

Madingley News

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Fallen leaves of the Maidenhair tree (Ginkgo biloba) in the grounds of Madingley Hall; photograph by Kate Cooper

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FROM THE EDITORS

Welcome to the Autumn 2019 issue of *Madingley News* – and thanks, as always, to all our contributors. This issue carries details of many recent and future activities in and around the Village.

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MADINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL

I am writing this in a tranquil calm, due to roadworks that have closed the High Street to through traffic. However our peace and quiet enjoyment will inevitably be compromised by the time *Madingley News* is published, when the schools return from their holidays, all roads in the Village are open to through traffic, and once again the streets of Madingley become everyone else's rat-run. Sadly the situation is likely to worsen once the University students are back and the morning and evening rush hours reach their peaks.

The Avenue

Over the past few months there have been some other highways issues of note. The majority of residents will be disappointed to hear that the proposal to close The Avenue to through traffic has been guashed by the County Council officers once again, who would prefer to see the extent of the suffering that the predicted increase in traffic volumes will inflict on residents for two whole years before deciding if anything should be done in mitigation. In the meantime, they are willing to spend £130,000 this Autumn on resurfacing a road that the majority of residents would prefer to see closed to through traffic. Perhaps that's something to remember the next time the County Council complains to us of not having enough money to deliver essential services?

Pavement repairs and other improvements

On a more positive note, part of the pavement on Cambridge Road has been resurfaced and is much improved, especially outside the School. Sadly the works did not extend towards resolving the mess by the chicane on this occasion. As I write, the High Street footpath is being improved with a new kerb, which should improve safety for pedestrians; the pavement has been eroded over the years by tractors and HGVs driving across the footpath.

Other minor improvements of note on the highways are the Speedwatch signs at the

entrances to the Village, a useful reminder to the rat-runners that we have an active and effective Speedwatch team, without whom there would be even more problems with speeding traffic.



The new Village Noticeboard

I'm pleased also to see the new Village Noticeboard erected outside the Village Hall, and we are indebted to the Agricole Oil Club and South Cambridgeshire District Council for funding it. Thank you also to Messrs Freegard and Baldwin for erecting the new Noticeboard and removing the old one.

Defibrillator

We have also secured Lottery Funding for the housing of a new defibrillator to be installed outside the Village Hall, with the defibrillator kindly provided by Madingley Hall.

Changes

In terms of the Parish Council, change is once again afoot as our Clerk has resigned and we need to recruit a replacement. Finally we will also need to redouble our efforts to recruit new Councillors, as I will have to stand down as Parish Councillor and Chair due to changes to my employment. I will of course continue to provide support and advice to the Council in whatever capacity I can.

David Ousby

Chair, Madingley Parish Council

The next issue of *Madingley News* will be published on 10th December 2019 and the copy date for receipt of articles, photographs (jpeg attachments 1MB or more in size please) and advertisements is 10th November. We look forward to receiving your news and illustrations. **The Editors**

MADINGLEY VILLAGE HALL

Weather permitting you should soon see Tim Ellis rethatching the porch over the entrance to the Village Hall. This will improve this aspect of the building for years to come. The cost of the work will be met by the Village Hall Maintenance Fund.

Defibrillator

The Village defibrillator will be installed on the outside of the kitchen facing the road in early October. This was generously donated by the Institute of Continuing Education at Madingley Hall 'as part of its contribution to the local community'. Other costs are being met by Madingley Parish Council (for the weatherproof housing) and The Three Horseshoes Village Fete – see opposite – (for the installation costs). Minor electrical works will also be undertaken in the Hall during this period.

Hall hires

This Autumn there will be four different types of Wellbeing classes available for you to join at the Village Hall:

- Michelle Veenman starts a regular 'slow yoga' class, suitable for those wishing to go at a slower pace or for beginners. The regular classes will be on Thursdays from 4.00–5.00pm, beginning on 12th September, at a cost of £36 for four sessions.
- Sally Warr continues her Gong Therapy sessions from 12th September at 7.30pm.
- Di Hinds Williamson continues her 'Open Floor' movement meditation sessions from the end of September (dates to be confirmed).
- Helen Pomeroy and Alexandra Davidson are leading a Yoga & Nutrition Workshop on Saturday 23rd November from 10.00am— 1.00pm.

Jenny Sanders' popular Monday Art Classes restart on 16th September: 9.00am–12-30pm.

The Stephen Perse School continues to use the Hall each Monday afternoon for PE lessons and, from September, has added a Toddler Group, Kindergarten and Reception PE day on Fridays from 8.30am–3.00pm.

Please get in touch with me if you require contact details for those running these sessions or if you are interested in hiring the Hall for your own celebration or meeting.

All the income from the Village Hall hires is ploughed back into the maintenance of the Hall which the Trustees are determined will be available as a community resource well into the future.

