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Life in Your Locality



Snowmen of Longstanton! Photos by Manjeet Bolla and Anna Rudd

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VILLAGE DIARY

SUNDAY	0930-1030	Sunday School	The Rectory, High St.	Susan Meah	01954 781258
	1100	Tennis Club Sessions	The Pavilion	Sarah Ballard	07985 938959
3rd of month	1600-1800	Messy Church	Village Institute*	Susan Meah	01954 781258
MONDAY	1100-1200	Zumba Gold	Village Institute*	Davina Mee	07779 244250
	1800-2000	Bowls Club	The Pavilion	Marion Edwards	01954 780118
	17.30-18.30	Judo (5-7yrs)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	
	18.30-19.30	Judo (8+ yrs)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	
	1930-2030	Jazzercise	Hatton Park School	Tina Chasse	01487 841811
2nd of month	1930	Parish Council	Village Institute*	(Open meeting)	
3rd of month	1945	W.I.	Village Institute*	Patrizia Peters	01954 781283
TUESDAY	1000-1200	Coffee morning (over 55's)	The Dale Comm. Hall	Please just turn up	
	1030-1115	Mini JAFFAs (pre-schoolers)	All Saints' Church	Susan Meah	01954 781258
	1700-2000	Tennis - Junior and adult coaching	The Pavilion		coaching@longstantontennis.co.uk
	1830-2000	Adult Cricket training	Recreation Ground	Please just turn up	
	1845-1930	BodyMod Bootcamp	Recreation Ground	Danny Williams	07946 286068
	1900-2100	Cambridge Freestyle Martial Arts	Village Institute*	Rory / Martin	07523 854251 / 07535 646234
	1900-2130	ATC (Air Training Corps)	Cadet Centre		
WEDNESDAY	1000-1100	Music Madness (0-5yrs)	Village Institute*	Sharon Sennitt	07762 206320
	16.30-17.30	Judo (5-7yrs)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	
	17.30-18.30	Judo (8+ yrs)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	
	1800	Tennis Club Night	The Pavilion	Sarah Ballard	07985 938959
	1910-2130	Army Cadet Force (12-18yrs)	Cadet Centre	Sgt. Rudderham	07759 056154
	1900-2100	Bell ringers practice	All Saints' Church	Mike Cartwright	01954 781275
	1930-2030	Jazzercise	Hatton Park School	Tina Chasse	01487 841811
THURSDAY	0630-0715	BodyMod Bootcamp	Recreation Ground	Danny Williams	07946 286068
	1000-1100	Rainbow Club (bump-1yr)	Village Institute*	Susan Meah	01954 781258
	1700-2000	Junior coaching and team play	The Pavilion		coaching@longstantontennis.co.uk
	1845-1930	BodyMod Bootcamp	Recreation Ground	Danny Williams	07946 286068
	1900	Football training	Recreation Ground	Luke McAvoy	07795 321494
	1900-2000	Ballroom Dancers, beginners	Hatton Park School	Mike Cartwright	01954 781275
	2000-2100	Ballroom Dancer, advanced	Hatton Park School	Mike Cartwright	01954 781275
FRIDAY	0930-1130	Little Leprechauns playgroup (0-4yrs)	Village Institute*	Alice Burrell	07779 363990
	1400-1600	Afternoon tea (over 55's)	The Dale Comm. Hall	Please just turn up	
	16.30-18.00	Judo (8+ yrs sparing sessions)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	
	17.30-18.30	Judo (Adult Session/Beginner+Experienced)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	
	1800	Tennis Club Night	The Pavilion	Sarah Ballard	07985 938959
	1900-2130	ATC (Air Training Corps)	Cadet Centre		01954 781180
	1800-2000	Junior Cricket training	Recreation Ground	Janet Hill	01954 261009
SATURDAY	0915-1000	BodyMod Bootcamp	Recreation Ground	Danny Williams	07946 286068
	9.45-10.30	Judo (5-7yrs)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	
	1000-1100	Longstanton Colts Football Club (6-12yrs)	Recreation Ground	Louise Gamon	07429 317803
	10.30-11.30	Judo (8-12yrs)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	
	11.30-12.30	Judo (12+ & family session)	Hatton Park School	Szandra Szogedi	

* It should be noted that the Village Institute is available for hiring for a variety of functions; provisional bookings can be made via <http://community.longstantonvillage.org/village-institute/>. Email: villageinstitute@gmail.com or telephone **01954 782323**. The Pavilion also offers private party function facilities, discuss your requirements for any family & friends gatherings - e.g. weddings, birthdays, funerals, with **Michael Binks** on **01954 782233** or email longstantonpav@btinternet.com

Memory Lane, Who, Where, When and Why?



Answers to Dec/ Jan's W, W & W? —



Photo LDHS via Sylvia Hicks

Where: Freshly laid, exposed, twin Glided Bus track, consisting of concrete beams leading towards the Longstanton 'Park & Ride' park and beam factory, in the far distance, middle and right, respectively.

Why: Gravel and crushed hardcore, piled right, ready to infill between the beams and banking.

When: Photo taken on a Christmas time dog walk, 29/12/2007.



Photo LDHS via Sylvia Hicks



LONGSTANTON LIFE EDITORIAL

Dear Readers,

Welcome to our first issue of 2018, we hope that the year started well for you! We managed to document the one and only snowy day this winter by taking photos of Longstanton's wonderful snowmen, do you like our front cover? There are more beautiful photos from around our village, taken by Steve Bailey - check out the Living Advent Calendar on page 14.

Also in this issue: do you have what it takes to become a Parish Councillor? Parish Council Elections will be taking place on 3rd May, read more on page 7. Longstanton Spring Clean will need your help so if you have a few hours to spare for your community please let Libby know (details on page 6).

It might seem a bit early for bunnies but Easter this year falls just before our next issue so we have the Easter competition for you in here, now! Take part and you can win you Lindt Easter bunnies just in time for the holiday. For adults and for children, go to page 15 to find out how to enter.

As usual we would like to ask you for letters, pictures, stories and suggestions. Perhaps you would like to join our editorial team? Please let us know!

*Keep warm,
The Editorial Team*

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Thursday, 8th March 2018

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Line	N/A	£12	£24		

MP for South Cambs



Firstly, let me wish everyone a happy and healthy new year! We had an incredibly busy end to last year and I expect more of the same in 2018!

Having recovered fully from being sawn in half(!) at the Cambourne lights switch on event, I enjoyed joining local residents for some of their Christmas celebrations. I joined residents in Papworth Everard for their community carol service and attended the Christmas service at

Holy Trinity Church in Elsworth. I was honoured to be asked to read one of the lessons, and reflected on the work local community and faith groups do to bring people together at Christmas and throughout the year. Our communities are stronger because of them.

I was also pleased to be asked to record a message for "Talking News for the Blind" which is provided to about 200 blind and partially sighted people in Cambridge and surrounding villages. This local charity does vital work to bring information and news to people who may feel isolated otherwise.

Last month, I invited Robert Halfon MP, Chair of the House of Commons Education Select Committee, to South Cambs so he could see the excellent work undertaken at Villiers Park in Foxton. Villiers Park are a phenomenal education



charity working with the brightest kids from the poorest backgrounds, mentoring and supporting them to achieve their full potential. I am keen to help them expand, so if you work for an organisation who may be interested in sponsoring them, please do get in touch with me or with them directly at www.villierspark.org.uk

In Westminster, Agriculture Minister George Eustice met with some of my South Cambs farmers for a frank discussion about what life might be like for them outside the EU, and what small and large farmers will need to keep this vital industry profitable. We all agreed it was a very worthwhile and reassuring meeting. I continue in my ambition to visit every school in South Cambs. Firstly, I took some pretty tough questions from Great and Little Shelford Primary's School Council! It was also great to be back at Cambourne Village College to hear from students who are members of CAMnesty, the Cambourne Amnesty youth group. Finally, I visited Vine Inter-Church Primary School in Cambourne. The dedication of the staff and head teachers I meet in every school is humbling: every member of staff is utterly committed to the children they teach.

