

The Chishills

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APOLOGIES

This issue is a bit late, due to the usual Christmas and New Year breaks in normal service. Early production to overcome this would have meant lack of news.

Last month there was some confusion by the printer's carrier over the different delivery address. Apologies to all those inconvenienced.

YOUTH CLUB CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY SERVICE

Many thanks to everyone who used the Youth Club Christmas card delivery service and for the donations. Despite the short notice due to late delivery of the village newsletters, we raised £62.

Yet more thanks to everyone in the village who has supported us this year and come along to fundraising events. Money is in short supply since the County Council withdrawal of funding.



FOUND

House key on footpath between Barley Rd & May Street. Can be collected from 28 Barley Rd.

CHARITY WINTER BALL

This great event was well supported with 80 tickets being sold so a profit of £1,218 was raised. This grand total is to be shared equally between the St Swithun's Bells Fund and the Bowel Disease Research Fund at Addenbrooke's. Many thanks to those who came or helped Lindsey make this such a successful and really enjoyable event.

CRAFTS IN THE BARN

A huge thank you to all those who supported "Crafts in the Barn" at Lynchets Farm on 3rd Dec. It was lovely to see the barn full of such beautiful items. Thanks to all the stall holders who coped admirably with the chilly conditions made better by the kindly loaned space heater. With the cake stall taking a brilliant £70 and donations from visitors and stall holders a fantastic £216.96, we have a grand total of £286.96 to give to the St Swithun's Bell Restoration Fund.

Carolyn and Robin Truss.

HEYDON & GT CHISHILL

Women's Institute

Friday 13th January

Fund-raising coffee morning.

Tuesday 17th January

19.30 in Gt Chishill Village Hall

Behind Harem Walls by Louise Reed

SPORT RELIEF

Calling all Olympian and strollers of all ages! A date for you to remember; **25th March 2012** will see Great Chishill Playing Fields host the Bi-annual Sport Relief Event. More details to follow. Contact either Catherine Whyte on [01763 838402](tel:01763838402) or Sarah Scott on [01763 837112](tel:01763837112) for information.

FROM OUR COUNTY

COUNCILLOR:

MELBOURN CHILDREN'S CENTRE: SPARE BABY CAR SEATS NEEDED
Melbourn's Pippins Children's Centre is now firmly established in new premises adjacent to Melbourn Primary School. It is open to anyone expecting a child or with children ages 0-5, and all activities are free of charge.

The catchment area includes all of our six parishes, but doors are open to anyone interested. Regular sessions include Stay and Play, the Baby Club and Young Parents (up to age 25). Other services include Midwife Clinics and a Toy Library. Phone [01763 223460](tel:01763223460) or more details at

www.cambridgeshirechildrenscentre.org.uk/melbourn/.

Under spending cuts, Children's Centres must be far more targeted than in the past - seeking to reach those who need the help the most. However, those who need help the most may be the same people without access to transport.

Royston and District Community Transport have been helping out, and some private lift-shares have been arranged. Donations of spare car seats would be gratefully received - please contact any of us.

YOUNG PEOPLE NOT IN EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OR TRAINING

Currently within our six parishes there are 14 young people aged 16-20 who are not in education, employment or training. The county's 'Information Advisor' usually meets these young people in the Library or Children's Centre in order to access the internet and look at available jobs or training. Her contact details: michelle.bosworth@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT FUNDS HELD FROM

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Susan's motion to the county council earlier this month, calling for the dissemination of its one-off £258K community transport grant from government to established community transport providers, was voted down. The council's ruling group is holding the funds for

potential use in its new publicly subsidized, profit-based franchise pilots known as Cambridgeshire Future Transport. Only one pilot has commenced ('Duxford Local Links,' earlier this month) but is now experiencing a two-week break, and has yet to carry out research on local transport needs.

COUNTY COUNCIL BUS CONSULTATION RESULTS DUE JANUARY 12

Results of the County Council's recent bus consultation, which followed a threat of judicial review to the administration's February 2011 decision to cut 100% of bus subsidies, will be examined at the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting January 12th, 3pm. This is a public meeting and you can submit a question. Please contact scrutiny@cambridgeshire.gov.uk for details.

We will be pressing the administration to reconsider its planned withdrawal of subsidies, especially in light of the fact that no suitable alternative transport arrangements have been worked out for vulnerable groups, including the infirm, the young, and all those who cannot afford private transport.

ADDENBROOKES ACCESS ROAD: CLARIFICATION

Visitors to Addenbrooke's from our villages have reported confusion about rules for accessing the new link road from Hauxton Road (A1309) and Shelford Road. There are two classifications of the new road network. The inner link road that surrounds the Addenbrookes site is privately owned and monitored by an Automatic Number Plate Recognition system, to prevent rat running to Long Road. The ANPR system records the details of vehicles entering and exiting the hospital site within a specific

period of time and can trigger a penalty. This inner road is meant for drivers of any vehicle accessing the site for legitimate reasons (staff, patients, visitors, friends) and we are assured that they should experience no difficulties.

The outer section of the new link road is a public road and anyone can use it. If you want to try it out, there is a roundabout at the critical point allowing you to go back to where you came from.

BLUE BADGE SYSTEM

The government has announced new arrangements around the administration of the Blue Badge system, and Cambridgeshire County Council will be reviewing any necessary adjustments in its own management of the service. We have been assured that current badge-holders and legitimate applicants for new badges will be able to access this service in a straightforward manner, as before. We will be watching carefully.

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Susan van de Ven, County Councillor, susanvandeven@yahoo.co.uk, tel 26183

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

 2nd Friday in the month
13 January, 10 Feb

The Church 13.25 - 14.05

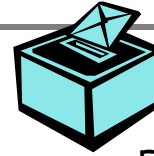
MELBOURN LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri:
14.30-16.30

Thurs: 17.00-19.00

Sunday: 10.00-12.00

NB Closed Saturday 31
December 2011 - Monday 2
January 2012 inclusive



PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

May 2012

In May elections will be held for a new parish council.

The Parish Council is the vehicle intended to represent the interests and concerns of the community at a local level, to use Precept funds to promote clubs, societies and improvement projects, give a balanced and fair view on planning applications and liaise with the District and County Council to ensure their services provision is to an acceptable standard.

The Localism Bill has just received Royal Assent. This gives Parish Councils **greater influence** in areas such as planning, specifically the development of neighbourhood plans, the control of public assets, aspects of highways management, and, in principle a general power of competence to deliver more for the community.

If you have an interest in contributing to Chishill Parish Council's development, and wish to know more about the role of the Parish Council, please contact the Chairman, Andrew Gardiner on 838511 or the Clerk, Sarah Scott on 837112 or any of the current Parish Councillors.



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COLLECTIONS

Black

Green & Blue

January
09 Mon
20

03 Tues
14 Sat
27

February
03

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