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The American Cemetery, where Veterans' Day falls on 12th November (see page 5) (Photograph by Chris Baldwin)

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#### FROM THE EDITORS

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

The next issue of *Madingley News* will be published on 10th December 2018 and the copy deadline 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.

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#### PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

In my article for the June edition of *Madingley News* I referred to the extremes of weather we'd experienced over the Winter and into Spring and said that I hoped we could now look forward to a "warm and comfortable" Summer. Well, it has certainly been the former but I'm not so sure about the latter! I think I'll lay off any predictions about what Autumn might hold for us.

In the same article I mentioned we were about to launch a new Parish Council website. This site is now up and running and can be found at: http://www.madingleyparishcouncil.org.uk/. By way of background, all Parish Councils in England are legally required by central Government to abide by the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities. To quote the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government: 'This code is issued to meet the Government's desire to place more power into citizens' hands to increase democratic accountability'. A key element of the Code is that it requires the online publication of key spending and governance information. To support this, the Government created a £4.7m Transparency Fund to allow Councils such as ours to become web-enabled and compliant with the Code.

#### New website

It was through this route that we created the new website. Because of this, the website is necessarily Parish Council focussed. However, we have also tried to set up the site to be of wider interest to the Village. So, for example, you'll find that the electronic edition of *Madingley News* is now held here (under 'Local and Useful Info'). We have some scope for further expanding the site to include more community material and are keen to try to make it a useful resource. Incidentally, the old website (www.madingleyparish.net) will continue to run for the foreseeable future; the Parish Council and *Madingley News* sections now reference

across to the new site but the rest of the original site remains unchanged.

#### **New Parish Councillor**

Back in June I also mentioned the result of the May local elections and that we had three returning Parish Councillors and two vacancies. I'm delighted to say that we have since filled one of the vacancies and have welcomed Fiona Naughton on to the Council. She's already off to a flying start and it's great to have new ideas and perspectives. I'd be very happy to hear from anyone who's interested in filling the final vacancy. As I've said previously, it's a rewarding role and also provides a great insight into what's going on locally as well as further afield. It's also a good opportunity to contribute towards trying to maintain Madingley as the very special place to live that we all enjoy.

#### Village noticeboard

In June we were successful in obtaining some funding towards the cost of replacing the somewhat decrepit Village noticeboard located on the grass area next to the Village Hall. We were awarded £635 from Agricole as this year's rebate from the Barton Ward Oil Club. For those not familiar with the Oil Club, it was set up a few years ago by Francis Burkett (our former District Councillor) as part of his Quarter-to-Six-Quadrant initiative (gtsc.org.uk). The Club essentially allows residents in the four QTSQ villages (Madingley, Barton, Coton and Grantchester) to join together to place a bulk order at a discounted price. It's operated by Agricole, an oil and grain broker, and the Village Rebate is offered annually to one of the four villages as part of the scheme's operation. We'd like to thank Jeremy Cole of Agricole for this year's award. Incidentally, the Quarter-to-Six-Quadrant concept has been pretty inactive for quite a few years now, but there have recently been moves to revive it. The idea is for the four villages to work together on any issues common to us all, to everyone's mutual benefit.

#### Waste bins

Finally on the 'new' theme, you may have noticed the appearance of a third dog waste bin, located on Cambridge Road at the entry point to the Girton Footpath. This should originally have been installed at the same time as the other two bins, but it's there now after a bit of chasing. We're also trying to get some normal waste bins installed in some of the more problematic littering areas, such as the 'layby' just adjacent to the entrance to Park Farm on Church Lane.

Returning to the Girton Footpath, we have been advised that this is now subject to a temporary closure order (potentially up until 2020) as part of the A14 widening scheme. This is to allow the construction of the new flyover on the southern side of the A428 at the Girton Interchange. It has proved difficult for us to get any clarity on the exact timing and extent of the closure. However, we will be pushing to ensure any closure is for the shortest time and smallest area possible; there would be no justification in our view in closing the footpath all the way back to Cambridge Road (and we have previously made this point to Highways England).

