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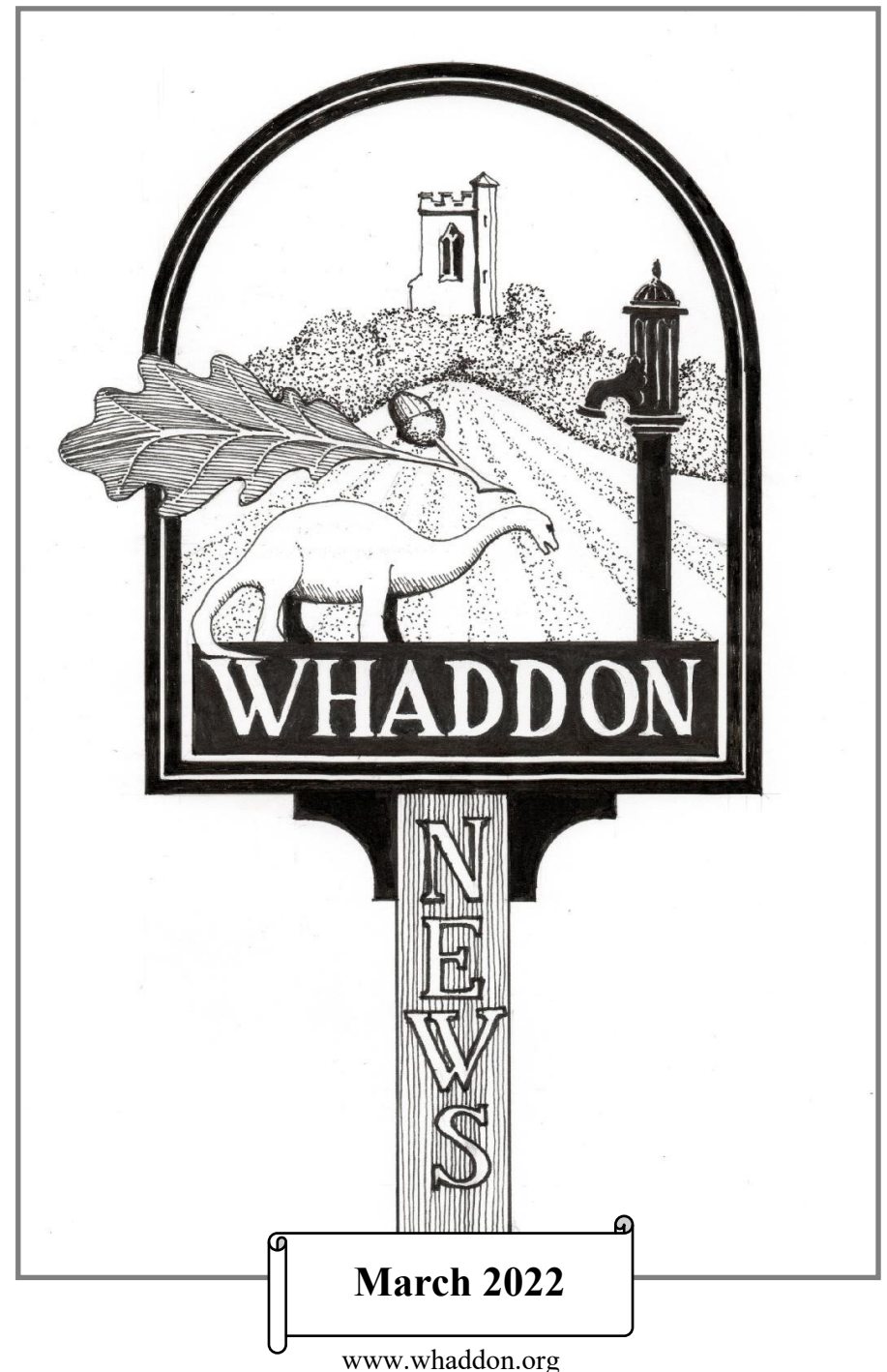
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Contact Angela Bridges, the Parish Clerk:
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2nd March	Coffee Morning
14th March	Parish Council
16th March	Coffee Morning
26th March	Posy Making
27th March	Mothering Sunday
30th March	Tomb-Robbers Talk
6th April	Coffee Morning
11th April	Parish Council
17th April	Easter Sunday
20th April	Coffee Morning
24th April	Cricket
4th May	Coffee Morning
8th May	Cricket
9th May	Parish Council
14th May	Newsletter Deadline
15th May	Cricket
18th May	Coffee Morning
29th May	Cricket
2nd June	Jubilee Events
3rd June	Jubilee Events
4th June	Jubilee Events
5th June	Jubilee & Whitsun Events
9th July	Church Fete