Oakington's latest community facility is now open! Crossways CommuniTea Café at 1 Longstanton Road, Oakington is a social enterprise which aims to bring the community together in a warm and welcoming environment.

It was a pleasure to cut the ribbon and open the café, and I hope you will be able to support it by popping in soon for a cuppa. I can confirm that they make a cracking brew!

My next surgery will be on 3rd February 11am-1pm at the Hare and Hounds, 60 High Street, Harlton CB23 1ES. All are welcome with no appointment necessary, but as the last surgery was incredibly busy, I recommend you get there early if you can.

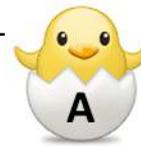
Details of all upcoming surgeries can be found on my website - www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk. To contact me, please email heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk. You can also phone my Westminster office on 020 7219 5091 about national issues or my constituency office on 01223 830037 for local concerns.

See you next month!

Heidi

Heidi Allen

County Councillor



Peter Hudson

School Lane

BT Openreach works along School Lane had left an unsightly quagmire, but the company has now agreed to reinstate the verge and replace all the bulbs under the guidance of our Parish Clerk.



Boost for local good causes

Four projects that will help support vulnerable people have secured funding from Cambridgeshire County Council's new Innovate and Cultivate Fund. These projects comprise Ely St John's Primary School's project to support children with behavioural difficulties; the Houghton & Wyton TimeBank helping elderly residents to avoid isolation; the British Gymnastics Association's Love to Move project that helps older people, and the Hildersham Parish Nurse Plus project.

The Fund was set up to help community organisations, social enterprises and public sector bodies to address the needs of local residents, and makes 'Cultivate' grants of up to £10,000 as well as 'Innovate' grants of up to £50,000. All projects must focus on one (or more) of the County Council's seven key outcomes:

- Older people live well independently
- People with disabilities live well independently
- Adults and children at risk of harm are kept safe
- Places that work with children help them to reach their potential
- The Cambridgeshire economy prospers to the benefit of all residents
- People live in a safe environment
- People lead a healthy lifestyle and stay healthy for longer

If you have a great idea that would benefit residents, the deadline for Spring applications is 9th March for 'Innovate' grants and 1st May for 'Cultivate' grants. There will also be advice surgeries for potential applicants on 8th February. Find out more at <http://www.cambscf.org.uk/icf.html>

Save with Cambridgeshire Energy Switch

With the cold season here for a while, save money on your energy bills. The County Council has teamed up with independent service provider iChoose for Cambridgeshire Energy Switch, a free, no-obligation scheme which aims to provide local residents with the best energy deals. The previous winter scheme attracted sign-ups from over 800 residents across Cambridgeshire, with those that accepted offers saving £230 on average.

The Cambridgeshire Energy Switch will hold another online energy auction on Tuesday 13 February 2018, and the supplier who offers the cheapest tariff in the auction will be recommended as the new energy supplier to those who have registered. Residents will receive personal energy offers from 26 February and details of how much money they could save on their annual energy bill, and will have a month to decide if they wish to accept the offer.

Sign up here and see how much you can save: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/switch

Peter Hudson
County Councillor

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

District Councillor Notes

Alex Riley



Here are my notes from the **Northstowe Community Forum** held on 17th January: as ever, any errors or omissions are my own.

Driving to the meeting from the B1050 demonstrated the rapid progress at Northstowe: a row of occupied houses has sprung up since our last meeting three months ago. This meeting garnered an unprecedented 80 attendees, which mostly comprised a roughly 50:50 split of existing Longstanton and new Northstowe residents. The two groups had rather different expectations from this meeting which may require a reconsideration of meeting formats. For example, one new Northstowe resident was disappointed that the meeting contained little discussion of progress being made to create a Northstowe community.

Pathfinder Primary School Update was provided by the inspiringly enthusiastic headmistress, Stephanie Redgate. The school opened in September with an official opening planned for this July. It is growing fast and currently comprises 23 children, who are settling in well, and two class teachers in addition to Ms Redgate. The school is currently the only public building in Northstowe so also serves as a Community Centre.

The **Phase 1 Work Programme** was presented by Stuart Field of Gallagher Estates. Initially, Anglian Water will manage the Water Park and South Cambs will manage the allotments and orchard area until the newly-created Northstowe Council is able to take them over. The ten-year initial contract to manage Phase 1 public spaces, funded by a maintenance charge to residents, has been awarded to Green Belt Ltd. After the contract expires, the Northstowe Council will again take over maintenance.

A lengthy discussion took place about the **Kingfisher Pond** which has now been devoid of kingfishers for several years. Stratos Constantinou of Gallagher's acknowledged that they caused the pond level to drop considerably but noted that recent years have also seen historically low rainfall levels. Mr Constantinou showed recent pictures of the fuller pond, though it was pointed out that heavy rainfall always causes a merely temporary rise in levels. While Hilary Stroude spoke in favour of lining the pond with clay, we were told it would take the local ecosystem five years to recover from this intervention. Gallagher's propose diverting rainwater from neighbouring playing fields and the pavilion roof into the pond to help. They will present their results from a year's monitoring of water levels at the next meeting in April.

It appears that a precious wildlife resource has been severely compromised, with commitments to create kingfisher habitat elsewhere hardly compensating.

We moved on to the **implementation of facilities** including the Local Square, Play Areas and Sport Pitches. We were told that the Diocese of Ely will purchase a

Vicarage on Phase 1 generating concern about their commitment to Longstanton's Vicarage and to All Saints' church. With respect to the Local Square, the Reserved Matters planning application has been approved with works anticipated to begin later this year – and no deadline given as to their completion. Gallagher's are also apparently under no obligation to provide the shops that will surround the Square, resulting in considerable consternation. There were also no deadlines given for provision of Play Areas and Playing Fields: I believe that those who have acquired homes in Phase 1 deserve better. While Mr Field is still relatively new in his role, I was disappointed not to see more progress, especially as many new residents had attended specifically to hear about facilities news.

The **Phase 2 Work Programme** was introduced by Mike Golding of the Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) – now rebranded as Homes England. He noted that the Phase 2 Infrastructure contract has gone to John Sisk Ltd. The HCA plan for delivery of the first Phase 2 houses in October 2019. A planning application for the new office building (beside the avenue off Rampton Road) has been submitted; they hope to occupy this by October 2018. We were then introduced to Sisk's Jim Comberton, who discussed roads. He noted plans to create a link to Phase 2 from the northern part of Phase 1 at the end of January; this will be used in the construction of the secondary school. Sisk also intends to install traffic lights for a crossing of the Airfield Road in early March – presumably along similar lines to those at the southern ends of the B1050 and Dry Drayton Road. But the HCA apparently intends to close the Airfield Road to all vehicular traffic soon after that. As a local farmer pointed out, this is contrary to what has always been promised: that this road would only be closed once the local A14 upgrade (including the local service road) was in place. The Airfield Road carries a lot of traffic because the A14 is unable to cope with traffic levels, so closing it before the A14 upgrade is complete would have serious consequences.

Simon Edwards asked about dates for the implementation of the balancing ponds on the Dry Drayton Road – important for flood risk alleviation for Oakington – but none were supplied.

The **Education Campus** was introduced by Andy Daly of CMAT who will be Headmaster of the new secondary school; Steve Cuttill of Frank Shaw Associates, the campus' architects, also gave a very interesting slideshow. The school's catchment area will include Longstanton and Northstowe, and it will have a range of associated community facilities (for example a café, theatre and gym), as well as a post-16 school, a Special Education Needs (SEN) school and a primary school. There is land set aside for a swimming pool but no finance is currently available. They are aiming for partial occupation in September 2019 with full initial occupation in July 2020.

Thanks to Cllr. Tim Wotherspoon, who chaired the meeting.

