



Madingley News

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Autumn sunlight in Madingley

Photo: Chris Baldwin

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FROM THE EDITORS

Welcome to the Autumn 2021 issue of *Madingley News*. We aim to report recent and future activities in and around the Village, and we hope that we shall all see life gradually returning to normal.

The next issue of *Madingley News* will be published on 10th December 2021 and the copy deadline for receipt of articles, photographs (jpeg attachments of 1MB or more in size please) and advertisements is 10th November. We look forward to receiving your news and illustrations.

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MADINGLEY PARISH COUNCIL NOTES



Charles Crichton-Stuart

Active Travel Schemes

Cambridgeshire County Council is considering a range of changes to roads across the county to encourage active travel. Two of the proposals are to make both Dry Drayton Road and Cambridge Road one-way for vehicular traffic with segregated cycle lanes. The County Council is now in the consultation phase and is inviting feedback on the proposed plans.

The Parish Council was initially supportive of these schemes (although concerned about the proposed direction of traffic on Cambridge Road which would still allow the morning rat-runners to race through the Village). However, after receiving comments from a range of stakeholders, the Parish Council has voted to object to both proposals. For further information on the overall scheme and details of the two proposals in the Parish please go to the following website:

<https://consultcambs.uk.engagementhq.com/cats>

The Playground

The Parish Council does not own any land and the site for the Playground is kindly let to us by Cambridge University. The current lease is due to expire this September but I am pleased to report that representatives of the Parish Council have met with the relevant decision makers from the University and a new lease will be agreed.

Farm Traffic

The issue of farm traffic moving through the Village is a topic often raised at Parish Council meetings. These concerns have been taken into consideration by the University and as of early August, it completed an upgrade of its internal farm track linking Park Farm with Dry Drayton Road, partly to reduce the number of large agricultural vehicles passing through Madingley High Street and Church Lane. Whilst this won't remove all farm traffic from the Village (which to my mind is something one has to accept to a degree if one lives in the country) the reduction in volume will, I'm sure, be much appreciated. It is my understanding that at peak times (e.g. at harvest) the Farm will, where possible, seek to operate a one way system using its track and the High Street so tractors are not passing each other on the narrow roads.

Parish Council Vacancy

We need another volunteer to become a Parish Councillor. I would be delighted to speak with anyone interested to understand a little more about what this would entail (please send an appropriate telephone number to: chair@madingleyparishcouncil.org.uk).

Madingley News

The Parish Council is very sad to report that the wonderful editors of *Madingley News* will be producing their last edition of the publication in December 2021. The Parish Council would like to thank them for the invaluable contribution to the Parish throughout their seven-year reign as Editors.

Madingley News is now looking for a new Editor and if anyone is willing to take over, then please do get in contact with the Editors who have kindly offered an archive handover and support should it be needed.

Again, Roger and Lesley, thank you from everyone at the Parish Council; you will be greatly missed.

Charles Crichton-Stuart

Chairman, Madingley Parish Council

The Council is under delegation and due to the current pandemic and low Councillor numbers Madingley Parish Council will be meeting as follows:

Wednesday 22nd September 2021: Meeting at 7pm via Zoom (please see Agenda for details)

Wednesday 17th November 2021: Meeting at 7pm via Zoom (please see Agenda for details)

Thursday 18th November 2021: Face to Face Parish Council Meeting at Madingley Village Hall at 7pm – to approve the budget and precept for 2022-23 and to ratify business only. This meeting will last no longer than ten minutes and the Parish Council requests that social distancing measures are taken by all attendees.

Wednesday 19th January 2022: Meeting via Zoom (please see Agenda for details)

Wednesday 16th March 2022: TBC

Face to Face meetings are held at Madingley Village Hall, High Street, Madingley, Cambridge, CB23 8AB at 7pm

All meeting minutes are in draft format until approved at a Full Council Meeting. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

CROSSING MADINGLEY ROAD

Cllr Fiona Naughton writes:

Are you a local walker, jogger or a parent with a child attending Coton School who has experience of crossing Madingley Road by the American Cemetery to access the footpaths on either side? If so, your opinion would be helpful.

