have a little side line that you fancy exhibiting, again, give us a call on 07529 221954. There might still be time if you contact us before the end of September.

Willingham Women's Institute



Our next meeting is on **Monday 10 October** at 7 30 pm in the Social Club and will be a talk by local historian Maureen James on *The Pankhurst Family*.

WI News

Why not consider giving WI a go? We're not all about 'Jam and Jerusalem' anymore! Our group welcomes women of all ages and has a great mix of interesting people from varied backgrounds. If you are new to the village or have lived here for many years, it's a great way to meet new people and we are sure that WI has something to offer all women. This month our WI will be 94 years old so you will be part of a great tradition! As well as local involvement, all members receive a copy of *WI News*, the national magazine, every month and there are also opportunities to go on outings and participate in activities organised by the Cambridgeshire Federation. You can come and join us for one session free of charge and can be sure of a warm welcome. To find out more, please contact us at willinghamwi28@gmail.com.

The Advent Adventure 2022

24 Windows, 24 Days

Theme: The A-Z of Christmas

Now in its ninth year (yes, we might plan something extra special in 2023), the plans for the Advent Adventure are well under way.

Big Light Switch On and Parade

This year on **Thursday 1 December at 6 30 pm** we will gather at 41 High Street for the Big Light Switch On. We also plan to show this live on Facebook too! We will then parade to the Baptist Church on George Street. You can make your own lantern or bring along LED candles/lights or torches. Please bring drums, bells and whistles to make a loud noise!

In Person and Live Streamed Window Unveiling

At around 6 45 pm we will gather at the Baptist Church and also live stream on Facebook the unveiling of the first Advent window.

In Person and Live Streamed Juke Box Carols

On arrival at the Baptist Church mulled wine and refreshments will be served, and there will be a chance to choose your favourite carol to sing! We will then sing the 'Top Five' carols chosen by you and also stream this live on Facebook so you can join in at home if you prefer.

You will be able to pick up a list of all the Advent Windows from the usual places: The Post Office, The Library, Boswells Bakers and from willinghambaptist.org.



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Community Orchard – Willow Patch

Willow Workers Wanted

When establishing the woodland area of the Community Orchard, a small patch of willow was included (top left-hand corner) with a view to harvesting willow canes for those interested in weaving. Two varieties were planted, *Green Dicks* and *Brittany Blue*. Although there are still gaps to fill, the willow is now well enough established to be cut and used in willow work.

There are some with a declared interest and experience but others coming forward would be very welcome so a group could be formed to look after the patch, harvest and do something creative with the canes. It would be possible to arrange group workshops if there was sufficient interest. Please contact graham@gwmumby.co.uk.

As a footnote for those who have not visited the Community Orchard it is to be found on the Earith Road, right-hand side where the de-limit signs are located on leaving the village. Please visit and enjoy this well-loved village amenity. Also, there is plenty of fruit to pick. Furthermore, work on extending the footpath to the bridleway and Community Orchard has now been completed. Thanks to the Parish Council for bringing this long-awaited safety improvement to a conclusion.

Graham Mumby WAG

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FRIDAY 28 OCTOBER

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Quick Sudoku

Solution on page 15.

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

Book Quiz

Each of these books has a one word title – see if you know the authors.

Answers on page 15.

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|--|----------------------|
| 1. <i>Mockingjay</i> (<i>The Hunger Games</i>) | 6. <i>Matilda</i> |
| 2. <i>Macbeth</i> | 7. <i>Carrie</i> |
| 3. <i>Dune</i> | 8. <i>Dracula</i> |
| 4. <i>Frankenstein</i> | 9. <i>Rebecca</i> |
| 5. <i>Persuasion</i> | 10. <i>Kidnapped</i> |

Christine Lacey

Poem for October

Beautiful golden month of October
I hold my breath as you begin
And stare in wonder at your colours
As leaves fall and the trees grow thin.

Magnificent showy month of October
With red and gold all around.
I marvel at your strength and power
As leaves fall gently without a sound.

Christine Lacey



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Willingham Rangers' Award Evening

At the end of last term Willingham Rangers held an awards evening to celebrate all that they had achieved over the term. As well as presenting badges and certificates, like any good Ranger event, it also included eating lots of cake!

All the Rangers had worked hard this year and had gained their cooking badges which involved making their favourite meals more healthy and making a cookery book of their favourite recipes.

The Ranger programme is divided into six themes. To achieve a theme award they need to have an interest badge, a skills builder set and five hours of unit meeting activities, relating to the theme. Over the past year some of the girls have gained their *Take Action* theme award and *Be Well* theme award which were presented on the evening. Three of the Rangers had achieved their Bronze Award for completing two Theme Awards and were presented with badges and certificates.

Rangers have the opportunity to do their Duke of Edinburgh's Award through Cambridgeshire East Guides and one of our Rangers, Kerenza, has done just that. We were really pleased to be able to award her the Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Not to be outdone two of the Ranger leaders were also presented with certificates for completing their Ranger leader training.

Rangers are open to any girl aged 14–18 years old. If you are interested in joining us you can register at www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter or contact willinghamguides@hotmail.co.uk for further information.



