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# Notices and Save the Date

## Carols Around the Christmas Tree

The nights are drawing in - the countdown to Christmas has begun! Once again we'll be holding Carols around the Christmas Tree at Pendrill Court, Papworth Everard on the afternoon of Saturday 10th December. Join us for some carols around the tree with singing supported by Sing Papworth. There will be some carol sheets available, but please bring them along from previous years if you can! Timings to be confirmed, though it'll be sometime around 4.30pm (further updates via Facebook, village noticeboards or the next News and Views).

## Welcome to Maggie's Cambridge

What is Maggie's? Maggie's provides practical and emotional support to those with cancer, their family, friends and carers. The centre is a warm and welcoming place, with qualified cancer support specialists offering an evidence-based free programme of support which complements medical treatment.

Practical support includes information about eating well, coping with hair loss, or empowering visitors with information about their cancer treatment and benefits entitlements. Or visitors can talk to our psychologists and counsellors, explore their creative side through Art Therapy or get help to manage stress.

Then there is our kitchen table which is at the heart of our centre; a place where visitors can sit and chat with others in a similar situation, or maybe just take some quiet time with a cup of tea.

Examples of support can be anything from Art Therapy to Yoga, Men's Support Group to Menopause workshop, Living with Prostate Cancer to Brain Tumour Support Group. In addition, a cancer support specialist is always available for a chat and to listen. They will always meet a new visitor, help them decide what support best suits their needs and make the appropriate referrals. Read more about our offering on [www.maggiescentres.org](http://www.maggiescentres.org)

Primarily we are a 'drop in' centre, Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm. Drop in anytime, but we are also happy to answer any questions prior to a visit on 01223 249220.

Maggie's, 21 Milton House, Puddicombe Way, Cambridge, CB2 0AD

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## BIN COLLECTION DATES

Thu 10 Nov 2022		✓	✓
Thu 17 Nov 2022	✓		
Thu 24 Nov 2022		✓	✓
Thu 1 Dec 2022	✓		
Thu 8 Dec 2022		✓	✓

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# PAPWORTH EVERARD PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

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## NEW (RETURNING) COUNCILLOR

At our September meeting, Mark Honeywood was co-opted back on to the Parish Council.

Mark will sit on the Planning Committee as well the Amenities & Playing Fields and Village Hall working groups.

Welcome back Mark !

## VILLAGE HALL

With Christmas only a matter of weeks away, party season will soon be in full swing.

The Village Hall is a great location for a party or get together – and we still have several dates available in the run up to Christmas. Not only is there the main Hall area with the stage and well equipped kitchen, but also the smaller North Hall is available to hire.

If you are looking for a venue to hold your event, why not get in touch and see what we can offer ? Booking enquires can be made by completing the enquiry form on the Village Hall and Amenities page on the Parish Council website (<http://papwortheverardpc.org.uk/amenities/>) where you will also find the tariff of charges, or by emailing the Bookings Clerk, Clare Taylor ([villagehall@papwortheverardpc.org.uk](mailto:villagehall@papwortheverardpc.org.uk)).

A message can also be left by calling the Parish Office on 01480 830360.

## JUBILEE BENCH

After a manufacturing delay, we are delighted that the bench to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II has been installed in front of the new Pavilion on the playing field – an ideal location to sit and reflect or watch the world go by !

## DOG MESS ON THE PLAYING FIELD

We are now well into the football season and each week, the officials have to do a sweep of the field to ensure it is clear of dog mess before their matches.

Please could we remind you that dogs should be kept on a lead on the playing field and all dog mess must be cleared up.

There are dedicated dog waste bins around the playing field and throughout village - there is no excuse to leave dog mess on the field or on the paths and open spaces around our village.

If you can't find a dog bin, bag your pet's mess, seal it well and it can be carefully placed in a standard litter bin – or take it home for disposal. It is the responsibility of the dog owner or the person in charge of a dog to clear up any mess left by the dog as soon as it has fouled - being unaware a dog has fouled or not having a suitable bag is not a reasonable excuse !