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NEWSLETTER

*The deadline for the next newsletter is **May 14th**
Items of village interest are always welcome.*

*Joan Pascoe C208062
joanpascoe@aol.com*

Dario's Fish & Chips

At the Village Hall Carpark
17.00 to 20.00

Dario's next visit to Whaddon will be on 24th March.

Further information for the following months via the village email system.

Please order during the week before. [facebook.com/DariosFishandChips](https://www.facebook.com/DariosFishandChips) or text to mobile phone 07403 747511.

Bin Collection Dates

Wed 2 Mar	Blue only	Fri 22 Apr	Black
Wed 9 Mar	Black	Thurs 28 Apr	Blue/Green
Wed 16 Mar	Blue/Green	Thurs 5 May	Black
Wed 23 Mar	Black	Wed 11 May	Blue/Green
Wed 30 Mar	Blue/Green	Wed 18 May	Black
Wed 6 Apr	Black	Wed 25 May	Blue/Green
Wed 13 Apr	Blue/Green	Wed 1 June	Black

Mobile Library

Every 3rd Tuesday
10.00 - 10.30
Meldreth Road

Tuesday 15 March

Tuesday 19 April

Tuesday 17 May

LIST OF PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Anita Birch	Councillor	07748 908164	68 Bridge Street
Joanne Hart	Councillor	C208009	108 Church Street
Deborah Townsend	Councillor	07388 033616	36 Bridge Street
Mrs Angela Bridges	Clerk/ Finance Officer	—	31 Bridge Street, whaddonparishclerk@outlook.com

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH TEAM

Malan Peyton	Whaddon Village Coordinator	Ermine Farm, Dyers Green	C 207358
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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
Maria Mould	Lower Bridge Street/Ridgeway Close	39 Bridge Street	C 207231
Helen Smith	Upper Bridge Street	9 Bridge Street	C 207631
Malan Peyton	Dyers Green	Ermine Farm, Dyers Green	C 207358

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www.cambs.police.uk/LocalPolicing/SouthCambs/Cambourne/

John Coppard	Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)
Lyndsay Gardiner	Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)
James Lynch	Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)

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Find us at:

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Cambridge CB2 0AD

T: 01223 249220

E: cambridge@maggies.org

ANTHONY BROWNE MP

Contact details for Anthony Browne MP are as follows:

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Email: Anthony.browne.mp@parliament.uk

Address: Broadway House, 149-151 St Neots Road, Hardwick, CB23 7QJ



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Email - villagegardenandproperty@gmail.com

WHADDON PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Save the date(s)!

Her Majesty The Queen's platinum jubilee will be celebrated vigorously and in style in Whaddon with a series of events from Thursday to Sunday, 2-5 June.

A small but active working party is putting together a programme of events, which will be shared with villagers as soon as all the details are in place. But for now here are the headlines.

Thursday

Live-streaming of Trooping the Colour

Friday

Overs and under cricket activity

Family disco

Saturday

Traditional games on the recreation ground

Fancy dress event

Live-streaming of the Jubilee concert

Sunday

Red-white-blue parade through the village, following along with the Whitsun

Morris dancing

Service for Whitsun on the recreation ground

Picnic lunch

Helen Strudwick

WHADDON POPPY APPEAL

On behalf of The Royal British Legion I would like to thank members of the Whaddon community for once again offering their time and generously donating towards the appeal.

Autumn 2021 marked the first year of collections since the beginning of the Pandemic and I am very pleased to let you know that, despite many having experienced difficult times recently, we collected the grand total of £687.59 which was even slightly more than previous years.

I would like to thank Mrs Janet Leech and Mrs Kate French for again carrying out door to door collections round the village.

Thank you also to Richard and Lorna Green at the Whaddon Golf Centre for hosting a collection box, Whaddon Parish Council for their kind donation and the congregation of St. Mary's Church who together with representatives of Basingbourn Barracks, came out in force to the Remembrance Sunday service and donated generously.