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Readers' Letters

Dear Editors

I write to thank the Community Orchard Group who had the vision and enthusiasm some years ago to create what is now a fantastic space for villagers to walk, take dogs, picnic, sit quietly reflecting on nature, reflect quietly on life and much, much, more.

Thanks also to the Parish Council for its diligent work over many months to gain funding for the introduction of the new pavement, and the cutting back of the hedges which now makes pedestrian access to the Orchard so much safer.

It is now so much easier to see the oncoming traffic which is speeding towards the village from Earith! Sadly the new road markings and speed signage continue to be ignored by many motorists and don't appear to have had the desired effect hoped for by the Parish Council.

Still, two positives and one negative can't be bad I suppose! Progress has been made!

*Sue West
Earith Road*

Dear Editors

I am the new Chair of the Patients' Participation Group and we are looking for more new members. Any patient of Willingham Medical Practice can join.

I'm intending to set up the next patient meetings starting in October.

Details about the PPG can be found at the link below.
www.willinghammedicalpractice.nhs.uk/practice-information/patient-participation-group/

The NHS requires their medical practices to have a PPG, to get direct input from patients. The group is already existing and run by patients. We're looking for a secretary and other administrative assistance. This is an opportunity to have a say and work together, as patients in our community, to assist our health provider and NHS to give the best possible service. Particularly following the pandemic, the health service is under extreme pressure.

We're looking for innovative ideas and to get a better understanding of patient needs. It could also help to set up neighbourhood watch-type groups, to ensure we all keep an eye on vulnerable and or elderly neighbours.

All ideas are welcome. We're also looking for some people who may have NHS or medical experience.

Even a few hours of your time can be of great help.

If you're interested, please contact me in the first instance 07721 029494.

Chris Thornhill

Dear Editors

Following enquiries, I can confirm that Mass is again being celebrated regularly at 6 pm on Saturdays at the Catholic Mass Centre in Bar Hill (see page 11). This is at the Octagon, which is next to the main church in Bar Hill. It can be reached via Viking Way and Hanover Place. It is also very close to Tesco car-park, by way of the footpath next to Churchill's fish & chip shop.

Nick Corcoran

Dear Editors

I have some news I wish to share with the *Willingham News* and Willingham residents. From starting in 2019 *Willingham News* advertising has allowed me to branch out and publicise my services as well as meet and help many of the people in the village.

Being a small business and having lived in the village since birth, I think it is safe to say that I have met more residents in the last three years than in the 26 years I have lived here.

For a couple of months now I have been involved with a review process for an award of UK Top Tradesmen 2022 as selected by the well-known Screwfix company. As it is a nationwide award, applications and recommendations were in the thousands.

The process involves having a review of your social presence, customer reviews and an individual interview about important questions with the construction industry. I am pleased to say I made it all the way through to the semi-final process in August which involved only 35 of us from all around the UK! However, I am even more excited to announce that I am now a UK Finalist of only ten people/companies in total.

At the end of September I will be interviewed for one final time at their live event in Farnborough as they select the winner. Interviews are held with members of NICEIC, CIPHE and FMB.

I wish to thank *Willingham News* as an advertising platform and my kind customers in the village and around.

Without their custom and feedback, the work flowing to my company would be non-existent and being considered for the award would not be happening. It has been hard for everyone since 2019, with rising costs and not to mention still being at the tail end of a pandemic. I appreciate all who have supported my small business and thank you all.

*Toby Peacock
Director
Down To Earth Electrical Ltd*

Congratulations to Toby for reaching the final of this award. We hope to hear more from Toby about the results of the final.

Ladies' Hockey at Northstowe

These are the home fixtures for the rest of the year for Huntingdon Ladies' Hockey Club based at Northstowe.

08 October 2022	Huntingdon 1 v St Neots 2
29 October 2022	Huntingdon 1 v Kettering 3
12 November 2022	Huntingdon 1 v Pelicans 2
19 November 2022	Huntingdon 1 v Kettering 2
03 December 2022	Huntingdon 1 v Cambridge South 4

Push back for all home matches is 10 30 am and supporters are very welcome. Match venue is Northstowe Secondary School. Email: huntingdonhockeyclub@gmail.com.

Willingham Brownies go to East Meets West

This summer Willingham Brownies had their first chance to go away since the unit reopened last September. They joined with over 400 other Brownies, Guides and Rangers from all over Cambridgeshire at the *East Meets West Camp* at Hautbois Activity Centre in Norfolk.

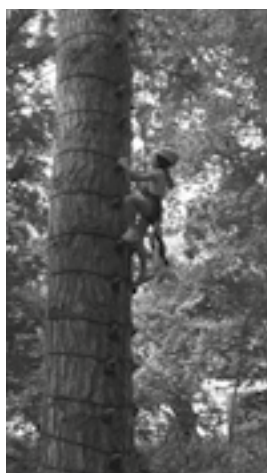


The adventure started with an eventful coach trip to Norfolk. Firstly the pick up point in Willingham had to be changed because of the roadworks in Berrycroft and then the coach driver forgot to pick up the Brownies waiting in Cambridge and had to go back for them! Once they arrived at Hautbois they soon settled in for a fun-packed three days of activities. The girls had the chance to try lots of new activities to challenge themselves as well as facing the challenge of being away on their own without any family present.



