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## EDITORIAL

As I am writing this, the weather is particularly cold, however we have had some crisp sunny days as well as a very large amount of rain causing flooding all along the Ouse, and there are welcome signs of spring everywhere - snowdrops, daffodils, birds singing and even nest building. The on-going "lockdown" still has no confirmed end date; the whole country awaits the effect of mass vaccination being assessed before the government suggests anything like back to a normal way of life with everyone free to travel, and a world without masks hiding people's expressions. I think this issue of the Villager includes a spirit of optimism from our varied contributors, many of whom are doing their best to plan village activities for 2021, on the assumption that things will improve for all of us later in the year. Please continue to send in articles for the next issue of the Villager; new contributors are always especially welcome. Remember the copy date for our June issue is 1st May.

**Jennifer**

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## A Thousand Sunbeams

Now winter's song has all but died,  
Its shadows fading into night,  
Oh, hear a thousand bird songs call  
Their voices soar now Spring's in sight.  
Come one, come all, come walk and dance  
As ill winds moan and cry,  
Oh, see a thousand rain drops fall  
To kiss the pain goodbye.  
And here we are, the mournful sleepers  
Awakening through one more storm  
To heal a thousand lonely hearts  
Remembered on the morn.  
Shadows of a troubled year  
Still haunt us to this day  
But a thousand tears and fears subside  
We live to fight another day.  
Come Mother, Father, families see  
Spring shows us many a sign,  
Oh, see a thousand light sunbeams  
Fly free in bright sunshine.

**Joan Tucker** Scribblers Writing Group

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# MEET YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

Holywell-cum-Needingworth Parish Council consists of 13 Councillors. Below are introductions to two of our Councillors and the Parish Clerk.

## Councillor Andrew Whyte



I was born in the village in 1955 and have lived here since then. I have worked in horticulture since leaving school and I have always had an interest in wildlife and the environment. This interest is of great help with my work on the Environment Committee.

I am pleased to have been re-elected for my second term as Councillor on Holywell-cum-Needingworth Parish Council following the May elections.

**Committees:** Appeals, Environment (Chairman), Leisure Facilities, Planning & Finance

## Councillor Michael Williamson, Chairman



I am currently the longest serving Councillor having served since the late 70s and have had several periods in the Chair. A Member of the Parochial Church Council, a former Magistrate and Chairman of Cambridgeshire Police Authority. I am also a Deputy Lieutenant for the County. I have a strong interest in Music and Drama, having been a Member of several local Societies including President of St Ives Music and Drama Society and former Chairman of Shakespeare at the George. I have directed several productions for the Wellworth Players. A Founder Member of The (Anthony) Trollope Society and I have just stood down after ten years in the Chair. My family and I have lived in Needingworth since 1974 and my two daughters have attended the local School. I now take great pleasure in my grandchildren.

**Committees:** Consultation, Discipline & Grievance, Environment, Emergency Plan Working Party, HR (Chairman), Leisure Facilities, Planning & Finance (Chairman)

## Miss Jane Bowd, Parish Clerk



I was born in St Ives and on leaving St Ivo School started a 32-year career with Barclays Bank plc. I worked in a range of departments and at several branches around the County ending my career as a Small Business Manager based at the St Ives branch. In 2009 I made a career change to become the Town Centre Manager for the St Ives Town Initiative. In 2011, I started work as the Parish Clerk for Holywell-cum-Needingworth Parish Council.

Having started horse riding at the age of 10 I finally purchased my own horse on leaving school. I remain a keen horse woman and enjoy spectating at equestrian events.

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## Holywell-cum-Needingworth PARISH COUNCIL

## Parish Council Summary Report

Due to the Covid-19 regulations all Parish Council meetings continue to be held remotely via Zoom. Meetings remain open to members of the public and the link to join the meeting can be found at the top of the published agenda.

2 meetings were held in November with the one held on 24<sup>th</sup> being solely for the setting of the precept for 2021/22. Council acknowledged the challenges residents are facing at the present time but were also mindful of the increasing costs when work requires doing. An inflationary increase was considered necessary and a precept of £118490.00 was set.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> of November meeting was attended by County Councillor K Reynolds who reported that he had visited Holywell to review the temporary fencing along Back Lane as safety concerns had been raised. He advised that this was to protect the grass verge while the grass seed takes following the laying of new electricity cables and since his visit the posts have been adjusted but remain in situ.

Accounts for payment totalling £9629.00 were approved.

A new supplier for electricity to Millfields was appointed on a 3-year contract starting at the end of March 2021.

Due to the anti-social behaviour occurring overnight in Millfields car park a decision was taken for Councillors to lock the gate each evening on a rota basis, this will continue until early February when the matter will be reviewed.

A verbal overview of arrangements for a socially distanced Remembrance Day service was given by Councillor Williamson.

All 13 Councillors attended the December 2020 meeting along with 2 members of the public. Accounts for payment totalling £15782.34 were approved.

3 planning applications were considered and Council recommended approval.

Covid-19 matters continued to take priority as Huntingdonshire had been placed into tier 2. The impact on the Parish Council facilities was discussed especially relating to the hire of Millfields. It was agreed that Needingworth Colts would continue to be restricted to 2 matches per Saturday to run consecutively to prevent problems with the car park and number of people attending the site at any one time. A further review of the situation was to be undertaken at the January meeting depending on the Covid-19 restriction in place at that time.

Approval was given for the purchase of a Spacenet to be installed on Overcote Lane playing field subject to planning permission being granted as it will be 6m in height. Once approved this will be installed as part of the play area improvements and will be paid for from CIL funds.

Councillors agreed to sell the Countax ride on mower by sealed bid, please see the separate article in this magazine and contact the Parish Council if you are interested.

The New year started with a busy meeting in January which opened with The Chairman advising members of the sad news of the death of Mr H Burgess on Christmas Eve. On behalf of the Council, she extended condolences to the family. Mr Burgess assisted the Parish Council on numerous occasions especially when Millfields required hedge cutting or spraying.