Although (at the time of writing) rain seems a very dim and distant memory, all of the blocked surface water drains around the Village have been reported. Some of the drains have now been unblocked by normal means, but it appears others are so heavily blocked that they need specialist attention (we are assured that they will be dealt with). The drains to be treated have been identified with paint, with different markings to distinguish the 'easy' and 'difficult' ones. In a similar vein, the missing street sign at the Madingley Hall end of the High Street has been reported (and is being chased). Incidentally, anyone can report anything they spot that needs fixing. It's a very quick and painless process – just go to Cambridgeshire County Council website or South Cambridgeshire District Council website and hit the 'Report It' button. You can report anything from pot holes to missed bin collections.

Here's looking forward to a peaceful Autumn, with hopefully 'normal' weather.

#### **Stuart Hawkins**

Chairman, Madingley Parish Council

#### MADINGLEY HISTORY GROUP

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 4th October, starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, when Tamsin Wimhurst will speak to us about the fascinating Victorian 'time capsule' – the David Parr House in Cambridge.

Decorated in the late Victorian era this house lay undiscovered until a few years ago when its extraordinary story began to be uncovered.

David Parr was an 'artistic decorator' who worked for some of our best known Victorian designers of the day such as William Morris and George Bodley. He decorated churches and palaces for those who could afford such decoration but in his spare time he came home and decorated his humble terrace house in the same style. Lived in by his granddaughter until a few years ago, its interior remained a wondrous hidden secret. Now it will be saved, restored and opened up to the public so that many more can enjoy its unique atmosphere.



Elaborate wall decoration in the David Parr House

Tamsin Wimhurst is a Trustee and founder of the David Parr House Charitable Incorporated Organisation which was set up in 2014 to conserve and open up the house to the public.

Before this she worked in curation, project management and education in the heritage industry, with a wide variety of communities in order to help them access their history and encourage an interest in their past. She is a passionate supporter of small independent museums, with a special interest in local and women's history.

#### A14 Archaeology

We were treated to a fascinating insight into the archaeology being discovered along the route of the A14 highways scheme at our meeting in June. Tony Walsh, Project Manager from MOLA Headland Infrastructure, described one of the largest archaeological projects of recent times involving 520 archaeologists working on 350 hectares of targeted excavations with 53 vehicles and 16,000 buckets. The dig is complete. Iron Age, Roman and even mammoth bone finds are now being assessed. Tony confirmed that a roundhouse and enclosure around it was found during the trial trenching process on land near to The Avenue.

Two members of the History Group are taking part in the Community Archaeology Dig this Summer exploring evidence of medieval industrial activity relating to the abandoned village of Houghton, as well as Iron Age and Roman remains.

Annual membership of the Madingley History Group costs £10. Visitors are welcome to attend individual meetings but are asked to contribute £3.50 to History Group funds. For more information please contact Sue Baldwin (01954 210766; auchaldwin1000@gmail.com)

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#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 10th September, 7.30pm Madingley Village Hall Parish Council Meeting

Friday 14th September Madingley Hall **Open Cambridge Dinner** 

Friday 14th & Saturday 15th September Madingley Hall 'Open Cambridge'

Saturday 15th September Madingley Hall Local Food Fair

Thursday 4th October, 7.30pm Madingley Village Hall Madingley History Group Tamsin Wimhurst: The David Parr House'

Thursday 18th October, 7.30pm Madingley Village Hall Parish Council Meeting

Sunday 4th November, 3.00pm Madingley Parish Church 'A Time to Remember'

Monday 12th November, 10.45am American Cemetery Veterans' Day

Tuesday 20th November, 7.00pm Madingley Village Hall Village Hall Committee AGM

Thursday 29th November, 7.30pm Madinglev 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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#### NEWS FROM THE AMERICAN CEMETERY

When I look up from my computer, I can gaze out of the Visitor Centre windows and see the changing seasons. It has been a good year for butterflies which have been flitting over the long grass and wildflowers in the area that was once part of the ancient Madingley Wood. This feature of the cemetery has a managed cutting regime in order to encourage the spread of the beautiful and delicate native bluebells.