Henry Burgess

Whitsun in Whaddon is Sunday 5 June 2022

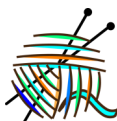
It is unlikely to have escaped your notice that the date of Whitsun this year is also that of the Queen's 70th Jubilee. We will ensure that the Whitsun Celebrations are tied in with the preparations for other events on this very important weekend. There will be no folk evening on the Saturday. However, Sunday will proceed much as normal. There will be a procession around the village starting at Meldreth Road and at Dyer's Green about 10:30, with various dance spots *en route*. The Pentecost service will take place on the recreation ground at midday.

Further dancing will take place in the village, but the timings etc will be dependent on what else will be happening that day. Please watch the web site, village email, and the next *Whaddon News* for more information.

Helen and Nigel Strudwick
whitsun@whaddon.org

Calling all crocheters and knitters of Whaddon

A project has been set in motion to decorate the large village hall window in red, white and blue crocheted and knitted flowers for the upcoming jubilee celebrations.



We have a small group of enthusiastic people and would welcome anyone else who would like to be a part of it. It doesn't matter if you're a beginner or have years of experience, dust off those hooks and needles and contact Nikki Cross on 07957895927.

This may be the start of a Whaddon yarn group, you never know.

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E-mail bg@moncraft.co.uk

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All villagers will have to do is go to the Village Hall, drop their items into the correct bin, and then volunteers will sort them out and periodically take them to the appropriate drop-off point.

We will be letting you know when this is up and running, and very much hope villagers will support this scheme to "do our bit" to cut back on non-recyclable items.

Whaddon Parish Plan

The plan team are already up and running and many of you should have seen an initial email from them asking for some early thoughts as to area to be explored. They are devising a village-wide questionnaire which should be ready in a few months' time.

Whaddon Gap road safety scheme

While this work is funded and will definitely go ahead, County Highways are waiting for the entrance to the yard opposite Whaddon Gap to be closed permanently before they can begin work. Closure of this entrance is one of the Planning Conditions imposed upon the developer when permission was granted to build the new houses on the site. The new entrance to

the houses will be further to the north and so will not interfere with traffic at the Whaddon junction. Hopefully, we shall not have to wait too long before this scheme is implemented.

Safety mesh installed on the two wooden footpath bridges

The PC received reports that the surfaces of both footpath bridges in Whaddon were very slippery in wet weather. We are pleased to report that they have both been made safer by adding a layer of wire over the top, to increase grip in wet weather. Jonathon Burgess, the Village Handyman must be thanked for this work.

Annual Parish Meeting

This has been fixed for Monday 25th April in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Parish Council Meetings

These normally take place on the second Monday of each month and the next meeting is scheduled to be held in the Village Hall at 8pm on 14th March.

Minutes of PC meetings are on the village website www.whaddon.org and on the notice board at the Village Hall in Church Street.

Compiled by Lee Ginger

N. HERTS AND DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

The Royston office is now open **Monday and Wednesday** 9.30 am to 12 noon. To contact the local CAB please call 01462 689801 and leave a message or email northhertscab.org.uk

Alternatively contact the CAB national phone service: Tel 0800 144 8848.

Whaddon Parish Council Matters

Covid-19

Although the worst effects of the Pandemic seem to be abating, there are still high Covid numbers in Cambridgeshire. We all must be all continue to practice good hand hygiene and room ventilation, wear masks when appropriate and conduct regular testing, especially before attending events and meeting with others outside your regular household. The Parish Council will continue to send around updates if they are relevant.

Parish Precept for 2022-2023

The Parish Precept is the amount of Council Tax money that the PC needs to effectively 'run' the village. This includes maintenance, grass cutting and small improvements. This year, the Parish Council decided, at our January meeting, that the amount of precept paid by each dwelling will be held at the same rate as last year, typically at £79.88 for a band D rated house.

However, because of a slight increase in the number of village dwellings paying Council Tax this year (for several technical reasons), this gives the PC a slightly bigger overall total budget. Other projects identified are an additional £2,279 for Village Hall and Playground maintenance and renovation and a small budget for a new village recycling scheme, detailed below.

Small-scale recycling is coming to Whaddon

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but there are still many things that still can't be recycled and have to go into landfill. However, there are various small specialist schemes appearing around the UK for these sorts of things. Two such items are medicine "blister packs" and crisp packets. Most households in Whaddon will have waste in one of these two categories, neither of which can be put in your blue bin and recycled by SCDC – instead, they have to go in the black bin.