District and County Councillor reports centred on the recent flooding issues in and around the area over the Christmas period.

This was followed by a presentation from a representative from Sovereign play with regards to the surface under the outdoor gym equipment.

Accounts for payment totalling £14,999.45 were approved.

Agreement was reached to arrange for the village sign to be delivered to Peterborough for a quote for repair as soon as the current restrictions allow.

The findings of the committee hearing the complaint from Needingworth FC regarding use of Millfields pavillion were upheld and due to the Covid-19 National lockdown Millfields is now closed until further notice.

Following the public consultation on proposed street names for the new housing development on Bluntisham Road the suggestions were considered, and 8 names put forward to HDC and the developer for consideration.

In hopes that the Covid-19 restrictions currently in place will be eased a provisional date for a community event as part of the Great British Spring Clean was set for Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2021. Please see the separate article later in the magazine.

The official record of all meetings are the minutes which are available on the Parish Council website

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## Village Sign

At the Parish Council meeting held in November the Parish Council resolved to restore the Village sign. As you can see below time has taken its toll and it is in an extremely poor state of repair.



With the current restrictions it is proving challenging to get such work undertaken, however it will be restored to its former glory as soon as possible.

The sign was donated to the Parish by Holywell-cum-Needingworth WI in 1996 to mark their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Holywell-cum-Needingworth Parish Council

## FOR SALE BY SEALED BID

### Countax C600H ride on mower

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Closing date for viewing 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021, sealed bids by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.





# The Great British Spring Clean will be back this year!



Despite the difficulties we have all faced last year, we have been encouraged by the number of residents wanting to get involved in keeping the Parish looking tidy and voluntarily picking up litter left around the villages.

Depending on the Coronavirus restrictions in place the Parish Council have provisionally booked to participate in the 2021 Great British Spring Clean on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June. Please meet at the village hall car park at 10am, all equipment will be provided.

As the Government guidelines are subject to change at short notice please monitor the Parish Council Facebook page for any changes to the proposal. If you do not have Facebook please contact the office week commencing 7<sup>th</sup> June to confirm that the event is still taking place.

However, in the interim, we have a limited number of litter pickers available for your use, if whilst you are walking around the Parish you would like to pick up litter. Please contact the office, details below.

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## Works at the Village Hall Car park



You may have been wondering what all the works are in the Village Hall car park ... Cadent Gas have been working towards installing a new Gas Governor for the village in the car park. This will replace the current gas governor located in Willow Green which we have been advised is no longer fit for purpose. Works will be completed by the end of March 2021.

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## PARISH CHRISTMAS TREE 2020



The Chairman of the Parish Council, Councillor S Mortlock, switching on the lights.

Despite the Covid restrictions the Parish Council decided to continue with the Parish Christmas Tree although without the official switch on event. Councillors hope it brought some cheer to residents at the end of a difficult year.

The Parish Council extends their thanks to all of those involved.



Christmas Tree Committee members



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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Village Hall - What a year!

Firstly, a belated Happy New Year to everyone – and we hope 2021 will be a better year for us all.

Since I took over as Bookings Secretary in September, the village hall has had a rollercoaster time of lockdown/open, and at the time of writing we are once again closed. Hopefully by the time you read this, restrictions may be starting to ease again.

We are however cautiously planning events for later in the year, which will obviously depend on any restrictions in place. We are looking to hold our Quiz Night in late Spring (originally scheduled for March), and a Film Night later in the year. Plans are in the pipeline for the Music Festival (26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> June) and a final decision will be taken soon on whether this will go ahead, albeit maybe in a slightly different format. Updates will be posted on our website [www.needingworthvillagehall.com](http://www.needingworthvillagehall.com) and in the Villager.

Plans for the hall stage extension are also progressing

well, and the architects drawings will soon be available.

We would welcome volunteers to help with the running of the Hall and arranging events –this is a great way to get to know people and become involved in activities, especially if you are new to the village! The Hall is always very busy (when open!) with lots of classes and groups. If you feel able to help in any way please do get in touch with me or any team member.

Finally, we are looking forward to welcoming both regular and new users back to the Hall as soon as we are able, and please be assured we are taking all measures to ensure your safety whilst using this facility.

Hope to see you all again soon – meanwhile take care and stay safe.

**Eleanor Hardy, Bookings Secretary**  
Tel : 07730 504220  
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Greetings everyone from the Chatters team. We hope you all had a good Christmas and Peaceful New Year. We hope you are all keeping safe and well. No news from us yet when Chatters will reopen (much like the rest of the country at the moment) but, as always, we look forward to seeing you, sharing some cake and having a good old natter when we can.

Take care of yourselves and each other.  
Love Becci and the Chatters team xx

## Parkinson's UK, Huntingdonshire Branch

We can't meet face to face still but for the time being the Branch has an informal Zoom meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month for those with Parkinson's and/or their carers. Sometimes there may be a speaker; at other times it is just to chat and share news and queries/helpful hints.

Interested? Please call Sally to get log-in details.

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Email: [rsde.beaman@btinternet.com](mailto:rsde.beaman@btinternet.com)

The next one will be March 15h 2021

## A dignified, socially distance Remembrance Day 2020.



Remembrance Day 2020 took on a very different appearance this year due to the Covid-19 restrictions and the requirement for everyone to be socially distanced. As singing was also not permitted the church service had to be cancelled and no hymns could be sung at the act of remembrance. However, it was felt important that this event go ahead in memory of those who have lost their lives in the service of the country. So whilst the Chairman of the Parish Council and representatives of the various armed services and

community groups attended the war memorial to lay wreaths many residents paid their respects by standing outside of their homes at the appointed time.

It is sincerely hoped that in 2021 we will see a return to the normal service of remembrance.