The background

Although there is a good footpath between Madingley and Coton it obliges pedestrians to cross Madingley Road by the American Cemetery. The road has a 50mph speed limit and visibility is poor at this point because of the bends in the road. Pedestrians have to run across both carriageways at once, sometimes having to wait quite a while for a sufficient gap in the traffic. This is particularly dangerous for less agile walkers and for children from Madingley attending school in Coton. Cyclists visiting the Cemetery also struggle to cross the road and we have been told by the Cemetery Superintendent about accidents here during the last 12 months when cars have come off the road, after braking suddenly to avoid a vehicle slowing down either to enter the Cemetery or the driveway opposite.

Initial thoughts

Madingley Parish Council thought it might be helpful to reduce the speed from 50 to 40mph along this stretch of the road and provide a refuge island, but after I met at the site with

James Toombes (an engineer from Highways), Sara Godward (a member of Coton Parish Council) and Matthew Brown (Superintendent of the American Cemetery), we were advised that before resorting to an island crossing other measures would need to be tried first.

A possible improvement

To alert drivers that there might be people ahead crossing at the Cemetery, and consequently encourage traffic to slow down, warning signs – both on the road and on posts – could be put in place before the bends on both sides of the road. If this is carried out and works it will be a straightforward and cheap option, especially since the two Parish Councils would contribute to the cost. (Nine tenths of the total cost is paid for by the County Council.)

How you can help

To make a strong case for a Local Highways Initiative (LHI) application we should demonstrate not only that there is a need for the safety improvement, but that we have consulted local people and have their support. If you have a view on this initiative please email or write to me (address below) to express your view. (No names will be used when collating viewpoints.) The main points to agree or disagree on are:

1. Crossing Madingley Rd near the Cemetery is dangerous because traffic moves so fast and visibility is poor because of the bends.
2. 'Slow' signs on the road, advisory signs for the Cemetery itself and warning triangles on posts depicting pedestrians crossing would be helpful.
3. Any other thoughts you may have.

Either email:

cllr.naughton@madingleyparishcouncil.org.uk
Or, please write to Fiona at: 19 Cambridge Rd, Madingley CB23 8AH

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH



Community Speedwatch surveys continue thanks to our team of Village volunteers. Our surveys are a proven way of reminding those drivers who may need a reminder to slow down and observe the local speed limit. Speed surveys are on-going so please continue to volunteer time to support this worthwhile community-run initiative overseen by Cambridgeshire Police.

Speedwatch Secretariat

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CHURCH NEWS

At last! With the gradual lifting of restrictions on our ability to meet together we are able to see the West End Development Project becoming not just a wonderful hope for the future, but a present lived experience. Michael's induction as vicar last October gave us the chance to show our bishop and other diocesan officials what we had done, and to share with them our vision of being able, among other things, to offer the church as a place for quiet days and retreats. The need for such a resource has become greater as the diocesan building in Ely which was in constant use for such events was closed. The facilities had become too dated and limited for present day requirements.

That opportunity to 'spread the word' bore fruit this Summer, as we were able to host the leaders and candidates on their pre-ordination retreat. This is a major and memorable event in the life of future clergy, as they meet together for two or three days prior to being ordained deacon in Ely cathedral, and later to be ordained as priests. Given the wonderful surroundings of the grounds of Madingley Hall, and indeed, being able to stay there, the candidates could experience extended periods of silence and peace as they contemplated the work which they were going to be committing themselves to and prayed for God's continuing guidance and strength for the road ahead.

When our regular congregation came into the church on the Sunday morning we were greeted by a beautiful card, signed by the leaders of the retreat and the candidates, thanking us for providing them with such a special place in which to spend those few days prior to their ordination. As we had been doing during the previous few weeks, we were able to pray for them during our service as we knew that they were then in Ely preparing for this momentous event in their lives.

And so our ministry to people not only in this Village but beyond it continues, as a result of the generosity of those who made our building project possible. Since the pre-ordination retreat, the church has also been used mid-week for a Quiet Day, with the leaders praising our facilities and saying that they would return for similar meetings in the future.

The crowning event of the Summer was our serving of teas as Madingley Hall participated in the Open Gardens Scheme. We are very grateful to Richard Gant, the head gardener, who always ensures that we are invited to serve the teas on these occasions. This was our first



opportunity to give our new kitchen and servery a major work-out, as our teams of servers and washer-uppers were kept busy throughout the afternoon. It was good to be able to add to the enjoyment of those who came to the Hall that day, and even better for those of us who were in the church to be in a place that was comparatively cool on a hot day!



