USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS		
Citizens Advice:		
Cambridge	08448 487979	
Royston	08444 111444	
Councillors:		
County: Linda Oliver	01767 650430	
District: Nigel Cathcart	01763 243637	
David McCraith	01763 248249	
Doctors:		
Orchard Surgery, Melbourn	01763 260220	
The Health Centre, Royston	01763 242981	
Market Hill Surgery, Royston	01763 248111	
Roysia Surgery, Royston	01763 243166	
Health:		
NHS Direct (24 hour service)	0845 4647	
Hospital:		
Addenbrooke's Hospital	01223 245151	
Police:		
Non Emergency Number	101	
Samaritans:	08457 909090	
Transport:		
National Rail Enquiries	08457 484950	
Stagecoach Cambus	08706 082608	
<b>Utilities:</b>		
Anglian Water	08457 145145	
Cambridge Water Company	01223 403000	
Electricity Emergency & Supply Loss	08007 838838	
Vets:		
Melbourn Veterinary Surgery	01763 262696	
Royston Veterinary Centre	01763 242221	
Village Hall Booking:		
Wendy Evans	01223 207703	

#### WHADDON NEWS ADVERTISING RATES

Half page advert for one issue £12.50

Half page advert for one year (4 issues) £40.00

Other options may be available on request.

Contact Kate French C 208207 or email kate.a.french@gmail.com

# WHADDON NEWS

**JUNE 2013** 



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#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

10th June Parish Council

16th June Cricket

23rd June Cricket

30th June Cricket

7th July Cricket

8th July Parish Council

13th July Church Fete

14th July Cricket

1st Sept Cricket

9th Sept Parish Council

15th Sept Cricket

16th Nov Curry & Quiz

7th Dec Christmas Bazaar

### <u>NEWSLETTER</u>

The deadline for the next newsletter is **14th August**. Once again items of village interest are always welcome.

Joan Pascoe C208062 joanpascoe@aol.com

## VILLAGE HALL AVAILABLE TO HIRE

Special rates for those within the village - ideal for birthday parties and most functions.

Contact: Wendy Evans 108, Church St. 01223 207703



LIST OF PARISH COUNCILLORS			
Ms Malan Peyton	Chairman	C 207358	Ermine Farm, Dyers Green
Mr Lee Ginger	Vice chairman	C 208077	43 Bridge Street
Mrs Kate French	Councillor	C 208207	21 Bridge Street
Mrs Jennifer Lewis	Councillor	C 208356	20 Bridge Street
Prof. Tony Milton	Councillor	C 207105	Chestnut Tree Farm, Meldreth Road
Mr Randall Scott	Councillor	C 208253	26 Bridge Street
Mrs Gabby Van Poortvliet	Clerk/ Finance Officer	C 208450	134 Bridge Street, Dyers Green Whaddonpcclerk@yahoo.co.uk

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH TEAM			
Mike Monks	Whaddon Village Coordinator	58 Bridge Street	C 208236
Malan Peyton	Dep. Village Coordinator Parish Council NHW Rep.	Ermine Farm, Dyers Green	C 207358
Coordinators:			
Karen Coningsby	Meldreth Road/Church Corner	17 Church Street	C 207514
Carole Aldred	Church Street/Town Farm Close/ St Mary's Close	104 Church Street	C 208147
Wendy Evans	St Mary's Close/Church Street/ Town Farm Close	108 Church Street	C 207703
Maria Mould	Lower Bridge Street	39 Bridge Street	C 207231
Mike Monks	Ridgeway Close/Upper Bridge Street	58 Bridge Street	C 208236
Malan Peyton	Dyers Green	Ermine Farm, Dyers Green	C 207358
Local Enforcemen	nt:		
Chief Inspector Da	rren Alderson	Area Commander	
Inspector Chris Sav	vage	Safer Neighbourhood Manager	
Detective Inspector	r Ian Simmons	Area Crime Manager	
Neighbourhood P	olicing Team (Cambourne):		
Sergeant Jon Capes	ergeant Jon Capes Sector Sergeant		
PC Clare List		Neighbourhood Policing Constable	
James Lynch		Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)	
Lyndsay Gardiner		Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)	