Alex Riley

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Longstanton Parish Council



Christmas 2017

Thank you to the residents who supported the Christmas Lights event on 2nd December: we had a really good turn out and the weather was kind to us. We appreciate the support of everyone else involved in the event: Coes (who supplied the Christmas tree), The Co-op, Hatton Park School 's Choir 'Westenders', Mr Richard Permberton, High

Sheriff for Cambridgeshire, All Saints Church, Cambridge Marquees, Friends of St Michaels, Longhorn Farm Shop, Longstanton WI, Waterbeach Brass Band and the Youth Council. We would also like to thank Brookfield Groundcare for all their help and support with the Village Green Christmas tree, as well as for taking the time to collect and recycle residents' trees.

Ongoing Council Work

In addition to normal Council business, we have been:

- Awarding the contract for grass cutting and village maintenance to Brookfield Groundcare for a further 3 years.
- Liaising with various bodies in respect to Northstowe, including notification of planning applications and new occupations.
- Preparing the 2018/19 Budget (see below).
- Working with Oakington Parish Council with respect to a joint Local Highways Application for mobile speed signs.
- Corresponding with the County Council to achieve reinstatement of the bulbs and verge along School Lane.
- Working towards adopting two further areas of land within Home Farm Phase 3a.
- Liaising with developers on the adoption of Home Farm roads, including the roads in Phase 2 which have been outstanding for 10 years.
- Continuing to support Speedwatch in their activities.

2018-2019 Budget and Precept Request

At the Parish Council meeting on Monday 8th January 2018 the budget for the next financial year 2018/19 and subsequent Precept request were agreed. The Precept requested is £103,228, an increase of £8,598 over 2017/18. The sum entails an increase of £2.71 on a Band D property within the parish. The Precept figure takes into account the increase in dwellings with the new homes in Northstowe. It should be noted that the money allocated for Northstowe residents will be returned to Northstowe Town Council, once in existence, if not spent on these residents in the interim.

Business Plan

I recently reported that the council was considering a Business Plan in the absence of a Community-Led Plan. I can confirm that at their December 2017 meeting, Longstanton Parish Council approved their Business Plan for 2018/19, which is now available on the parish council website.

Northstowe

Discussions continue about the lack of water in the Kingfisher Pond and various ponds located around the village, and the implications of this lack of water. At the time of writing over 58 homes have been occupied on Northstowe across three land parcels.

Youth Council

A reminder that the Youth Council has launched their new club for secondary school-aged children. @The Hind Out

meets every Tuesday afternoon between 4pm and 6pm at the Village Institute. Their activities for this term will include unihoc, dodgeball, Xbox games, craft and a tuck shop amongst others. They will need adults in attendance during sessions for safety reasons. If you can spare some time on a Tuesday afternoon, please contact the Parish Clerk at parish.clerk@longstantonvillage.org.

Summer Event

We have provisionally designated 23rd June 2018 as the date for a new village event, and will need volunteers to help set up the event alongside the Village Events working group to help set up this new event. Money has been set aside, and we hope to make this an annual event, making a case to the Council for more funding. Please contact the Parish Clerk at parish.clerk@longstantonvillage.org if you would like to help or have any ideas for this event.

Full Council Election May 2018

In May this year we will have a full Council election, two years from the last full election, to bring the Parish Council in step with District Council elections. The whole Council will therefore stand down to allow a new Council to be elected. Please see separate information in this edition for further information.



*John Street
Chairman, LPC*

Longstanton Village Great British Spring Clean!

SATURDAY 3RD MARCH @ 10AM

4 meeting locations:

- The Pavilion
- The Village Institute
- St Michaels Church
- Rampton Drift



Food at the Pavilion afterwards for all 'litter pickers'!

For more information:  [facebook.com/Longstantoncleanup](https://www.facebook.com/Longstantoncleanup)

or contact Libby White Mobile: 07808 524 875 or email: libby@chouet.co.uk

There is a competition for all children who take part.

Hi-vis vests and litter pickers provided but limited supply. If you have your own, please bring with you. Gloves and sturdy footwear advised.

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Parish Council Elections 3rd May 2018

Would you be interested in being a Parish Councillor?

Being a parish councillor is a position in public office and Council Meetings are held monthly in the Longstanton Village Institute. Longstanton Parish Council consists of 11 Councillors and is a "voice" representing the village and its inhabitants. The Parish Council carries out many duties within and on behalf of the village including management and maintenance of the public open spaces within the village, support of village organisations, consultee on local development plan issues, liaison with County and District Councils on many differing subjects, comments on all planning applications relating to the parish as well as many other topics. The Council has no jurisdiction on final decisions in planning, education, road safety, health, etc. but it does have powers of comment.

If you are over 18 years of age, are a British, Commonwealth or EU citizen and comply with a brief list of qualifications regarding where you live or work, plus have a healthy interest in your village, what goes on in it and its future then you could become a Parish Councillor. A range of advice and training is available for Parish Councillors once elected.

Parish Councillors also have representation on several village committees and charitable bodies such as: Employment Committee, Finance Committee, Village Events Working Group, the working group for the Community Facilities, Longstanton Village Institute Charity, Gravel Pit Charity. As well as these, Councillors also represent the village on various ad-hoc outside committees and consultation groups such as The A14 Improvement Scheme, Northstowe Parish Forums, plus others as and when required.

Longstanton Parish Council has achieved the Foundation Award in the Local Council Award Scheme and as part of this

we like to encourage interest and involvement from all aspects of our community and would like to see this represented within the Council though the involvement of people of all ages and both women and men. To be able to progress to 'Quality Council' status, the Council would like to encourage at least a full complement of nominations (11) for this year's election. More than 11 nominations will lead to a parish poll.

Longstanton Parish Council is a very pro-active Council and its work covers a diverse range of services and support for the village. There is also always opportunity for local residents' input with project working groups for example the Community Facilities.

The next Parish Council elections are due on Thursday 3rd May 2018, when all 11 Council seats will be up for election. Nominations will open on 26th March and close on 6th April.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Parish Councillor or wish to collect a nomination form, then please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council: tel. 01954 782323, email: parish.clerk@longstantonvillage.org

Or come along to one of our meetings, held every 2nd Monday in each month at the Longstanton Village Institute on the High Street. Agendas are published on the village noticeboard and website on the Wednesday prior to the meeting.

More information on Parish Council business and the role of Parish Councillors can be found on our website at:

parishcouncil.longstantonvillage.org



NORTHSTOWE UPDATE

Christmas was a busy time at Northstowe with many residents moving in over the festive period. There are now over 50 homes occupied, with more people moving in each week. All the housebuilders are present and developing onsite. Meanwhile, The Pathfinder school is steadily growing and now has 23 children from reception to year 6. An official opening is being organised for the summer to which the local community will be invited.

It was standing room only at the Forum on 17th January with around 80 people attending, including many new residents. Stephanie Redgate, headteacher at the Pathfinder School, updated attendees about how the school is growing. Stuart Field and Stratos Constantinou from Gallagher Estates talked about the strategy for open space management and maintenance and heard concerns about the Kingfisher pond. Mike Goulding from Homes England (formerly The Homes and Communities Agency) spoke about their timetable for Phase Two, introducing their main infrastructure contractor as Sisk. Andy Daley, Head teacher

at Swavesey Village College then introduced a presentation from architects Frank Shaw on the extensive plans for the new secondary school campus, which include a primary school, SEN primary and secondary schools, secondary school and post-16 college. There are plans for shared sports, arts and cultural facilities including a community gym, café and outdoor theatre. Public consultation will be welcomed on the proposals from around March. More details from the forum can be found at Northstowe.com

The community working group continues to meet and has recently welcomed new members from Northstowe. The group will be working with the new community development officer to welcome new residents, integrate Northstowe with surrounding villages and start to develop community activities to bring everyone together.

For more information or to get involved please contact northstowe.community@scamb.gov.uk

HATTON PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

A belated Happy New Year to the residents of Longstanton!

As usual, Hatton Park is a hive of activity with many exciting activities and engaging learning happening. We ended 2017 with two wonderful performances by our younger children. The Reception children put on a lovely Nativity and the Year 1 and 2 children staged The Hoity Toity Angel. Well done to all of the children and staff involved! The ever-hardworking Friends of Hatton Park even arranged for Father Christmas to pop in during our festive dinner. Our lovely Westenders choir performed at both the Christmas Lights Switch-On and for the over 60's at their Christmas dinner. They got lots of lovely comments and enjoyed showing off their singing talent. Many thanks to our lovely village Co-Op for donating the mince pies!