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## November 2022

### Housing & Maintenance Updates

#### Open Fires

As the weather starts to turn colder and with the increase in energy bills you may think about using an open fire if you have

one in your home. Please make sure you read the Open Fire & Wood Burner Policy before doing so. The policy can be found on the website under Tenant Policies [www.papworthtrust.org.uk/housing/tenants-policies/](http://www.papworthtrust.org.uk/housing/tenants-policies/) If you would like a copy of the policy sending to you or have any questions about using an open fire please contact us by emailing [housing@papworthtrust.org.uk](mailto:housing@papworthtrust.org.uk) or calling 0330 678 0008 option 2 and ask to speak to your Housing Officer.

### Compliments

The Housing Services Team often receive compliments from tenants, here are just a few that have been received in the last few months:

Please can I pass on my compliments for the repairs that have done on my kitchen. The plumbing was spot on and the work was fabulous.

I wanted to just say thank you so much for all you have done for us, and we really do appreciate it. Hopefully this will alleviate some of the problems - thank you so much.

Very pleased with service provided by DCS Cleaners. Really impressed with work in the bathroom. Had bathroom fan done and that is much better now it works with bathroom light and stays on.

I just wanted to drop you a quick email to show my appreciation for all of the maintenance teams hard work over these past few days, securing my garden with fencing and a gate. They have done an amazing job. I also want to thank (staff member) who fixed both my front and back door and also helped me with a couple of other jobs that needed doing. He went above and beyond.

Thank you if you have taken the time to feedback to us about a service you have received, this feedback is really important to us.

### Time for Tenants



Sarah Miller, CEO, would like to offer tenants the opportunity to speak to her face to face and has scheduled a drop-in session for Saturday 3 December, between 10am and 12noon. This will take place at Papworth Village Hall in the North Hall.

Sarah is keen to hear what you have to say about the services you receive, whether these are good, bad or indifferent. Your feedback is important and will help us make improvements where they are needed.

There is no need to book for the drop-in session, just come along. If you would like to find out more about this or have any other questions please contact Tracey Croucher, Tenant Engagement Officer at: [tenantengagement@papworthtrust.org.uk](mailto:tenantengagement@papworthtrust.org.uk) or 0330 678 0008 option 2.



## PAPWORTH CRAFT GROUP

MEETINGS EVERY FIRST AND THIRD SATURDAYS  
OF THE MONTH

**10:30 - 12:30 AT PAPWORTH LIBRARY**

Access to the library on Saturdays is by the rear door adjacent to the Studio

The Papworth Craft Group is busy making all kinds of things - knitted, crocheted, cross stitched and lace made. It is so exciting to welcome new faces to the group, including some very young, who want to learn to knit or crochet. There is no need for anyone, but especially our younger members, to spend the full two hours with the group. The key is to stay for as long as you are finding it fun and, for novices, who wish to spend longer learning the craft they have chosen. We have had four young ladies drop by, who are learning to crochet, and another learning to knit. Hopefully, they will be thrilled with their progress and inspired to make a small item, to demonstrate how much they have learned.

Crafters like to learn from other crafters. There might be an exciting new yarn that someone has discovered, an interesting book to recommend or to show the group a work in progress or a completed project.

Learning a completely new craft can be a little daunting. Lace making certainly falls within the daunting category. There are now two lacemakers in the group both willing to demonstrate their craft and invite anyone to have a go. Watching an experienced lacemaker at work is so impressive, but definitely reinforced the belief that 'it is not for us'. However, two group members took up the challenge to try it out, watched and aided by the experienced lacemaker. There are so many bobbins to tame! And you need to use them all. Once you have a very tenuous grip on the principal involved concerning the bobbins and their prescribed order of use, it is time to engage with them! Terrifying! Once you have reached the end of a row, one's work is not done. The bobbins lie on a rounds firm cushion. At the top of this there is the pattern pinned. This is where the lace 'grows' and at the end of each row, the lace is secured with a pin on top of the pattern 'diagram'. Apologies if this is sounding complicated! It was very special to have a lesson from both our lacemakers. Each of them had slightly different tips and that was a interesting, demonstrating that there is a place for developing individual tips for oneself. It is not difficult to see that lacemaking is an addictive craft, even if it is slow going at the start. If you are interested in lacemaking and would like to see what is involved, join us at the next meeting on 5 November.

