News & Views around



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THE ROYAL WEDDING GARDEN PARTY

The Pheasant, Great Chishill Friday 29thApril

Come and watch the Royal Wedding at a Garden Party at The Pheasant. Bring and Share Food available

for all (please can you let us know what you are bringing). After the coverage there will fun and games for the children.

It would be useful if you could also let us know if you are planning to attend. This event is intended to be a fun, informal day out for everyone. Do come along and join in. Garden opens at 10:00; we look forward to seeing you then!

Contact:

Ollie Oughton, 838535 Hazel Hayden, 838254 Sarah Scott, 837112 Hazel Gill, 838062

GRAND JUMBLE SALE !!! In aid of Chishill Youth Club 30th April

10.00 - 12.00 Please take your unwanted clothes and toys to Cross Hill House 1, May Street





HATE DRIVERS SPEEDING THROUGH OUR VILLAGE?

JOIN THE SPEEDWATCH SCHEME !

Four more volunteers are needed for training to join those gallant few already clocking offenders. Call Tim Scott on 837112

MELBOURN NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM

The speedwatch team allows members of the public to get actively involved in monitoring the speed of vehicles travelling through their villages. It is used in areas, such as yours, where speeding has been identified as a problem by the community.

Full training will be given to those who wish to volunteer to carry out speed surveys. Information gathered from these checks is used to deliver warning and education notices and influence subsequent enforcement activity. For more information, please visit www.cambs.police.co.uk/roadsaf ety/speedwatch/index.asp or contact us on 0345 456 456 4.

FROM OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR Chishill Windmill: District and County Council roles

It was good to hear people's thoughts and concerns expressed at last month's parish council meeting. A fundamental grievance is that one local authority, the County

Issue 1 April 2011 Council, has not managed to take proper care of this iconic listed building, while the other local authority, the District Council, has not upheld its duty in enforcing proper care. A County Council officer offered to attend the meeting to answer questions and explain some of the detail and broader circumstances. There are immediate concerns about the balance of public interests: how should scarce public money be spent and what is the best way of proceeding right now? There are also serious criticisms about the County's long-term management of its assets. Unfortunately the fact remains that there is nothing to stop the County Council from putting the windmill on the market, just as anybody can put a house on the market in good or bad condition. The parish council has been given first refusal. This comes at a time when volunteer-run parish councils are already facing enormous new pressures. Any questions, or anything you'd like us to put back to the two councils, please get in touch and let us know. COUNCILLORS' DROP-IN

SURGERY

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the District or County Councils, Susan and Jose will be at the meeting room in Great Chishill Village Hall on April 27th, and again on May 25th, from 7:30-8:30. *Susan van de Ven* (County Councillor) susanvandeven@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 261833 Jose Hales (District Councillor) cllr.hales@josehales.me.uk

Tel: 221058

MARCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The future of the windmill was high on the agenda at the meeting on 9th March which was attended by several interested villagers who voiced their opinions and concerns as well as questioning Nick Sweeney, from Shire Hall. He explained that the mill had never had the necessary budget allocation and that the decisionmaking cabinet member, Cllr John Reynolds has consequently declared it surplus to the county's requirements. Therefore it has been offered to the District and Parish Councils who should see its possible acquisition as an "opportunity". The final resort is to offer it up for public sale; failure to sell would result in the County Council's continuing less than minimal maintenance.

It seems that the County Council has left it to the parish to find an interested party to care for the mill.

A fuller report can be found in the minutes of this meeting on the parish website <u>www.greatchishillpc.com</u>

Bus Service No. 31 to Cambridge. Monday - Saturday 07.05 The County Council will withdraw subsidies for this service in a year's time when Community Transport may have to be looked into as a replacement.

The next parish council meeting is on Tuesday, 5th April at 19.30 in the Village Hall committee room The Edítor



8th April, 13th May The Church 13.25 - 14.05



SAUSAGE LUNCH

Sat 2nd April from noon. Fund raising for Great Chishill Playground. Tickets £6 adult, £3 child, £5 OAP. Call Kathryn 838505 or Lucy 837159.

DO YOU KNOW THIS CAT?



This cat has been around the May Street / Maltings Lane area of Great

Chishill for some months. It is constantly scrounging for food in various houses and is becoming a persistent problem. Is it yours or do you recognise it? Do you know someone who has lost it or maybe moved away? If we cannot find the owner locally then it will be taken to the animal shelter to be scanned for a microchip. It is wearing an old black collar with a small bell and the cat is guite docile but rather wary. Please contact me if you have any information about it. Thank you, Andrea 838465





15 May Village Hall More information later.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

3rd Tuesday in month 19.30 Great Chishill Village Hall 19th April **Charles Rennie Mackintosh** By Dr Muriel Seaman

CAMBRIDGE CANCER HELP CENTRE

Do you have cancer? Are you caring for someone with cancer? Have you lost a loved one to cancer? Cambridge Cancer Help Centre is there for you, offering support and understanding. Taking that first step to visit us may not be easy, but once you step through our door you will be assured of a warm and friendly welcome. The Centre also welcomes families, carers and friends.

Many of the people there will have experienced what you are going through.

Why not pay us a visit? We are open on Mondays from 10.00am to 1.00pm and Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10.00am to 4.00pm, or telephone us on 01223 840105

and speak to our Coordinator, Ann Dingley

You will find us at The David Rayner Centre, Scotsdales Garden Centre, 120 Cambridge Road, Great Shelford, Cambridge, CB22 5JT.

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