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Non emergency Number 101

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

29th March  Posy Making
30th March  Mothering Sunday
5th April    Comedy Night
7th April    Parish Council
9th April    Coffee Morning
13th April   Palm Sunday
14th April   Parish Meeting
20th April   Easter Sunday
24th April   Coffee Morning
27th April   Cricket
7th May      Coffee Morning
12th May     Parish Council
18th May     Cricket
22nd May     Coffee Morning
24th May     News Deadline
25th May     Cricket
4th June     Coffee Morning
7th June     Folk Evening
8th June     Whit Sun Events Cricket
9th June     Parish Council
19th June    Coffee Morning
21st June    Village BBQ
22nd June    Cricket
28th June    Cricket
2nd July     Coffee Morning
4th July     Party in the Barn
12th July    Church Fete
17th July    Coffee Morning
20th July    Cricket
30th July    Coffee Morning

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the next newsletter is 24th May.
Once again items of village interest are always welcome.

Joan Pascoe C208062
joanpascoe@aol.com

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Local Enforcement:

Chief Inspector Darren Alderson     Area Commander
Inspector James Sutherland          Safer Neighbourhood Manager
Detective Inspector Ian Simmons     Area Crime Manager

Neighbourhood Policing Team (Cambourne):

Sergeant Jon Capes                  Sector Sargent
James Lynch                         Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)
Lyndsay Gardiner                    Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)
Free and confidential advice about support for adults with long-term needs and carers

A series of drop-in events has been organised to provide free and confidential information and advice to adults living with a long-term illness or disability, older people struggling with an age-related condition, and anyone providing unpaid support to adult family members or friends who could not manage without this help.

The drop-in sessions are being held on the last Wednesday of the month during 2014 at the Horizon Centre, 285 Coldhams Lane, Cambridge CB1 3HY (near the roundabout opposite Sainsburys). Come along any time between 1.30pm and 3.30pm for a cup of tea and to find out about the support available to you.

For more information phone 01480 377616 / 01480 373220, email Drop-insessions_asc@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or visit www.cambridgeshire.net and search “Adult Support Drop-in”.

WHADDON VILLAGE HALL

COFFEE MORNINGS
Drop in at the Village Hall 10.30am - 12 noon alternate Wednesdays and Thursdays.
Cost £1 to cover cost of hall rental
Friendly atmosphere and a chance to meet more people from the village. Future dates:
Thursday 27th March Wednesday 4th June
Wednesday 9th April Thursday 19th June
Thursday 24th April Wednesday 2nd July
Thursday 27th May Thursday 17th July
Thursday 22nd May Wednesday 30th July

Village BBQ returns!
Saturday 21st June
Disco 6pm till late
Adults £9
Children £7
5 and under Free
Tickets from Whaddon Hall Trust Members

Comedy Night
We welcome back Ian Kebble for an evening of The Secret World of Charles Dickens
5th April
7.15 for 7.45pm
Tickets £10 - from:
Carol 207688, Karen 207514,
Deborah 208033 or
Email:
whaddonhalltrust@whaddon.org
WHADDON WHITSUN WEEKEND - 7 and 8 June 2014

Whitsun falls on the weekend of 7 - 8 June 2014, so make a note in your diaries now.

This year we will be joined by the Devil’s Dyke Morris Men, as usual, and in addition by Manor Mill Morris and also the White Rose Morris Men who will be dancing around the village on Sunday 8 June, before the service for Pentecost in St Mary’s Church at 12 noon. Afterwards there will be more dancing at the Golf Centre, followed by a cricket match on the Recreation Ground.

On the evening before (Saturday 7 June), there will be a folk evening in the Village Hall, with music, singing and ceilidh dancing. For tickets, please contact whitsun@whaddon.org or telephone Helen Strudwick on 207434.