Photographs: Chris Baldwin

Those of our congregation who were involved in the selling of books, plants and handicrafts had to bear the heat of the day, but it was a challenge which proved to be worthwhile.

So it is with hope and a real sense of achievement that we look forward to sharing our wonderful church and its new facilities with many varied groups of people who will be able to find a haven of peace, not very far from where they live. We are so fortunate that, as the psalm says, 'The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.'

The Revd Christine Barrow

MADINGLEY SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

It is with regret that we announce the closure of the Club.

It was formed in 1974 to promote sporting activities for the inhabitants of the Village and surrounding area. Cricket was already

established during the fifties and football, golf and tennis were included as outdoor sports. Darts, table tennis, dominoes, cribbage and pool were enjoyed by the Club which was held in the Village Hall with the agreement of its Management Committee. Club evenings were held then on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Membership during the eighties exceeded 100 and social events were heavily subscribed, especially the New Year celebrations.

Gradually over the past two decades, with families moving and growing up and circumstances changing, membership declined. This has been exacerbated over the past 18 months by COVID which unfortunately meant that, due to regulations, the Club was no longer viable.

Thanks must go to Ron Martin, a founder member of the Club for all his sterling work and perseverance that has kept the Club operating for so long. He was a life member and President for the last 15 years.

Peter Teversham, Treasurer
Mark Carter, Secretary

MADINGLEY CRICKET CLUB

It's been a superb year for the Cricket Club, with both teams in the promotion mix going into the last two weekends. Both teams have winnable games remaining, so let's hope we are celebrating soon.

The first team, with new captain Adnan, has been amazing in winning 11 from 14 matches completed. Top of the batting is Wasim with 476 runs, including three half centuries and a best of 84. Sanish has had a great first season, scoring 389 runs with four half centuries and a best of 75. There have also been half centuries for El Gato and Harry, and the team have posted some imposing totals. On the bowling side skipper Adnan leads the way with 21 wickets (best 3 for 19), closely followed by 19 wickets each for Vinesh (best 3 for 4) and Sanish (best 5 for 19). The team led the table until recently, but a disappointing defeat to new leaders Cambridge St Giles followed by an abandoned game means that a second place finish is the most likely outcome.

The second team started well, and after a mid-season slump a run of five wins has taken us to second in a tight division; the 5th placed team are only eight points behind. Saqib tops the batting with 326 runs and one half century (54), with memorable contributions from JP (62no at Milton, 47no against Cambourne), Chalky (61no

against Cambridge St Giles), and Vignesh V (49no against Bar Hill). Skipper Kevlar leads the bowling with 22 wickets (best 4 for 28), also going past 200 wickets for the Club. Graham has also bowled fantastically well in taking 21 wickets (best 5 for 36), while Saad currently has the best performance with 5 for 19 against top of the table Cambridge NCI in their only defeat. Two more wins would guarantee a second place finish for the team.

We welcome players of all abilities, so please get in touch if you would like to be involved.



First team back row: Tim (Chalky) White, Sanish, Az Khan, Owen (Roger) Howell, Harry Sperling, Hitesh Mishra; front row: Avinash Rohan, Adnan Khan (captain), Wasim Abbas, Ian (El Gato) Morgan



Second team Skipper Kevin (Kevlar) Middleton achieved 200 wickets for the club in the home game against Cambourne

Philip Done, Secretary
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MADINGLEY VILLAGE HALL

The exterior of the building has been repaired and redecorated and I hope you will agree it now looks very smart. The re-thatching of the North side of the Hall and the re-dressing of the South side are programmed to take place this month.



I am pleased to say that nine groups have used the Hall recently and three new clients have confirmed that they will using the Hall soon. Events are still based on managed numbers and arranged with social distancing in place.

Madingley Sports and Social Club, for so many years an active part of Village life, has sadly experienced a decline in membership and so has ended its connection with the Village Hall. We are grateful to Peter Teversham and Mark Carter for removing various items of equipment installed by the Club.

The glass cabinet, which previously held the Club's many trophies, remains and will now display the cups given by the Harding family together with items commemorating Mrs Ruddell, fondly remembered head teacher of Madingley School for many years, and other items with a historical connection to the Village.

I am hopeful that the coming weeks will see a full relaxation of precautions and we can start to think about planning community activities and the Village Quiz!