2018 has already brought us lots, even though at the time of writing, we have only been back for 9 days! We have re-affirmed what is important to us as a school, looking at our school values and how these are seen around the school. All of the children toured the school looking at the fantastic learning that happened last term.



This ended in the Great Hatton Park Quiz to see how well the children knew their school. The different house teams proved that they clearly did! We have welcomed NAPP science into the school again and benefitted from their expertise. One of the presenters commented that she loves coming to Hatton Park and that she recommends it to everyone that she works with. Great news! We have also



welcomed Imagineering in to build motorised buggies out of K-nex. Our Year 4 children were really engaged in the activities. So far this term, I have seen dinosaurs being dug up, volcanos created, vegetable soup made from scratch

and some brilliant child-led lunchtime clubs. All this on top of excellent everyday learning.

We were all excited to find out that we had won a Scooterpod for the children to park their scooters in. This was due to the efforts that we have made in encouraging our children to walk, scoot or bike to school rather than coming in the car. This is also thanks to the wider village in helping ensure that the roads and paths are safe places for the children to be. I know that you will continue to support us in this. As part of our drive for healthier lifestyles, our school running club is going from strength to strength. We now have over 50 children, ranging from 6 to 11 years old, who come to school early on a Thursday to enjoy running. Our oldest runners competed in the area's cross country event and had a brilliant time being part of it. We are looking forward to entering a relay cross country soon. Watch out, Longstanton Limpers, we might give you a run for your money one day!



Coming up, we are looking forward to more exciting opportunities. Our older children will be visiting Stibbington as part of their learning of WW2 and others will be attending a lecture at the Chemistry Department of the University of Cambridge. We are also looking forward to our next football tournament in the County Finals, the Year 4 English Challenge and more visits from NAPP science.

Hatton Park is a great place to be and I am proud to be its Headteacher!

Thank you for your continued support of our village school.

Anthony Aguda, Headteacher

FRIENDS OF HATTON PARK SCHOOL (PTA)

A Plea for Help

The School PTA has done some great work over the past years and has raised a great amount of money for the children of Longstanton. We have plans at the moment to provide funds for some projects for this year including funding the coaches for the Christmas trips, providing wellie boot storage for all the classes, renewing some books in the library and a new information board outside the school.

We also plan to set aside some income for our longer-term goals of building an outdoor area for lessons and performances near the lake and a weatherproof path around the field to enable the 'daily K' exercise to be undertaken without children getting wet or muddy.

We have some great events that we regularly run (the Quiz nights, school disco's, and summer fetes) and have some great ideas for new events that should be fun for the whole village as well as raise money for the school. We also have a new website coming soon.

There is just one thing we need, more volunteers to help organise some events, apply for grants or contact companies for donations. If you are able to help out with anything please do get in touch via our Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/hattonpark/>), stop me on the school run or contact the school. If you can spare any time at all it would be greatly appreciated.

Jonathan Fuller, PTA Chair

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Longstanton Life,



I love living so close to the Co-Op as it is a well-stocked and reasonably-priced shop to have nearby. I am not, however, so much of a fan of its parking facilities. These were clearly not thought out well: manoeuvring in such a tight space is no easy task. Having said that, as a resident of Nelson Crescent, located just behind the Co-Op, I am becoming more and more frustrated by people's tendency to park on the road outside the Co-Op *even when there are spaces available in its car park!* For those of you who might not be aware, driving out of Nelson Crescent is, on many occasions, a sort of Russian roulette exercise: the cars parked outside the Co-Op prevent those of us driving out from seeing the oncoming traffic meaning that at times we just drive onto the High Street without really knowing if we might get hit from the left. Please, please, if at all possible, avoid parking your car on the road by the Co-Op, even if it's just for a minute. This is just a serious accident waiting to happen.

Frustrated Nelson Crescent resident

Over Village Market

Local produce, crafts & artisans on the green

*Come to peruse the local goods.
Linger for a chat, or stop for a cuppa.*

The market is held on Saturday mornings approx every 8 weeks from 10:00 to 12:30

Our 2018 dates are:

- 10th March
- 28th April
- 16th June
- 8th September
- 13th October
- 24th November – *Our festive market*



facebook.com/OverVillageMarket
Stallholder info: OverVillageMarket.co.uk

LONGSTANTON CROCHET AND KNITTING

Happy New Year to our fellow crafters. We had a great finish to 2017 with our Christmas Dinner at the Black Bull followed by Crochet and Knitting. We welcome beginners and are happy to help crafters on their way - so if you've started the new year with resolutions to learn a new skill or pick up an old one, please join us! We also welcome anyone who embroiders or does cross-stitch; some members work on these crafts as well.

The club meets at 8pm on the second Tuesday of every month in The Black Bull pub to natter and share our appreciation for everything yarn-related. We love to admire each other's projects, patterns and yarn-related purchases. The conversations continue between sessions on our Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/longstantonknitandcrochet>) where we also offer pointers on purchas-

es. We also often meet for an extra charity knit night at 8pm on the fourth Tuesday of the month, where we have started 5-inch Granny Squares for a blanket - let us know if you'd like to contribute squares, even if you can't attend! The group continues to be grateful to the Black Bull for hosting us.



Pictures of Amigurumi (the word is Japanese and means Crocheted toys/dolls) by Sarah

Your enthusiastic knit-committee: Alice, Samanta & Sarah

LONGSTANTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



Longstanton WI learn about Heffers in Cambridge!

Don't be fooled by the title: we're not talking about cows taking over the High Street, but are instead discussing the wonderful and colourful history of Heffers the book store! Heffers has sold books in Cambridge for more than a century, and the ladies listened to an animated talk

from an author who had many family members as long-serving members of its workforce.

It was great to see everyone at the start of our new year. We have some excellent upcoming meetings including tales from a Wimbledon umpire and from Chelsea Flower Show, a barbeque, outings and meals out, walks and puppets! Next month's talk will be: "Dashing away with the smoothing iron". Come and say "hello" and share an evening and a piece of cake with us at the Village Institute on the third Monday of every month at 7.45pm.

Debbie Lienau

VILLAGE SPORTING ACTIVITIES

LONGSTANTON FOOTBALL CLUB



The season is approaching the half way stage and after playing 15 matches at the time of writing, 12 in the league (where we have won 6, drawn 3 and lost 3) and 3 in the cup we find ourselves pushing towards the top half of the table and with teams around us having played more games we can continue to climb the league. Our Quarter final of the Reg Haigh/Arthur Peck Cup is quickly approaching and is due to be played on Saturday 10th Feb, I will update you as to how we fared in the next issue. It is great to see so many coming down to the rec on a Saturday to support the lads, we very much appreciate it. We look forward to the continued support from the village and seeing you at home or even away matches cheering the lads on and enjoying watching your village football team. We have club pin badges (£3 each) and beanie hats (£8 each—pictures below) available for sale behind the club bar at the Pavilion, these items are a great way to show your support for the whole club.

We play most Saturdays and our fixtures can be found on our website: www.pitchero.com/clubs/longstantonfc, Facebook page or on posters at the Pavilion.

Ben Lee - Longstanton FC Manager

Mead Plant & Grab 5A

League Table							
POS		P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Histon Hornets First	14	11	2	1	31	35
2	Barrington 1st	12	9	1	2	28	28
3	Oakington Vikings Saturday 1st	11	7	2	2	10	23
4	Clare Town F.C. Reserves	13	7	1	5	-5	22
5	Longstanton FC Mens Senior Team	12	6	3	3	10	21
6	Thaxted Rangers Reserves	15	6	3	6	8	21
7	Barton Mills F.C. First	14	5	1	8	-9	16
8	Harston Bostocks Reserves	14	4	2	8	-17	14
9	Hardwick FC Reserves	9	3	1	5	-3	10
10	Steeple Bumpstead Reserves	12	4	1	7	-3	10*
11	Orwell Reserves	11	2	4	5	-10	10
12	Milton B Team	12	3	1	8	-20	10
13	Mott MacDonald Reserves	13	2	2	9	-19	8
14	Bottisham Men	0	0	0	0	0	0



LONGSTANTON TENNIS CLUB

It's pretty chilly outside, but we're already busy preparing for the new season at the Tennis Club. There will be plenty going on this year, so there's no better time to join the club, especially as any membership taken out now will last right until the end of



March 2019. If you act fast you'll also have the chance to enter the draw to win Wimbledon tickets – members, don't forget that you also need to opt in before the Feb 23rd deadline and ensure we maximise our club's ticket allocation.