A scheme for recycling blister packs has been set up by the specialist recycling company Terracycle. These packs can be dropped off at participating branches of Superdrug who then send them to Terracycle. Both branches of Superdrug in Cambridge are in this scheme. A crisp packet recycling scheme has been set up by the crisp manufacturer Walkers, who collect them from participating centres, often schools; there are ones local to us in Meldreth and Steeple Morden.

The Parish Council with the co-operation of the Hall and Recreation Ground Trust are to set up a small recycling area for these difficult items at the Village Hall. This is based on a scheme already running in Foxton. SCDC will provide us with two small brown bins that can be used for these items, and the Parish Council has purchased a lock by which they can be attached to the hall. One bin will be initially for blister packs, the other for crisp packets.

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Two such difficult items are the so-called medicine "blister packs" and crisp packets. The former are of course perhaps the most common way in which prescription and non-prescription tablets, medicines and the like are now made available to us. Crisp packets are self-explanatory. Most households in Whaddon will have waste in one of these two categories, neither of which can be put in your blue bin and recycled by SCDC – instead, they have to go in the black bin.

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It's not terribly environmentally friendly or convenient for each of us individually to drive to these places to drop off our "difficult items", so I have been looking at what other villages are doing to create central drop-off points to make this easier. Foxton has been particularly active. Inspired by this, I have got the agreement of the Parish Council and the Hall and Recreation Ground Trust to set up a small recycling area for these difficult items at the Village Hall. You may have seen this mentioned in the Council minutes.

SCDC have been very generous in agreeing to provide us with two small brown bins that can be used for these items, and the Parish Council has purchased and will install a lock by which they can be attached to the hall. One bin will be initially for blister packs, the other for crisp packets.

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We will be letting you know when this is up and running, and I very much hope villagers will support this scheme to "do our bit" to cut back on non-recyclable items.

Nigel Strudwick
ncs3@cam.ac.uk

REGULAR ACTIVITIES AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Wednesday	10.30 - 12.00	Coffee morning (1st & 3rd Wed)
Thursday	18.30 - 19.30	Pilates
	19.30 - 20.30	Pilates
Friday	17.00 - 19.30	Dog training
Saturday	08.00 - 13.30	Dog training
		} 6 week blocks



ST MARY'S CHURCH WHADDON

SERVICES

2nd March	Ash Wednesday	7.30pm	Bassingbourn
27th March	Mothering Sunday. Family Holy Communion Service with distribution of posies	9.30am	St Mary's Whaddon
10th April	Palm Sunday. Holy Communion including distribution of palm crosses.	9.30am	St Mary's Whaddon
14th April	Maundy Thursday	7.30pm	Bassingbourn
17th April	Easter Sunday Sunrise Service (in the churchyard), followed by tea/coffee and hot cross buns	6.00am	St Mary's Whaddon
	Family Holy Communion Service followed by children's Easter Egg Hunt in the churchyard.	9.30am	St Mary's Whaddon
8th May	Holy Communion followed by APCM.	9.30am	St Mary's Whaddon
5th June	Short Whitsun Service followed by Morris Dancing	12.00	Whaddon Recreation Ground

MOTHERING SUNDAY POSIES

Saturday 26th March

Posy making in the church around 10am. All children, accompanied with a parent, are welcome to come and help make the posies.



Christmas sing-a-long at the Golf Centre on 17 December 2021

Many thanks to Lorna and Richard for hosting the Christmas sing-a-long and for donating all money taken for mulled wine and mince pies to St Mary's Church. The evening was good fun, and a total of £116.40 was raised for the church.

Jenny Grech

CHURCH FETE

9th July 2022

12.30pm for
Ploughman's lunch
2pm: Opening of Fete.
Everyone Welcome

MOBILE LIBRARY

A reminder that the Cambridgeshire County Council's Mobile Library Service is free to join and use. Each Mobile Library vehicle carries up to 3,000 items of stock including fiction, non-fiction, large print, books on CD & cassette and books for children of all ages. You can request books online to collect from the mobile Library on our next visit.

Any books borrowed from the Mobile Library can be returned to any other Cambridgeshire Library and you can return books from other libraries to the mobile service, so no need to worry about missing your due date. All vehicles have a lift for wheelchair users or those who find stairs difficult. You can also find free hearing aid batteries, stamps and reading glasses.