With Christmas coming and the evenings are longer, it is a good time to think about gifts and decorations to make. There is no end of choice when it comes to knitting or crocheting gifts. At present, there seems to be a craze for making socks. These make great gifts for Christmas. If you would like to learn how to make socks, we have at least two members of the group, who are experts at making socks. Look out for knitting kits

or go online to see what is available in terms of patterns and suggested yarns. Christmas Socks by West Yorkshire Spinners has some good patterns. Both [woolwarehouse.co.uk](http://woolwarehouse.co.uk) and [lovecrafts.com](http://lovecrafts.com) are excellent suppliers of yarns, patterns and all kinds of needlework necessities.

In past years we have asked for squares that are then made into blankets for charity. If you would like to knit or crochet squares they should be 20 cm x 20 cm (8 inches x 8 inches). Please sew in all the ends. Knitting or crocheting a square or two can be quite therapeutic, or a good thing to do between projects. Hats and scarves are needed over the winter, if you feel you would prefer to make something a little more challenging. Our yarn stash is in a healthy state at present. If you would like some for making squares, (or hats and scarves), please contact Rosalind Parnell at [parnellrh@aol.com](mailto:parnellrh@aol.com). Finished squares can be handed in to Nicola at Papworth Library, or brought to one of our Saturday meetings. Thank you for the gift of your time

Have a happy November! Stay well and stay safe!

# theWI Papworth Everard INSPIRING WOMEN Womens Institute

We have enjoyed quite a busy schedule over the past few weeks.

## September:



Graham Porter came along to our September meeting and gave an excellent talk together with slide show on the very important work he and several volunteers undertake at the Waterfowl Sanctuary in Godmanchester. He explained how he travels a vast area to retrieve injured or sick wildfowl, mostly swans and ducks, and takes them to his sanctuary to nurse them back to health and then releases them back into their natural habitat.



In late September we held a '50s style Vintage Tea' to celebrate the life of our late Queen Elizabeth II's life. The hall was beautifully decorated with various flags, and bunting knitted by a group of ladies that was used for the Lych Gate at St Peter's

Church in Papworth for the Jubilee celebrations. Tables were dressed with flower arrangements made up by one of our talented members Lyn, and lovely fine china and pretty tableclothes completed the scene. Not to mention the 50s style music to set the mood.

Lovely scones, cream and jam and pots of tea were served following a glass of 'fizz' served on arrival. Our member Ann



gave a wonderful talk on her recollection of the Kings funeral and the Queen's Coronation, Jenny gave a most amusing account of her journey to the Queen's Garden Party, and Joan sang a beautiful song – The Golden Coach which completed a lovely afternoon.



## October:



The Countryfile Ramble for Children in Need took place on the weekend of 8th October and several ladies took part in a ramble around Papworth woods, around the back of the hospital and back down along the high street to the Courtyard Café for Coffee. We raised funds for

Children in Need and will continue to do so throughout October and at our November meeting when Pudsey collection box will take its normal place in the Studio.

Unfortunately our speaker for October had cancelled so we decided to have a bit of fun with the members and held a 'Bingo' evening. Eddie was our 'caller' for the evening and the winners went home with some 'Amazing' prizes. It was a first for our WI but we are sure it probably won't be the last.

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month in The Studio, Pendrill Court, Papworth and all ladies over the age of 18 are most welcome to come along and join us. We are sure you will find a friendly and warm welcome. The first two visits are free of charge, so come along and find out what we are all about.