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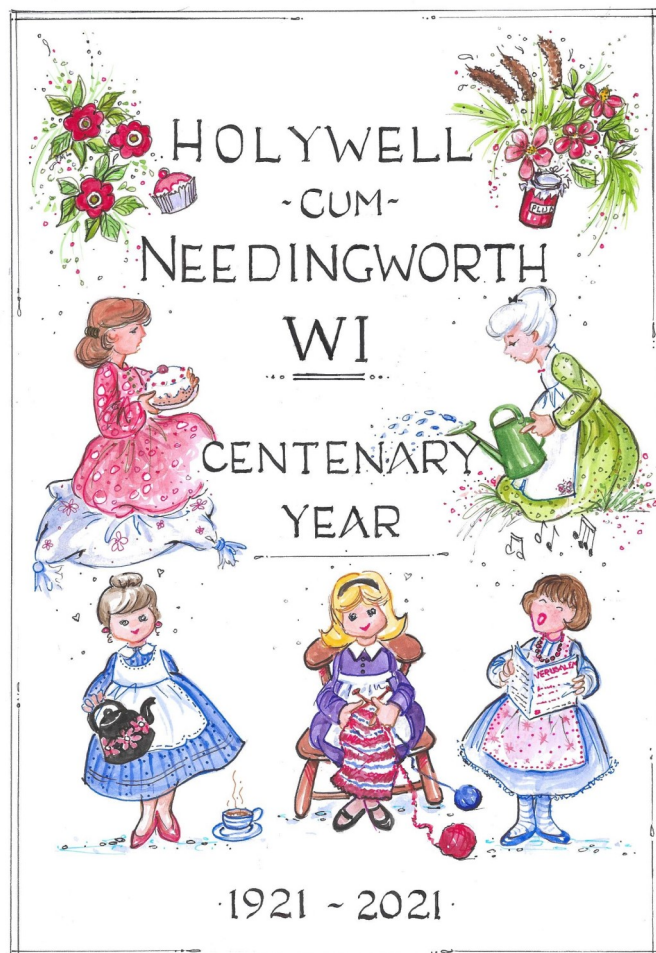


## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Keeping in touch with members has been the focus for the past cold dark months, mainly by via telephone calls, and e-mails. Members continue to work on various projects including Jigsaw Puzzles, Reading, Walking and Exercise and of course hand crafts such as knitting and crochet. Lots of lovely knitted items made by Jenny Robinson and Lynne Martin were delivered to the Library for the Winter Warmers Campaign. To celebrate Christmas each member received a Christmas stocking filled with goodies, including a quiz, short story, tea, coffee, mince pie and chocolates.



If anyone had told us this time last year, when we were making plans for 2021 on how to mark and celebrate our WI Centenary, that the country would be in Lockdown due to a Pandemic, none of us would have believed it!



After much discussion the idea to deliver to each member a printed shopping bag, with a New Year Card, painted and designed by Pam Longland, with messages from members printed on the back, and an envelope for January, February and March, each with a little surprise in was organised, and delivered to everyone during the last days of December.

In January members were asked to recall something that made them smile, these we put into a Memory Lane article and together with a bunch of Daffodils, were a surprise delivery to everyone at the beginning of February.

We continue to work on a project for the village celebrating our Centenary, which we hope will be installed in the Village sometime this year, watch this space.

Looking forward to when we are able to meet up again, but safety first, at least we are over the worst of winter now, and with the vaccine there is more hope for the future.

**Jackie Norris,**  
**President 01480 465997**

### Humorous quotes

Who's idea was it to sing "Happy Birthday" while washing your hands? Now every time I go to the bathroom, my kids expect me to walk out with a cake!



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## Beer and Wine Society

As there has been no improvement in the Covid 19 situation our AGM will be held on zoom on the 6th March at 8pm. Any non members will need to call us to get an invitation to join us on the night. As we have no reports I have decided to include a recipe for cooking with beer this month .

**Flemish Beef Stew** (serves four).

2lb stewing beef, 2oz margarine, 1lb peeled sliced onions, 1 pint beer, salt and pepper, a good pinch of thyme, 2 bay leaves, 2 level tbs plain flour, 4tbs water, 4 lumps sugar, 1tbs wine vinegar.

Cut beef into cubes. Heat the margarine in a frying pan, add the beef and brown then transfer beef into a saucepan. Fry the onions until slightly brown. Remove onions to the saucepan. Pour the beer into the frying pan and stir then pour the beer into the saucepan, add the salt and pepper, thyme and bay leaves and bring to the boil, cover and simmer gently for 2 hours . Blend the flour with the water to a smooth paste together with the sugar and wine vinegar. Add to saucepan and cook stirring all the time until stew thickens. Enjoy.

**Pat Britton**

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## Holywell-cum-Needingworth Local History Group

Again our local history group continues to **not** meet up though we are in touch with one another from time to time.

Currently there are still no meetings planned for Spring. We will keep you informed via the website as to any forthcoming happenings. Please do not hesitate to contact us for more information. Or if you have information!

As with the rest of the country, we are waiting to see how soon everybody can be vaccinated and I'm sure once we all feel secure about it, we'll be able to meet in person once more. (Watch this space!)

In normal times everyone is welcome to our very informal meetings usually held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every other month, beginning at 7.30pm (sometimes 7pm in summer if we are out for a walk)

If you would like more information,

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### Humorous quotes

It is a worrying thought that in 25 years time the country will be run by people who were home schooled by their parents. Scary!

A friend told me that on day 121 at home, the dog was looking at him with a look like, "See? This is why I chew the furniture!"

## DANCE CLUB

in normal times  
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Rose 01480 466487

Hope to be able to resume soon

## OVER 60s

The Over 60s club

normally meet on the 1st  
Tuesday of each month  
from 2pm to 4pm

Meetings will recommence  
when it is safe to do so

Contact

Rose: 01480 466487

or Joan: 01480 497892

## Scribblers Writing Group

normally hold meetings monthly  
at Needingworth Village Hall,  
plus they have a lively poetry  
group.