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NEWS FROM MADINGLEY HALL



The courtyard pond

(photo: Chris Baldwin)

We hope you have all been keeping well and enjoying the Summer months. Our gardens and café remain open from 9am-4pm daily and our café has recently moved to its new permanent location so please do pay us a visit and enjoy our beautiful gardens. The Lodge and Hall bed and breakfast are still available for bookings, and our Terrace Bar Restaurant is open for outdoor and indoor dining. To view the menu and book your table, visit www.madingleyhall.co.uk/dining or phone 01223 746222.

Our Virtual Summer Festival of Learning was a great success this year, bringing together over 85 one-week courses and 60 talks across June to July and resulting in over 1,800 course enrolments. To register your interest for upcoming Virtual Festivals of Learning, visit www.ice.cam.ac.uk/virtualsummer.

We also hosted five residential weekend courses at Madingley Hall in July, and it was lovely to see some of you in attendance. The next round of Madingley weekends will resume once a month from October. We'll be releasing the course information over the forthcoming weeks, at www.ice.cam.ac.uk/short-courses.

Our next tranche of seven-week online courses also begins in October. Courses include Life

Coaching, Law, Creative Writing and The Age of Stonehenge, plus many more. Discover all of the courses and book your place at www.ice.cam.ac.uk/online.

As we look ahead to our 150th anniversary in 2023, and mark the formation of the world's first university-led extramural educational movement, we are beginning to work with educational historian Dr Mark Freeman (UCL Institute of Education) to document the history of the Institute. We will be particularly concentrating on the period from 1973 to the present day. While extramural courses had been taught at the Hall from the 1950s, we did not move our headquarters from Stuart House (Mill Lane) to Madingley Hall until 1975. If you have any memories of this Hall and classes – as a visitor to the Hall, student or employee – particularly across the 70s, 80s and 90s, we'd be delighted to hear from you. Please contact me at jg797@cam.ac.uk.

We will continue to keep you updated with news and events throughout the year and we look forward to seeing you very soon.

Dr James Gazzard

Director of Continuing Education
University of Cambridge Institute of Continuing Education

NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN CEMETERY

'Carrying the torch'



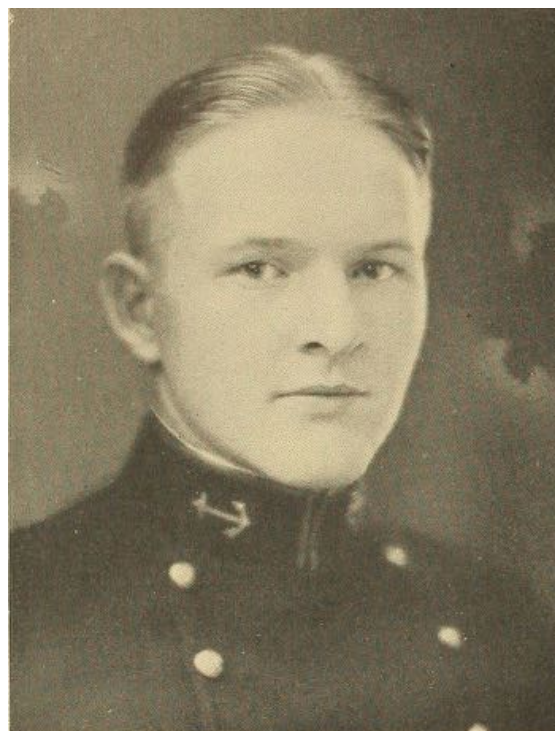
Athletes running, Panathenaic amphora by the Kleophrades Painter, ca. 500 BC (Louvre, Paris)

As every school-child knows, the origin of the Olympic Games was in Ancient Greece. This athletic and religious festival was held every four years, and legend has it that all conflicts ceased for the duration. Details are lost in the mists of time and are intertwined with the Greek Gods on Mount Olympus. However, in 779 BC, Coroebus – a cook, baker and athlete from the Greek region of Elia – was accurately documented as winning the race over the proscribed distance of 192 meters, known as a *stade* (root of the word 'stadium'). The honor was in taking part, so an olive branch was the prize. As the Romans grew more powerful against the Greeks, the games eventually declined in importance, and were ultimately declared a pagan practice and banned around 400 AD.