### RESCUE SERVICE

<u>BARBECUE SAFETY:</u> The sun has finally arrived so I'm sure some residents will enjoy a tasty barbecue – but all barbecues can get out of control if care is not taken. Follow our top tips for a safe barbecue:

- Place your barbecues on level ground where it will not tip over.
- Site barbecues away from sheds, fences, overhanging foliage and the house.
- Avoid positioning barbecues where people have to pass closely by it.
- Keep children and garden games well away from the cooking area.
- Never leave barbecues unattended.
- When cooking is finished, ensure the barbecue is cool before moving it
- NEVER pour petrol or other highly flammable liquids over any barbecue.

For more advice about coal or gas barbecue safety, log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk/firesafety.

#### **COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS**

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service has rolled out its Community Champion scheme across the county and would like volunteers in every district to get involved.

Community champions encourage local residents to carry out fire safety checks in their homes, visit community groups and educate about fire safety and escape plans.

Would you like to learn more about fire safety?

Could you help your community become a safer place?

Do you want to gain volunteer experience, get free training and make friends?

Anyone interested in becoming a Community Champion should call Ed Aniskowicz at Cambridgeshire Acre, which is running the scheme for the fire service. Call Ed on 01353 865038, email edward.aniskowicz@cambsacre.org.uk or log on to http://cambsfirechamps.org.uk/.

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

#### Community Led Village Plan Update

Thank you to everyone who completed a questionnaire for the Village Plan. All responses have been collected and will analysed over the next couple of months. After the summer, we will be arranging to present the key themes back to the village – further details will be in the next Whaddon News

If you would like to know more then please contact Kate French 208207

## British Red Cross

A total of £179.72 was raised in Whaddon. Very many thanks to all who supported the collection.

Iris Green

#### **The Village E-Mail System**

We now have over 110 recipients in the system and once analysis of the recent village questionnaire is complete we should have everybody who wishes to join loaded into

whaddonnhw@gmail..com. We now not only send neighbourhood watch message but also items for the parish council, St Mary's church and any village-wide social activities – all complementing the Whaddon website. Most people who have a computer seem to want to join so hopefully we will soon have a very useful means of communicating with the majority of the village in a timely fashion. Perhaps if you receive a

message that might be of interest to a neighbour without e-mail you could make a copy and pass it on.

#### **Christian Aid Collection**

Thank you for your generous donations in the recent collection in

Whaddon which raised a total of £317.84 (plus gift aid on some of it) for Christian Aid.

Jenny Grech

#### **Church Street and Meldreth Road Residents**

The Parish Council has a limited number of 30mph wheelie bin stickers available. If you would like some to put on your bins to remind motorists of the correct speed limit please email the Clerk with your address details on whaddonpcclerk@yahoo.co.uk or telephone Gabby on 208450. Stickers will be given out on a first come first served basis.

Gabrielle van Poortvliet Clerk - Whaddon Parish Council



#### St Mary's Whaddon - Regular Services

Regular Sunday services follow a monthly cycle as follows:

1st Sunday of the month: 10:00am Family Service 2nd Sunday of the month: 9:15am Holy Communion Morning Prayer 4th Sunday of the month: 9:15am Holy Communion

**All Welcome** 

# St Mary's Parish Church FF TF

#### **Produce Show & Auction**

On the Recreation Ground & Churchyard WHADDON

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2013 Ploughman's lunch at 12.30 pm

(£5.00 & £2.20 children)

#### Fete Opens at 2.00 pm

The afternoon includes a Family Dog Show, Stalls, Tombola, Teas Games & Raffles plus FREE children's entertainment

### Produce & Show Schedule

Vegetables
Flowers
Flower Arrangements
Cookery
(Coffee & Walnut Cake)
Fruit & Home Produce
Wine Making

#### Children's Class (1-16 yrs)

Animal Hand Puppet Shortbread Biscuits

All entries to be booked in well before 12 noon

Donations gratefully received for the Tombola, White Elephant, Plant, Produce, Cake and Book Stalls.