#### Student visit

One of the highlights of the Summer was the visit by the entire Year 7 from North Cambridge Academy, who, along with their Principal and his Deputy, spent the whole day here.

Pupils learned about the Wall of the Missing; the 23 Cambridge Unknown soldiers; found stories of the young American men and women (not much older than themselves) and explored the Visitor Centre. Then they had a picnic on the meadow. By the end of the day, although only 11-12 years old, the students demonstrated an ability not only to empathise, but to think critically about what they had heard and seen ... and that D-Day was on 6th June 1944!

#### **Texan Choir**



In early July, the cemetery had a visit from the Texas Children's Choir (TCC), fresh from singing in the iconic King's College Chapel, Cambridge. Led by its Director, Dr Tom Hardaway, TCC was in the UK to join other choirs in a festival of music commemorating the First World War centenary at Ely Cathedral. Whilst at the cemetery, the choristers (aged 8-18) put on a short concert of patriotic and uplifting music including 'God Bless America' and 'America the Beautiful'. They also gave a wonderful rendition of 'Homeland', a powerful arrangement of 'I Vow to Thee, My Country' by Gustav Holst.

In the early 1990s the golden finial eagle was stolen from atop our flagpole and remained lost for 25 years. You may have seen on the local news that it was returned in the early hours of 5th July; or 4th July, US time. Perhaps someone had a guilty conscience?

**Brigadier Asa N Duncan** DSM LM PH IT O C/CA – Wall of the Missing



Brigadier General Asa Duncan (on the right)

Asa Duncan was another veteran of World War I, pictured here with his grandfather in 1919. An air gunner and photographic observer, he displayed great bravery on a mission over enemy lines. When attacked, he fought until both his guns were hopelessly jammed by shots which pierced the magazine drums. He was twice knocked down by the impact of shots against his gun mount. It was not until after WWI that he was awarded his pilot's wings.

The creation of the United States Army Air Corps provided many opportunities for people with experience to show leadership skills. In 1941 he became Commanding Officer of the 17th Bombardment Wing and finally rose to Commanding General of the Eighth Air Force, all at Savannah Air Base, Georgia.

As Chief of Staff of the Eighth Air Force he was based first in London and later at its headquarters at Bushey Park.

On 17th November 1942 General Duncan left Predannack airfield in Cornwall on a B-17 en route for Gibraltar and the 12th Air Force. The plane was reported to have come down in the sea near to St Nazaire, France. Two bodies were recovered from the water but 11 others, including that of General Duncan, were unaccounted for. The plane was the first Douglas-built B-17 lost in the ETO.

#### Veterans' Day

We hope that you can join us for this year's Veterans' Day Ceremony on Monday 12th November at 10.45 am.

**Suzie Harrison**, Interpretative Guide Cambridge American Cemetery

#### **CHURCH NEWS**

I for one live in hope that by the time you read this, the weather will have cooled down, although I know many people will have thoroughly enjoyed our long hot Summer. Mercifully it was not *too* hot on Sunday 5th August when we welcomed Marley-Roy Alan Graham Matthew Kenneth Tanner into the church community through baptism. It was a joyful occasion, and we were able to give a warm welcome to his extended family who had travelled up from Kent for this service.

#### **Open Gardens**



Open Gardens event, 10th June 2018

The temperature had not reached its highest point when we participated in Madingley Hall's Open Gardens event one Sunday afternoon in June, by providing teas, and selling plants and home-made produce, as well as some wonderful hand-stitched cushions.

#### **Overseas visitors**

One unusual part of the event was that a group of visitors from Heidelberg were able to sample our English baking, and were treated as they enjoyed their tea to music played on the harp by Jo Wallace-Hadrill.