HELP NEEDED
We would be very grateful if a villager could give us a few hours of their time to put up some shelves in the old phone box at the entrance to Bridge Street. The plan is to use the phone box as a book exchange / library

Please contact Kate French on 208207 if you can help

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

14th April at 7.30pm
All parishioners are welcome. Come and see the refurbished Village Hall. Hear about the results from the village plan.
This is an informal meeting of the Parish Council

VILLAGE HANDYPERSON

Whaddon Parish Council is looking for a Village Handyperson to carry out planned annual maintenance work such as upkeep of bus shelters, notice boards and the adopted phone box plus occasional ad-hoc tasks. If you are good at practical work, would like to help keep Whaddon looking nice and have some spare time available this could be the job for you.

As a guideline the work will probably take around 50 hours per year and can generally be planned to suit you. There are no fixed hour requirements. You will be paid for your time and we will reimburse you for any materials you use.

If you are interested and would like to find out more please contact Gabby – Clerk to the Parish Council (Tel 208450; email whaddonpcclerk@yahoo.co.uk) or Malan – Chair of the Parish Council (Tel 207358)

RECENT BULLETINS FROM CAMBRIDGESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Every year, Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service raise thousands of pounds for The Fire Fighters Charity – and we couldn’t do it without the support of residents so we would like to say a big thank you!

Registration is now open for the annual Ladies Driving Challenge on Sunday, May 11, at Alconbury Airfield. More than 300 women will get behind the wheel of super-sized vehicles and if you want to take part sign up quick! For more information and to register, email ldc@bedsfire.com or call (01234) 845130.

Business owners can take advantage of free workshops to help their company get to grips with fire safety and legislation. Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service’s Fire Protection team is running free sessions in Cambridge and Peterborough. The workshops take place on the second Tuesday of every month at Parkside Place Community Fire and Rescue Station, in Cambridge, and on the third Tuesday of the month at Dogsthorpe Fire Station, in Peterborough. The general workshop aims to give a brief explanation of the Fire Safety Order and the requirements of a fire risk assessment. It lasts about four hours and is free of charge.

To attend a workshop, or for more information, call CFRS Fire Protection team on (01733) 353206 to reserve a place.

Make sure fire safety still stays at the forefront of your mind – and don’t forget to test your smoke alarm.

To find out if you are eligible for a free home fire safety check, call 0800 917 99 94.

Accessing adult social care services

Social Care is personal and practical support to help people live their lives by supporting them to maintain their independence and dignity and ensuring they have choice and control over the support they receive. Many people don’t think about social care until they or someone they know need support, and then find they are unsure about where to find information or how to access the services they need.

Adult social care customer services are the initial point of contact for all social care enquiries. The trained staff knows about the services available and can offer advice on who else may be able to help. Call them on 0345 045 5202. You can also find out more about adult social care in Cambridgeshire on the website Your Life, Your Choice www.yourlifeyourchoice.org.uk

If you think you may need help with mental health issues you should contact your GP in the first instance.
‘AskSARA’ for Children

Since it launched in February last year, AskSARA Cambridgeshire’s online guide to advice and equipment has been visited by nearly 4,500 people looking for information and advice to enable them, or someone they care for, to remain independent in their own homes for as long as possible.

After the success of AskSARA for adults, a children’s version has recently been launched. AskSARA for children is a quick online guide for finding information about products and services to help children with daily activities in the home and when they are out and about. Information and advice about funding, equipment and carer support is also provided.

To visit the children’s site, use the link at the top of the web page at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/asksara

Homecare workers required

More older and vulnerable people are requiring homecare to ensure they feel safe, happy and independent. To achieve this, the County Council is recruiting compassionate and caring people to start a career in care through a unique apprenticeship programme that enables them to “earn while they learn” by supporting them to get a job with a local homecare provider whilst being paid the standard rate of a care worker.

If you want to make a positive difference to people’s lives and would be interested in a career in care, contact Emma Laskey-MacRae, Apprenticeship Project Coordinator on 07917 615360, email Emma.Laskey@cambridgeshire.gov.uk for more information about this unique apprenticeship programme. Your age and background doesn’t matter, if you are looking for a career in care somewhere in your community there’s a job you can do to help others.

Children’s Society Update

The Children’s Society is a UK based charity supporting vulnerable children and young people. The village supports this charity in two ways each year. The collection taken at the Christingle Service in December goes to the society. The congregation of the service last December gave £45 – so thank you to all those who donated.