Donations for Cake Stall to Iris Green (207325) and for Produce Stall to Wendy & Dave Evans (207703)

There will be a house to house collection of donations for the Tombola, White Elephant, Books etc on the evening of **Monday 8th July**.

#### The Travel for Work (TfW) Partnership

The Travel for Work (TfW) Partnership is a not for profit organisation that provides travel solutions to employers across Cambridgeshire,

#### Is your employer a member of TfW?

If they were, you could **save money** and **ease commuting stress** using our:

- Train ticket discounts
- Cycle shop discounts
- Car Share match website at www.camshare.co.uk

If you've not been on a bike for ages then we could also offer:

• Cycle training

website: www.tfw.org.uk.

Bike maintenance sessions

Additionally, if your employer is in the corridors between Cambridge to Ely and Cambridge to Huntingdon, we have **up to £6,000 match funding** to help improve on site facilities such as new cycle parking, pool bikes, shower facilities, lockers, etc. If this has whetted your appetite to try some different ways of getting to work, saving you money, getting fitter, then *please let your employer know about Travel for Work*.

And you can tell your employer that the best bit is - *Membership of TfW is free of charge*. You can find out more online by going to the TfW



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#### Award winning website helps find equipment to assist you in maintaining your garden

With the warmer weather finally here you may be thinking about getting out in your garden. If you are, an award-winning website can provide you with help and advice about the equipment available to make day-today tasks in the garden easier.

#### Help and support with day-to-day living

AskSARA has proved popular with local people since a Cambridgeshire version launched last year. So far it has helped nearly 4,000 people across the county access advice and information about the equipment and support available locally to help them remain independent and in their own homes. In addition to maintaining the garden and outdoors, a wide range of topics are covered from managing medication and eating healthily to equipment to aid hearing, personal care and household chores

This year June 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> is falls awareness week. AskSARA can also help you to find equipment to help prevent falls at home and when you are out and about.

Whether you need advice for yourself or for a friend or relative that you care for, you can find out about the equipment available by visiting AskSARA at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/asksara or ask at your local library for information.

**PC Repairs** 

**Advice & Installation of Home Networks** 

Help with Selecting a Computer

**Fault Finding** 

Brian Girling 01223 208529 (Wimpole)

E-mail bg@moncraft.co.uk

We can also provide the following services: Design of brochures, posters, business cards etc. A4/A3 laminating • A4 Comb-Binding Small print runs on A6 to A3 media

Whaddon Parish Council News—some items of news from our recent monthly meetings......

#### **Your Councillors**

At the start of the May meeting Cllr be a further announcement in Malan Peyton was elected as the September. Chair of the Parish Council for another year. Lee ginger was Broadband elected the Vice Chair. meeting

#### Village Upkeep

A number of items were discussed at the May Parish council meeting around the upkeep of the village. look at refurbishing/replacing the road signs for Ridgeway Close and Coningsby Terrace. The Council thanked villager, Nick Shaw for repainting the village sign.

#### **Bassingbourn Barracks**

Adrian Dent. County Cllr confirmed the Ski Club would stay operational for a while longer (although it was considering other locations) but the Golf Club was planning to wind up. Some other clubs were still uncertain about their future. County Cllr Dent has a This is an open meeting and meeting with the Defence Infrastructure Organisation to discuss The Barracks had not been

mothballed and there was likely to

Linda Oliver had briefed County Adrian Dent, our new County Cllr Dent and he would be in Councillor also attended the contact with BT to see what options were available to Whaddon

#### **Speed Limit and Traffic Calming**

The Parish Council is still waiting for a response from CCC to get firm quotations for the traffic The District Council have agreed to calming measures in Meldreth Road. The County Council had been going through a number of changes and people were still settling into new roles. A recent Speedwatch survey of Meldreth Road had shown a reduction in speed which was promising.