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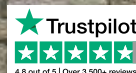


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# Church Notices

## St Peter's Church - November Services

Sunday 6th - 10.00am – Team Zoom Service

Sunday 13th - 10.30am – Remembrance Service

Sunday 20th – 10.30am – Holy Communion

Sunday 27th – 10.30am – Advent Sunday Holy Communion

The website [papworthteamchurches.org](http://papworthteamchurches.org) has up to date service information for St Peter's Church and other churches in the team. It also has the Zoom link for the monthly Team Service and Bible Study and Morni

## Roman Catholic Mass

(Latin Rite)

Mass is celebrated at

**St Michael's, Huntingdon**

on Saturday at 6.00 pm and

on Sunday at 9.00 and 11.00

with a Polish Mass at 3.30 pm

For more information please go to

[www.stmichaelrc.org](http://www.stmichaelrc.org)

**Please note services in Papworth finished on the 18th June 2022**



## Time to Remember

The year has flown by, so it seems; we are now starting to see poppy brooches or badges, gearing up to acknowledge the sacrifice of so many in the wars of the last 100+ years. 2022 has taken many of us by surprise – as we witness the horrific loss of lives in Ukraine have experienced the death of our monarch and the accession of our new King. Many families have lost loved ones much more privately and feel their absence equally

keenly. There is no uniform way of dealing with these things and the impact they have.

I remember conducting a funeral – about 15 years ago – where the daughters of the deceased couldn't face making a decision about what to do with their late Mum's cremated remains. I offered to look after them until they reached a decision; a little over 3 years passed before they were ready. In contrast, I have met families who simply want to get things over and behind them as decently and quickly as possible. There is no right or wrong approach to such events; grief and sorrow is not measured by how slowly or quickly the affairs of a deceased relative are brought to a suitable and agreed conclusion.

One of the challenges we face when a loved one dies (whether as the end of a long illness or a sudden and wholly unexpected accident etc) it comes as a shock and triggers the need for so many decisions in a short space of time. That's why a time to stop, remember, take stock and acknowledges the depth of loss can be so helpful; this may be on Remembrance Sunday, an anniversary, the first Christmas without the one we have lost at the table or whenever ... It is easy to forget or ignore how we are made to be active and to rest so that physically, emotionally and spiritually we are restored and able to live well.

The Bible records (in John 11) how Jesus was summoned to the bedside of a friend who was dying. When he reached the village, he was told his friend had died a few days earlier and been buried. Standing by the burial place Jesus wept. The writer of Ecclesiastes reminds us: 'For everything there is a time ... a time to be born, and a time to die ... a time to weep and a time to laugh ...' Dealing with the death of a relative or friend can include crying and laughter ... *'Do you remember when ...?'*

It is when we make time to stop, to remember, to acknowledge, to

honour, to be real and to share that healing can start to overcome the raw sense of loss; not forgetting calling to mind all that has happened and starting to find how God has weaved so much of His goodness into the fabric of our experiences. A particularly good example of this has been brought to our attention through 3 Dads walking – turning the acute loss and pain of each having lost a daughter in the last 3 years into a campaign to raise awareness of a problem often pushed to the background. They are forcing many others to stop, think, become aware and take actions likely to save and prolong many lives; such initiatives also remind us how loss and grief are often best faced together > if it takes a village to raise a family it also takes a community to comfort the bereaved.

**Nigel di Castiglione - Team Rector**

## Hilton Methodist Church



## Services in November

November 6 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	Local Arrangements
November 13 <sup>th</sup>	10:45am	Remembrance at the Parish Church
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	Rev Sue Baker-Maher
November 27 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am	Mr. D. Ward

## All are Welcome

Tea and Coffee will be served in the schoolroom after the services

## Hilton Advent Lunches

Hilton's Advent Lunches will restart this year, in aid of the Huntingdon Society for the Blind.

**Do come and join us for a light lunch between 12:30 and 2:00pm.**

Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Abbotsmede, Chapel Close

Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. 20, Chequers Croft

Suggested donation - £5:00

## YARN BOMBING FOR MALAWI CHILDREN



You will remember from these pictures that the Lych Gate at St Peter's Church was yarn bombed in June as part of the celebrations of Queen Elizabeth II's Jubilee. Papworth ladies from the craft groups, WI and St Peter's Church, crocheted and knitted granny squares, using mostly left-over wool. The joyful decoration was up for about eight weeks and many, young and old, enjoyed finding all the royal and other motifs in the design.