The girls started by decorating their own goodie bags which were then used to store all the craft items they made in the craft tent. Over the next three days they showed off their fire-lighting skills and went whizzing down the bank on grass sledges. They also went up in the world starting on the low ropes course, they then progressed to crate stacking where they had to work as a team to build a tower of crates to make the

tallest structure they could...with two members of the team balanced on the top! Finally they went Monkey Climbing. They had to climb up the trunk of one of the tallest trees on the estate, monkey fashion. They all proved they had a head for heights with encouragement from everyone else. As well as the adventurous



activities they also followed trails and had campfires.

They all had an amazing time and are now looking forward to their next adventure – a night sleeping under the wings of the aeroplanes at Duxford Imperial War Museum in October.



Young Readers' Corner

Young Readers, if you are interested in archaeology, make sure you go along to the Feast Market on the Green on **Saturday 8 October between 10 30 am and 3 30 pm**. The Museum of London Archaeology will be there with 'Dig Boxes' and you will have the opportunity to see what it is like to unearth artefacts.

Halloween Puzzle Sheet

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Skeleton

How many words can you make from the letters in SKELETON?

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Mini Sudoku

Fill in the grid with the numbers 1 2 3 and 4 making sure no number is repeated in each row, each column and within each mini grid.

1	2	4	3
4		1	
3			4

1		2	3
3	2		
		3	4
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Libraries Week, 3 – 9 October

This is a national annual showcase and celebration of the best that libraries have to offer. Why not visit our library this week? In addition, Friends of Willingham Library will be running quizzes as described in the Feast section below, both for adults and children.

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For an informal introduction to this online access, free to all members at home and in the library, just ask at the counter and the librarian will go through how it works.

Friends of Willingham Library

Games Afternoons, Fridays 7 and 21 October, 2 – 4 pm

There are two opportunities this month to come and enjoy a game of Scrabble or one of the other games we have at the library. Or, if you have a favourite game at home, bring it along to share with the group. Refreshments available, donations welcome.

Feast Weekend, Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 October (see the front cover for times)

Our **Second-hand Book Sale** this month will take place on both days in the marquee on the Green. We will also be running **fun quiz activities for adults and children** in the library, alongside the exhibition by the Art Group. For adults:

- Guess how many books are in the library, prize to whoever is the closest.
- Can you match the detectives with their authors?

And for children:

- Guess how many sweets are in the jar.
- Match the children's book characters with their author.

- Collect a sheet to take home to draw your favourite character from a book. Return it to us to be displayed in the library and to receive a super reward.

Poetry and Prose Evening, Wednesday 12 October, 7 30 pm

Our theme this time is *Spooky*. Leave the stresses of today's world behind for a while and come and join us for a lovely calm evening of poetry. You can bring along a favourite piece of poetry or prose on the theme to share or, if you prefer, just listen to others read out their choices. If you would like to write your own piece to read out, that would be great. Drinks and snacks available. The evening is free but donations are always welcome.

Message from Team Rector Simon Gill

Dear all

It's been wonderful to be your Team Rector these last three years. The warm relations between the church and village have been great to experience. Unfortunately, I have to be honest with you all and say we are struggling financially.

The costs of running one of the oldest, most historic buildings in the village are significant and are proving beyond our means. Very roughly, it costs £50,000 a year to maintain the building, cover the day-to-day running costs and provide the clergy. Our regular income has fallen significantly short of this for several years. We have only kept going financially due to a one-off legacy in 2020 and by our friends at St Mary's Church in Over paying £10,000 of what we were due to pay in 2021. Our reserves are almost exhausted and without a similar windfall this year we will not be able to pay our bills next year.

Can you help please? Each year we hold a Gift Weekend, presenting the opportunity for us to express our thanks to God for his goodness to us by giving an extra gift to his work in the village. This year the weekend of **22 and 23 October** has been set aside for this – the Church will be open on those days with volunteers present if you would like to make a personal donation. You can give on those days, or indeed anytime this year before or after those dates, by various means including cash, cheques, bank transfer and standing orders. Also, as a charity we can obtain tax relief on your donation where appropriate.

If you feel that you would like to support the Church building but not the day-to-day running costs, then you can do that by directing your donation to our Fabric Fund.

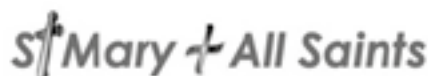
This is a ring-fenced account that is kept strictly for the maintenance of the building and cannot be used for any other purpose.

I do appreciate that in current circumstances we are all feeling the pinch financially – any help you can give will be much appreciated.

God bless.

Simon.

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Services in Church

2 October	11 00 am	Holy Communion
	7 00 pm	Worship Together
9 October	11 00 am	Harvest Festival
16 October	11 00 am	Holy Communion
23 October	11 00 am	Holy Communion
30 October	9 30 am	Group Morning Worship at St Mary's Church, Over

Children are Welcome

Children of all ages are welcome to join our Busy Bees group for special *Fun Craft and Activities* during our services. Everyone is encouraged to just come along and join in the fun.

