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WANTED:

LOCKABLE CUPBOARD

The Village Hall requires a lockable metal cupboard for the safe storage of cleaning solutions (Health and Safety).

If you have such an item which you no longer need and think might be suitable please could you telephone Janet Crouch 01763 838301.

<http://www.greatchishillpc.com/the-parish-council.html>

SPEED WATCH - The parish council are very grateful for all the work Martin Gruselle, Geoff Crowther and Albert Phillpott have done over the last few years. The data they have collected has been invaluable in identifying the roads that speeding occurs most frequently. Cllr Susie Harrison has taken over from Tim Scott as the PC representative of Speed Watch. One of the options of speed reduction that are being looked into is working with the police and other parishes to obtain speeding deterrent systems for the village.

SAINT SWITHUN'S CLOCK

This is now working again. The Parish council will arrange and pay for the annual service of the clock.

FOOTPATHS

Please look to any overgrown footpaths which cross or border on your land.

WHO'S NEW?

If you know of anybody who would like to feature in WHO'S NEW?, please let the editor know.

FROM OUR COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Superfast Broadband registration in the Chishills has doubled and now stands at 49.2%. This is great news. However, we must get the number higher still. A paper sign-up sheet is available - please contact either of us if you need one. Or if you can do so on-line, please sign up at

CRICKET CLUB DINNER

Great Chishill Cricket Club held their annual dinner in the Village Hall on Saturday, 17 November. Some eighty guests enjoyed an excellent three-course meal and live entertainment from popular local singer, Melissa Baker. Thank you to all who supported this function and to those involved in the organisation of such a successful event. The club is very grateful to everyone who provided donations, prizes for the raffle and items for the auction of sporting memorabilia. A total of nearly £800 was raised on the evening, a sum that will go a very long way towards funding the club in 2013.

NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

We have recently welcomed John Ridge, Simon Dring and Suzie Harrison onto the council to join Cllrs Andrew Gardiner, Chairman and John Murgatroyd, Christine Cartwright and Janet Erskine.

MINUTES of past meetings can be found at

Christmas Party



for children aged 0 - end of key stage 1

living in Great Chishill and Heydon

Saturday 15th December
11.30am - 1.30pm

Great Chishill Village Hall

Party food, games, Stripey Wipey and a special visitor!

Invitations will be sent out - if you don't receive one, please phone Kathryn (838505) or Lucy (837048)

JUNIOR QUIZ



Take a walk around the village during the holidays and look around to find the answer to the following question:

Where in Great Chishill can you see Mad March Hares boxing all year long?

Answers to the editor for a prize.

SLOE GIN COMPETITION

In February Very few sloes in the hedgerows this year but still plenty of scope for vintage and other tipples!

www.connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk. The idea is to attract the private telecoms industry to upgrade broadband service in the Chishills.

We are holding a **drop-in surgery** every first Monday of the month, 2:30-3:30, at Melbourn Library Access Point, which is located in the green portacabin adjacent to the MVC reception entrance. If this is not convenient, please contact us to arrange an appointment to suit you.

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There have been reports of mud on New Road which Susan has followed up with Highways - if you have continuing concerns please let her know, including specific locations.

It is very disappointing that County's initial support for working with us to find solutions to problems identified by Speedwatch has gone quiet, in spite of multiple attempts to nudge and follow-up. Susan has discussed with the police and there is keen interest; she's also asked the Executive Director for highways to get involved as it is in everyone's interest, including Highways.

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**MOBILE LIBRARY
TIMETABLE**

2nd Friday in the month
8 Dec, 11 Jan
The Church
13.25 - 14.05



**MELBOURN LIBRARY
TIMETABLE**

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri:
14.30-16.30
Thurs: 17.00-19.00
Saturday: 10.00-12.00

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEETING
Great Chishill Village Hall 19:30
18 December
Christmas Meeting
Wear **RED & BLACK**, bring a dish to share and a gift for Santa's Sack.
15 January
Life of a Racehorse by Geoff Evans

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE POLICE
NEWS**

POLICE SURGERY
There will be another police surgery **10 - 11am on Thursday, 6th December** at the **Teacake Tea and Coffee Shop in Shepreth**. This is the perfect opportunity to **meet your local Police Community Support Officer** and discuss any issues or concerns you have.

FIRST CRIME COMMISSIONER
Sir Graham Bright (Conservative candidate) has been announced as the first Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Commissioner.
Melbourn Safer Neighbourhood Team



**MERGER of
CAMBRIDGESHIRE &
SUFFOLK FIRE & RESCUE
SERVICES**

A consultation on further collaboration, or a full merger, between Cambridgeshire and

Suffolk fire and rescue services is currently taking place.

This is your opportunity to give your views on the two services collaborating further in the coming years, potentially up to merging together into one service for both areas. Your views will be included within the full business case, which is currently being put together and is likely to be presented to the Fire Authority and Suffolk County Council Cabinet in the New Year.

The consultation pack and online feedback form is available on our website (<http://www.cambsfire.gov.uk/6667.php>). We are keen to receive as much feedback as possible so I would encourage you to let others know that this public consultation is taking place and to fill in the form yourselves and provide your honest opinions. The form does not ask for any personal information.

*Graham Stagg, Chief Fire Officer
Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service*

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		BIN COLLECTIONS	
			
		Black	Green & Blue
Dec	07		14
	21		31 Mon
Jan	07 Mon		12 Sat