The work was taken down in August, since when all the wool has been up-cycled into eight varying sized blankets and fourteen very trendy school bags. All these are now on their way to a number of centres which do wonderful work helping poor and orphaned children in Malawi.

Thank you so much to all the ladies who made the squares and to Helen, Tina, Anne and Lillian who turned them into the colourful gifts you can see below. They will certainly be much appreciated by others so far away.



## Varrier Jones Social Club

At our meeting on 7th October, the order of the day was Fish and Chips! and who doesn't love Fish and Chips!! Our members certainly did. 22 portions were ordered from the Fish and Chip shop in Cambourne and were served with roll and butter and trifle for their Harvest Lunch in The Studio, at Pendrell Court. This was followed by a few games of Bingo – for monetary prizes, and the afternoon was completed with tea and cake provided by the Committee. Everyone certainly had an enjoyable afternoon.

So why not come along and join us. Make some new friends or catch up with old ones and enjoy a varied selection of talks and entertainment, as well as the occasional lunch. Meetings are held on the first Friday of each month. Normal start time is 1.30 pm. The annual membership is only £5, there is then a monthly admission fee of £3 for members and £4 for visitors. Where else could you get anything like this for the price?

Enquiries for joining should be made to Chairman Audrey Reid on 01480 831053 or Vice Chairman Eddie Tomkinson on 01480839230, and watch out for our posters around Papworth.



St Peter's Church taken by Matthew Osborn



On Your Doorstep - Halloween Spiders - Lucia Urda



# Tree Warden Report

**David Potter**      [treewarden@papwortheverardpc.org.uk](mailto:treewarden@papwortheverardpc.org.uk)

The bright October sunshine has shown up the autumn colours of our woodland, hedgerows and gardens to make a wonderful spectacle. Such a feast of yellows, reds, golds and browns in the trees and a carpet of different colours and patterns on the footpaths and pavements. It's the season of harvest as seeds, nuts and fruit have ripened

and come to maturity and we see the woodland wildlife collecting in their food stores for the winter season ahead. Squirrels, voles and mice gather up fallen acorns, nuts and fruit and store them away in various places, ready for eating on winter days when food is scarce.

Many birds also take advantage of the harvest of nuts, seeds, berries and fruit from trees and hedgerows at this time of year. The colourful Jay collects and hoards acorns, hiding them in nooks and under dead leaves. The Jay will return to these life-saving larders in the colder months of the year. It has been estimated that one Jay can store up to 5000 acorns in one season. Of course, they don't remember where every acorn has been hidden and so new seedlings appear and could grow into mighty oak trees themselves.

Mallard ducks swallow acorns whole. Other birds will also be keen to make the most of nature's bounty – beechmast and hazel nuts, mistletoe and holly berries for example. In this way plants, birds and animals in the natural world continue to co-exist.

My tree warden alphabet has reached the letter F, and F is for Fungi. The fruiting bodies of fungi are the visible evidence of the vast and intricate breakdown process which is happening all the time in our woodlands. Fungi not only appear on living trees as parasites, they are also active on dead and decaying matter as saprophyte, most of them playing an important part in the

breakdown of organic matter. Mycorrhizal fungi create a symbiotic relationship with plants, linking them together in vast networks above and below ground level. It is estimated that 90% of plants depend on these fungi.

There are several hundred wood-inhabiting fungi in Britain and most of them are remarkably selective in the conditions they demand for survival. Some need wet or even soggy conditions while some prefer the relative dryness of standing trees.

The terms 'mushroom' and 'toadstool' are loose and subjective rather than clearly defined distinctions. Although 'toadstool' is often referred to fungi that is poisonous and 'mushroom' more often used to define fungi that is edible, there is no biological or scientific difference between a toadstool and a mushroom.