Our Christmas party was great fun. Although a smaller turnout than usual, it didn't dampen our spirits and the quiz still got the competitive juices flowing as much as ever! Congratulations to Lowri and Ian for taking the coveted prize (a box of Quality Street) in a very close-fought battle. A new addition to the night was Ben's response tester, which

was fantastic fun – I hope this will make a regular appearance at the other social events in the coming year.

We also said thank you to Gerry Caddoo, our departing Chair, after several years of service in the post and numerous years before

that on the committee. We presented him with a small gift as appreciation of the time and effort he has contributed to the running of the club. Damian Kramer is our acting Chair in the interim, until formal elections at the AGM in March.

David Nation's coaching continues every Tuesday from 5-6pm and Thursday from 5-7pm, so please contact him on davidnation@hotmail.co.uk if you'd like to book on his next course. David will also be running a holiday camp over Easter, so reserve your place directly with David ASAP. Coaching is available to both adults and juniors from beginner to advanced level, and is open to both members and non-members. Members benefit from discounted rates for coaching, so it's worth considering joining the tennis club and putting the skills you've learnt into regular practice. Further details on membership and coaching, including the cost of each course, can be found on our website <http://www.longstantontennis.co.uk>

You can also find out more about the club by popping down to one of the club sessions and meeting some of the members. Club nights are Tuesdays and Fridays from 6pm, Sunday mornings from 11am and Thursday evenings from 7pm for more competitive play. Alternatively, the tennis courts are available to all on a 'pay and play' basis (£5 per hour). Simply book a court via our website <http://www.longstantontennis.co.uk/courts/>. You will be sent instructions on how to access the courts with your booking confirmation.

Sarah Ballard

LONGSTANTON GRASSHOPPERS CRICKET CLUB



Friday Night Training

6 pm to 7:30 pm
20th April to 27th July 2018
Ages 7 to 13 year olds

Tuesday Night Training

6 pm to 7:30pm
17th April to 24th July 2018
Ages 14 to 15 year olds



Contact:

Janet Hill
01954 261009
abjv2000@hotmail.com



VILLAGE SPORTING ACTIVITIES

LONGSTANTON BOWLS CLUB



Happy New Year to all Longstanton Life readers! Time for the final round up of last season's news and a look forward to the coming 2018 outdoor bowls season.

At our annual presentation dinner at the end of November, our President, Paul Miles, presented the trophies to the 2017 club competition winners. Congratulations to the winners of the following:

Ladies' Singles – Jackie Whybrow
Men's Singles – Stuart Hunter
Captain's Cup – Paul Walsham
Mixed Pairs – Jackie and Fred Whybrow
Men's Pairs – Graham Waites and John Spelzini
Open Pairs – Graham Waites and Keith Irwin
2-4-2 Pairs – Bob Cordiner and David Plumb
Triples – Marion Edwards, Keith Irwin and Paul Walsham

For 2017 the Brazier trophy for outstanding contribution to the club was awarded jointly to Jackie and Fred Whybrow.

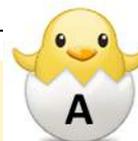
Last season our Business Houses B team won division 2 and gained promotion to division 1. It has been a number of years since the club has won a league cup, so here is a picture of the squad with the Business Houses Division 2 winners' cup.



The 2018 season will start again in late April. If you would like to be added to the mailing list to get more details nearer the time then please contact Marion Edwards on 01954 780118 or email marionedwards1@btinternet.com, or visit our web site www.longstanton-bowls-club.co.uk. All standards welcome, from experienced to novice. There are regular club roll-ups on Monday evenings at 6pm and Thursday afternoons at 2pm, so everyone gets the chance to play bowls even if they do not want to play in matches. Look forward to seeing you!

Corinne Walsham

JUDO NEWS



The SJ Judo Club was established three months ago by 2016 Rio Olympian Szandra Szogedi. The judo club offers a professional and friendly teaching environment that caters for individuals from 5 years of age onwards, including adult sessions. The club also caters for individuals with any sort of disabilities. In addition, the club provides for the training needs of world-class athletes.

Judo is a Japanese Martial Art - and an Olympic sport - the objective of which is to either throw or takedown an opponent to the ground, immobilize or otherwise subdue an opponent with a pin. Judo is fun and is a great way to develop self-defence and self-confidence.

SJ Judo Club Director, Dwayne Barnett notes: "We are pleased with the way the club is developing. We would like to thank all the schools who believed in us and allowed us to start our sessions back in September. Next year we have big plans such as growing the club, organising training camps, and national and international tournaments."

Club news:

Bronze medal

Club members and brothers Jashaun and Shakier Barnett represented the SJ Judo Club at the III International Adler Cup, attended by more than 1600 athletes. Jashaun won a bronze medal in the U11 age category and, whereas Shakier returned to Longstanton empty-handed, his effort was worth gold.

Olympic medallist visits Longstanton

On 9th December, the Club hosted its first interclub event in the form of Christmas Cup. Around 100 children from nine schools competed, and Hatton Park Primary School won the school cup with a total of 23 medals. Cottenham Primary finished in second place, and Histon and Impington Junior, and Over Primary schools finished third. The event's special invited guest was four-time



Olympian and London 2012 silver medallist Hungarian judo ace Miklos Ungvari. For those who are unfamiliar with the name and the sport, Ungvari is the 'Ronaldo' of judo. Reflecting on the event, Ungvari said: "I really enjoyed the day. The children did a great job. For the older children, I was pleased to see that they were trying to do different techniques, which considering the number of weeks they have been doing judo, was pretty impressive."

More info about the Club can be found here:
<https://sjjudoclub.co.uk/>

All Saints' Church Longstanton

NOTICE

Land to Let by Tender

Grazing /Mowing Licence 2018

(1) St. Michaels Lane, Longstanton

(2) Station/Willingham Road,
Longstanton

For all enquires in relation to a Seasonal Grazing/Mowing Licence for either (1) or (2) or both of the above plots of land please contact:

Mr J.A. Frost

13 Thatchers Wood

Longstanton

Cambridge

CB24 3BX

Tel. 07752 075812

Email: johnfrost01@btinternet.com

What's been happening

We and our volunteers had a busy winter working away to improve the lakes for both people and wildlife. Over on the North West of Elney Lake we have removed some willow and other mature trees to give a long view across. This adds an



New viewpoint and 'dead hedge' on Elney Lake.

interesting element to one of the most wooded walks on offer across the reserve. We've also done a great deal of work to open up the popular route to the Ferry Mere shelter, in an attempt to allow the path to remain dryer and firmer under foot. This kind of work also helps to revitalise and diversify the vegetation.

Wildlife

Bitterns returned to spend the winter, with up to three being seen at once from the Elney viewpoint adjacent to the busway. Moreover, this view point has also produced barn owl, marsh harrier, bearded tit and snipe. Unfortunately the starlings did not swarm to the reserve on mass this winter, but there were sometimes a couple of thousand gathering at dusk.

Dates for your diary

After the snowy roads put pay to our Christmas event, we will be hosting an **Easter themed willow weaving workshop on Sunday 25 March** (Booking essential: please call on 01954 233260 or email fendraytonlakes@rspb.org.uk to reserve your place).

From Friday 30 March to Friday 6 April there will also be some fun-filled activities for Easter, including an **Easter-themed**

nature trail. A must for the kids and all the family! Please check our website (rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes) for up to date information about these events.