The other way the village supports the Children’s Society is through the Blue Box campaign – although the boxes are not blue these days! This is a really easy way to donate – over the year people just put their spare change into a collection box. Once per year the box is collected, emptied and the money sent to the charity.

This year the collection raised over £150 for the Children’s Society – since 1998 we have provided almost £3,000.

If you would like to donate, then please let me know and I will provide you with your own Blue Box. I arrange collection and counting at the year end.

Kate French 208207 or kate.a.french@gmail.com

WHADDON GOLF CENTRE

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**ST MARY’S CHURCH WHADDON**

**EASTER DAY**

**SUNDAY 20 APRIL**

**SUNRISE SERVICE**

approx. 5.52 am  
in field behind  
17 Church Street  
AND  
**FAMILY HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE**

9.15 am  
in the Church  
to be followed by:  
**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
in the Churchyard

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**SERVICES**

- **Sunday 30th March** 9.30am
  - St Mary’s Whaddon
  - Mothering Sunday
- **Sunday 6th April** 9.30am
  - St Mary’s Whaddon
  - Family Service
- **Sunday 13th April** 9.30am
  - St Mary’s Whaddon
  - Palm Sunday
- **Thursday 17th April** 7.30pm
  - Bassingbourn Ch’ch
  - Maunday Thursday
- **Friday 18th April** 10.30am
  - Bassingbourn
  - Walk of Witness  
- **2.00pm**
  - Bassingbourn Ch’ch
  - Hour at the Cross
- **Sunday 20th April** 5.52am  
  - Field 17 Church St  
  - Sunrise Service  
- **9.15am**
  - St Mary’s Whaddon
  - Family Holy Communion followed by  
  - Easter Egg Hunt

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**MOTHERING SUNDAY**

30th March 9.30am

**CALLING ALL DADS**

Please come along to the Church Saturday 29th March to do posies for all the Mums & Grandmas.

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**FETE**

Church Fete 12th July  
preceded by the usual ploughman’s lunch.

More details to follow

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**VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR SPEEDWATCH**

We have started Speedwatch sessions again after a Winter break and the Whaddon team is short of people. One of the current team is likely to move before too long which makes the need for volunteers to join us that much more urgent.

The commitment is certainly not arduous but does require some availability during weekdays in the morning and late afternoon totalling no more than 4 hours a month and probably less if we get some more volunteers. The task involves monitoring cars using the Speedwatch kit and recording the details of those that are speeding. We operate as a team of three for one hour sessions, normally at the rush hour periods, and conversation is sparkling when the volume of traffic allows. If volunteers are not forthcoming it is likely that Speedwatch may come to an end in Whaddon before the end of the year.

Please contact me on 208236 if you can spare a few hours a month. Mike Monks

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When I started to draft this piece I expected to say that we had been crime-free over the past three months; however, in early March there was an attempted theft of a large power washer from stables in Meldreth Road. It only failed because the washer was so heavy the thief could not pull it through the mud. A day or so later the builders in Meldreth Road reported a suspicious silver Mercedes which they felt was taking an undue interest in houses along the road but nothing further was reported. In any circumstances when there has been an attempted crime or you feel that something is suspicious, please call 101, tell the police and, where appropriate, provide a car registration and descriptions of any people involved. If you delay telling the police for some days there is often very little they can then do.

If you have solar panels you might like to know that in local villages on a number of occasions recently a male has called at houses and asked to read people’s solar panel meters. He has not offered ID and has asked to borrow a ladder to read the meter. The male has been described as white, stocky, wearing a puffy jacket, aged 40 to 50 and wearing glasses. On each occasion he has run off when questioned by the occupant or when he has realised they are not alone. The police would like those with solar panels to be aware of this.

A reminder to everybody that the village e-mail system is sponsored by Whaddon Neighbourhood Watch and has about 130 addressees. It offers a rapid means of disseminating information not only on crime but on parish council, village hall, social and other matters that might be of interest to villagers. If you are not receiving these e-mails and would like to be added to the list please let me know on: whaddonnhw@gmail.com

Mike Monks

Whaddon Cricket Club (WCC!) fixtures for the coming season are detailed below. All players and help very welcome.