Currently the Whaddon stop is at Meldreth Road, every 3rd Tuesday from 10.00 - 10.30am. However, from the end of May this will change to the 4th Wednesday, again 10.00 - 10.30am. New timetables will be given to regular users and new details will be in the next Whaddon News.

Villagers are encouraged to use this facility in order that the service continues to be available.

White Poppies.

A big thank you to all those who bought a white poppy in remembrance of all those who died or were injured in conflict. £25 was raised for the Peace Pledge Union. www.ppu.org.uk

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The Whaddon village email list and web site in 2022

As a number of families have moved into the village recently, I just wanted to summarise what we have in Whaddon for communication.

Email list: this is probably the most immediate way of finding out what is going on in Whaddon. All you have to do is send an email to **emaillist@whaddon.org** asking to be added to the list, and I will gladly do so. There are usually no more than three to five messages in an average week, and I promise not to clog your inboxes with messages.

- The Parish Council sends round not just information relating to council meetings, but also very timely public service announcements—this has been very true over the last two years with the need to keep you informed about extra local services being made available because of the Coronavirus, and the recent increase in all sorts of scams;
- The Village Hall Trust announces its public events;
- The Churchwardens send round news and information about St Mary's;
- And lastly, we have heard about villagers announcing items for collection, Teddy bear hunts, Halloween pumpkin competitions, various jigsaws, or asking for recommendations, and also messages about lost and found pets and keys.

Emails from the Whaddon email list come from **emaillist@whaddon.org**. As the one who runs the list, I respect everyone's privacy, and individuals are only on the list because they have given me their explicit permission to be contacted for the purposes of village-wide emails ONLY. Remember, you only have to drop me an email to be removed and I will do it immediately.

Don't forget that we also have the web site (<http://www.whaddon.org/> and Facebook (WhaddonCambs). Ideas and especially contributions for both would be welcome!

Nigel Strudwick

SUSAN VAN de VEN Cambridgeshire County Councillor

All drop-in advice surgeries are currently suspended.

Zoom Cuppa Surgeries: Wednesdays 5-6PM

If you'd like to meet with your councillors by Zoom, to bring any concerns or ask any questions, we're running a weekly Zoom Cuppa Surgery: Wednesdays 5-6 PM. Please contact Sally Ann Hart for a link: Sallyannhart@riskingonpurpose.com.

Alternatively, you can contact Susan on 07905325574 or susan@scilibdems.org.uk

Monthly Newsletter:

Susan writes a monthly e-newsletter on issues affecting our area – please do let her know if you'd like to receive it, or would like anything to be included in it.

Susan van de Ven

County Councillor for Bassingbourn, Melbourn, Meldreth and Whaddon

Musings on Spring

Rev Helen Orr Vicar of Bassingbourn and Whaddon

"What is seen will pass, what is unseen is eternal"

As we enter a time of lifting, lighter days, with beginnings of sunshine and spring, I am reminded of how, year on year, the seasons reflect the rebirth of creation. After the dying autumn leaves and barren winter branches - signs of life spring up from the once dead earth; small crocuses push through. You can understand how for generations folk have come together at key points in the seasons to celebrate this fact - the circle of life.



So, as we enter the time of Lent - a waiting for the final spring to emerge and the ultimate resurrection to eternal life of Jesus, we can focus not only on things we might abstain from in the final throws of winter but also think about what we might take on this year, perhaps a decision to be joyful?

This isn't based on circumstances, indeed it is beyond circumstances, as we look to the sun and the care of the planet, we can ask God to fill us with his spirit, his love and his warmth. May it spread out from us and through us to those in our community and beyond; may we embrace the season with an attitude of gratitude and hope- knowing that "what is seen will pass but what is unseen is eternal"

St Mary's Whaddon Heating

Following completion of the re-roofing at St Mary's, our attention has again returned to the heating in the church, and implementing Phase II of the approved scheme which focuses on the nave and aisles. However, before we can hang new radiators in the aisles, we need to first replace defective plastering in the south aisle. We have recently obtained permission to undertake this work, and will shortly be inviting tenders with the intention of carrying out the re-plastering in the early summer.