Ever thought about using your skills to help your local wildlife?

We're always on the look out for more volunteers to help in a variety of flexible roles. You'd be amazed what help we need, and you might be surprised to learn that some of our volunteering can be done at home or in your shed, as well as in our office or out on the reserves while walking or wildlife watching. There's usually no minimum time commitment, but if you do 50 hours in a year you'll receive a volunteer card which entitles you to free entry and parking at all our reserves, plus up to 20% off RSPB purchases. You're also guaranteed to meet like minded people and make new friends.

We're currently looking for:

- ⇒ [Events and activity helpers](#)
- ⇒ [Photographer](#)
- ⇒ [Practical reserve work party members](#)
- ⇒ [Breeding bird surveyors](#)
- ⇒ [Produce/craft makers](#)
- ⇒ [Admin assistant](#)
- ⇒ [Footpath 'lengthspersons'](#)
- ⇒ [Bird feeder keepers](#)
- ⇒ [Mapping & data assistant](#)
- ⇒ [Craft instructors](#)
- ⇒ [Hide guides](#)
- ⇒ [Poster and leaflet distributors](#)
- ⇒ [Tractor driver \(requires qualification\)](#)
- ⇒ [Brushcutter operators \(requires qualification\)](#)



If you think you may be able to contribute to any of these roles, please do get in touch, ideally by emailing tim.fisher@rspb.org.uk or if you prefer, call on 07568 116413.

For other general reserve information:

Visit rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes

Phone **01954 233260**

Visit: rspb.org.uk/reserves

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) is a registered charity: England and Wales no. 207076, Scotland no. SC037654

Addendum:

Former Spitfire Lady Joy Lofthouse Dies at 94



Joy Lofthouse in the Company of Prince Harry

In the December/ January edition of the LDHS Update there were some errors in the article on Joy Lofthouse which we would like to correct (marked in **red**), whilst at the same time adding a bit more information about this amazing lady.

Joy married Charles Lofthouse OBE DFC in 1971, a long while after their WWII roles had passed into history. During the war Charles was a highly regarded pilot for 7 Squadron's Pathfinders, which were stationed at

RAF Oakington. After the war, All Saint's Longstanton became the spiritual home of the 7 Squadron **Association** and it was through Charles' efforts that a Memorial Window and Roll of Honour were established in the church. So strong was Charles' attachment to Longstanton that on his death in 2002 he chose to be buried at All Saints' **close to** the RAF war graves. Joy and Charles's family have kept strong links with Longstanton by visiting Charles' grave and attending the annual 7 Squadron Association Remembrance Service each autumn.

The contribution that Joy and other women ferry pilots of the Air Transport Auxiliary made to the war effort has become increasingly recognised in recent years, with Joy sharing her unique experiences in various interviews and films during the latter years of her life. In the summer of **2016** Joy was honoured with an ovation whilst visiting Wimbledon, well-deserved recognition of an incredible lady who made an inspiring contribution to this country in its hour of need.

The Lofthouse family have supported the work of the heritage society since LDHS launched in May 2017. In turn, we will continue to honour Joy, Charles and all those associated with RAF Oakington/Oakington Barracks by doing everything we can to ensure that a designated museum is incorporated into Northstowe so that these people and their stories will not be forgotten. Joy showed incredible strength of character during her life and she faced old age in the same spirit that she showed as a ferry pilot – she was truly an inspirational lady and it was an honour to have met her.

Hilary Stroude, LDHS Secretary

WILLINGHAM & LONGSTANTON SURGERIES

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Patient Survey Thank you to all our patients who took part in our annual Patient Survey. The results have been published on the practice website. We are delighted with the positive feedback we received. We always like to know what you think so we can improve the service we deliver, and invite you to comment either via NHS choices, through our website or using the suggestion boxes in the surgeries.

New Baby Registrations New parents need to register their new baby at the Surgery as soon as possible after birth, as this is not done automatically by the hospital. Registration packs are available at reception for you to collect. All you need is the baby's NHS number which can be found in their red book or hospital discharge paperwork. New parents are expected to book a check up with any GP when the baby is approximately 6-8 weeks old. This can coincide with new mothers 6 week postnatal check. Please contact the surgery to make these appointments and collect your registration pack.

Booking Appointments online Have you signed up for our online services? Did you know you can book and cancel appointments online, as well as ordering your repeat prescriptions? If you would like us to create an online account, please speak with the receptionists and bring Photographic Identification. We will register you immediately so you have access to this service.

Patient Participation Group (PPG) We would like to invite our patients to have their say and input on the service we offer. We hold meetings quarterly, and would like to invite more of our patients to get involved. Without your input, we may not know what we can do better. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 25th January 2018. Please contact our receptionists or the Practice Manager for further information.

Carers Support Meetings Our next meetings are at Willingham Surgery on Weds 3rd January, Weds 7th February and Weds 7th March at 2pm. If you are a carer, please pop along and get some support from other people in the local community. We will put you in touch with other agencies who can advise on benefits, and offer support and relief when you most need it. Refreshments provided, no need to pre-book and completely FREE! Please contact Sue Lawson at the surgery or email her at susan.lawson7@nhs.net for more information.

Cambridgeshire Hearing Clinics 2018 The next Hearing Aid Clinics at Willingham Surgery are on Weds 17th January, Weds 21st February and Weds 21st March. No appointment necessary, just pop along for your free NHS hearing aid batteries and for help and advice regarding hearing loss.

Sharon Unwin - Practice Manager - February 2018

OVER-60S CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Monday 11 December, our annual Christmas Party for the over-60s was held at the Black Bull Public House. The children from Hatton Park Primary School really got us into the festive spirit with their merry singing of Christmas songs and carols, and after their performance they gave everyone a mince pie. A delicious Christmas dinner was enjoyed by all, after which we were entertained by the professional singer Luan - it was lovely to see several people getting up to dance. The Longstanton Over 60s would like to say a big thank you to Longstanton Parish Council for their donation towards the event, and to the Cambridge Building Society who support us every year.



OPENING HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 17.00 until 23.00
Friday: 17.00 until 23.30
Saturday: 12.00 until 23.30
Sunday: 12.00 until 22.30



The Pavilion

Tel: 01954 782233, Over Road, Longstanton
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Find us on Facebook



Happy New Year from all of us at The Pavilion!
A great big thank you to Father Christmas for joining us at the Christmas party, we understand he enjoyed himself along with the children!

Brilliant New Years Eve party with the Binkster, great job, hope that everyone who came enjoyed themselves. It was great to find out that we had some visitors from Northstowe and hope to see more coming in the future. We need to make sure that everyone is welcome as we do not operate a membership scheme.

We will be carrying on with our quiz nights on the last Friday of the month, 26th January, 23rd February and further into the future. The more teams we have the bigger the prize. We would like to see quiz teams from the sports teams, the football team is currently in the lead, take note cricket, tennis and bowls!

The bowls club are taking over the main bar on Monday 19th February for a Bingo night to raise funds for the club. Come along and join in with lots of prizes in the raffle.

We are holding a 'Meet the Medium' night on 10th February. We will let you know how it went, and if good, when the next one will be scheduled for.

For any other events for the first few months of the year please keep an eye on our Facebook page and also the web page (longstantonpavilion.weebly.com)

Don't forget to come down on a Saturday to support our village football teams and if you are early bacon rolls are on the menu.

Michael, Suzanne and The Pavilion team

LONGSTANTON'S LIVING ADVENT CALENDAR

Christmas 2017 saw Longstanton creating its first living advent calendar. Twenty-seven homes, businesses and community groups joined in to make this inaugural event a success for the village. Those taking part were given a day to 'open' their window to the public to reveal an illuminated festive theme. These ranged from traditional advent scenes, to a scene from the children's book *Stickman*. From a scene of choir singers to a festive bicycle which even moved (though not always forwards).