Harvest Festival Weekend

We plan to have a stall in the 'Market Place on the Green' which will be held on **Saturday 8 October** as part of The Feast activities. Then on **Sunday 9 October** there will be our Harvest Festival Service followed by a simple Harvest Lunch in the Octagon. Jan Payne will be leading these activities and has written about them on page 12.

Prayers for Ukraine

We continue to keep an area set aside in Church for those who wish to spend some quiet reflective time or to pray for that country and its people. Also, every Thursday evening from 6 30 to 7 pm, we offer a time to gather to pray for peace and an end to the conflict – everyone is welcome.

The Memory Box Café

Our next Memory Box Café will be held on **Saturday 8 October** in the Octagon. Everyone living with memory loss or similar condition is welcome. There is a poster on page 12 with more details.

The Octagon

The Octagon Hall is available for private bookings. For further information and bookings contact Colin Smith in the Office on Tuesdays to Fridays between 9 30 am and 12 noon using the details below.

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Colin Smith	01954 203459 or admin@5folds.org.uk

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For more information about the Diocese of East Anglia, please see www.rcdea.org.uk.



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Services

Sunday 2 October

10 00 am	Morning Worship
10 00 am	Café Church
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Sunday 9 October

10 00 am	Morning Worship
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Sunday 16 October

10 00 am	Morning Worship
10 00 am	Café Church
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Sunday 23 October

10 00 am	Morning Worship
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Sunday 30 October

10 00 am	Morning Worship
10 00 am	Café Church
6 00 pm	Evening Worship

Events

Café Church: An informal style of church with interviews, games, chat, quizzes, films and crafts. Join us at 10 am for 45 minutes of fun and interaction from the comfort of your own lounge! Please contact secretary@willinghambaptist.org for the Zoom link.

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 Baby and Toddler Group: Tuesdays at 9 45 am. A great place to meet other families whilst the children enjoy the activities and playing. For all ages 0 - 5. Contact Debbie Allen, 01954 261581.

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

Community Luncheon Club: Thursdays bi-weekly, prior booking essential. Contact Daphne, 01954 260568.

Men's Breakfast: Saturday 15 October at 7 45 am for a hearty cooked breakfast followed by a short topical talk. Contact Pete Sacre, 01954 261655 or peetamin@gmail.com.

Thought for the Month

As I write this it is two days after the death of Queen Elizabeth II and we are preparing for the Proclamation of the Accession of her son as King Charles III. This is a monumental change in all our lives, the like of which has not been seen here for 70 years.

In just a few days we saw a frail but smiling Queen welcoming the new Prime Minister, Liz Truss and inviting her to form a government and just 48 hours later we were shocked to hear she had died.

For many of us to experience a King rather than a Queen will be a completely new experience. We will need to get used to using the pronouns he/him instead of she/her; gradually our coins and paper money will need to change, and many ways of swearing allegiance will need to change in vocabulary. This will take time to work its way through and in between, especially leading worship in the Church, we will have to perform some mental gymnastics to keep up!

Our thoughts and prayers will be with the Royal Family as they mourn the loss of a much loved member of their family – a mother, grandmother and great grandmother. But the country has also lost an important moral compass, valued source of wisdom and lived experience. A new Prime Minister in their weekly audience with the Queen could have expected to receive wise counsel from someone who had seen several PMs and decades of political life, and was therefore well-qualified to share advice and experience.

As it is, albeit he has had such an extended apprenticeship, we have an inexperienced King and a new PM. How will they help each other to grow into their respective roles? Will they be able to advise each other and even give each other support?

This is something for the kind thoughts and prayers of us all as they both learn to shoulder the immense burdens they have to bear – one accepted as fate, the other by choice.

We pray their understanding of vocation underpins their actions for the good of our country and its diverse people.

Only time will tell, but it certainly leaves us with lots to think about!

Rev Jenny Hill



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Harvest Festival

Harvest Festivals have played a key part in the Church's life for hundreds of years and never more so than in more rural communities such as Willingham. The gathering in of crops to sustain residents through the coming year and giving thanks to God for his generous provision have formed part of that tradition.

With the coming of availability of food from across the world in all seasons, Harvest Festival has, perhaps, lost some of its meaning. We go to our local supermarket in the hope of finding what we want to eat and that's it. Today, however, we are starting to encounter new problems, climate change affecting availability of food, the need for foodbanks and much more.

The Feast weekend on **8 and 9 October** is a suitable time for the Church and Village to come together:

– on Saturday we have a stall as part of the Feast Fair – come and find us and see what a range of activities we have on offer!

– on Sunday, at 11 am we will be celebrating Harvest Festival in Church. In the service we will give thanks for the food we have grown but there will also be a chance to think a little more about the care of our natural world too. There will be activities for children and a chance to have a good sing of both some traditional Harvest hymns and newer songs. After the service we will be holding a simple Harvest lunch.

Our beautiful village church has stood where you'll find it now since around 1260. Harvest Festival has been part of it ever since. There is a warm invitation to you to join us this year to continue that tradition – we'll look forward to seeing you!