In the meantime we are continuing to fund-raise for the project, and our next event will be a talk in the Village Hall by **Nigel Strudwick** entitled *'The Tomb-Robbers of Ancient Thebes (Luxor)'*.

This will take place on **Wednesday 30th March at 8:00pm.**

Tickets are £7:50 and include a glass of wine (or soft drink), and are available from David Grech, Spring Cottage, Bridge Street, Tel: 01223 208938.

St Mary's Whaddon PCC



Christmas Comes Early for Our Whaddon Residents

A number of residents were invited and attended a Traditional Christmas lunch in the village hall on the 22nd December. Deborah Townsend, organiser, was able to secure every aspect by asking for donations from Whaddon residents and local businesses. "I was blown away by the generosity of our parishioners who pulled all the stops out to donate to this event. Without the kindness of the villagers this event would not have been able to run so smoothly".

The day started early for many with potatoes and vegetables being peeled and prepared. The turkey had an early start too, with James Bridges switching on the oven at the crack of dawn.

Local company, Black barn turkeys, donated the turkey and was the talking point for a few days whilst it defrosted! Needless to say it was very tasty and plentiful.

There was a team of willing table layers, chefs, waiters, waitresses and wine waiters who all gave their time just before Christmas. There are so many kind and willing people in Whaddon and those who attended had a very sociable and enjoyable start to Christmas.

These are a few comments from some of the diners:

'Good food, good company and a great time had by all. Well done.'

'Delicious meal, well done everyone who worked so hard.'

'Lovely - every 3 months please!'

'....Whaddon at its best'

We hope to be able to make this an annual event with 2022's date being Wednesday 21st December.

If you would like to be involved please contact Debtownsend2007@btinternet.com. We will be asking for volunteers and donations from November onwards.



Coffee Mornings

I am delighted to announce that the coffee mornings have been recognised by The Accountancy Practice in Royston as an activity that does good for the local community. As a result we were given a gift of £100! The Accountancy Practice make a £500 gift each month to any individual or group that makes positive contributions to the local community and, with Christmas approaching, they decided to split December's gift and make 5 gifts of £100 each to 5 individuals / groups.



The coffee mornings, held on the first and third Wednesday of every month have now been running for six months and seem to be gaining in popularity with the number of people attending steadily going up and one or two new faces appearing.

Hopefully the homemade cakes will continue to lure people in and increase numbers further! Everyone is welcome to come along so do extend invitations to friends and family to join us.

The dates for the next three months are as follows:-

March 2nd & 16th

April 6th & 20th

May 4th & 18th

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Provisional Fixtures for 2022

DATE	MATCH	VENUE
24 April	Steeple Morden	Home
8 May	Hare Street	Away
15 May	Sandon	Home
29 May	Train Boys	Home
3 June	>35 v <35 or similar - Jubilee Game	Home
19 June	Bassingbourn (TBC19/06 or 10/07)	Away
26 June	Sandon	Away
3 July	Huffer XI	Home
10 July	Bassingbourn (TBC19/06 or 10/07)	Away
17 July	Royston Dads	Home
31 July	Guilden Morden	Away
21 August	Cantabs (TBC)	Home
4 September	Church St v Bridge St	Home
18 September	Hare Street	Home



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Whaddon Parish Plan 2022

The New Year brings with it the exciting initiative to once more look at and update our Parish Plan, with the aim of helping to tackle the social, economic and environmental themes that residents themselves decide are important.

A small working group drawn from all parts of the village has been set up to coordinate the production of the next version of a Parish Plan for Whaddon. Previous versions of the plan were prepared in 2006 and 2013, and these can be read on the Whaddon village website.

A key requirement in preparing the plan is to be able to demonstrate an evidence base for the various actions promoted by the plan, and central to that will be a questionnaire that will be distributed to every household and business in the parish. Work will commence over the coming weeks on drawing up the topics and questions that will be covered. To help ensure the questionnaire is both relevant and representative of the overall village view, the working group would really welcome ideas and issues that villagers would wish to see incorporated. Any ideas or issues can be e-mailed to the working group (e-mail whaddonparishplan@whaddon.org) or in writing via the postbox at the village hall. If all goes to plan, we hope to be distributing the questionnaire around the village in the early summer.