Centuries later, Baron Pierre de Coubertin, a Frenchman, was credited with being the father of the modern Olympics, having founded the International Olympic Committee in 1894. His proposal was to create a four-year rotating Games to celebrate athletic prowess, and thus, the first modern Olympiad was held in Athens in 1896. Each subsequent Games has been numbered, including those of 1916 (WWI) and 1940 & 1944 (WWII) – the three times in history when the Games were cancelled. It was in 1924, during the Paris Olympics, that the popularity of the Games really took-off.

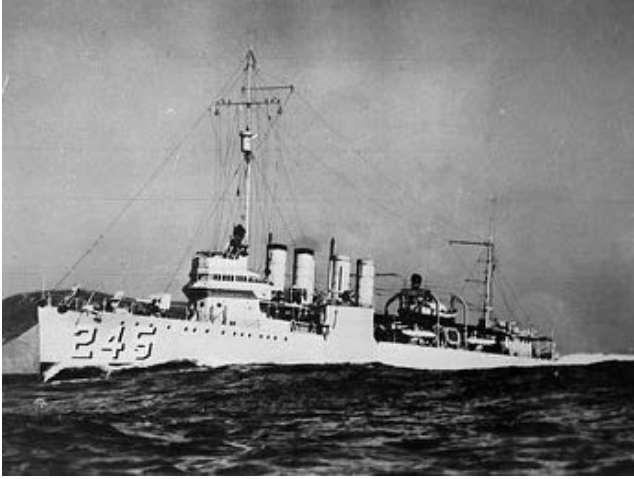
Last year should have been the XXXII Olympiad, but due to the Coronavirus Pandemic it was postponed. As we all know, the Summer Olympics were hosted in Tokyo in 2021. These circumstances have set me thinking about how many Olympians might have competed and then lost their lives fighting in 20th Century conflicts. I already knew of some commemorated here at Cambridge; and found others at several ABMC sites, plus more from later wars. This is a good opportunity to celebrate the double achievements of some of those commemorated in our cemeteries.

Sport should transcend all boundaries, but it doesn't mean it is above politics.



Heywood Lane Edwards, PH
WOM, Cambridge American Cemetery

At Cambridge American Cemetery we commemorate two Olympians. The name of one – Heywood Lane Edwards, of Saba, Texas – is inscribed on the Wall of the Missing. Heywood, aka 'Tex', 'Babe' or 'Swede,' started life "*wrasslin*" steers on the plains of Texas. Graduating from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1926, he represented his country at Freestyle Wrestling in the 1928 Olympics in Amsterdam, although unfortunately unranked. Leading up to WWII, he served aboard the battleship *USS Florida* and destroyer *USS Reno*. On completing submarine instruction he also served aboard a number of submarines. 6th April 1940 finds Lieutenant Commander Edwards having assumed command of the *USS Reuben James*.



USS Reuben James

Reuben James had left Argentia, Newfoundland on 23rd October 1941 to escort Convoy HX-156 across the North Atlantic. This was before the US was in the war, so the mission was officially a 'Neutrality Patrol', but despite this technicality Commander Edwards was being stalked by none other than Erich Topp, a veteran U-Boat Commander. They would never make the safety of the Icelandic harbour, where they were bound in support of the new American garrison there. In dawn's dim light on 31st October, the *Reuben James* was turning to investigate a strong direction finding signal – a German U-Boat? Cruising at periscope depth, possibly not seeing which flags the convoy escorts were flying, Erich Topp, in *U-552*, sent a single torpedo into the hull of Heyward Edwards's ship. There was a massive explosion as the magazine was hit, sending fuel and men skyward. It cut the ship in two. The first US Navy ship of the Battle of the Atlantic was lost, sinking within minutes, her depth charges exploding as she descended into the inky darkness. Only 45 of the approximately 165-man crew were recovered alive. Of Commander Edwards, there was no sign. Fifty years after the battle, Topp was still haunted by the carnage, saying, "We were all just boys you see..." The sinking of the *Reuben James* prompted President Roosevelt, during one of his 'fireside chats' to the nation, to comment, "when you see a rattlesnake poised, you don't wait until it has struck before you crush it." He was priming America to defend itself!

The other Olympian at Cambridge is someone with whom you may be familiar...the larger than life Tommy Hitchcock. After his exploits in WWI he attended Harvard University to complete his education, and while there he discovered a real aptitude for Polo, having been introduced to the sport by Phillip and Robert Lehman.