Chris Baldwin

Chairman, Madingley Village Hall Trust

THE THREE HORSESHOES VILLAGE FETE Saturday 24th August

Chris Baldwin writes: 'The event was a major task organised by Rachel Thoday, Co-ordinator for Cambscuisine and the Manager at The Three Horseshoes Robert Tyzack. It was a wonderful afternoon with lots of attractions including children's side shows, raffle, stalls, and two Brass Bands. Lots of people attended and had a good time. Huge congratulations to Rachel and Rob.'



The Somersham Town Band



The Band's audience



Madingley residents enjoying the afternoon (Photographs: Chris Baldwin)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 9th September, 7.30pm

Madingley Village Hall Parish Council Meeting

Friday 13th & Saturday 14th September

American Cemetery OpenCambridge 2019

Sunday 22nd September, 10.30am

Madingley Parish Church First Service back in the Church

Sunday 13th October, 10.30am

Madingley Parish Church

Harvest Festival: Simple Family Service

Wednesday 23rd to Monday 28th October

Madingley Hall Open Studios

Thursday 24th October, 7.00pm

Madingley Village Hall Village Hall Committee AGM (all welcome)

Monday 28th October, 7.30pm

Madingley Village Hall Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 29th October, 6.30-7.30pm

Madingley Hall

Madingley Lecture: Life in Ancient Sparta

Professor Paul Cartledge

Monday 11th November, 10.45am for 11.00am

American Cemetery Veterans Day

Monday 9th December, 7.30pm

Madingley Village Hall Parish Council Meeting

ROYAL MAIL COLLECTION TIMES

(AS THEY ARE ADVERTISED)

From the small box near No. 31, High Street

Monday to Friday: 4.15pm Saturday: 11.45am

From the pillar box near Madingley Hall gates

Monday to Friday: 9.00am

Saturday: 7.00am

From Monday to Friday, a later collection (7.00pm) is made from Cambridge Mail Centre,

Clifton Road, Cambridge CB1 7AJ

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CHURCH NEWS

By the time you read this, we will be within a week or two of completing our months of pilgrimage, holding our services in the Village Hall, and will be looking forward to our imminent return to the church building. We have been very grateful for the existence of the Village Hall, with its well cared-for facilities, which has meant that our services were able to take place with relatively easy organisation, and with the comforting thought that we were only a few yards away from our beloved church building. In fact, after one of the services, we finished with everyone walking up to the church to say some prayers on the lawn outside, and then go in to the building so that we could admire the progress which had been made.



The new path

Assistance

We are seeking the help of anyone who may be available on the morning of Saturday 14th September, to come to the church and return all the stored items to their correct positions, and ensure that any possible remaining dust after the builders have cleaned up, is removed.

Then the organ builders will have access to the church during the following week, to rebuild the organ. So our exile will finish on Sunday 22nd September, when we will have our first service at 10:30am.



New floor tiled with clay Pamments from Burwell, to match existing

Roof repairs

During the time when the majority of our attention was, of course, on raising money for the West End Development Project, we were made aware of other needs which arose to protect the fabric of the building. One of the problems is with the roof of the chancel, which will need attention during the Autumn.

Security alarm

It is a sad fact also that too many churches have been in the news recently because the lead has been stolen from their roofs. As a result the Parochial Church Council has decided that it would be prudent to install a security alarm on the roof, and we have been very grateful that the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust has been prepared to make a generous donation towards the cost. The PCC is delighted to acknowledge a grant of £1,000 from the Trust to help pay for a security alarm system to be installed shortly, and to publicise this with information about its work.

Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust

The Trust was founded in 1983 and offers interest-free loans and grants for works of repair and improvements to places of worship across Cambridgeshire. The Trust's charitable objectives also include encouraging everyone to enjoy and to understand the art and architecture of the county's marvellous churches and chapels.

Ride and Stride Day

The Trust's biggest fund raiser is the national Ride and Stride Day when participants can use cars as well as bicycles, horses, buses or their own two feet to visit as many churches and chapels as they can on the second Saturday in September. By getting sponsorship for each church visited, money is raised for the Trust and

whatever church or chapel is nominated to receive half the total raised.

The Madingley congregation has a long tradition of supporting this event annually, started by former church warden Dick Seale in 1991. Dick continued to support the event until 2007 when, at the age of 83, he cycled 24 miles visiting 13 churches and chapels. Teams from the congregation continue to follow Dick's example and will be taking part again this year. Please contact Sue Pemberton (01954 780817 or roma.pemberton@btinternet.com) for further information or to make a donation.

Welcome return

It will be such a relief and a delight to not only return to a building which is so familiar, but also to explore the new facilities, and the impact they will have on what we can offer the community in the future. While we have been in the Village Hall, we have begun to appreciate the opportunities which having a cup of tea or coffee after the service have presented. When we are back in the church, my only concern is that our warm and friendly congregation will have so much to talk about over the refreshments, that it may well be teatime before we get home. But it will be a wonderful problem to have to address!

