

# The Chishills

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## UPDATE TO THE PARISH PLAN



With all the spending reviews and

the need to prioritise, the Parish Council feels it right to revisit our village plan which was last done five years ago. To do this we will need to survey the parish, and will need volunteers and organisation leaders for their input. We have put the previous survey, presentation and parish plan on the Parish Council website. If you feel you would like to get involved and help, please contact Sarah Scott on 01763 837112 or email [sarah@chishillcottage.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:sarah@chishillcottage.orangehome.co.uk)

and she will be happy to talk to you about what is involved.

*Tim Scott, Parish Councillor*



## THE FATE OF OUR WINDMILL

You might have recently heard some views on our windmill on Radio Cambridgeshire and you can see the formal letter from the County Council on the Parish Council website [www.greatchishillpc.com](http://www.greatchishillpc.com)

Basically, the mill has now been patched up for the winter. At the beginning of November, the

County Council made it surplus to their requirements and want to dispose of it after a formal valuation. Obviously, if the parish were to buy it, it would have to have been refurbished and be in very good condition but the cost of future maintenance would have to be considered.

What are your thoughts on this question of the fate of our windmill? Contact Sarah Scott, Andrew Gardiner or the editor and have your say.



**LITTER  
MAKES OUR  
VILLAGE  
LOOK  
UNLOVED**

**“Please, take a plastic bag with you when walking in the village and pick up rubbish that others have unthinkingly left behind”**

## RAIL USER GROUP: MEETING DATE IS DECEMBER 8

The date of the next Rail User Group will be December 8<sup>th</sup>, not December 13<sup>th</sup> as previously advertised. We will begin at 8pm at the Elin Way, Meldreth, Sheltered Housing Community Room. All welcome. More information about the group's activities at <http://melbourn.org.uk/railusergroup/>.

## DRIVING WHILE USING MOBILE PHONES

Amongst priorities for the coming quarter, the recent Melbourn/Bassingbourn

December 2010

Neighbourhood Panel meeting agreed to include special attention to the problem of drivers using mobile phones. At the meeting the police said they would be considering various approaches to the problem.

## SUPPER CLUB: BRITAIN IN EUROPE

A talk on 'Britain in Europe,' by Peter Spufford, Emeritus Professor of European History at Cambridge University, will take place on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:15PM, Whittlesford Memorial Hall. Tickets are £12.50 and include homemade supper and dessert (£5 for under 15s). Please contact any of us for tickets.

Susan van de Ven, County Councillor  
Foxton, Heydon, Melbourn, Meldreth, Shepreth and The Chishills  
Contact details at [www.susanvandeven.com](http://www.susanvandeven.com)

Jose Hales, District Councillor,  
Melbourn, Heydon and the Chishills  
Contact details at [www.josehales.com](http://www.josehales.com)

## CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Village Hall  
2 - 4pm Up to Yr1  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
Call 837293/838505



## HELP!!!!!!!!!!!!

An experimental section of **Chalky Walk** is to be treated on its worst areas where walking is very difficult. If you can help with the spreading of "planings", please contact Sarah Scott on 837112 or [sarah@chishillcottage.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:sarah@chishillcottage.orangehome.co.uk)

**SHUT THE DOOR ON HIGH PRESSURE SELLING**

High pressure selling is something that we all want to avoid, and whilst it is quite easy to say 'no' to salespeople that call you on the phone, it is far harder to say 'no' to people once they are in your home.

We want you to avoid problems, so below we offer a few tips:

- Where possible, when looking for a trader, go on recommendation from someone you know
- Get three quotes so that you know the price you are paying is reasonable and fair.
- Always get quotes in writing and make sure they set out what exactly you will receive for that price
- If a trader needs to visit you in your home and you will be alone, see if you can arrange for someone else to be there for extra support in case the trader puts pressure on you.
- If the contract is signed in your home and is for over £35, make sure you are given a 7 days cancellation notice - you will almost certainly be entitled to this in law and means that you can change your mind up to 7 days after signing the agreement.
- If you are given terms and conditions, make sure you read them before signing the contract. Be careful if you are asked to sign

something to say that work can start there and then - this will impact on your right to cancel the contract.

- If possible, look for a trader that is a member of a Trade Association.

You can reduce the number of telephone sales calls you receive by **registering with the Telephone Preference Service on 0845 070 0707 or online at [www.tpsonline.org.uk](http://www.tpsonline.org.uk)**.

You can also contact our partner organisation, Consumer Direct, on 0845 4040506 for free, impartial and confidential advice. Calls cost no more than 4p a minute for BT customers - other networks may vary.

For more information on Trading Standards visit our website [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/consumer](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/consumer)

**CHRISTMAS with the WI**  
14th December



**MOBILE LIBRARY**  
10<sup>th</sup> December  
14<sup>th</sup> January  
Church: 13.25 - 14.05

**Open Workshops**  
See Local Craftswomen at Work  
**Sunday 5th December**  
**10am to 3pm**  
**Lynchets Farm, New Road, Great Chishill**  
Hand-spun wool crafts and Dressmaking  
Handmade Leatherwork, Bridles and Saddlery  
Present ideas - Christmas trees available



**What's happened to NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH?** Are you a former member of the team of coordinators or do you wish to contribute to keeping the neighbourhood safe? Contact Derek Smith on 838719 or at [derek.smith@camprojectmanagement.co.uk](mailto:derek.smith@camprojectmanagement.co.uk)

*"Now we've had a frost, sloes should be good for picking so, if you haven't already, you can get going with your sloe gin and other tipples for the competition in the New Year"*

**A REMINDER:**

**BLUE BIN BLUES**

Only what's clean, dry and loose,  
Is for recycling after use.

The **GREEN** is for food,  
cooked or raw  
And garden waste, much as before

**BIN COLLECTIONS**

	Black	Green & Blue
December	03	17
10		
24		
January		03 Mon
08 Sat		