For current activities please ring  
**Helen** on **01487 843437** or **Joan**  
on **01840 463966**.

## “Bridge Bunch”

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## Fun in a bucket!

The problem being faced by all of the village clubs during the pandemic is obviously affecting the Gardening Club as well especially as our club depends on large meetings and regular events.

As well as the frustrations of not being able to meet up as usual, the weather and conditions have not really been conducive to following our interest in gardening. The very wet ground and freezing temperatures make the most simple job extremely difficult.

We have been trying some innovative efforts to give members some interest and amusement during the current situation that will work until we are able to meet up again.

One of our members writes a detailed and helpful blog from his garden which is circulated to all members every month and this is very well received even by those who cannot actually get out into their gardens.

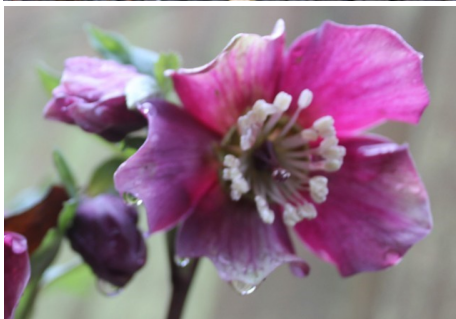
I write a more chatty and whimsical article each month and this month I asked members to send me pictures of "spring" to demonstrate that flowers were beginning to peek through and that our gardens would soon start to flourish.

I received some lovely pictures of daffodils, aconites, cyclamen etc as can be seen in this article.

However, one member from Holywell rather missed the point by sending me a picture of an old spring much to everyone's amusement when we circulated members.



We are organising a "Spud In a Bucket" competition for our members in which each will be issued with a standard builders bucket and a standard seed potato. They will then grow these on and in September we will have a



weigh-in to see who grows the heaviest amount of potatoes. On current form, it looks like this will have to be a socially distanced affair but we will have to wait and see what the situation is at that time.

At least it is something to look forward to which is a great but sad commentary on the quality of everyone's social life in this lockdown.

We are all looking forward to the start of the better weather so we can get out into our gardens and see the flowers



blooming once more but at least we already have some signs of better things to come.

Grant Williamson

Chairman Holywell-cum-Needingworth Gardening Club







  
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65 years ago, on 27<sup>th</sup> January 1956, Elvis Presley's hit song 'Heartbreak Hotel' was released. It topped the US charts in April and became his first UK hit in May of that year.

Due to the new restrictions on travel, people arriving from thirty-three hotspots overseas might well feel like singing this song as, at the time I am writing this, they will have to stay in a hotel for ten days causing, I am sure, a great deal of heartbreak for those involved.

This dreadful pandemic has caused a huge amount of heartbreak. The news that over 100,000 people in this country had died from Covid and the death rate continues to rise is shattering. Every single person who has died has left loved ones behind who are grieving. Many of those who have recovered are left with debilitating problems. This truly has been a year we could call *annus horribilis*.

I am sure that all those who have to stay in a hotel after coming into this country will feel very isolated, a feeling that I guess resonates with many of us. Loneliness is a serious problem in our society; even our children are struggling because they aren't meeting with their friends.

Thankfully, our village has built up a wonderful community network and there are lots of volunteers reaching out to help. Sometimes we find it's hard to ask but we need to remember that we are all in this together and together we will get through it. You don't need to feel isolated.

If you are struggling with loneliness and would like a chat with someone or if you need help with anything and haven't yet connected with anyone, please don't hesitate to contact us. We will be really pleased to be able to help in whatever way we can.

Blessings, Sheila

Contacts:

**Revd Sheila Anthony 07775 588716**

**Carol Peilow: 01480 496958**

**Ann Lorman: 01480 495272**

When browsing through my mother's old hand-written recipe books I came across this one from an age when wasting food was considered wrong. (I think I have copied it correctly but some of the pages of the book are worn round the edges with age and frequent use. I am not sure of the date; perhaps the late 1940s or early 50s.)

### **"Vegetable and Meat Mould**

1 lb any cooked vegetables and potatoes

¾ lb minced meat (or pieces of cooked meat left over)

A little finely chopped onion

Stale bread made into crumbs

A pinch of mixed herbs

Salt and pepper

1 teaspoon of sauce and/or 1 egg

### **Method**

Grease a mould with melted fat, and line with browned breadcrumbs. Mash potatoes/vegetables with a little melted margarine, salt and pepper and use this to line the mould firmly. Place minced meat into bowl, beat egg and add to meat (or use sauce); add salt, pepper, herbs and a little finely chopped onion and mix together. (Mixture should not be too moist.) Turn mixture evenly into mould. Grease greaseproof paper with melted margarine and cover mould. Place in a moderate oven or steamer for ¾ to 1 hour.

**To serve**, turn mould onto dish, sprinkle with a little cayenne pepper and a sprig of parsley and pour brown gravy round it."



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## Needingworth Baptist Church

High Street, Needingworth,  
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Elder – David Mann

### Coronavirus and Services in the Chapel – our current situation

It was good to have around a hundred viewings of our Carol Service on YouTube (it is still there if you missed it). We did hold a few services in the chapel in December, including Christmas Day, but since then, in view of the current state of the pandemic we have decided that, sadly, we should not meet in person. As soon as things change and we are able to meet again we will put details on our website and on the church notice-board.

### On-line services

We continue to put a weekly service on YouTube and you will be very welcome to listen to these. Go to [www.needingsworthbaptist.org.uk/online-services](http://www.needingsworthbaptist.org.uk/online-services) and look for the date. Click on “download Order of Service” for a pdf of the order of service and then click on “play service” and it will play the YouTube service. In the sermons we are working our way through the Gospel of Luke. Why not listen in? You do not have to register and you can listen at a time to suit you. The Gospel of Luke has some wonderful stories of what Jesus did and taught. It is so relevant to us in this troubled world.