Rev'd Christine Barrow

CHURCH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

16th and 17th September

Grand Spring Clean – volunteers for this task are encouraged to contact the Secretary, Sue Baldwin: suebaldwin1000@gmail.com

Sunday 22nd September at 10.30am First service back in the Church

Sunday 13th October at 10.30am Harvest Festival: Simple Family Service

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH



Our team has been busy with productive Speedwatch surveys around the Village; many thanks to all involved. Surveys are on-going so please continue to volunteer time to support this worthwhile community-run initiative overseen by Cambridgeshire Police.

It's a relief to see much-needed repairs have at last taken place to some of the perilous pavements and footways within the Village. Many of us are observing an increase in throughtraffic and rat-running since the re-opening of The Avenue, both of which are hazardous to

pedestrians and cyclists on our narrow village roads. Speedwatch continues to be a useful reminder of the local speed limit.

We're grateful to Cllr Douglas De Lacey for putting his weight behind a series of communications with Highways England's A14 Integrated Delivery Team. We approached Cllr De Lacey when recurring problems with A14 contractor HGVs using The Avenue as a throughroute had been raised repeatedly with Highways England and the characteristic deflection and inaction prevailed. Either Cllr De Lacey has superhuman powers or it was sheer coincidence due to our persistence that the 'Unsuitable for HGVs' and 'No access for A14 construction traffic' (temporary) signs appeared at the far end of The Avenue within a matter of hours of his intervention.

Our thanks also to Pam Hobson, Stakeholder Director, A14 Integrated Delivery Team at Highways England for enabling this. Resolving what may have seemed a minor signage issue to the A14 Stakeholder Engagement Team will, we hope, have a positive impact (in the short term at least) for residents of this tiny Village.

Speedwatch Secretariat



THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION 2019 POPPY APPEAL

Each Autumn, Madingley residents have generously supported the sale of poppies in aid of The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

This year, the Legion is looking for someone to run this project on behalf of the Village. Details of what is required can be found on the Royal British Legion website:

https://www.britishlegion.org.uk

If you feel you could help, please contact Tony Twigger, the Legion representative: ttwigger@britishlegion.org.uk

Anna Baldwin

NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN CEMETERY Memorial Day at Cambridge American Cemetery – D-Day75 Remembered



Volunteers dress the headstones with flags, while wreath bearers line up at the Friday rehearsal

Monday 27th May dawned cloudy, grey, windy and pretty cool. Everyone was anxiously lifting their eyes to the skies, as low cloud would definitely have an adverse effect on the ceremony, in more ways than one!

The headstones were dressed with flags; wreaths were received; seats were laid out. The volunteers came from the local US bases at RAF Mildenhall, Lakenheath, Alconbury and Molesworth. The US Naval Forces Europe Band, which played throughout the ceremony, also provided a very accomplished bugler to play 'Taps'.

As distinguished guests and local dignitaries began arriving, the cloud lifted and blue skies appeared. Right on cue a KC-135 (351st Air Refuelling Wing) trailing its refuelling boom, flew over to open the ceremony.

An impressive line-up of speakers came to the podium. The Deputy Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire reminded us that only a few weeks ago, we were commemorating the tragic events at Slapton Sands, Devon: Exercise Tiger, a live-fire, full-dress rehearsal for the landing on Utah beach, that went badly wrong. The Allies needed to work hard to get it right for D-Day.

Then US Ambassador Robert Wood Johnson expanded on the theme of the 75th Anniversary of D-Day. He reminded us that behind each name commemorated at Cambridge American Cemetery, there is the story of a husband, father, son, or brother; a story of courage; of great sacrifice.



Technical Sergeant William R Benn, Jr

He went on to talk of one young man who served with the renowned 1st Infantry Division. TSgt William (Bill) R Benn Jr, from Pennsylvania, was one of 12 siblings, three of whom served. His platoon assaulted Omaha beach early on 6th June 1944, but within the first hour had suffered terrible casualties. When his platoon leader was injured, Bill took over. Ambassador Johnson explained how Bill had advanced on the enemy positions. He succeeded in silencing the guns that were cutting swathes through his comrades on the beach, for which he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. Bill was mortally wounded and died before he could reach hospital in Britain. The family were informed of his death two months later. Poignantly, the Ambassador recounted how, shortly afterwards, Bill's sister 'Edie' received a card with a new picture of her brother and a note telling her, 'Chin up' ... written some time before the invasion.

Admiral James G Foggo, III (US Navy), a naturalised American of Canadian extraction, drew on his personal family history to exemplify the real meaning of the 'special relationship' between the USA and UK.

Jonna Doolittle Hoppes, the American author, described how her 'Gramps', whom we know as Commander 8AF, General James H. 'Jimmy' Doolittle, was up before dawn on D-Day, checking on the bombing formations in his P-38 Lightning. Dipping down through a hole in the clouds he flew observation over the largest amphibious assault force ever assembled.

becoming the first to report back to General Eisenhower.