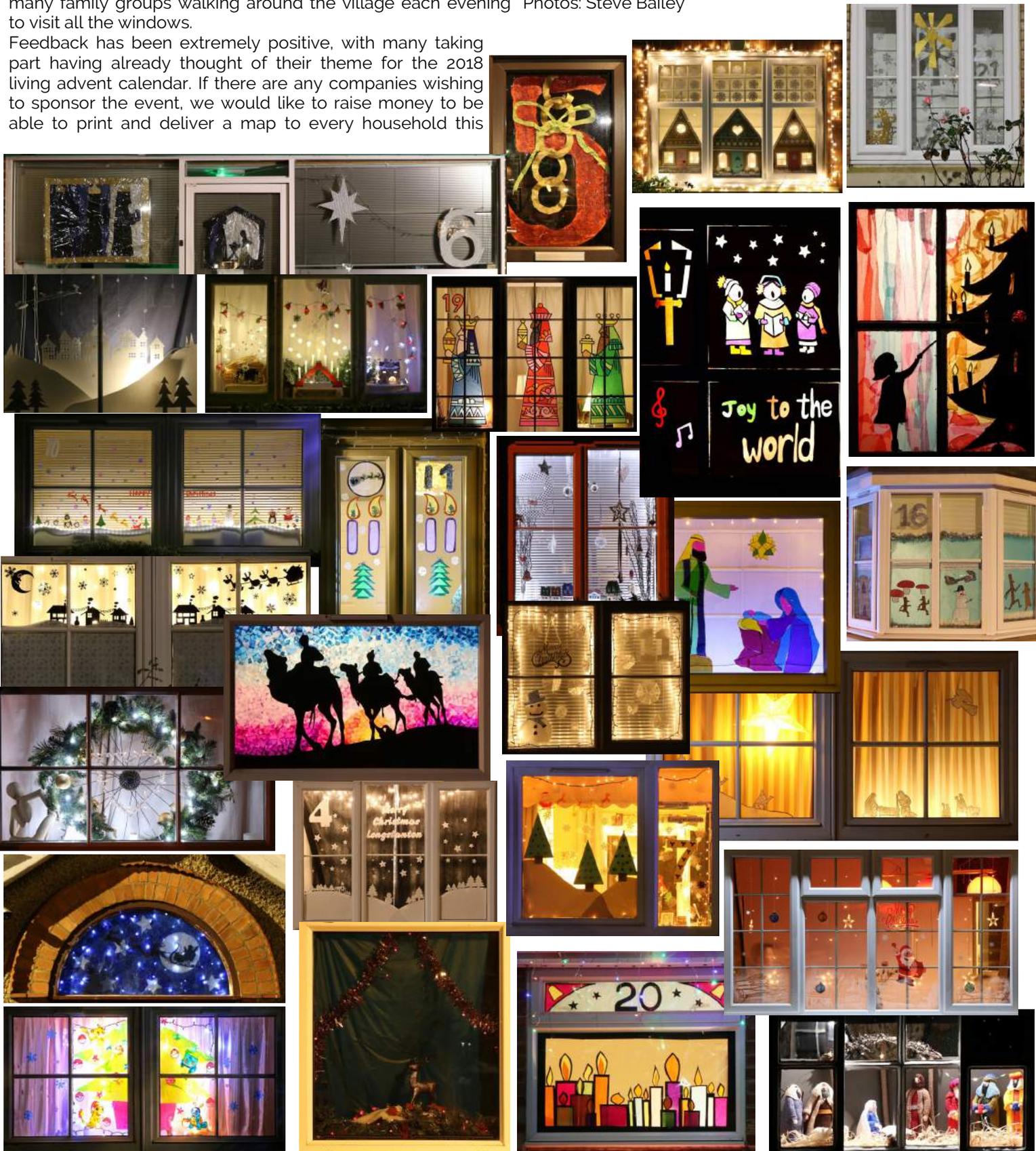
A map showing the location of each advent window scene and the opening dates was available to download or collect from various places around the village, and it was lovely to see so many family groups walking around the village each evening to visit all the windows.

Feedback has been extremely positive, with many taking part having already thought of their theme for the 2018 living advent calendar. If there are any companies wishing to sponsor the event, we would like to raise money to be able to print and deliver a map to every household this

year. Please contact libby@chouet.co.uk if you are in a position to help. There was a lovely surprise in store for those who took part, when an anonymous Christmas card was delivered to participating homes stating: 'Thank you for making special this advent for the whole village with your unique and beautiful window display.' Whoever sent this, thank you - it definitely made my week.

Finally, if you managed to walk the whole thing, though not in numerical order, we believe the walk was a minimum of 5½ miles.

Libby White, Parish Clerk - Longstanton Parish Council
Photos: Steve Bailey



EASTER COMPETITION

It seems far away but Easter is earlier this year and falls between our Spring issues. So we decided to have the Easter competition in this issue so the winners can enjoy their chocolate treats at Easter time! There are two prizes, one for the younger readers and one for the rest of you.

1. Junior – open to all those aged 10 years or under. There are 11 hatching chicks like this one hidden in the magazine, each with a letter on it. Find all 11 and re-arrange the letters to make a phrase with 2 words (5,6).



2. Senior – open to everyone over 10 years. For the seniors we have a word search. Find the words/phrases listed in the grid (see right). The words can run horizontally, vertically, or diagonally in either forward or reverse orientation. Mark all words/phrases clearly on the grid and either post or scan.

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GOOD FRIDAY
EASTER BONNET
BASKET
CRUCIFIX
RESURRECTION
CHOCOLATE EGG
BUNNY
LENT

LAST SUPPER
JERUSALEM
HOT CROSS BUN
MAUNDY THURSDAY
JESUS
EGG HUNT
CHICK
DAFFODILS

To enter the competitions, send your answers to Longstanton Life either by (a) posting at the Village Institute, or (b) email to longstantonlife@hotmail.com by **Friday 23rd March**. Remember to include your name and contact details. For the juniors entry, please also include your age.

The first person randomly selected from those with the correct answers from each category will each receive a large Lindt chocolate Easter bunny.

The winners will be announced in the next issue.

Good luck!

CHRISTMAS COMPETITION WINNERS



The lucky winner of the Christmas juniors competition was Hannah Barton. She is pictured here (on the right) along with her sister, Lucy (left), receiving some of the goodies from Joe. The winner of the Christmas seniors competition was Steven Watts.

Congratulations to both winners! Our thanks again to the Co-op.

The answers were: Juniors competition: Sleigh

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On **Saturday 24th February** we will be holding a French Bistro evening with dinner, music and raffle. Dress the part with beret, striped jersey or whatever takes your fancy and blow away the winter blues. There will be tables of 6 or 8 so invite your friends to this party and come and join in the fun to help raise money for the Church Re-ordering project and especially that much-needed toilet. Tickets are £12.50 and available from Louise Gamon (07429 317803) or Sue Gamon (01954 782371).

Mothering Sunday this year falls on 11th March and leading up to that day we will be selling candles. Your candle may be giving thanks for a mother, or remembering someone who is no longer with you. Everyone who buys a candle will be invited along to a special Mothering Sunday service at the church, when the candles will be blessed and lit. We hope many people from the local community will come along to witness this at the All Age Service on Sunday 11th March at 9.30am. There will be coffee, juice and croissants available from gam. This promises to be a day to remember; we look forward to welcoming you.

The Diocese of Ely have once again produced a **Lent Study**. This year the course has been based on John's Gospel and is broken down into five sessions. These sessions are designed to help you explore some of the symbols of John's Gospel: water, bread, light, shepherd, and vine. If you would like to join a group or start a new group to follow this course then please call Julie or Sue to find out more (contact details below).

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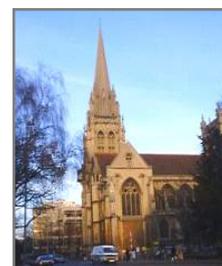


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We look forward to 2018 with a strong band of ringers; however, we would welcome anyone wishing to learn to ring and any established ringers in the village or surrounding area.

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If you would like to come along for a trial ring please contact me on: mikec321@btinternet.com or tel. 07768 735910.

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Ball Room Dancing

Well, 'Strictly Come Dancing' has ended - with a very enjoyable finish.

