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# The Chishills

## **SURPRISE HEYDON HOMES PROPOSAL**

Heydon Parish Council recently issued the statement below, which is sure to interest all Chishills residents. We will keep you posted on any developments!

'As you may be aware South Cambridgeshire District Council has received a 'pre-application proposal' from the owner of Heydon Estate, to give an initial view on the possibility of a major development around the village, that could include about 9000 new dwellings. At the moment there is no planning application.

South Cambridgeshire District Council Planning officers have stated that the suggestion of new homes in this location will not be supported at this time as they are not included in the new Local Development Plan which guides development in the district until 2031.

Work is due to start in 2019 on the next Plan, between South Cambridgeshire District Council and Cambridge City Council, and if this land, or any other substantial area of land, is submitted for consideration then a meeting of the village will be called to discuss the way forward.

The Parish Council will keep you advised of any developments in the meantime.'

## **Has Work Stopped at the Windmill?**

David McKeown reports

Well, yes - but only temporarily. We needed another Listed Building Consent to continue with the restoration as we are proposing to add handrails to the access stairway and to rebuild the tailfan to a working state. South Cambs District Council Planning Office is taking a keen interest in our project, so we have been given the necessary permission.

Historic England also wished to see competitive tenders for the next phase of our work. We can see the purpose of this, as it is public money that is given as grants and we wish to see it used cost effectively.

We are pleased to report that MillBill Millwrights (Bill Griffiths and Klaine Feagan, who completed the first phase for us) won the contract and have been asked to start as soon as possible. We will, however, see a slower pace on this phase as Bill and Klaine have another large project in progress and our work will have to be fitted in where possible.

There are a few areas where we are using volunteer work; mostly in laying the track and stripping and repainting wood and ironwork. We have offers of help but if anyone would like to be involved, especially if you have particularly relevant skills, we would love to hear from you.

We still hope to have the windmill finished and ready for public access by next Summer.

## **CELEBRATING A TOWERING ACHIEVEMENT!!**

**Friday 21 September - 7.30 pm at St Swithun's Church, Great Chishill**

Five years ago when the church architect's 5 yearly structural inspection identified serious problems with the tower, our village landmark faced a repeat of its collapse in Victorian times. Today, after four years of fund-raising events, individual giving and grant applications – most especially to the Heritage Lottery Fund, the results are now clear for all to see!

Now that the church tower has been restored and supplied with long-overdue toilet facilities, the St Swithun's Appeal Committee invites parishioners and supporters to an evening of celebration. None of this would have been possible without generous support from residents and their friends and relations, so now it's time to say 'thank you' with celebratory refreshments and presentations.

Join us for a journey through time from Saxon settlement here through to the present day and the role of St Swithun's church then, now and in the future. As well as looking back at the church's history, and how the funds were raised, guests will be introduced to some on-going projects which

are the key to our essential, hard-won, Heritage Lottery Fund award.



Village resident Dr Celina Fox has spent many hours in County Records offices and elsewhere, to research and publish a fascinating new history of the church and its community. (Did you know we once had a rector who didn't mind cats in the church but wouldn't allow dogs?)

The Appeal Committee will also be launching a guide to local cycle routes and walks, a Key Stage 1 resource pack about the church and churchyard, and some stories behind the names on our War Memorial. There is no charge to attend but in order to ensure sufficient bubbles

and refreshments, please contact Tess Gent 07721 398642 or Jenny Leitch 07850 862199 by Sept 17<sup>th</sup> to let us know you are coming.



## Chishill Wine and Crime Event

*Drop-in session*

**Tuesday 23 October (5:00 – 7:30pm) (note change of date) in the Village Hall**

We live in a very safe village. Come and hear what you can do to help keep it that way:

- Hear from Cambs Police Crime Prevention and Community Protection Officers
- Learn about common scams and frauds
- Hear about Cyber Crime
- Could the 'Bobby Scheme' help you? Find out more
- Learn more about available security products and purchase these at reduced cost
- Talks, displays and DVDs with light refreshments and drinks.

**Do you have any other crime reduction ideas or would you like more information? Please let us know -and also let us know if you're able to attend.**  
[security@greatchishillpc.com](mailto:security@greatchishillpc.com)

## BENEFICE NEWS

Join us on Saturday 29 September for the Family Parish Walk around our beautiful churches. The walk will start and finish at Chrishall beginning at 9am and finishing around 4.20pm, but you are welcome to join at any point. There will be a stop off at St Swithun's for brunch at 10.10am. Please see the Village Web for full details.

## CRICKET CLUB

As the season comes to a close we can look back on quite some summer. Relegation has been saved, runs have been scored, wickets taken and we still have the best teas in the league! Thank you so much for all your wonderful support!

## Domestic Security

Co-op Insurance provide the unexpected statistic that houses that have been burgled are at the greatest risk of re-burglary 16 months later, 2 ½ times to be exact. Our rash of domestic burglaries was 16 months ago, so those visited may want to lock up over September. . .  
*Robin Dibblee*

## The United Reformed Chapel Services September

Sunday 2nd ~ 9.30 am: Angus Gent

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>: Harvest Evensong at 6.30: Angus Gent. Followed by harvest supper at 7.15. All by candlelight. You are most welcome to join us for either or both. Please let Tess know, for numbers.

**Silver Surfers Internet Cafe** resumes Tuesday 18th September 10-12 noon

**Scottish Dancing** Monday 1st October 7.30pm

**Cinema Night** Tuesday 9th October 7.30pm 'The Darkest Hour'

## The St Swithun's Midsummer Ball update

A stunning total of over £14,000 was raised. Thank you so very much to all who gave so generously.

## Village Hall Bookings

You can now see the Village Hall diary online. Simply visit [www.gtreatchishill.org.uk](http://www.gtreatchishill.org.uk) and click on the picture of the calendar to see it (the diary will open in its own window). Please treat this calendar as a guide only, as some events may be provisional.

If you would like to make a booking, please telephone Janet Crouch on 838301.

## NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

will take place on  
**6 September at 7.30pm in  
 the Village Hall**  
 Parish Council meetings are  
 open to all parishioners!

## Royston & District Choral Society - Autumn Update

Join us for our 2018-19 season as a singer or audience member!

**Tuesday 11 September** Open Rehearsal 7:45 pm in Royston Parish Church - an open taster session for possible new members. The choir numbers around 70 and new singers are always welcome. You will not be asked to sing on your own. RCS is a sociable choir - members come from Royston and many surrounding villages so there's every chance new members will meet someone they know!

**Sunday 30 September** Royston Arts Festival Finale concert

**Sunday 4 November** – Britten War Requiem Haileybury College  
 For more information about the choir See our website [www.roystonchoralsoc.org.uk](http://www.roystonchoralsoc.org.uk), find us on Facebook or contact Chairman, Huw Jenkins – email [chair@roystonchoralsoc.org.uk](mailto:chair@roystonchoralsoc.org.uk) tel. 07855 311192

## Women's Institute 18 September

Clarice Wahlich will talk about and demonstrate Mosaics. Visitors welcome - call Angela 837353

## BIN COLLECTIONS

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