Over 130 wreaths were laid

After the laying of wreaths and the salutes, the ceremony closed with a vintage flypast of a P-47 Thunderbolt, 'Nellie' and a P-51 Mustang, 'Contrary Mary' – both wearing invasion colours – in formation with B-17 Flying Fortress, 'Sally-B'. This was a tribute to the achievements of those who landed in Normandy on D-Day, 6th June 1944.

Summer challenges

This year, the Summer season has had more challenges than other years. The grounds crew have coped well as we alternated from hot to cool, wet to dry. It has been a struggle to keep some of the new planting moist while it becomes established, but I think you can see that their efforts have been worthwhile. We are currently looking at ways of creating better and more environmentally sustainable water storage, for our feast or famine climate.

We are now at the beginning of Autumn and our thoughts turn to Veterans Day, to which you are cordially invited.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OpenCambridge 2019 at the American Cemetery

Friday 13th and Saturday 14th September Details:

https://www.opencambridge.cam.ac.uk/system/files/oc2019_programme_0.pdf

To book a free tour:

www.opencambridge.cam.ac.uk

Veterans Day 2019

Monday 11th November, 10:45am for 11:00am All welcome – ample parking

Suzie Harrison

American Battle Monuments Commission Cambridge American Cemetery and Memorial



The vintage flypast

MADINGLEY CRICKET CLUB

There is plenty of suspense to come for both cricket teams as we move towards the season close. The first team is in the second promotion place in Junior 1 North after a fine season so far. Meanwhile the second team sits just above the relegation places in Junior 3 West, having just ended a winless run stretching back to the first week of June.

First team

Following on from the last report, the 1st team had a heavy defeat in mid-May to local rivals Coton, with Wasim and Kev getting two wickets each. In the next game Fordham scored a massive 230 all out, with Kev and Wasim again taking two wickets along with Pradeesh. In reply the 1st did well to score 200 to get maximum bonus points, Harry scoring 62 runs. Since then the team has had a brilliant run of 10 games with seven wins, one defeat and two abandoned to the weather. Burwell and Exning were bowled out for 161, with three wickets each for Wasim and Josh and only five wickets lost in a successful team chase.

The next two weeks were rain-affected, with the game at Sutton eventually called off before the start, followed by a low-scoring home win against St Ives and Warboys; Harry and El Gato scored 30s in setting a target of 124 for eight wickets, before Qaiser and Hitesh took three wickets each to limit the reply to 76 all out. This was followed by another low scoring win against Fen Ditton, Harry again top-scoring with 37 in 121 all out and Wasim taking five wickets for 17 runs as the Fen Ditton team was all out for 81. Harry once more top-scored with 95 in a successful chase of 130 at Camden, with Rob and Adnan each taking a couple of wickets in the host innings.

The first game in July featured two incredible bowling performances: Wasim took five wickets for four runs and Oscar three wickets for seven as Chippenham posted only 54; Harry got another 34 runs in the successful chase. The return fixture against Coton was a disappointment despite wickets for Chalky, Hitesh and JP in their target of 225 for nine wickets, with only 67 scored in our reply. After another cancellation Pradeesh scored his first century for the team and Hitesh 50 in setting Burwell and Exning 272 to win; unsuprisingly they were unsuccessful with Wasim and Roger both taking two wickets (off one over and for only one run, in Roger's case!). Which brings us to the game at (St Ives and) Warboys: Hitesh took four wickets for 23 and Charlie three for 15 as we limited them to 133 all out. Avinash scored 56 not out and Wasim 33 in a successful chase for five wickets. To come are return fixtures against

Sutton, Fen Ditton and Camden; here's hoping for a strong end to a really good season!



The First team after the win at Burwell on 1st June: back from left Pradeesh, Avinash, Qaiser, Mick, Luke, Owen; front from left Wasim, Ian, Hitesh, Kev, Josh.

Second team

The early season signs were promising for the second team, our good start continuing with a mid-May win in the long outfield at Comberton. After posting 135 with 30s from Luke and Graham, we bowled them out for 124 for a narrow win with GK, Qaiser and Phil among the wickets. We then bowled out Longstowe for 95 with two wickets each for new signing Max, GK, Josh and Graham; Luke and Graham again got 30s in the successful chase. We were top of the league ... and that was the high point for a very long time! At Haslingfield we were all out for 97, Chalky top-scoring with 28 on his return to action, and lost by six wickets. At Milton we conceded a huge 226 off only 30 overs, Graham and Azhar taking two wickets each, before number 11 Charlie top-scored with 24 (including some memorable reverse sweeps) in our reply of only 79. We started well against NCI in reducing them to 30 for four, Graham taking three of the wickets to fall, but they posted 147 for the fifth wicket and we fell short by 58 runs despite Grahams' valiant 62. On a scorching end-of-June Saturday we failed to defend 243 (Qaiser 94, Luke 61, Graham 39), Cam Kerala winning with one ball to spare despite three wickets each for Graham and Qaiser.