Our last term finished a week before Christmas; however, as a group we have already had our first dance this year on the 18th of January. The start and finish of our meeting dates follow the school year.

So really I have very little to report except to wish all you budding dancers out there a Happy New Year.

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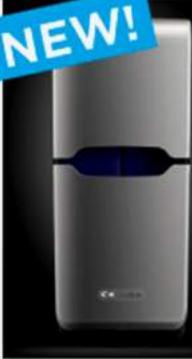
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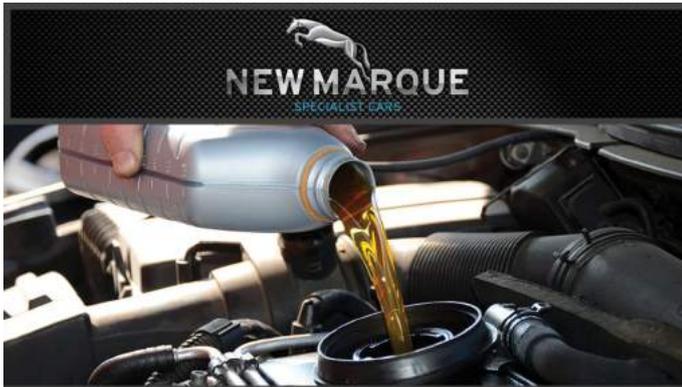
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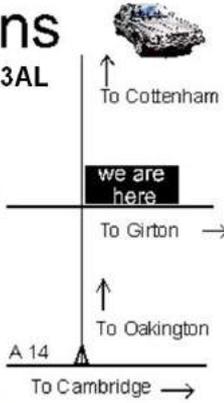
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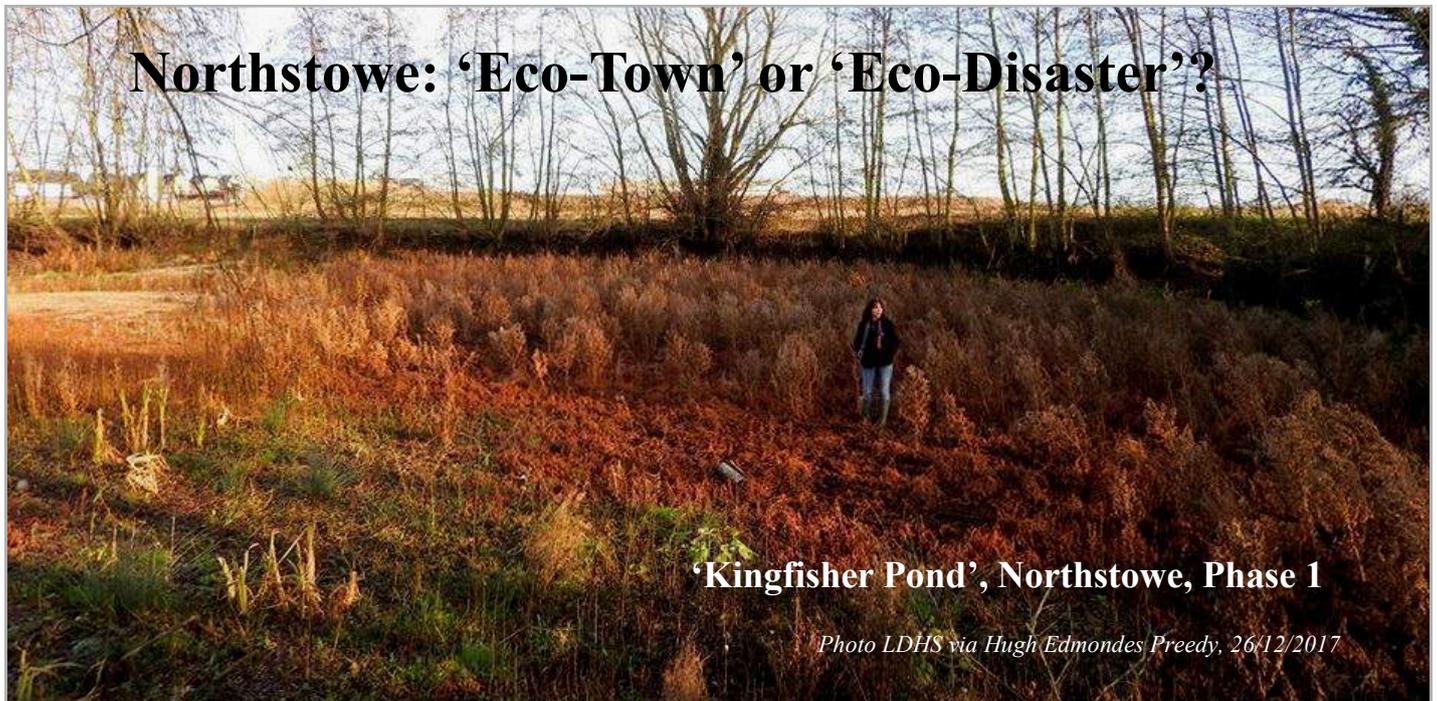
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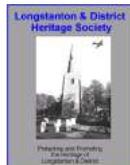
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*A useful Boxing Day walk with my brother. I am standing in what was the 'Kingfisher Pond' on the former golf course, now Northstowe phase 1. It is now virtually empty, all it's small fish, the main diet of the Kingfisher, have died and it's being reclaimed by scrub. This pond was full to the top of its banks when the developer started work out on site at the end of 2014. Now look at the state of it! SCDC appear to think this is acceptable and will take no enforcement action against the developers - the question is **Why Not!!!***



This is not the only pond to be destroyed over the last couple of years - All the historic ponds and wells off the Longstanton gravels have dried out, even those within the conservation area and yet the Ecology Officer, Conservation Officers and Planners at SCDC do nothing. SCDC appears to think that the loss of habitat for protected species and the threat to villagers livelihoods and buildings is no cause for concern. This is winter, when the Kingfisher Pond water level should be near its maximum, there is simply nothing here except a tiny bit of water at one end. This is simply not acceptable and I will be contacting Natural England. The developers have even spread clay over the surface of the Western Park so rainwater will be unable to trickle down through the gravels to replenish the water table and groundwater. As a result today, with all the rain, the footpath adjacent to the new sports pitch is flooded.

Someone or some organisation needs to be held to account for this environmental disaster and SCDC will need to explain their refusal to take action when this situation was first brought to their attention 2 years ago.



This is not only a failure of development planning but a failure of monitoring and governance. Longstanton faces an environmental disaster which has been allowed to happen as a result of total complacency by the planning authority.

Questions should now be asked not only about how SCDC has let this happen but also about phase 2. The drainage scheme with its swales and attenuation ponds are based on the same principles as phase 1. Will those works exacerbate the problem? Maybe Northstowe development work needs to stop until this matter is resolved properly with mitigation undertaken place on phase 1 and safeguards added to the drainage scheme on phase 2. The total destruction of Longstanton's natural heritage assets, our protected species habitats and our environment is simply not acceptable.

Currently the developers and SCDC are blaming this disaster on low rainfall but we know this situation has never arisen over the last 60 years. The truth of that excuse will be laid bare once rainfall levels are proven to be normal and yet our ponds and wells don't recover. **Lack of rainfall did not empty the pond in the photograph you see here and to think we would believe that, is taking us for fools.**

Hilary Stroude, LDHS Secretary, 27/12/2017

STOP PRESS: SCDC have responded, via the Northstowe Community Working Group, to the above concerns and are investigating... *Watch this Space!*



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| Friday 2 March | 'Cambridge's Impact on Cricket and Football' - Nigel Fenner a relative of Fenner of Fenner's Cricket Ground. |
| Friday 6 April | 'How Bill Tutte Won the War' - Richard Fletcher. Bill Tutte broke the extremely complex Lorenz code without ever seeing a Lorenz machine. |
| Friday 4 May | TBA |

All talks/ AGM to be held at 7.30pm in the Village Institute, High Street, Longstanton.

Everyone welcome: members free - non-members £2.00. Talks followed by tea, biscuits and chat.



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