### Sunday school

Currently this is being held for our children each Sunday morning on Skype. Please email or phone us to have details.

**Easter** (services will be on YouTube and/or in person – check on the website/noticeboard near the time)

## Coffee Club

We've missed Coffee Club  
We've missed Coffee Club  
Now, for, nearly a year  
But we will meet again  
We will meet again  
That, time, is nearly here

We'll eat custard creams again  
Chat laugh and play again  
Colour and stick again  
Sing read and pray again  
So put your hands together 1,2,3,  
Let's pray we'll soon be truly Covid-free!

Good Friday service – 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Sermon: “Words of the Dying Jesus”

Easter Day service – 4<sup>th</sup> April: Sermon: “Words of the Risen Jesus”

If we can be of help to anyone, or pray for you, please feel free to contact us.

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### When will life be back to normal?

That is the question being asked repeatedly. In fact, will we ever get back to “normal” or will there be a new normal? And of course that begs the question – was life “normal” before the pandemic? What has dominated the news, and our personal lives during our lifetimes, pandemic or no pandemic? Crime and conflict. Disease and death. Sadness and separations. So is that really normal, really how life should be? Or is life meaningless anyway – random events without any purpose or significance?

This is where we need the Bible. Because the Bible tells us that God made the world, and He made it good. He made it so that we might serve Him and enjoy Him. The original “normal” was very good. But then we spoiled it – we human beings. Our first parents Adam and Eve rebelled against God in the Garden of Eden – and since then each of us has continued to stray from God and tried to please ourselves. All the troubles of the world have come from this selfishness and rebellion against God.

That is where Christmas came in. God sent His Son Jesus into the world, to rescue us, to bring us back to “normal.” And that is where Good Friday came in. Jesus went to the cross to die in our place, to take our sins upon Himself and bring us forgiveness and reconciliation with God. And that is what Easter is about. Jesus rose from the dead to show that in His death He had succeeded in defeating sin and death and Satan. And now He reigns in heaven and says to us “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” Forgiveness, peace with God and an eternal hope – that is the “normal” that we seek. And it is the “normal” that is there for all who will put their trust in Jesus, whatever the outcome of the current pandemic.

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We pray that we may meet again in Summer!  
Please use contacts below to get in touch

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## FOOTBALL



Needingworth United football club is a well-established club. We currently play in the Cambridgeshire league, Division 3C. We are also affiliated to the Huntingdonshire Football league. The club has had success in the last five years, winning two cups and three promotions.

last year's season was ended prematurely as we went into lock down, we lost only the first game of the season finishing top of the league and winning the Hunts cup. The season was decided on a Points per game ratio, so we were promoted as champions. We started the current season well, going on to not lose a league game for over a calendar year.

We currently sit top of our division this season, only losing the one game. Once again, the pandemic has paused our season, the most lightly outcome will see the league decided on points per game once again.

We are already planning next season, hoping to gain another promotion, we are also planning to set up a reserve side. We are looking for players of the age of 16 and above, if you are good enough you will play. The club is also looking for volunteers to help, with many different things. If you would like to find out more please contact us via our Facebook or twitter pages.

**Noel Glass, Secretary 07474 759 758**

### Useful on-line information:-

#### Holywell-cum-Needingworth Coronavirus support group.

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/575337676661203/>

If you need help or assistance during this time please do not hesitate to get in touch.



## Needingworth Tennis Club

2020 saw another good busy year but it was sad to see two stalwarts of the club, John Fabisz and Mike Davison moving away; we wish them both good luck. The Chairman's challenge is keeping us busy, details are on our website, have some fun and send the details through !

Although in line with LTA regulations the Courts are currently padlocked we look forward to 2021 with as much excitement as always. We have made the decision to get the courts painted and this will happen once the weather improves sufficiently. We also have a new Head Coach. We look forward to Ian Haigs and his coaching team starting their adult and junior coaching in April. All details will appear on the website. More good news as we have held the subscriptions for 2021. Details are below.

### ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

Annual Membership is still the cheapest in Cambridgeshire. Juniors pay £30, Single membership is £65, Couples £85 and family membership £120. We are always happy to welcome new members of all abilities.

If you are thinking about joining and would like to try a free taster session, give Tim a call.

### CONTACTS

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[timperry100@hotmail.com](mailto:timperry100@hotmail.com))

Membership - Chris Moore  
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Secretary – Jim Hunter  
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## 1<sup>st</sup> Needingworth Brownies

Since our last entry at the start of December, there have been several changes to our unit. With lockdowns taking effect, both groups in our Brownie unit have now been forced to move to meeting online. This hasn't stopped the fun however as we have had fantastic visitors join our online

sessions as well as a very successful 'Under the Stars' virtual Christmas sleepover.

At the end of the autumn term, we were joined by volunteers from Dogs for Good who told us about the incredible work they do, training dogs to support people with a variety of needs. The visit culminated in the unit sponsoring a gorgeous puppy called Ariel and we are looking forward to following how she gets on with her training. The volunteers at Dogs for Good also helped to judge our dog show of incredible dogs the Brownies had created at home using a toilet roll tubes.



The highlight of the term however was our virtual Christmas sleepover. We had lots of games such as wrapping teddy bears as snowmen using toilet rolls, making Christmas crackers and we even had some quite amusing time -delayed Christmas Carols. The sleepover would not have been complete however without a visit from Santa who 'Zoomed' with us from the North Pole.

Although our friendly unit is currently full, we do expect to have some spaces available soon for the first time in over a year. For more information or to arrange to come along for a free trial session, please contact Jules at [Needingworth.Brownies@yahoo.com](mailto:Needingworth.Brownies@yahoo.com) or **07597 569582**. Check out our website at: <https://1stneedingworth.wixsite.com/brownies>



## 1<sup>st</sup> Needingworth Rainbows

Since the lockdown at the end of last year, the Rainbows have moved from meeting outside to meeting online. Thankfully however we were able to fit in a Christmas Party just before our sessions took a break for Christmas. We had so much fun playing party games and we even had a surprise guest when

Santa took time out from his preparations in the North Pole to join the party virtually.