> All minutes of meetings are on the village website and notice boards. The next monthly Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 10th June, at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall.

everyone is welcome to attend.

Compiled by Kate French



#### WHADDON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

(whaddonnhw@gmail.com)



Most criminal activity in the local villages avoided Whaddon with the exception of domestic oil being stolen. Three incidents have occurred in recent months involving a few thousand litres at a cost well in excess of £1,500. I mentioned this in the last News when the first theft had taken place and with two more I think it worthwhile to mention again recent advice from the police:

- Plant prickly shrubs to hide your tank from view. Thieves will not want to force their way through or over a prickly hedge. Traces of blood or a shred of ripped clothing could help the police to identify the offender;
- Be aware of your oil levels and check frequently, a remote oil level sensor is inexpensive and alarms are available from £60;
- If you have a plastic tank, consider erecting fencing around the tank with one end hinged and locked for filling purposes. The fencing should be fixed to solid posts and should be set off the tank approx 12 inches on all sides;
- If you have a steel tank, then fit a quality anti-cut closed shackle padlock. Lockable fuel caps are available from £50;
- If you have outside security lighting, then please ensure that the system works and that the light sensors have been adjusted correctly to detect movement around the tank:
- Deter thieves from entering your property by fitting lockable gates. Maintain boundaries and perimeter fencing.

Burglaries in local villages have been the focus of police activity with 18 close to us of which 9 were in Foxton. Many Foxton villagers turned up to the April Police Panel Meeting and for the first time a detective sergeant and DC were there to answer their concerns. In the event, possibly coincidentally, there were arrests the following day and charges have been laid. This spate of burglaries does highlight the need to take sensible precautions to keep your home secure, particularly with (hopefully) warmer weather on its way resulting in windows and doors being open. I have mentioned before that almost all homes in Whaddon back on to open fields and provide a tempting opportunity for villains. Let's not encourage them!

Following the last Panel Meeting the agreed priorities for the local police are:

- 1.) Tackle road safety issues including excess speed and obstructive parking, thereby providing support to active Speedwatch schemes;
- 2.) Target anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the Moor, Melbourn and vehicle related ASB in Bassingbourn.

Finally, let me emphasize that crime is at its lowest level in South Cambridgeshire for many years and Whaddon remains a peaceful, and generally crime free village. A few precautions on your part can easily keep it that way.

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 Cricket Club**

I just wanted to tell everyone that the cricket nets are now up and functioning, on the Rec, next to the church graveyard. Thank you to the Parish Council for their s106 money to fund them, to Lady Angela for her understanding, and to those that helped to build them, particularly Will Burchett, Roger Huffer and Richard Green, Helen and Nigel Strudwick, Mark and John Newberry, Pete Nussey, Pete Coningsby, Edward and William Haselden.

If anyone is interested in using the nets, then they can, but please can they let me know first by e-mail (peter.haselden@sky.com) (unless they are already members of the Whaddon Cricket Club, in which case no need).

Please do not use spikes on the mat! We have some springy stumps too that can be borrowed.

The next match is against Yuva on 16<sup>th</sup> June, at home. Yuva are providing the food! All welcome.

WHADDON CRICKET CLUB FORTHCOMING CRICKET FIXTURES			
Date	Team	Venue	
June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Yuva	Home	
June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sandon	Away	
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Huffer Invitational XI	Home or Away	
July 7 <sup>th</sup>	Ernst & Young	Home	
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Bassingbourn	Away	
September 1 <sup>st</sup>	Bridge Street v Church Street	Home	
September 15 <sup>th</sup> (1pm)	Hare Street	Home	