In early July Qaiser and Roger were in the runs with 81 and 55 respectively as we posted 180 at Romsey, but the weather prevailed over our first potential win in a month. Comberton then posted 209 for only two wickets, to which we could reply with 138 all out (Saqib 63). Haslingfield duly completed the 'double' against us as we only set a target of 108, which they got with six wickets to spare. This brought us to the 'must win' match against Milton at a very windy Downing College

ground: putting them in seemed a good plan, and when they lost two quick wickets just before drinks with less than 80 on the board we were hopeful, but they then put on 100+ for the third wicket and ended up on a daunting 196 for four wickets. However they clearly had not foreseen our own 100-run partnership for the third wicket between Luke (82) and Ravi (39), which together with some quick runs at the end from Nigel and Kev saw us home with nearly two overs to spare ... cue much relief! To come are games against Romsey, NCI and Cam Kerala; hopefully one more win will see us safe from relegation.

Next season

The season will be over by the time you read this, which means that preparations for next season will be starting. We usually hold net sessions from February and the club AGM will be in January. So it's a good time to get involved! We welcome players of all abilities and commitments; currently we have a mix of 'regulars' and occasional players. If you are interested, contact details are in this Newsletter, and we also have a website:

<u>http://madingley.play-cricket.com/</u> and a Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/madingleycc/.

Also Twitter: @madingleycc

Philip Done Secretary

NEWS FROM MADINGLEY HALL

Looking back over the Summer, we welcomed nearly 1,300 students to Cambridge as part of the 96th International Summer Programmes – drawn from 73 nations across six continents.

Closer to home, Madingley Hall hosted outdoor cinema and theatre during the Summer Festival, including as part of Open Cambridge, and our annual Summer Ball will be held on Saturday 14th September.

Looking further ahead, there's an Open Studios weekend from 23th-28th October, with works on display by a number of artists working either for the Institute, or belonging to the wider circle 'University Hidden Talents'. The full programme of events can be seen at

https://www.ice.cam.ac.uk/SummerFestival.

Michaelmas term is now firmly underway. Students have already enjoyed exploring the *Iliad*, *Odyssey* and *Aeneid*, an introduction to architecture and renaissance arts and sciences. There is still time to book for our new Super Tuesday courses, the first of which is on 24th September and features lost languages, lost treasures and a brief history of colonialization in the topic of 'First Peoples'. These courses are

designed to give an insight into some of the research of the University of Cambridge and to explore topics through the lenses of different disciplines. More information on these courses can be found at

www.ice.cam.ac.uk/supertuesdays.

Our next Madingley Lecture: Life in Ancient Sparta: how Spartan? How strange? takes place at 6.30pm on 29th October, when Professor Paul Cartledge (below) promises to be an inspiring speaker.



The lecture is free to attend, but please book to join us: http://www.ice.cam.ac.uk/ancient-sparta.

If you are interested in finding out more about the ancient world, and Greece in particular, the absolute beginner 'Reading Classical Greek' weekend on 15th-17th November may suit. Further ahead, 7th-9th February seems to be the perfect time to explore 'Ancient Greek Lyric Poetry' or you may prefer 'Being a Hero' on 23rd February. If Latin is your preferred language of antiquity, our intermediate and advanced classes on 25th-27th October discovering 'Suetonius or silver Latin poets'. For further information about any of our short courses, please visit: www.ice.cam.ac.uk/short-courses.

If you are would like to study towards a University qualification, why not consider one of our undergraduate certificates or diplomas? These part-time courses cover a range of subjects including creative writing, coaching, film, history and the sciences, and are often taught at weekends to fit around your busy lives. Enrol now for courses starting in Autumn: www.ice.cam.ac.uk/awards.

A new garden guide has just been produced by Richard Gant our Head Gardener to help visitors enjoy our grounds. Please see article overleaf.

We hope to welcome you to the Institute, our Hall and grounds in the coming months.

Zara Kuckelhaus

Head of Academic Centre Administration, Lifelong Learning Institute of Continuing Education, Madingley Hall

AN AUTUMN WALK

Why not explore the grounds of Madingley Hall this Autumn with a new garden guide to help you make the most of what you see?

Richard Gant, Head Gardener at Madingley Hall, writes: "After the dry and intense Summer heat of 2018, we feared at the end of May, that 2019 was likely to be a repeat. Fortunately for the plants and especially the lawns, the cooler and more regular showers averted our concerns and it has been a season of good growth, flowering and fruiting.

"Our National Garden Scheme Celebrity Gardeners' Question Time at the end of May and Open Garden in June raised collectively £4,500 for their charities.