The Madingley Harpist entertains the visitors

There's a tremendous amount of work which goes into all the organising, baking and setting up of the plants and produce stall, but at the end of the afternoon it was agreed that it had all been worth it, given that our West End Development Fund benefitted from an additional £1,000 when all contributions were taken into account.



A fine choice of cakes was on offer

I am grateful to Sue Baldwin for supplying the following latest information about our building project, which, as you can see, is making astounding progress given the small size of the church and the Village it serves. Our thanks go to all who have contributed so generously.

#### West End Development Project Update

- The church architect and project committee have been looking carefully at the scheme to identify areas where costs could be reduced or items omitted without impacting on the aims of the project. This has resulted in a revised drainage scheme and simplified design for the lavatory 'pod' in the tower. The Diocese of Ely has been consulted and the District Council has given Planning Permission. The PCC will take the revised scheme out to tender to specialist companies during September.
- We were very pleased to receive a grant of £15,000 from the Garfield Weston Foundation. Donations from supporters of the scheme continue to arrive and a series of applications to grant giving bodies is ongoing. We have now raised a total of £272,666 with a further £16,031 to come in pledges.
- Archaeology: it is impossible to know how much archaeology lies below the green lawn outside the church. You will see an exploratory test pit being dug by the Cambridge Archaeology Unit during the Autumn which will carefully explore what might be below ground prior to us starting work on site.

The PCC is grateful to you all for your continuing support.

#### **Rev'd Christine Barrow**

#### A Time to Remember

We will be holding a service called 'A Time to Remember' at the church on Sunday 4th November at 3.00 pm. The service gives us the opportunity to join together to remember and give thanks for the lives of those we love who have died. At the heart of the service the names of our loved ones will be read out and there will be the opportunity to place a lighted candle in their memory. Whether your loved one, or loved ones, died recently or some time ago, whether they lived locally or elsewhere, they can all be remembered in this service.

Refreshments will be served in the church after the service. Parking is available to us on the right hand side of the Madingley Hall drive.

If you would like to come, please send me in advance the name of the loved one or loved ones you would like read out in the service, together with your own contact details in case we need to be in touch.

I can be contacted as follows:

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**Susan Rawlings** 

Licensed Lay Minister

#### MADINGLEY CRICKET CLUB

It's fair to say it's been a mixed season for Madingley cricket, with a few good results but also both teams being on the wrong end of some close games. However the good news is that both sides look to be safe in their respective leagues.

Looking back it's hard to believe that the start of the season was affected by the wet stuff. Pitch preparations were limited due to a huge amount of rain in April, with pre-season friendlies abandoned, and both teams lost their first league games against St Giles and Milton respectively; 2nd team off the last ball. The second weekend was also rain-affected with both games abandoned, before the two teams registered their first wins by the end of May.

June saw mixed results for both teams, with the 1st team beating Thriplow and Abington and the 2nd team exacting revenge on Milton before an end of month double header against St Giles 2nd and 3rd XIs saw our first '40 pointer'. The 1st team posted an unassailable 222 for five wickets to win by 43 runs, whilst the 2nd team successfully chased 191 in just 33 overs of their allocated 40.

The rain was a distant memory by this point, and lots of excitement over England's progress in the World Cup meant that we had an unusually early start time of 10am against Barrington. It was still roasting hot, and the outcome of another narrow defeat before we headed off to enjoy England qualify for the quarter final. Since then the 1st team has registered another win and the 2nd team has made top of the table Bassingbourn earn a hard win, then lost by just two runs to Bottisham/Lode, before holding their nerve in chasing 208 at Bar Hill.

Our season ends in early September, by which time we hope a couple more wins for each team will have been enough to keep us up in Junior 1 South and Junior 3 West divisions.

Philip Done, Madingley Cricket Club

#### MADINGLEY VILLAGE HALL

The Hall is going through the Summer holiday quiet period but with plenty of plans for events during the Autumn. We have been very busy this year with lots of bookings for family events, business get-togethers, children's parties and, of course, Village meetings.