We look forward to hearing your thoughts!
Whaddon Parish Plan Working Group



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Tuition

Bar

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Snacks and Ice Creams

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TIMES PAST

Royal Celebrations (1)

In this year of Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Times Past will concentrate on Royal Celebrations in Whaddon. Information, previously researched by Stan and Jean Ralls, will be used along with extracts from articles published by the Royston Crow. Thanks to the *Herts and Cambs Reporter (Royston Crow)* we know that Whaddon has celebrated Royal Occasions over the last 135 years. Actual extracts from the *Royston Crow* appear in italics.

Queen Victoria

Celebrations, if any, that took place in Whaddon for the Coronation of Queen Victoria on 28th June 1838 or for Her Silver Jubilee in 1862 will probably never be known as there are no reports in the local press.

Golden Jubilee 23rd June 1887

The proceedings commenced with a short service at the Church, after which the choir and a large congregation marched to a field kindly lent by Mr A Coningsby, *'where a bountiful supply of boiled and roast beef with beer, followed by tea, bread and butter and cake were provided for the whole parish. Cricket, scrambling for nuts, with the accompaniment of a troupe of minstrels from Melbourn enlivened the afternoon. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour'*.

Diamond Jubilee 25th June 1897

This Jubilee was celebrated through the kindness of Mr and Mrs Palmer. The festivities were again held on Mr Coningsby's ground. *'At 4 o'clock the children were regaled with a meat tea, cake etc., and were each presented with a Jubilee mug. A presentation was made to Mr and Mrs Palmer as a mark of esteem'*. A Cricket Match between Married and Singles was played in the afternoon, the Singles winning easily. A string band was provided and dancing *'freely engaged in after tea'*. Athletic Sports were arranged including races for women and children and at the close there was a firework display and the National Anthem was sung.

Edward VII

26th June 1902 - planned date for the Coronation

Many arrangements had been made *'for great rejoicings on the Coronation of King Edward VII on Thursday 26th June'*. However, on the Tuesday, news was received that His Majesty was seriously ill. The vicar, Rev J G Eames and the Parish Council met on the Wednesday to decide what should be done as the food had already arrived and been prepared. It was decided to go ahead and have the meal as arranged *'in accordance with the King's desire'*. A Church Service was held at 11 o'clock led by the Rev J G Eames which

was well attended. *'Dinner and tea were served in a large tent erected with hay poles and cloths, kindly lent for the occasion'* in the grounds of Mr Alfred Coningsby. *'The Vicar and Mrs Eames and Mr J Beaumont attended at dinner, the Vicar making some suitable remarks on His Majesty's illness'*. The programme of sports, fireworks, bonfire and a band was cancelled. A cricket match was played in the afternoon, Married v Single, Singles winning on the second innings. A tug-of-war was also arranged, again Married v Single, but this was won by the Marrieds easily. *'A vote of thanks to Mr Coningsby for the use of his grounds, Mr Nash and others who helped, terminated a very enjoyable day under the circumstances'*.

The King had an emergency operation for appendicitis on June 24th. Following the King's recovery the date of the actual Coronation was Saturday 9th August, 1902.

Coronation Day 9th August 1902

The fact that a substantial part of the original programme of Coronation festivities was carried out on June 26th, did not prevent the inhabitants of Whaddon from sharing in the common rejoicings on Saturday, August 9th. Tea was provided for all, and a happy time was spent with amusing sport and fireworks in the evening. The school children were presented with Coronation mugs by the Vicar Rev J G Eames.

WHADDON CORONATION OF KING EDWARD VII., JUNE 26TH, 1902.				
Programme				
11 o'clock	Service at Church.			
1 "	Dinner.			
2.30 "	Cricket Match.			
4 "	Climbing Pole for Leg of Mutton.			
PRIZES				
		1st.	2nd.	3rd.
4.30 "	Races in Sacks	3/-	2/-	1/-
5 "	Balancing Broomstick	3/-	2/-	1/-
5.30 "	Three-legged Race	3/-	2/-	1/-
6 "	Tea			
7 "	Blindfolded Race	3/-	2/-	1/-
7.30 "	Wheelbarrow Race (Blindfolded)	3/-	2/-	1/-
8 "	Women's Race			
8.30 "	Mounted Combat	3/-	2/-	1/-
9 "	Tug-of-War			
9.30 "	Bonfire and Fireworks			
10 "	Dancing			
GOD SAVE THE KING				

The programme of events planned for the 26th June 1902 most of which actually took place on 9th August 1902