Jan Payne

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Parents Attending with Young Children

Please be aware that young children may need to be brought in a pushchair, in order for them to be safe during clinical procedures and examinations. Young children should not be free to explore and run around clinical spaces while a parent is unable to supervise them.

Dispensary Requests

When requesting your repeat medication via SystmOnline or our website, please check whether you have nominated to collect your medication from the dispensary at Longstanton (Longstanton and Northstowe patients only), Tesco Bar Hill or Willingham Pharmacy.

You can choose and change your nomination at any time. You may find your nomination changes automatically if you have decided to collect an acute prescription from a different place than you normally collect your repeats.

Please be reminded we currently need three days to process all requests for repeat medication.

Flu Clinics

We are now offering flu vaccinations at the surgery. A dedicated clinic has been set up and there are currently appointments available on **Saturday 8 October**. Further dates will be released and advertised on the Medical Practice Facebook page and website.

Please support your surgery and contact our receptionists to book your appointment.

Over Day Centre

The Over Day Centre Association is a charity that provides professional care catering to individual needs, in an environment that is friendly, engaging and health and safety conscious. Over Day Centre supports individuals in their desire to maintain social interaction and to stay as independent and active as possible with opportunities to make new friends and participate in enjoyable activities. The service provides much needed support and respite for families caring for a loved one.

Currently it costs £26 per day to attend including a hot two-course lunch and all drinks and morning and afternoon snacks. The minibus will collect from home, and has a wheelchair lift (there is no extra charge to use the bus).

For further information please contact the The Over Day Centre Association on 01954 231807 or email: care@overdaycentre.co.uk.

Carers' Meeting

If you are a carer for someone and need advice and financial

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Monday	8 30 – 1 00	2 30 – 6 00
Appointments	8 30 – 11 00	3 00 – 6 00
Tuesday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 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 – 6 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
Thursday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00
Friday	8 30 – 1 00	2 00 – 6 00

or emotional support, please come along to our carers' support meeting on **Wednesday 5 October** at the surgery, where we will be holding a drop-in meeting between 2 and 4 pm. Please come along and get some support from other people in the local community. Refreshments provided, no need to pre-book and completely free!

Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at Willingham Surgery. Please contact Sue Lawson at the surgery or email her at susan.lawson7@nhs.net for more information.

Lisa Smith – Assistant Practice Manager

Willingham Combined Charities Allotments

A few years ago we created five small allotments of five metres square for those who might like to try growing vegetables and or flowers but are slightly tentative or short on time. These have proved very successful and we now have 17 plots. Some of the original plot holders have moved to the larger allotments and we have a few vacancies for small and larger plots. If you think that you would like to 'have a go at growing the stuff you want to eat,' please contact me or if you would like to get involved but don't feel you can take on the responsibility of a plot, please do get in touch as I might be able to help.

*Sue Ayling 01954 260718 or
email sue.ayling1@ntlworld.com.*

FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

www.WillinghamParishCouncil.gov.uk

Future of the Public Hall

Unusually, we are going to highlight just one issue this month, but it is an important one. The Public Hall on the High Street was given to the Parish in 1896 and since that time has been a venue for many village societies and activities. However today, it is only regularly used by the Scouts, Beavers and Cubs and they do not feel it is suitable for their future needs.

So, there is a building which is expensive to maintain and in need of significant improvement. The Lead Councillor for Halls has recommended that we sell it and use the proceeds to help provide a more modern facility for multi-use in a better location.

But it is your building. It was given to the residents. The Parish Council simply maintains it from the taxes you pay, so it is your decision what we do.

Selling Pros and Cons

The arguments for selling are:

- Even if empty, the building will cost over £2,000 per year to maintain
- If occupied, significant funds will be needed for repairs and improvements
- The interior layout is poor with no disabled access to the upper floor
- It is situated on a busy road with no car park
- It has very little outside space

The arguments against are:

- It has been there a long time and has historic interest
- The frontage is a distinctive feature in the High Street

The Decision is Yours

The Parish Council will be trying to gather as many views as possible to enable a decision to

be made before the end of the year. You can make your views known by email to the Parish Clerk at clerk@willinghamparishcouncil.gov.uk or by letter or a visit to the Parish Office, West Fen Road or by telephone on 01954 261027.

We shall also be holding two drop-in sessions and two public meetings at which you can make your views known and recorded. These are:

Drop-in session at the Public Hall to view the building: **Saturday 15 October: 10 – 11 30 am**

Public Meeting at the Ploughman Hall for questions and answers: **15 October: 2 30 – 4 pm**

Drop-in session at the Public Hall to view the building: **Tuesday 18 October: 7 – 8 30 pm**

Public Meeting at the Ploughman Hall for questions and answers: **Wednesday 19 October: 7 30 – 9 pm**

For those unable to attend the drop-in sessions, there are some photographs available on the web willinghamparishcouncil.gov.uk/facilities/public-hall/ and at the Parish Council Office.