#### **Railing Painting**



Mav Saturday approximately twenty members of the village aged eight to eighty gave up their Saturday morning to paint the railing around the recreation ground. They managed to get the entire length sanded and painted before the rain came. A great community spirit prevailed the only reward offered was a bacon butty and the thought that our village was aesthetically improved. Wendy

#### 'The Pulsatillas'

An Evening with Sarah Harrison and friends

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#### SPEEDWATCH & SPEEDING IN WHADDON

With lighter (and slightly warmer) mornings Speedwatch has restarted in the village with the task of monitoring the new reduced 30mph speed limit. What does this mean in practice? The target for Speedwatch is the same as that for all speed monitoring: namely speed limit + 10% + 2 mph. In Whaddon this means 30+3+2 = 35. 35 mph is the threshold for being logged and, in due course receiving a letter from the police, Receiving one letter might be the result of a lapse in concentration, receiving three letters, each progressively more pointed, is something more and should definitely be avoided. The village Speedwatch team are well aware that there are places in the village where maintaining the speed limit is a challenge but that is not unique to Whaddon. In due course, a speed reduction measure (not bumps!) will be installed in Meldreth Road and Speedwatch signs will be erected at each end of the village.

You may recall that a significant majority of residents in Whaddon elected for a 30mph speed limit throughout the village and that is what we have. Our hope is that vil-

lagers will respect the posted speed and the efforts of the Speedwatch team will educate those travelling through the village to slow down. There is much work to do – for example, in May a Speedwatch check in Church Street adjacent to College Farm and just before the corner at Bumpkins resulted in well over 30% of drivers being logged for speeding. We suspect that only "backing up" behind a slower car stopped this figure from being much higher.

Please do your part by observing the limit.

**VOLUNTEERS:** If you have some spare time during normal working hours and would like to join the team then please contact Mike Monks on C208236 No more than an hour or so twice a month is required and training will be given. We have nobody from Meldreth Road and yet that is where many complaints about speeding originate. Come and join us.

#### WHADDON VILLAGE HALL

#### RENOVATION OF WHADDON VILLAGE HALL

The Trustees of Whaddon Village Hall and Recreation Ground Trust are pleased to advise you that work will start on phase one of the renovation of the hall in mid-July. The work will include



- · New floor with underfloor heating.
- The interior of the hall will be insulated to meet modern standards and re-plastered.
- New LED lighting.
- · Secondary heating provided on a pay as you use meter
- · Kitchen to be moved and completely fitted with cooker and fridge.
- · Air source heat pump to provide more affordable heating
- · All electric wiring to be replaced to meet current standards
- · Worn bricks on front elevation to be replaced where necessary.
- Existing kitchen to be cleared and changed to provide storage space for tables and chairs.

This work will take between 12 and 14 weeks to complete, during which time the village hall will be closed.

Once the work is complete, Whaddon Parish Council, through the affordable housing grant for community projects, will fund the landscaping of the front to include new tarmac – new entrance to parking area – and railings to be installed around the hall.

The total cost of the hall renovation is £94,728. This price includes the cost of professional fees and site management and the cost of bringing the electricity in from the road to a new position in the hall.

The Village Hall Trust has funded this work with the help of the following organisations:

٠	Village Hall Trust cash	£28,227.00
	South Cambs Grant	£25,000.00
	Bernard Sunley Trust	£2,000.00
	Keepmoat Homes	£1,000.00
	Parish Council	£3,514.00
•	Parish Council	£1,075.00
	Lottery Awards for All	£9,729.00
	Amey Cespa (landfill sites)	£20,000.00
	Grand Total	£88,095.00

This is obviously slightly short of expected costs, but we have several more applications for grants being considered and it has been decided that if we do not get these we will take out a small loan against future income.

In addition to these grants we have also received smaller grants towards the cost of stacking chairs and folding tables from the following organisations

•	South Cambs Community Chest	£1,000.00
-	Co-operative charitable Trust	£1,100.00
•	Cole Charitable Trust	£500.00
	Total	£2,600.00

This total £2,600 covers the total cost of new tables and chairs for the hall.