All the income from these 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 and we are very pleased that our own Stephen Perse School is now using the Hall on a weekly basis for PE lessons.

If you are interested in hiring the Hall for your own celebration or meeting please do get in touch with me.

Chris Baldwin Chairman, Madingley Village Hall Trust

The Hall is becoming popular for several regular 'wellbeing' classes and **these are open to all residents.** Please contact the tutor concerned for more information or to join.

Weekly Art Class re-starting 17th September

On Monday mornings Jenny Sanders takes a three-hour General Art class in the Hall. Each week she brings a new subject such as a collection of still-life objects, or maybe photographs or paintings to work from and suggests ways of tackling these. Students bring their own materials, paper, watercolour, crayons, acrylic, etc. It is a friendly and enthusiastic class with a wide variety of experience. Please contact Jenny Sanders on 01223 693932.

#### Monthly Sound Therapy starting 20th September

Are you having difficulty sleeping, needing a sense of calm or just wanting to switch off from everything for an hour? It might be worth

experiencing a unique type of meditation with the vibrating sounds of a gong. It is common to find the gong used in yoga centres, sound therapy practices and festival retreats. In a gong meditation setting, you can sit in a chair or ideally lie down on a mat with a pillow and blanket, you then close your eyes and just listen to the sound of the gong. The sessions will take place at 7.30pm, ending at 8.30 pm on 13th September, 11th October, 15th November and 6th December. The cost is £10 per person. Please contact Sally Warr, Integrative Therapist and Gong Player:

sally.warr@oceanswithin.co.uk

#### Movement Class re-starting in September

'Open Floor' is a dynamic movement practice with a series of core movement resources, such as ground, centre, expand and contract which will resource you in your everyday life: 'as in the dance floor, so in life'. Di Hinds is a qualified Open Floor teacher who has crossed continents to bring this embodied practice to Cambridge.

It is a free form, improvised movement practice that does not require previous dance experience. Nothing to get right – or wrong! Everybody welcome! Please contact: Di Hinds (email: Dihiwi25@gmail.com)

#### **COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH**

Speedwatch surveys are effective in reminding drivers to drive within the local speed limit, making our Village roads safer for all road users.

Running Speedwatch shows that we care about road safety in the Village. Our team of regular Speedwatch volunteers continues to do a great job, helping to remind drivers to keep within the Village speed limit – thank you all for your ongoing support.

#### Madingley Speedwatch Secretariat

#### **NEWS FROM MADINGLEY HALL**

#### 14th September 2018 from 6.30pm: Open Cambridge Dinner

The annual Open Cambridge Festival dinner will this year take place at Madingley Hall. Enjoy a specially-designed menu from Madingley Hall's award-winning chefs, followed by an afterdinner speech given by Head Gardener Richard Gant. Tickets are £39 (please book ahead).

#### 15th September 2018: Open Cambridge: Madingley Hall and Gardens

To mark the 70th anniversary of the University of Cambridge's purchase of Madingley Hall, we are opening up the Hall and parts of the Estate to the public as part of the Open Cambridge Festival. Explore the eight-acre garden, the Capability Brown landscape, Madingley Village, the surrounding woodland, and the Cambridge American Cemetery.

#### 15th September 2018: Local Food Fair

After you've explored the Estate, why not revive and refresh at our Local Food Fair at Madingley Hall? Indulge yourself with samples from the pop-up farmers' market, reminiscent of the Village Fete popular in times gone by.

We are hoping to hold public lectures during the 2018/19 academic year; dates and details to be confirmed.

#### Paul Ireland

Communications and Marketing Manager

#### NEWS FROM OUR MP

In my last newsletter, I explained the action I had been taking to respond to the appalling train service being provided to constituents by Govia Thameslink Railway (GTR) trains. Since then, I have continued to keep the pressure on GTR and the Department for Transport – I have asked further questions in the House, including raising the issue at Prime Minister's Questions and more recently questioning the Rail Minister again about the chaos. My website has a dedicated page on the GTR issues and continues to be updated regularly with new information.