Many fungi are harmless but it is always best to seek the advice of an expert before picking any in the wild. One particularly poisonous fungi is the Death Cap, which is fairly common in the British Isles. Even just a quarter of a Death Cap can be fatal to humans.

Another more beautiful, but also poisonous, fungi is the Fly Agaric which appears in autumn, often round birch trees or in coniferous woodland. These red capped mushrooms with white spots are a firm favourite for the illustrators of fairy tales.

The species gets its name from its former household use against flies. The caps used to be mashed up with milk and sugar and the mixture laid out as a bait to attract and kill flies.

So, as we travel together through November, look up at the trees as strong winds scatter their remaining leaves and look down at the woodland floor to discover (but do not touch) the amazing variety of mushrooms and toadstools.



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## Calling All Speakers



Pictured is Margaret, one of our members reading from a Pam Ayers poetry book, which has been very entertaining.

Do you have a hobby or an interest or craft that you would like to show to us at the Day Centre? It could be anything from Insects, to Aeroplanes. Or maybe you have a musical instrument to play to us. If so, please get in touch with Jenny (number below). We would love to hear from you.

The aim of the Day Centre is to provide a social event and a meal for elderly, isolated clients; in addition a day off for their carer, if applicable. There are no minimum age or ability requirements.

We offer a trial day for £5 (normal price is £13). Or you are very welcome to just come and see what we do and have a cup of tea, so please contact Jenny

Highlights of October included a "Let's Talk" game which involves cards with different subjects such as "What food do you dislike and

why?", "Name something good about getting older". This created much discussion. We also played "Musical Bingo" where players tick off songs from their sheets (rather than numbers) from snippets of tunes on a cd. We also had a welcome visit from Val Empson playing her electric piano, with the Day Centre singing along.

If you are interested in joining the Day Centre or finding out more please phone Jenny (number below). Please note it is not now necessary to be referred by your G.P. just give us a call.

The details of how the Day Centre runs are below:

The cost is £13 per day including tea and coffee and a delicious two course meal cooked by our resident chef, Jane. We meet every Tuesday between 10am and 3pm in The Community Centre, The Close, Papworth Everard. The Centre is fully wheelchair accessible. Transport is available in certain cases.

If you would like to find out more about the Day Centre, why not call the following? We would love to hear from you.

Contact: Jenny on (01480) 492697 for further details, if there is no answer please leave a message or your name and number, and I will call back.







## Friends of Pendragon Primary School

It's been a busy autumn term of events and planning by Friends of Pendragon School. We held our first meeting where we welcomed Headteacher Mrs Samuels, and we're excited to work together on fundraising events in the school year ahead. Following the surveying of the school field, the previous long-term goal of installing a Wellbeing track is, unfortunately, not going to be feasible. Another long-term project previously discussed was an outdoor classroom and we're thrilled to now be exploring this idea further, more on this exciting project soon!

The children enjoyed a movie night after school where they watched a film with their classmates. The blinds were drawn, the lights dimmed, and the special screening commenced with drinks and snacks for the children as they settled down to watch a fun film with their friends. Reception year, Year 1 and Year 2 watched the fun-filled adventure Paw Patrol: The Movie and Years 3 – 6

## News from Papworth Surgery



### Papworth Surgery Patients' Link Update

The results of a recent National Survey concerning patient satisfaction were very encouraging. Papworth Surgery rated significantly above both the Cambridgeshire, and the national, average. Well done to the entire medical team and all the backroom staff who together made this possible. We are so fortunate that despite having to deal with unprecedented demand, staff absences and supply chain issues, our team has been able to bounce back strong following the Covid disruption.

A good way to keep abreast of what is going on at the surgery is to check out the website [www.papworthsurgery.nhs.uk](http://www.papworthsurgery.nhs.uk) where announcements and information are regularly updated. For some time now the surgery has been offering evening appointments on Mondays and Wednesdays and since late summer we have had two new registrars join the team which has also helped to increase the number of appointments available.