There will be suggestion boxes around the village at the Library, the Primary School, the Medical Centre, the Post Office, the Council Office and the Ploughman Hall in which you can post pre-printed cards with your preference. You can also come and make comments at any of our Parish Council Meetings. The next full Council meeting is in the Octagon at **7 30 pm on Wednesday 5 October**.

CLOSING DATE FOR COMMENTS IS FRIDAY 30 DECEMBER

Please do tell us what you want us to do.

For full Parish Council contact details see the website.

OWLS Community Car Scheme – Important New Information

For over ten years the OWLS Community Car Scheme has provided an invaluable service to residents of Over, Willingham, Longstanton and Swavesey who are elderly or who have specific needs. In view of increased fuel costs the minimum charge (up to 10 miles) for a journey increased from £3 to £4 from September.

If a journey is over 10 miles any additional mileage will be at the previous rate of 30p a mile. So for example, a return journey of 15 miles will be £4 minimum charge (10 miles) plus five miles at 30p a mile making the journey £5.50 in total. Journeys are calculated as a return journey from the driver's home. This remains a very affordable service to the local community.

OWLS needs to urgently recruit more volunteer drivers to meet the demand for journeys. Drivers receive 45p a mile (the maximum HMRC allowance) and do not have to commit to any regular days/times although one journey a week would be appreciated. Most of OWLS journeys are for medical appointments but we also offer care home or hospital visiting, local shopping (same village) and occasional social activities, depending on the availability of drivers.

OWLS relies on local volunteers to keep this much-needed and appreciated Community Service operating. Can you help by offering to be a volunteer driver? You don't need to give up much time, are free to do it when it suits you and you get to meet some lovely local people. You may want to use the Scheme yourself in the future so please help us keep it running now.

Please ring 07505 254363 to find out more.



Willingham Photography Club

We meet at the Baptist Church, where we aim to learn more about photography and to enjoy ourselves.

There is a monthly assignment and photos are submitted at the meeting for consideration and feedback from our resident professional photographer.

The theme for October is
A Photograph Through a Narrow Opening.

The meeting is on 17 October at 8 pm.

We cordially invite anyone who enjoys photography to get in touch and see what is on offer. Your expertise level does not matter; nor does the nature of your camera. The membership cost is £20 for six months with the first month free of charge for new members. If you have any further questions, please contact: Steve Harding 07595 668161

In the meantime, do have a look at our website at www.willinghamphotoclub.org.uk.

Gardening Club

From badgers to brassicas, rain (lack of it!) to rotation, the inaugural Gardening Club's Gardeners' Question Time (GQT) was, as one attendee remarked, 'more entertaining than the BBC's Gardeners' Question Time'. Indeed, who knew about the myriad ways the Victorians waged war against unwanted garden pests? One particularly extreme method involved the use of a shotgun and oil tray!

Special thanks again to our group of panellists: Bill Clark, Carol Bailey, Denise Ginsburg and Pete Cornish, who passed on their collective wealth of knowledge. Here are some of our key takeaways:

- Compost, compost, compost: use a three-bin system to give you different piles of compost in various stages of doneness.
- Water is good, take the rose off your watering can and water properly. A good drench less often is better than a frequent sprinkle.
- Use a small, safe electric fence to keep out badgers.
- Create your own floral display by cutting a few small flowers from your garden and arrange in small, narrow-necked vase.
- Grow a wide variety of vegetables and flowers to cope with climate change.
- Do not be discouraged, plants fail.

Our next meeting will be held on **Monday 3 October** at the Social Club. We look forward to welcoming Stan Walton, former University gardener, now volunteer gardener and Willingham allotment holder, for a discussion and Q&A. Doors open from 7 for a 7 30 pm start.

Due to popular demand, membership for WGC will start again in October. In the first instance, this will be a *half yearly* membership: this October – March 2023, when we will have our first AGM and start our annual membership once again. Half yearly membership in October will cost £10, payable on the night. This will also include 10% discount at Oakington Garden Centre and an entitlement to a free RHS group visit. However, if you prefer, you will still be able to pay £3 on the door but without these entitlements.

For general inquiries about the club, please get in touch with us via email: willinghamgardeningclub@gmail.com.

Rosie in Stitches

You can shop with us again at Bar Hill Community Market, **Saturday 1 October** from 10 30 am – 2 pm when we will be selling toys and gifts for all ages.

Further details on our website www.rosieinstitches.org.uk.

Sudoku Solution

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

Answers to Book Quiz

1. Suzanne Collins
2. William Shakespeare
3. Frank Herbert
4. Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley
5. Jane Austen
6. Roald Dahl
7. Stephen King
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9. Daphne du Maurier
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County Councillor's Report

Dear residents, here is my update of County Council matters.

Greater Cambridge Partnership – City Access Consultation

Plans from the GCP to consult on a package of measures to deliver significant improvements to public transport, reduce congestion in the city, and to help the environment through lower emissions have been published. These proposals follow the Partnership's 'Making Connections' consultation which concluded that the public was broadly supportive of improvements to the public transport network, as well as its aims to reduce pollution and congestion.

A £5 'Sustainable Travel Zone' (STZ) road user charge is being considered for private vehicles in the city. Various exemptions are proposed in the plans to mitigate the impact on some residents.