"With the 'season of mists and mellow fruitfulness' approaching, we have a garden guide entitled *An Autumn Walk in Search of Garden Fruits* which is available free in the entrance porch to Madingley Hall. Please do come and enjoy the fruits of our labours!"

The front cover of this issue features one of the photographs from the guide, courtesy of Madingley Hall and photographer Kate Cooper.

The Editors

NEWS FROM THE STEPHEN PERSE FOUNDATION

Positive change-makers who can make a difference!

In August 2018, the teenage Swedish activist, Greta Thunberg challenged us all to recognise the ticking time bomb posed by climate change which has led to communities, businesses, schools, faith groups and other organisations taking immediate action, to work together and strive to make the future of our planet a better one. As she points out, we know the facts and we have solutions. All we have to do is to "wake up and change".

For children, their journey is all about taking decisions and making good choices in life. Preserving the biosphere and making choices about their actions in the context of sustainability requires them to ask questions and form opinions in order to understand this complex and fragile planet that is ultimately in their hands.

With individual empowerment at the heart of teaching and learning at the Stephen Perse Foundation, pupils celebrated the need to tackle climate change in a Summer Festival of Learning.

Our three to five year olds engaged in fun activities including dressing as a favourite living thing, making minibeast hotels, pond dipping,

and designing posters to save endangered animals, which all provided opportunities to develop an understanding of animal diversity and the need to protect wildlife across the globe.



Older pupils focused on ocean life, making links and taking action to reduce our use of plastics and to think about the excessive supermarket packaging. The Planetari motto of 'Care, Share and Dare', encouraged discussion about the need to 'care' about our oceans, to 'share' messages about reducing our impact in the future and to 'dare' to question environmental ministers and 'Wise Ocean' charity experts about the importance of oceans and coral reefs. They considered the steps they could take as individuals to help mitigate the effects of climate change and air pollution in our local communities.



For Senior School pupils, sustainable development, international negotiations and the talk by the visiting speaker, Angus Forbes on his vision for a Global Planet Authority stimulated thinking and debate.

We are reminded by Tricia Kelleher, Principal at the Stephen Perse Foundation: "The founder of the original Free School in Cambridge in the early seventeenth century was Dr Stephen Perse, Fellow of Gonville & Caius and educational philanthropist. His ambition was to bridge the divide between 'Town and Gown' to create a more coherent community. To reaffirm Stephen Perse's ambition when our future will be better working together than remaining in our silos, is

absolutely timely not just for the benefit of our local community but for the future of our world. Together we can educate the change-makers who may one day end up at the climate repair research centre."

Young people are a vital group to include in these efforts. As future leaders of society, citizens of today, they will be the ones living with and managing the consequences of this global problem.

New baby and toddler group

A weekly session for parents and carers of babies and young children aged up to three years is being run by the Stephen Perse Foundation at Madingley Village Hall every Friday during term-time, from 8.30-10.30am.

Activities include sharing and extending early learning experiences through weekly themed events such as Sensory Play, Marvellous Messy Play, Stories, Songs and Rhymes, Toddler Gym and seasonal creative activities.

A £3 contribution per session is requested and refreshments will be provided.

For further information or to register interest, please contact: eyfs@stephenperse.com

Verity Brownbridge

Acting Foundation Head of Early Years at the Stephen Perse Foundation

The Stephen Perse Foundation is in Madingley Village, central Cambridge and at Dame Bradbury's in Saffron Walden

NEWS FROM OUR MP, HEIDI ALLEN



Heidi Allen MP

In my last newsletter, I discussed the Parliamentary debate that I secured to highlight the funding issue facing Cambridgeshire's NHS services. We continue to be the third lowest funded county per head in England and I have been working closely with our CCG to evidence this. As a result, and on the back of assurances made during the Parliamentary debate, I secured a meeting with the Minister, Stephen Hammond at which the Accountable Officer of our CCG, Jan Thomas presented our findings.

The Minister was receptive to our points and explained that the funding formula which determines allocations could not respond quickly enough to our rapidly growing population. Mr Hammond committed to work with the CCG and NHS England to look again at ways to correct the historical underfunding and ensure future growth projections better reflect actual growth, thus reducing the mismatch with per patient funding allocations. I will continue to follow up with the Department of Health and the CCG to ensure that the new administration honours this commitment.

In spite of the funding shortfall, our local NHS services continue to provide outstanding care and clinical expertise to those in need. I was delighted to nominate the Arthur Rank Hospice for the NHS Parliamentary Care and Compassion Award and they proved to be worthy winners for the East of England category. The team at the Hospice goes above and beyond to deliver high quality care with compassion and expertise.