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**PARTY IN THE BARN**

After a year off, we are planning another Party in the Barn on Friday 4th July. Our ever popular band, Shredded Beat, will be entertaining us and we will have our usual bar, champagne bar and barbeque.

Tickets will go on sale after Easter - we will let you know when through the village email and notice boards.

Put the date in your diary, book the babysitter and tell your friends!!

**CHARITY ANTIQUES FAIR**

Orwell Village Hall

In aid of Help for Heroes

Sunday 13th April

10 am - 4.00 pm

Admission £1

(Early entry 9.00 am—£2)

Remember – dial 999 to report a crime actually happening or when lives are at risk and for a non-emergency matter call 101. If you report an incident to the police please let your neighbourhood watch coordinator know.
Whaddon Parish Council News—some items from our last three meetings……..

Whaddon Village Hall refurbishment

Following the work to improve the car park, the Trust were successful in gaining a £38,000 grant from Amey Cespa, with a 10% contribution from the Parish Council, to enable the complete refurbishment of the back part of the hall. This includes new toilets, one of which is wheelchair accessible, full insulation and heating, new double glazed French doors and a new roof. Work should be finished by end March.

Village upkeep

It was with regret that the Council had received the resignation of David Evans from the village handyman post and we thank him for his work over the past few years. David will continue to maintain the fountain and recreation ground for the future. Anyone interested in this role should apply to Gabby, the Parish Council Clerk (tel 208450; email whaddonpceclerk@yahoo.co.uk) or Malan – Chair of the PC (tel 207358)

The County Council had been asked to reinstate the grips in Bridge Street and Whaddon Gap to help reduce the amount of standing rain water on the road.

Bassingbourn Barracks

The Black Watch regiment is now in residence at the barracks in preparation to train the Libyan soldiers, which is expected to start in March and last for up to 18 months. Negotiations are still ongoing regarding the use of the barracks’ facilities by local clubs and societies.

Broadband

Connecting Cambridgeshire had reported that it would be too difficult to get fibre optic cable to a cabinet in Whaddon. This is a big setback and was a reversal of previous statements of intent. This issue is high on the agenda of many residents and the Parish Council, as identified in the Community Plan and there was another meeting with BT Openreach and Connecting Cambridgeshire and local representatives on 3rd March.

Speed limits and traffic calming

Whaddon had scored 8th out of 120 applications for a Local Highways Initiative Grant for contributions towards a traffic calming scheme in Meldreth Road. Money has been allocated to Whaddon and the Speedwatch team will consider the best places for the traffic ‘squeezes’ to be positioned.

Parish Precept

The 2014-2015 precept has been set at £16,400 and although this has increased by £200, there is a decreased cost per household because of an increase in the number of homes in the tax base.

Further probing managed to elicit from BT what we have always suspected, that the underlying problem is that, even with CC support, they do not want to spend the money to bring Whaddon’s telephone connections to a decent modern standard. While this is frustrating, and gets us no further, at least we have now got this admission.

BT are however investigating other solutions which might be able to bring decent broadband to a cabinet located elsewhere in Whaddon, in such a location which might allow a decent distribution of service. A high frequency radio solution—an alternative to fibre in areas where fibre is deemed impractical (or too expensive!)—is currently the subject of BT research. It would, theoretically, allow transmission of a high quality and strong signal from the point of origin over a clear line of sight to the endpoint at a cabinet. This is still a relatively new technology and the prognosis is as yet unclear. Adrian Dent, our County Councillor, is fortunately also a telecoms expert and will help us to the best of his ability; he has already been an incredible asset in this situation.

Whatever happens, and CC assure us something will be done, the bad news is that we are likely to be among the last beneficiaries of the Connecting Cambridgeshire programme. So nothing before the end of 2015 is in prospect.

Sorry to bring you this news. We can but hope for the best!

Nigel Strudwick

Compiled by Lee Ginger