Along with the expanded bus services, the GCP plans indicate making buses cheaper. Flat fares have been proposed to be introduced; in Cambridge a ticket could cost £1 to travel in the city, with a ticket in the wider 'travel to work' area proposed to cost £2. This is intended to tilt incentives to use public transportation rather than the private car.

I strongly encourage Willingham residents to participate in this next step of the consultation. This is a very wide-ranging plan that will impact everyone living in the Parish; some positively, some negatively. It is important that the planned improvements to the bus services are carefully scrutinised along with the precise boundaries of the STZ.

Summary of the extracts from the key report on bus services relevant to Willingham are copied below. There has been some recognition of previous comments in the consultation but this is still work in progress:

Rural (as impacts Willingham) – summarised extract from WSP report (Technical Note Bus Proposition Design Summary), page 22

The proposed Bar Hill – Papworth Everard – Northstowe loop omits a number of villages currently served by local bus services, would be expensive to operate and will deprive Willingham, Over,

Swavesey, Fen Drayton and Fenstanton of existing direct links to Cambridge. Many routeings will be perceived as circuitous – Swavesey to Longstanton P&R via Over and Willingham is definitely 'the long way round'.

An alternative scenario would see a combination of core route extensions and Demand Responsive Transport. Citi6 could be further extended in two legs:

- Longstanton P&R to Swavesey, calling at Willingham and Over (hourly); and
- Longstanton P&R to Fenstanton, calling at Swavesey and Fen Drayton, with a possible further extension to Hemingford Grey and St Ives (hourly).

An alternative for Willingham, Over, Swavesey, Fen Drayton and Fenstanton might be a dedicated service to Cambridge joining the Busway at Northstowe.

Fens Reservoir Consultation to Launch in Autumn

Consultation on proposals for a new reservoir in the Fens will launch in autumn, when the water companies' preferred site will be announced. The project aims to provide significant additional resilience for public water supply, agriculture and the environment across Cambridgeshire, Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex. Visit tinyurl.com/mwkh7pw3.

Northstowe's 106 funding

Various options were discussed with the Council Highways Projects teams on traffic calming in Willingham, Rampton and Cottenham that could potentially be funded via Northstowe section 106 agreement. The schemes were considered to be feasible but some elements would potentially require incremental funding from the Parishes or be dealt with as subsequent Local Highways Improvements (LHI) bids.

As always, please feel free to contact me with your thoughts, views and issues. My mobile is 07919 990299 and email is neilgoughcrw@gmail.com.

Neil Gough

South Cambridgeshire District Council (SCDC) – Councillor's Report

Warm Hubs in Winter Project

Local authorities are responding to the cost of living crisis by helping communities to set up 'Warm Hubs'. These are places where people can spend part of their day and whilst doing so reduce their energy bills at home. Warm Hubs are to be run from publicly accessible community buildings. They will be run by volunteers, with support and training delivered by Cambridgeshire ACRE. It is expected that the first of the community-led Warm Hubs will open in October as the weather starts to get colder. For more information visit www.cambsacre.org.uk/introducing-warm-hubs/.

Update on Ukraine Refugees

The most recent data shows that 668 Ukrainian guests have now arrived in South Cambridgeshire involving 69 parishes. Willingham has nine Ukrainian guests. SCDC Officers have now made 245 welfare visits and conducted 725 DBS checks. People who are hosts to Ukrainian guests and/or have an interest in SCDC's ongoing work in this area can sign up to the regular community updates by emailing duty.communities@scambs.gov.uk.

Reminder: SCDC Administered Grant Scheme

Reminder, an SCDC administered grant scheme is open which is designed to help Ukrainian families to integrate into community life. Grants of up to £300 are being offered to encourage a wide

range of events to help reduce social isolation and encourage families to feel involved in their local community and life in Britain. Funding bid support is available from Cambridge Council for Voluntary Service 01223 464696 or enquiries@cambridgecvcs.org.uk.

Cost of Living Help

SCDC is releasing information to help residents cope with the rising cost of living. This month's South Cambridgeshire magazine has a two page pull-out containing useful information and the council's website signposts residents to the available support, such as with energy bills, raising residents' awareness of what they are entitled to (Universal Credit, help with childcare costs, Disability and Carers' Benefits and so on) and encouragement to claim entitlement focussed on Local Council tax support and Discretionary Housing payment. Support is also available from a partner, Cambridgeshire Home Improvement Agency, which includes grant funding to replace a faulty or inefficient boiler where the owner's health could be impacted by a lack of warmth.

Bill Handley

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Passes may be used on any day except on Bank Holidays and the weekends preceding Bank Holidays. Those groups which would be interested in receiving free admission passes are asked to email wimpolehall@nationaltrust.org.uk for a copy of the application form or call the estate before coming, stating the name of your group, the number of people and approximate time of arrival. Where practical, community groups are encouraged to visit during weekdays as Wimpole can get very busy at weekends when there may be less scope to cater for additional needs.

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Update from Fen Drayton Lakes

A small team of wardens, with a large team of volunteers, are responsible for looking after the RSPB Fen Drayton Lakes.