The Christmas party also involved several enrolments where three new Rainbows made their Rainbow promise. We were so impressed by how well our new Rainbows have settled in these tricky times and how confidently they recited their promise to the whole unit. A special award was also presented to one of our Rainbows for completing her Rainbow Bronze theme award – one of the highest awards a Rainbows can achieve. We are so proud of her and all the hard work she has done at home completing different interest badges.

In the spring term we are continuing to meet online, doing lots of creative activities as part of our Express Myself theme including scavenger hunts, having fun with shoes and trying some traditional Chinese crafts such as calligraphy and paper cutting.

If your daughter is interested in joining us, either now or in the future, please get in touch. For girls who are aged 5 or 6, we currently have a few spaces available, contact us at [Needingworth.Rainbows@yahoo.com](mailto:Needingworth.Rainbows@yahoo.com) or Jules on **07597 569582** to arrange to come along for a free trial session. Check out our website at:

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## Coffee Club

Coffee Club is a group run by Needingworth Baptist Church for Mums, Dads, Childminders and children under 5. We normally meet on Wednesday mornings during term time from 10.00 to 11.30am at the Baptist Church on High Street but whilst Covid 19 is affecting everyone, see note on page 18.

All are welcome for, songs, stories, activities and refreshments, as well as playing.

Cost £1/adult – children go free!

**Sarah Wordingham - 462396**



## Little Tigers

This is a friendly under-5s play group that normally meets on most Monday mornings in term-time, in the village hall. Come along for a cuppa and chat and let your 'little tiger' play with the toys and other children.

Entrance (including refreshments): £2 per family.

For more details contact:

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# KEVIN REYNOLDS

LOCAL LEADER AND CAMPAIGNER



Hopefully, not too many of you will need introducing to Kevin. He is LOCAL born and bred – a rare commodity these days, particularly for those who are involved with Local Government.

Being a local, Kevin has more than a passing interest in the future of our local community where he has always cared passionately about its environment and people, where we have seen many changes, transforming a relatively rural area into one of the most sought after locations to live in the country this obviously adds pressures to all sectors of the community.

While everything is not perfect and there is still a way to go on various issues, not least highways and flooding, you only have to look at comparable locations to see just how exceptional and fortunate we are to live here. This type of controlled growth did not just happen, it was through strong and reasoned representation, the type Kevin has provided for over 30 years in representing all sectors of the local community.

The amount of inward investment in the area both by Local Government and private enterprise in the last few years was no accident, encouraging world famous companies like Astra Zeneca to relocate here increasing employment opportunities. The importance of having a committed experienced local representative cannot be over emphasised, as Local Government continues to face greater demands with fewer resources, year on year.

Kevin has a record of service to the community; having retired from the Fire Service in 2001 after 27 years service. He has spent most of his life serving the community in one form or another. Back in 2008, after almost 20 years serving on the Local and District Council's Kevin decided to concentrate all of his time on Cambridgeshire County Council duties, as the demands on public services were increasing, as funding and the council's relationship with central government continued to change. During his time as an elected representative he has

been Town Mayor of St. Ives twice (1993 & 2003), Chairman of Huntingdonshire District Council (2000 – 2002) and Chairman of Cambridgeshire County Council (2013 - 2015) and is currently the Chairman of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority. On his retirement Kevin became a consultant in Fire and Emergency Planning, in addition to working for the Audit Commission giving him a huge and wide range of experience, which now stands him in good stead.

He is married to Deborah who was also an experienced councillor. He is a committed family man, therefore understands the pressures upon family households, he has also been an active fund raiser for local charitable organisations.

Kevin is also well known for his pragmatic approach to issues in which there is little or no choice over, for instance development where polices and numbers are imposed from central government. He would rather exercise some control over the situation and try and obtain what is best for the area, rather than take a 'King Canute' approach and see the area devastated by what is imposed rather than negotiated.

Over many years villagers have sought Kevin's help and advice over a range of issues varying from very personal Social Care and Health Care problems to transportation difficulties and on all occasions Kevin has responded in an honest and open manner. If it can be done, he will ensure it is, but some things in life are not always immediately achievable !

**The future is too important to take a chance on, Kevin has a track record of serving you well and asks for your support on Election Day in May 2021.**

Published by Kevin Reynolds 17 Virginia Way St Ives



Christmas Day 2020. Holywell Front and the Pike and Eel car park.  
(Photos by j. Horn)



## 'Ask not what your Villager can do for you, ask what you can do for your Villager!'

(With apologies to J.F.K.)

The Villager is now 30 years old and has won many awards in that time. It provides a village-wide source of news and information; aims to be inclusive for everyone in the village; is greatly admired for its highly professional production; and pays for itself.

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- **Switch off, Turn off:** If it isn't meant to be left on (like fridges, freezers) switch it off and turn it off at the plug when it isn't in use.
- **Charge safely:** Only use electrical charging devices for the purpose they were intended and avoid purchasing counterfeit, cheap charging devices for electrical items and always keep leads away from cookers and hobs.
- **Fat-Free, Fire-Free:** Fat can build up slowly over time through regular use of kitchen devices and as it does it increases the chance of a fire when cooking. Ensure you regularly maintain hobs, grills and ovens and keep them clear from fat build up and safer from fire.
- **Distraction causes fires:** over 50% of fires in the kitchen are caused by distraction - pay attention and avoid cooking if under the influence of alcohol or medication or feeling tired.