The Pharmacy remains under particular pressure – please be sure to request repeat prescriptions in good time. Getting into the habit of giving a week's notice would be a good rule. Remember weekends and bank holidays are not working days for the staff in the pharmacy. Nationally it is reported that there is considerable waste of prescription medicine, which costs the NHS millions every year. Though changes in procedures in our surgery recently have addressed this problem to some extent, we all have a part to play in reducing the overall NHS drugs bill.

If you have any concerns/feedback you would like discussed with the surgery please email [papworth.patientgroup@nhs.net](mailto:papworth.patientgroup@nhs.net)

saw the action-packed comedy *The Bad Guys*. This was a great success and we're looking forward to holding more movie nights in the future.

On the last day of term, the children got to enjoy a sweet treat from the doughnut pop-up shop after school. As we start back after half term, the children can share their half term Halloween fun by submitting a photo of their carved pumpkin to be entered into a competition.

There is excitement in the air and chatter around school about the much-anticipated Christmas disco! This will be the first school disco for so many of the children and we can't wait to put on this event for them all to enjoy in early December.

After the great success last year, Friends of Pendragon will once again be selling real Christmas trees this year. Following some amazing reviews last year about the quality of the trees and how well they held their needles, these are not to be missed! Make sure you put the collection date of 4th December in your diary now - and look out for more details in next month's issue.

Friends of Pendragon are incredibly excited to announce that we have been chosen to be a Co-op Community Fund Cause for the next 12 months! We need all of Papworth to get behind us so we can raise money for the outdoor areas of Pendragon School. It's so simple to support us in this partnership. Become a Co-op member, choose Friends of Pendragon as your preferred cause, and scan your card every time you shop. You (and your friends and family) can shop at Co-op's Nationwide!

These events raise funds to enrich the experiences of all the children at the school – if you can spare some time and would like to volunteer with Friends of Pendragon, then please get in touch with us at [friends@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:friends@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk), we would love to hear from you.

Follow the Friends of Pendragon Facebook page to keep up to date with all these events and more!

Friends of Pendragon School

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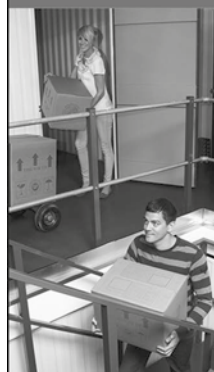
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## Papworth Library Talk

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## South Cambridgeshire District Council – Caxton and Papworth Ward

### District Councillor's Monthly Report – November 2022

#### Buses

The public consultation of the Cambridge "Making Connections" proposal is now open. The scheme would introduce a Sustainable Travel Zone (STZ) and a greatly enhanced bus service across the county, funded by a congestion charge to drive into the city. You can respond to the consultation

online at <http://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/mc-2022>. The consultation is open until midday on 23rd December. In addition to the information online, there will be a variety of face-to-face events and webinars where you can obtain more information. Details are on the web site.

Separately, the current bus services that Stagecoach are withdrawing have been reassigned to other operators. The number 18 service to and from Cambridge will be operated by Whippet and continue to serve most of the villages on its current route. The route will also be extended to St Neots. Eltisley will now be served by an additional Whippet X3 service, which will divert between Papworth and Cambourne, once in the morning inbound and once in the evening outbound. Whippet also proposes to introduce a late evening service between Huntingdon and Cambridge via Papworth from mid-November. Check their timetable regularly for the current information.

#### Aircraft Noise Update

Several people have commented that the process for submitting complaints about aircraft noise to Luton airport is complex and difficult to understand. We are trying to set up a workshop or training session for residents. Please drop me an email if you would be interested in taking part.

#### Service Quality Survey

South Cambs DC has launched a short survey to help deliver service improvements for residents and businesses across the district. This is your chance to say what you think what is going right and where the council needs to get better. The survey takes 5 minutes to complete and is available on the website (<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/your-council-and-democracy/feedback-and-complaints/feedback/>) for residents to complete.