There are a lot of viewpoints around the reserve and most of these become rather overgrown during the summer. Around Elney Lake alone there are ten viewpoints. We don't cut them back during the summer as birds such as reed bunting, reed warbler, and whitethroat all benefit from the reeds and scrub. With the seasons changing it is time to go in with brushcutters to open them up. Cutting reeds is tough going, even with machinery, but the results are rewarding and will last through to next summer.

Cattle grazing plays an important role in managing grassland around the lakes for breeding and wintering waterfowl and waders. With the water levels so low this summer, in some lakes the lowest we have seen since purchasing the site in 2007, cows have been walking around the wooden fencing 'wings' that protrude into the water to stop them leaving grazing areas. Herding cattle back into a field on a recent occasion didn't go quite to plan with the cows running off into a wooded area. A little later, with a lot of 'shooing', they were back in. If you ever find escaped cattle on the reserve, please let us know.

On top of this reserve-based work we have also been organising large-scale contractor works, planning upcoming events, writing reports and doing a host of other tasks on and off site. With all this variety in our day-to-day work, there is rarely a dull moment at Fen Drayton Lakes.

Wednesday Wander

Ever thought you'd like to know more about the reserve and its wildlife? Volunteer-led guided walks take place once a month, usually on the second Wednesday. To see details and book, please visit:

events.rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes

Email: fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk.

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DATE	EVENT	ORGANISATION	VENUE	EXTRA INFO
Sat 1 Oct	Bar Hill Community Market	Rosie in Stitches	Bar Hill	10 30 am – 2 pm, see p15
Sun 2 Oct	Repair Café	Willingham Action Group	Ploughman Hall	1 – 4 pm, see p5
Sun 2 Oct	Jazz Club	Jazz Club	Social Club	12 30 – 3 30 pm Rosie-Val 01954 789670
Mon 3 Oct	Stan Walton, Former University Gardener, Q&A	Gardening Club	Social Club	Doors open from 7 pm, see p15
Tuesday to Sunday 4 – 9 Oct	Libraries week	Library	Library	See p10 for opening times
Wed 5 Oct	Medical Detection Dogs	Engage in the Afternoon	Library	2 – 3 30 pm, see p10
Wed 5 Oct	Carers' Support Meeting	Surgery	Surgery	2 – 4 pm, see p13
Wed 5 Oct	Parish Council Meeting	Parish Council	Octagon	7 30 pm, see p14
Fri 7 Oct	Games Afternoon	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	2 – 4 pm, see p10
Fri 7 Oct	Custard Comedy	Social Club	Social Club	See cover
Sat 8 Oct	<i>Willingham News</i> Deadline	<i>Willingham News</i>		See p3, articles to be sent to: willinghamnews@gmail.com
Sat 8 Oct	Flu Vaccine Clinic	Surgery	Surgery	See p13
Sat 8 Oct	Memory Box Café	Parish Church	Octagon	10 am – 12 noon, see p12
Sat/Sun 8/9 Oct	Feast Fair on the Green	Willingham Feast	The Green	10 30 am – 3 30 pm, see p5
Sat/Sun 8/9 Oct	Art Group Exhibition and Fun Quiz Activities	Willingham Feast	Library	Sat, 2 30 – 5 pm Sun 11 am – 3 30 pm see cover and p10
Sat/Sun 8/9 Oct	Photography Club Exhibition	Willingham Feast	Public Hall	11 am – 3 pm
Sat/Sun 8/9 Oct	Second-Hand Book Sale	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	The Green	10 30 am – 3 30 pm, see p10
Sun 9 Oct	Harvest Festival	Parish Church	Parish Church	11 am, see p12
Mon 10 Oct	<i>The Pankhurst Family</i> , by Maureen James	Women's Institute	Social Club	7 30 pm, see p5
Tue 11 Oct	Origins of the House of Saxe-Coburg & Gotha	WHIGs	Octagon	7 30 pm
Wed 12 Oct	Poetry and Prose Evening	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	7 30 pm, see p10
Sat 15 Oct	Breakfast and Topical Talk	Men's Breakfast	Baptist Church	7 45 am, see p11
Sat 15 Oct	Drop-in session re Public Hall	Parish Council	Public Hall	10 – 11 30 am, see p14
Sat 15 Oct	Public meeting re Public Hall	Parish Council	Ploughman Hall	2 30 – 4 pm, see p14
Mon 17 Oct	<i>A Photograph Through a Narrow Opening</i>	Photography Club	Baptist Church	8 – 10 pm, see p15
Tue 18 Oct	Drop-in session re Public Hall	Parish Council	Public Hall	7 – 8.30 pm, see p14
Wed 19 Oct	Public meeting re Public Hall	Parish Council	Ploughman Hall	7 30 – 9 pm, see p14
Fri 21 Oct	Games Afternoon	Friends of Willingham Library (FOWL)	Library	2 – 4 pm, see p10
Fri 28 Oct	Quiz Night	Over Day Centre	Over Day Centre	7 30 pm, see p6

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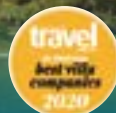


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