His brilliance on the Polo field was almost unsurpassed, and he was so strong, in fact, that the rules of Polo had to be changed to account for his dominating presence on the sports pitch. Between 1922 and 1940, Hitchcock carried a 10-goal handicap, which is the highest ranking in polo. From Harvard, Tommy joined Lehman Brothers Bank (1LT Peter G. Lehman – DFC AM/3 – is also buried at Cambridge B-2-20), eventually rising to be a partner. Tommy was known to be friends with author F. Scott Fitzgerald who found him irresistible, modelling two characters in his books on him: the Polo playing Tom Buchanan in *The Great Gatsby* (1925) and the Tommy Barban character in *Tender Is the Night* (1934). Tommy's expertise on the Polo field earned him a well-deserved place on the 1924 US Polo Team at the Paris Olympics, winning a Team Silver Medal.



Tommy Hitchcock Jr, who , during WWII, rose to become Lt Col Thomas Hitchcock Jr. LM DFC, Assistant Military Attaché, US Embassy, London and then Deputy Chief of Staff of the 9th Air Support Command A-6-21

On the bronze basement pedestal of the Cambridge Cemetery Flagpole is an inscription, part of which reads, '*To you from failing hands we throw | The torch; be yours to hold it high*'. It is taken from Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae's poem, 'In Flanders Fields'. This always reminds me of the Olympics. The analogy I use when explaining the inscription's meaning to school groups, is of passing the baton in a relay race. The Americans who were Olympians had been the flower of American youth, and yet they sacrificed their lives a few years later. ABMC remembers them for their prowess and valor.

Suzie Harrison

American Battle Monuments Commission
Cambridge American Cemetery and Memorial



'TJ' Tejinder Singh Bhachu, of the Hardwick Stores and Post Office, died on 15th July 2021 at the age of 54. A much liked member of village life, his renown spread beyond Hardwick and many members of the Madingley community have reason to regret his loss and to remember him kindly.

OUR MP, ANTHONY BROWNE



We have not received a report for this issue from our MP, who says: 'I remain available via anthony.browne.mp@parliament.uk Please don't hesitate to reach out if you think I can help.'

Anthony Browne MP

OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR, MICHAEL ATKINS



We have not received a report for this issue from our County Councillor, but he has promised one for the December edition. He has previously written: 'If you need to contact me or would like to discuss any issues in Madingley, you can do so on matkinslibdem@gmail.com, or by post to 27 Silverdale Avenue, Coton, CB23 7PP.'

Michael Atkins

NEWS FROM OUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR, TOM BYGOTT



New Household Recycling Centre

Plans have been announced for the household recycling centre (HRC) in Milton to be replaced, with the current HRC closing by 2026 under its planning consent. Cambridgeshire County Council is proposing an upgraded, permanent facility at the site which will offer increased capacity.

Suggested changes include an enclosed reuse shop, and a split-level design, enabling residents to dispose of their waste without needing to climb steps to access the containers.

During the construction phase, local residents will have to travel to other HRCs in Cambridgeshire, such as Bluntisham, Thriplow and Witchford. If approved, the works are expected to take place between May and December 2022, with the site reopening in January 2023.

More information can be found at www.miltonhrc.info, or by telephoning 0800 156 0114.

SCDC threatened with legal action

According to a recent article in the Cambridge News: 'Accusations that the Council misled the Government have been denied by South Cambridgeshire District Council. The dispute relates to a metric of the Council's planning performance that reports to the Government on how many planning applications its planning service has determined within a set time.'

'The director of the community campaign group Few's Lane Consortium, Daniel Fulton, has said he intends to bring a Judicial Review that would see the Council 'correct' its figures submitted to the Government. He claims it would show the Council has not met minimum performance criteria and that as a result 'the Council may be designated as an underperforming local planning authority'.'

According to a report submitted by the Few's Lane Consortium to the Council's Scrutiny & Overview Committee this April: 'For the past two years, South Cambridgeshire District Council has submitted inaccurate planning performance returns to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) in order to avoid designation as an underperforming local planning authority pursuant to Section 62B of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

'For Q2 2020, the Council had submitted to MHCLG that 85% of non-major planning applications had been approved on-time. However, an independent audit conducted by Few's Lane Consortium using the objective reporting standards approved by both Houses of Parliament found that the truthful performance statistic was only 9%.'