Just before the schools broke up for the Summer holidays I made several visits to local Primary and Pre-Schools and saw the excellent work that they are all doing in spite of educational cost pressures. I wrote to the Prime Minister in early July, arguing that a cash injection for schools was needed now. Forty other MPs supported my letter. The Secretary of State responded, highlighting that he had set out a very strong case for Education as we approach the Treasury Spending Review at the end of the year. I will be making contact with the new Secretary of State when Parliament returns, to hold him to this commitment.

I'll be holding a series of café pop-up surgeries throughout the constituency and would love to meet as many of you as possible. Details of your nearest pop-up surgery are on my website: https://heidiallen.co.uk/constituency-surgeries/

In the meantime, if you would like to contact me, please email heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk or call my office on 01223 830037.

Heidi Allen MP

NEWS FROM OUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR, TOM BYGOTT



Cllr Tom Bygott

Local Transport Plan Consultation

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority's draft Local Transport Plan (LTP) has been out for consultation since 17th June and will run until 27th September.

The Plan covers transport infrastructure in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough and its development up to 2050, including projects such as the much-needed CAM Metro, the Cambridge South (Addenbrooke's) rail station and reforming the bus network.

Residents have been encouraged to make comments, ask questions, and provide feedback on the Plan at consultation events including the last one to be held at Cambridge Central Library in Lion Yard on Saturday 14th September, 10.00am-3.00pm.

Following the consultation and inclusion of comments, the Board will be asked to approve the first Cambridgeshire and Peterborough LTP later in 2019.

On the whole, there are many good projects in the document that I wholeheartedly support, such as the CAM Metro, the Wisbech rail link and the electrification of the rail lines to Newmarket and from Ely to Norwich and Peterborough. There is also a Girton Interchange Study that could identify additional connections at the interchange to reduce traffic on local roads, for example along the A1303 past the American Cemetery.

However, there are two items that I plan to oppose:

- Removing the breakdown lanes along the M11.
 These are essential for safety on a motorway and the AA has issued a safety warning about the installation of so-called 'smart' motorways following a number of fatal accidents.
- Consideration of a link road connecting the M11 in the Girton area to the A47 in the Guyhirn / Wisbech area which would do major damage to our villages. The north of the county is in great need of better roads, which is why dualling the

A47 is such an important project. However, in the south of the county the focus should be on rail and metro. This route would encourage commuting into Cambridge by car and make our local problems far worse.

Organisational Review

Despite SCDC having had an extremely good past record of efficiency and good management going back many years, the current Administration continues to embark on its Organisational Review.

Such organisational reviews often result in unnecessary changes, spreading uncertainty and nervousness amongst staff and often prompting the best and brightest to look elsewhere. Adding to this insecurity and sense that ominous secrets are being hidden, the administration insisted on excluding the press and public from the debate on the subject during May's Council meeting, and again when the minutes were presented at July's meeting.

Having been present at both meetings, I am legally forbidden from revealing what was discussed. However, I find myself unable to identify a single piece of the information that actually justifies being kept secret; like many Council minutes it is in fact all rather dull and boring. It is a complete mystery to me why this information has been deemed to be confidential or to require the press and public to be excluded. I and others have raised our concern over the number of meetings where the Council is requesting the exclusion of press and public. Lack of transparency is not in the public interest.

Parks and green spaces

Cambridgeshire's and Peterborough's parks and green spaces will receive £700,000 from the ground-breaking Future Parks Scheme funded by the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, the National Lottery and the National Trust.

A new policy for adult education

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority took control of the £11.5 million budget for adult education earlier this year. A new strategy has been put forward to re-focus the funds, giving lower-paid and skilled people the qualifications they need to secure better jobs, which will help the local economy.

Qualifications in English and maths, as well as general courses enhancing employability, will still be offered.

Cllr Tom Bygott cllr@bygott.net 07765 475 513

NEWS FROM OUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR, DOUGLAS DE LACEY



Cllr Douglas de Lacey

A briefing on the proposed Citizens' Assembly was not especially promising. The Assembly, consisting of 60 members, chosen from the 350 responses to the 10,000 invitations sent out, will discuss the question: 'How do we reduce congestion, improve air quality and provide better public transport in Greater Cambridge? It will be overseen by an advisory group from services representing areas such as public health, the environment, transportation and social equality. I asked if everything was open for consideration; the answer boiled down to 'it's basically about buses'. It has to co-operate with the Mayor and his love of an autonomous metro bus. I do not believe that buses can ever solve our problems.

New CEO

Over the past year we have come to realise that our financial reporting has been in a complete mess for some years. It will take quite a while for the new Administration to sort this out and will be a major job for our new CEO, who starts on 23rd September.

Air quality

The Joint Development Control Committee had a briefing on air quality; it was explained how Air Quality Management Areas are defined and how the quality is assessed. I expressed disappointment that for us this is still a very blunt instrument: we do not measure the smallest particles (PM1) which are increasingly being realised as the greatest threat. Air quality will be measured after the completion of the A14 works; I shall want to ensure that our villages get accurate information about the effects it has had on us.