Details of the compensation being offered to passengers have now been announced. The compensation is designed to refund season ticket holders up to one month where they have suffered severe disruption. This is what I called for in my question in the House in early June as soon the problems became apparent.

However, as the chaos has continued for far longer than we could have anticipated, I have been asking for more than that. I believe it must also compensate non-season ticket holders and factor in the consequential loss suffered by commuters, such as increased parking charges, taxi fares etc. Along with other MPs, I have written to GTR and I am also in touch with the Office of Road and Rail about this too.

As GTR tries to get to grips with the dismal service it has been providing, its new emergency timetable went live on 15th July. If GTR cannot deliver assurances that it services will improve then it must lose it franchise – and Government agrees.

I am very sorry that GTR's failures have resulted in so much inconvenience and upset to so many. I continue to be very grateful to the constituents who have contacted me and to the Royston and Villages Rail User Group who have been such a strong advocate for rail users.



Heidi Allen visits local farmers and the NFU

Last month, I was pleased to meet with local farmers and the National Farmers Union to talk through a number of issues. Agriculture is such a vital part of our local economy, so when Government launches the new Agriculture Bill shortly to shape farming outside of the EU – it must listen to the needs of our famers. They play a critical role in producing our food, looking after the environment and supporting our rural economy.

If there is anything you would like to talk to me about, my next surgery will be by appointment in Northstowe (venue to be confirmed on my website) on 6th October between 10.30am and 12.30pm. If you would like an appointment, please give my office a call on 01223 830037.

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

#### Heidi Allen MP

#### NEWS FROM OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR



#### Transport

Several important rural bus routes, temporarily reprieved after Cambridgeshire County Council

stepped in to save them from last August onwards, will now be funded until the end of the financial year, using reserves held for this purpose, when the Combined Authority's review of these services is complete. The Council will then work with the Mayor to discuss future funding arrangements.

#### A14 upgrade

Projects that will benefit local communities are set to get off the ground thanks to funding from the A14 upgrade legacy.

A scheme to widen the footway between the village green and school entrance is expected to be carried out at the end of August in Boxworth End, Swavesey while preparation work to provide a zebra crossing in Buckden is underway.

They are the first of five projects originally put forward by residents through the Council's Local Highways Improvement Initiative (LHI), which communities can apply for to help improve their roads and streets.

The schemes are being part funded by the A14 Community Fund which was launched by Highways England to fund projects connecting local communities with the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon upgrade.

Cambridgeshire County Council has been awarded £41,127 from the fund, which will contribute towards the projects in South Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire over the coming months.

#### **Combined Authority**

The Combined Authority successfully secured £100million from the Government as part of the devolution deal to deliver 2,000 affordable homes across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

#### Health Ratings – good and bad

Cambridgeshire has been shown to be among the best performing Local Authorities for breastfeeding and childhood obesity in a national report.

Cambridgeshire County Council is in the 'best' category nationally for 'childhood obesity' and 'best start in life' ranking second and fourth out of 16 similar councils respectively.

The Council is also 'better than average' for NHS health checks, alcohol treatment, and sexual and reproductive health, ranking sixth out of 16 similar authorities.

However Cambridgeshire is in the 'worst' category, ranking 14th out of 16 similar councils for tobacco control, although the County is better than the national average on this measure; and

also in the 'worst' category for drug treatment services.

#### **Highways and Hedges**

A reminder that you can report road maintenance and hedges issues here: https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/tra vel-roads-and-parking/roads-andpathways/roadworks-and-faults/

#### Roadworks

I have had calls from residents regarding roadworks. If you would like to know what is happening in your area you can check at: www.roadworks.org

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

#### Lina Joseph

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#### NEWS FROM OUR DISTRICT COUNCILLOR



#### **Cambridge Congestion Charge**

This has been a persistent issue. The District Council had voted on two previous occasions to oppose a Congestion Charge, but at July's Council meeting the issue came back a third time and the new administration enthusiastically backed the imposition of such a tax. I voted on all three occasions to oppose a Congestion Charge.