### Humorous quotes

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# PUZZLE CORNER

## Word Search

How well do you know your London Tube Stations? Can you solve this slightly different word search which has 16 names of London Underground stations hidden within. The names may run horizontally, vertically or even diagonally, forwards or backwards. All the stations except two are within the central part of London; the two exceptions have either a forest association, or a football one.

(Answers below)

W	W	T	N	E	M	U	N	O	M	X	E
T	E	M	P	L	E	P	L	M	S	R	A
S	U	S	A	I	R	O	T	C	I	V	R
B	A	X	T	O	W	E	R	H	I	L	L
M	E	L	I	M	O	N	B	K	C	E	S
S	B	A	R	B	I	C	A	N	G	G	C
T	E	U	S	T	O	N	T	A	C	N	O
P	G	N	I	P	P	E	S	B	I	A	U
A	P	A	D	D	I	N	G	T	O	N	R
U	X	E	M	B	A	N	K	M	E	N	T
L	W	E	S	T	H	A	M	U	R	R	Z
S	U	C	R	I	C	D	R	O	F	X	O

## Where in the village?

Do you recognise this location? Answer in the June issue.



In the last issue, I asked 'where in the village was this picture taken?' The larger version shows its location on Holywell Front (the Ferry Boat end);



Bedfordshire  
Cambridgeshire  
Northamptonshire

Huntingdonshire  
Local Group

### Where The Wild Things Are: A Study of Antarctic Biodiversity

The Huntingdonshire Local Group of the Wildlife Trust invite you to our on line illustrated talk on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm, which will be hosted via Zoom.

Our speakers tonight are Hilary Blagbrough and Huw Griffiths, both of whom work with the British Antarctic Survey and have a special interest in Antarctic Biodiversity.

Hilary and Huw will show us how, despite it's remoteness and the protection that is afforded by the Antarctic Treaty, increasing human activity, pollution and climate change, continue to exert pressure on the ecosystems and environments of the Antarctic. This talk will be both fascinating and informative and should be of interest to a diverse audience.

Booking is via the Trust's website,  
[www.wildlifebcn.org/events](http://www.wildlifebcn.org/events)

and then following the Eventbrite link. Entry charge is £2.50 for members of the Wildlife Trust or £4.00 for non-members.

For more information please contact Alistair on 07775 365507 or [alistairgrant@hotmail.com](mailto:alistairgrant@hotmail.com).

## Answers to Word Search

W	U	N	E	M	U	N	O	M	X	E	
T	E	M	P	L	E	P	L	M	S	R	A
S	U	S	A	I	R	O	T	C	I	V	R
B	A	X	T	O	W	E	R	H	I	L	L
M	E	L	I	M	O	N	B	K	C	E	S
S	B	A	R	B	I	C	A	N	G	G	C
T	E	U	S	T	O	N	T	A	C	N	O
P	G	N	I	P	P	E	S	B	I	A	U
A	P	A	D	D	I	N	G	T	O	N	R
U	X	E	M	B	A	N	K	M	E	N	T
L	W	E	S	T	H	A	M	U	R	R	Z
S	U	C	R	I	C	D	R	O	F	X	O

- Angel
- Bank
- Barican
- Earl's Court
- Embankment
- Epping
- Eston
- Monument
- Oxford Circus
- Paddington
- St Paul's
- Temple
- Tower Hill
- Victoria
- West Ham
- Westminster



## Bus Times

(Due to Covid 19 some bus timetables are changing at short notice. It is recommended that you check the bus operator's web site before travelling:  
[www.dews-coaches.com](http://www.dews-coaches.com))

### Service No. 21 (Ramsey—Somersham—St Ives) Monday to Friday

Ramsey, opp. New Road	09:15	15:55
Somersham, nr. Loftsteads	09:38 12:38 16:18	
Earith (opp. School Rd.)	09:51 12:51 16:31	
NEEDINGWORTH, nr. Church St.	10:05 13:05 16:45	
St Ives Morrisons (grounds)	10:09 13:09 16:49	
St Ives Bus Station	10:15 13:15 16:55	

### Service No. 21 (St Ives—Somersham—Ramsey) Monday to Friday

St Ives Bus Station (Bay 2)	12:00 14:00 17:00
St Ives Morrisons (grounds)	12:05 14:05 17:05
NEEDINGWORTH, opp. Church St.	12:13 14:13 17:13
Earith (nr. School Rd.)	12:25 14:25 17:25
Somersham, nr. Loftsteads	12:38 14:38 17:38
Ramsey, opp. New Road	15:02 18:02

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## PEST CONTROL ST. IVES

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## A Positive Ending

Late last November, on a day of wet freezing fog and squelchy mud, we were enjoying an atmospheric walk around the local RSPB reserve.

My friend's attention was suddenly caught by what could have been a seated dog, deep through some trees and undergrowth: a Golden Labrador?? But there was no one else in sight... As I stepped in to have a closer look, a large wing unfolded and a beautifully marked Barn Owl hopped away from inside a fence-line. Each time I advanced it raised its left wing and hopped away until it had disappeared behind some large clumps of scrub.

It obviously couldn't fly, and we were sure that once the fog thickened and both temperature and darkness fell it would be prey to fox or badger. Urgent phone calls to relevant organisations led, due to lockdown, only to recorded messages and increasing frustrations. Time was passing. At last, to my relief, Ramsey Raptor Centre responded and sent a fully equipped staff member who we met at the car park and guided back to the area of the sighting. A search soon located the owl hiding inside some scrub, by this time soaking wet and weak.

It was carried back to the car park, a half hour walk, and taken off to the Raptor Centre, survival uncertain. Despite our fears that it would not survive, it did.

Subsequent phone calls established that it was an underweight but mature young male and that his other wing was gradually improving.

Over four weeks later, just after Christmas, he was ready to go. We were surprised and excited to be allowed to go along to the release. When we got to the area a promising 'lookout' tree was found for him. Then another surprise—I was suddenly and unexpectedly able to hold him, raise him and release him. It took moments; what an amazing experience. In turn, he surprised us all. As we stood there he flew strongly past the tree, confidently over the fields and on into the distance, surpassing all expectations.