New investment

On 24th July I was invited to the opening of Zeiss' new site in Cambourne, where a large office block has been reconstructed to provide a factory for the manufacture of electron microscopes. It is good to see their confidence in a post-Brexit Britain and I hope to work with them on our relationships with business.

Expansion

We have had another briefing on the Genome Campus' proposal for a vast expansion of its Hinxton site, including 1,500 dwellings which would be exclusively for employees. This goes against our Local Plan but entails benefits for the community and will be an interesting and complex application to decide.

Grants

A Zero Carbon Grant Scheme for innovative community projects was launched on 5th August. Applications for up to £15,000 may be made until 31st October via

www.scambs.gov.uk/communitydevelopment/grants/zero-carbon-communitiesgrant

The Local Plan is moving on, and we are very anxious to have input from the community. There is an opportunity to learn about it and to make your views known at an event on 28th September 9.00am-1.00pm. Details should be available at www.cambridgeppf.org/Pages/Events/ by the time you read this report.

CIIr Douglas de Lacey

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OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR, LINA NIETO

We have not received a report for Madingley from Cllr Nieto.

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BUSES BETWEEN MADINGLEY AND CAMBRIDGE

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The Citi 4 bus stops by request outside Madingley Mulch and runs every 20 minutes or so between Cambourne and Cambridge, starting before 7.00am. Please see the Stagecoach website for details: https://www.stagecoachbus.com/routes/east/4/cambridge-cambourne/xeao004.o

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Madingley Road Park & Ride

The Madingley Park & Ride service goes to Stop S3, on St. Andrew's Street outside Grand Arcade, and leaves from there also. Outbound times are as follows:

Monday to Saturday: 07.00 to 20.20 (at 10 minute intervals until 18.20; then at 20 minute intervals) Sunday and Public Holidays: 09.00 to 18.15 (at 15 minute intervals)

(Inbound services: Monday to Saturday: 07.14 to 20.34; Sunday and Public Holidays: 09.15 to 18.30) A daily Park & Ride ticket costs £3. Each paying adult can also take up to three under-16s free.

Charges are made for parking at Cambridge Park & Ride sites, though the first 18 hours are now free:

• 1 to 18 hours: FREE • 24 to 48 hours: £20 • 18 to 24 hours: £10 • 48 to 72 hours: £30

(Advance purchase and season tickets are available at: http://cambridgeparkandride.info/pricing.shtml)

Concessionary fare pass holders can travel free on Park & Ride services after 9.30am, Monday to Friday, and all day during weekends and Bank Holidays.



Whippet Coaches Bus route U (Universal) runs from just outside the south-east corner of Madingley Park & Ride (Eddington Avenue), to Cambridge Railway Station (Monday to Saturday) and Addenbrooke's Hospital (Monday to Friday). Details from: http://www.go-whippet.co.uk/new-route-u/

NEW CAMPAIGN TACKLES FLY-TIPPING

A new campaign to raise awareness of the growing incidence of fly-tipping has recently been launched by South Cambridgeshire District Council, in conjunction with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Partnership (RECAP). 'SCRAP Fly-tipping' aims to help residents to understand their responsibilities by following a Code of Practice and to make the right choices when disposing of waste.

So what exactly constitutes fly-tipping? Essentially it is the illegal disposal of waste, which can be anything from a single bag of waste to a truckload. We all have seen abandoned items in the countryside, villages and towns. But leaving items by Household Recycling Centres (HRCs), charity shops or by bins is also fly-tipping.

Around two thirds of fly-tips come from households, so it is crucially important that you understand your Duty of Care to avoid £400 fixed penalty notice or an unlimited fine. Householders should follow the SCRAP Code:

- Suspect ALL waste carriers
- Check with the Environment Agency on 03708 506 506 that the provider taking your waste away is licensed.
- Refuse unexpected offers to have waste taken away
- Ask what will happen to your waste
- Paperwork should be obtained get a full receipt

If you witness fly-tipping, call 999 to report crime in action. Please do not risk your own safety in any way.

When reporting fly-tipping, please note as many details as possible:

- · the exact location
- · the size of the fly-tip
- the type of waste dumped
- the date and time you spotted or witnessed the fly-tip
- photos of the fly-tip and fly-tippers if you have witnessed it
- the vehicle registration number and details
- the description of people involved
- the direction they were travelling

For more information or to report a fly tip to the Council, visit www.scambs.gov.uk/fly-tipping or telephone 03450 450 063.



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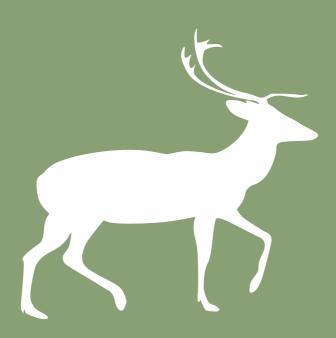
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