Cllr Tom Bygott

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NEWS FROM OUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR, CORINNE GARVIE



To introduce myself: I have lived in Girton for 33 years, worked for the NHS for 40 years and I am the mother of two grown up children. I have been a school volunteer and Governor, a museums' volunteer and YHA volunteer manager. I have also volunteered for Girlguiding for 20 years in order to empower girls.

On the Council I am one of the councillors who sits on two health committees, Cambridgeshire County Council Health Committee and Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing board.

I joined the LibDems in 2016 because it represents my values.

Bin collections

Residents are being given advance warning that fortnightly green bin collections could be disrupted in the weeks ahead due to the pandemic causing staff shortages – though collections remain as scheduled for now. This would allow remaining crews to concentrate on emptying blue and black bins during the coming weeks.

If any changes to the schedule are needed the Greater Cambridge Shared Waste Service will let residents, Parish Councils and Residents' Associations know, and keep people up to date via the two councils' websites and social media channels.

The Greater Cambridge Shared Waste Service is currently unable to secure enough agency workers to cover all absences. This is because agency workers are in higher demand in places such as supermarkets due to the number of people currently needing to self-isolate.

Cllr Brian Milnes, South Cambridgeshire District Council's Lead Cabinet Member for Environmental Services and Licensing, said: 'Residents can help by trying their very best to minimise the amount of food that they are throwing out and trying not to generate garden waste for now. It would also be a big help to our hardworking loaders, who walk the equivalent of a half marathon every shift, if those whose bins don't have much waste inside can wait until it is full before putting it out – if they think they can manage until their next collection.'

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'WEDNESDAY B' BIN COLLECTIONS

September

8th	BLUE and GREEN
15th	BLACK
22nd	BLUE and GREEN
29th	BLACK

October

6th	BLUE and GREEN
13th	BLACK
20th	BLUE and GREEN
27th	BLACK

November

3rd	BLUE and GREEN
10th	BLACK
17th	BLUE and GREEN
24th	BLACK

December

1st	BLUE and GREEN
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BUSES BETWEEN MADINGLEY AND CAMBRIDGE

Outbound services pick up in Cambridge Road adjacent to the Madingley Hall gates roundabout and arrive at Drummer Street Bus Station. Inbound services begin at Drummer Street Bus Station and stop in the High Street near the Village Hall.

Whippet Coaches Bus No. 8 (Monday to Saturday only)

Outbound:

Madingley	Drummer Street (Bay 3)
10.03	10.25
11.33	11.55
15.03	15.25

Inbound:

Drummer Street (Bay 3)	Madingley
10.30	10.49
13.00	13.19
16.30	16.49

Stagecoach 4 bus

The Stagecoach 4 bus stops by request outside Madingley Mulch ('Coton, Inglewood') 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>

Madingley Road Park & Ride

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

Monday to Friday: 07.00 to 20.10 (every 10 minutes until 17.50; then every 20 minutes until 20.10). Saturday: service begins at 08.00. Sunday and Public Holidays: 08.50 to 17.50 (every 10 minutes)

(Inbound services: Monday to Friday: 07.20 to 20.30; Saturday: service begins at 08.20. Sunday and Public Holidays: 09.10 to 18.10 [every 10 minutes])

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, although the first 18 hours are free.

(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 and the Cambridge Biomedical Campus (Addenbrooke's, New Royal Papworth and Rosie Maternity Hospitals).

Details from: <http://www.go-whippet.co.uk/new-route-u/>

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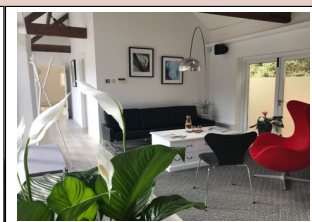
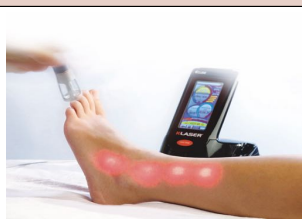
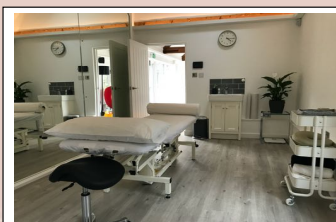
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