Supporters of this tax often refer to congestion charges in London, and sometimes Stockholm, but these are not relevant, because both cities have excellent public transport systems. The London Underground and its 270 stations, and Stockholm's Metro with100 stations, are well designed and efficient. Our Mayor, James Palmer, is working hard to bring us an excellent metro system of our own, but right now our public transport is very substandard, and driving is a necessity for most people.

A key feature of the City's proposal was that residents of Cambridge City would not pay the tax, but residents of South Cambridgeshire would have to. Any new proposal is almost certain to have the same feature. Dry Drayton and Madingley have three buses per day for most of the week and none on Sunday, and many of our more remote villages have only one or two buses per week. In contrast, city dwellers are recipients of lavish public transport spending. The Government reports that last year, £944 was spent per capita on Transport in London compared to £333 in the East of England, and that despite receiving considerably more for rail, Londoners also received £115 for 'Local Public Transport', which includes buses, compared to £12 for our region; see:

https://researchbriefings.parliament.uk/Research Briefing/Summary/CBP-8130

In the countryside, driving is a necessity, whereas in the city, driving is a luxury. It is therefore wholly unfair that country dwellers should pay the tax, whilst city dwellers are exempt.

#### **Cllr Tom Bygott**

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September			
12th:	BLUE and GREEN		
19th:	BLACK		
26th:	BLUE and GREEN		
October			
3rd:	BLACK		
10th:	BLUE and GREEN		
17th:	BLACK		
24th:	BLUE and GREEN		
31st	BLACK		
November			
7th:	BLUE and GREEN		
14th:	BLACK		
21st:	BLUE and GREEN		
28th:	BLACK		
December			
5th	BLUE and GREEN		

#### 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. 2** was discontinued in September 2017 but its route is covered by citi 5 and citi 6.

Stagecoach Bus (	Monday to Friday only)			
Outbound (citi 5) (via Bar Hill):		Inbound (citi 6) (via Oakington):		
Madingley	Emmanuel Street (E4)	Emmanuel Street (E4)	Madingley	
07.21	07.57	17.55	18.44	
Whippet Coaches Bus No. 8 (Monday to Saturday only)				
Outbound:		Inbound:		
Madingley	Drummer Street (Bay 3)	Drummer Street (Bay 3)	Madingley	
10.03	10.25	10.30	10.49	
11.33	11.55	13.00	13.19	
15.03	15.25	16.30	16.49	
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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:

• 24 to 48 hours: £20

18 to 24 hours: £10

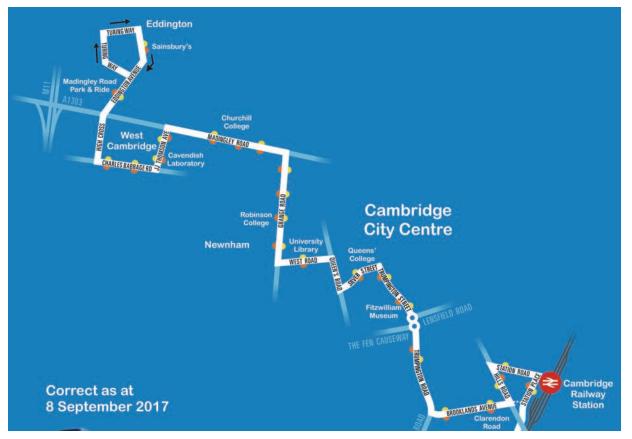
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• 48 to 72 hours: £30

(Advance purchase and season tickets are available at: https://cambridgeshireparkandride.keyivr.com)

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), Cambridge Railway Station (Monday to Saturday) and Addenbrooke's Hospital (Monday to Friday). More details from: http://www.go-whippet.co.uk/new-route-u/











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