We know that mortality rates are high - as reported by Chris Packham only that morning on TV - but it felt good to have been part of giving this beautiful wild bird another chance to survive. It was a good happening in a difficult time.

With thanks to Liz, Courtenay and all at Ramsey Raptor Centre for their ongoing work. Like many charities they are struggling for funds during the pandemic but they are still caring for needy raptors.

A village nature lover



## BUS TIMETABLES

Details of the Dews Coaches service no 21, Monday to Friday are given on page 26

For up-to-date information for Stagecoach (service A), telephone **01223 433 250** or go to web page

<https://www.stagecoachbus.com/regional-service-updates/east/cambridgeshire>

or <http://www.travelinesoutheast.org.uk>

### POST OFFICE (within One-Stop Shop)

Please note change in Post Office opening hours now open **9 am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday and 9 am to 1 pm on Saturdays (closed Sundays).**

### POST COLLECTION TIMES

from the post Office:

Monday to Friday, 4.15 pm;

Saturday 9.45 am

(Sundays & Bank Holidays no collections)

### MOBILE LIBRARY

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month

**Holywell** - Ferry Boat car park  
3.55pm to 4.10pm

**Needingworth** - Playing field (Overcote Lane)  
4.20pm to 4.50pm

**For renewals or enquiries ring 0345 045 5225**

## REFUSE COLLECTIONS

To print a calendar of collection dates go to the following web site, enter your post code and click on your address.

<http://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins>

Most addresses in Holywell-cum-Needingworth have collections on the following days:

### GREY BINS (normal waste)

March Thurs. 11th and 25th  
April Thurs. 8th and 22nd  
May Thurs. 6th and 20th

### GREEN BINS (garden waste)

March Wed. 3rd, 17th and 31st  
April Wed. 14th and 28th  
May Wed. 12th and 26th

### BLUE BINS (recycling)

March Thurs. 4th and 18th  
April Thurs. 1st, 15th and 29th  
May Thurs. 13th and 27th



## EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

### 24 HOUR EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Hospital - Huntingdon (Hinchingsbrooke) 01480 416416  
Hospital - Cambridge (Addenbrookes) 01223 245151  
Gas Leaks (Any Supplier) Transco 0800 111 999  
Electricity Power Cuts & Emergencies 0800 316 3105 or 0333 323 2105  
Drinking Water - Supplies Failure/routine enquiries (Cambridge Water Co) 01223 706050  
Sewerage, Services Failure (Anglian Water) 0800 145 145  
Rivers - Pollution and Flooding (Environment Agency) 0800 807 060 or Floodline 0345 988 1188

### PUBLIC & IMPORTANT SERVICES - ROUTINE ENQUIRIES

Cambridgeshire Country Council 0345 045 5200  
Electricity (UK Power Networks) 0800 029 4285  
Sewerage Services (Anglian Water) 03457 145 145  
Telephone Services (British Telecom) 0800 150 111  
Police (non-emergency no.) 101  
Trading Standards (business queries) 0345 045 5206  
Age UK 0300 666 9860  
To stop unwanted mail 0845 703 4599  
To stop unwanted phone calls 0845 070 0707

# WHO'S WHO

<b>Baptist Church</b>	David Mann	<b>300382</b> <i>david.mann@cantab.net</i>
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<b>Beer &amp; Wine Book Club</b>	Petronella Britton Sue Forrest	<b>466239</b> <b>464082</b> <i>sueforrest65@hotmail.com</i>
<b>Bowls</b>	Alan Blackley	<b>464804</b> <i>leetheflee@sky.com</i>
<b>Brownies</b>	Julie Swindells	<b>07597 569582</b> <i>needingworth.brownies@yahoo.com</i> <i>https://1stneedingworth.wixsite.com/brownies</i>
<b>Chatters Community Cafe</b>	Rebecca Allen	<b>538511</b> <i>Rebecca.allen@thetraveldirectors.co.uk</i>
<b>Church</b>	Rector: Revd Sheila Anthony	<b>01487 740456</b> <i>sheila@saintintraining.co.uk</i>
	Jill Harvey	<b>460429</b> <i>jillsbharvey@icloud.com</i>
	Stephen York	<b>465120</b> <i>stephenyork@flagholme.net</i>
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<b>Dance Club</b>	Rose Killock	<b>466487</b>
<b>Football</b>	Email via web site:	<i>https://needingworthcoltsfc.com/contact/</i>
<b>Gardening Club</b>	Grant Williamson	<b>493360</b> <i>parkingcare@globalnet.co.uk</i> <i>www.hcngardening.weebly.com</i>
<b>Good Neighbours Coordinator</b>	Kate Carpenter	<b>07794 680475</b>
<b>Guides</b>	Helen Whitehead	<b>460838</b>
<b>Holywell School Association</b>	Sally Batsford	<b>493700</b>
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	History Website:	<i>www.hcnhistory.org.uk</i>
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<b>Over 60's</b>	Rose Killock	<b>466487</b>
<b>Pre-School</b>	Rachael Beeton	<b>01480 464201</b> <i>Website: needingworthcommunitypreschool.org.uk</i>
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<b>Hall Bookings</b>	Eleanor Hardy	<b>07730 504220</b> <i>email: hardy.derek@sky.com</i>
<b>Wellworth Players</b>	Karen Bays	<b>463505</b> <i>Website: www.wellworthplayers.co.uk</i> <i>mailto:admin@wellworthplayers.co.uk</i>
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<b>District Councillors</b>	Jon Neish	<b>466110</b>
	Lewis Besley	<b>300658</b>
<b>Post Office</b>		<b>465121</b>
<b>Village Hall tel:</b>	Outgoing calls emergency line only	
	Incoming calls	<b>01480 498351</b>