#### Cost of Living Support

The first five Warm Hubs have opened their doors as part of a new initiative to support communities in South and East Cambridgeshire this winter. More villages will see Warm Hubs open their doors during November. Warm Hubs are run within community spaces, where residents can visit a safe, warm and friendly environment to enjoy refreshments and social activity, obtain information and advice. For more information and a list of current Warm Hubs, visit <https://www.scambs.gov.uk/warm-hubs/>. Longer term, the Combined Authority is running a Sustainable Warmth scheme providing funding for households with a combined gross household income of less than £30,000 living in energy inefficient homes to help reduce their bills. Funding is available to households heated by a gas boiler connected to the mains gas grid (on-gas), and also to households heated by alternative fuels including electricity, oil, liquid propane gas, and solid fuels (off-gas).

Local installers will guide customers through the application, helping them understand and establish eligibility for the scheme. If eligible, the installer will identify which improvements for the home will provide the greatest benefits and arrange any necessary surveys and installations.

More information available online at <https://cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk/news/sustainable-warmth-scheme-launches-to-help-make-homes-cheaper-warmer-and-greener-through-funded-energy-saving-improvements/>.

## News from Papworth Library

The library kicked off this season's The Library Presents shows with a well-received and attended performance of Dreamless Days from award-winning Celtic band The Meadows on Friday 7 October. The library responded well to its change in function, hosting piles of electronic cables, mikes, a backdrop and a mixing desk as well as attendees of all ages who tucked into their refreshments with enthusiasm during the event. The musicians felt the acoustic was good, suiting their line-up of vocals and strings.

Our thanks to all who have bought tickets for the next Library Presents event, an Art Workshop which has already sold out; artist Jude Devoil will be showing how to use different techniques to create art works on Saturday 12 November, and we look forward to welcoming all attendees. . When the nights have well and truly drawn in, in December TLP is offering Earwig, a play put on by Time & Again Theatre on Thursday 1 December from 7pm here in the library. As a deaf woman in 1927, Marigold's unparalleled research into beetles is ignored. The play combines the wonderful world of insects with a fight to be heard amidst flappers, jazz and an overbearing husband. It runs for 90 minutes (plus interval), is for adults and young people of 8+, and is asking attendees to pay what they'd like between £2 & £10. To book tickets and access the whole programme visit [www.library.live/the-library-presents](http://www.library.live/the-library-presents) or we can book places for people in the library.

We're also very pleased to flag our next Engage event in the library on Thursday 10 November from 10am – 11.30am, when we welcome Becs Wilderspin, an apprentice from the local brewery, to enlighten us about the brewery and the process that produces one of the nation's favourite beverages.

As the temperatures drop, you'll always find a warm and friendly welcome in your library. Drop in just to choose books, or stay to read, relax with one of our jigsaw puzzles or use our free WiFi or a

library computer. If you are looking for advice on cost-of-living support, staff will be happy to signpost you to information.

Rhymetime (singing and nursery rhyme sessions for 0-4s held on Wednesday mornings from 10am to 10.30am, term-time only), is currently in full swing; we're delighted to see a good number of babies and toddlers attending this group. We sing, chant and move for half an hour; do come along if you haven't tried it. We're still on the look-out for any volunteers who might like to join Nicola in offering our Rhymetimes here at Papworth, so if you'd be interested then do enquire further in the library.

Our Digital Buddy is in the library on a Tuesday morning, to help you make the most of the online world. They can help you make the most of your smartphone, introduce you to managing your library account online and show you what library services' free-to-access research websites offer. If you'd like to make a booking to see our Digital Buddy then do just ask at the library counter.

There's still time to collect remaining Summer Reading Challenge medals and certificates from the library (we'll be holding them til the end of November), and as a postscript Jessie the Book Bike is still here, visiting the library to mark the Platinum Jubilee of the late Queen Elizabeth II. Children are very welcome to try on the monarchical robes and crowns, sit in kingly fashion on their steed (Jessie) and command their subjects with the sceptre.

If you're visiting the library, our opening hours are still: Tuesday 10am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm; Wednesday 10am – 1pm, Thurs 2pm – 5pm and Sat 10pm – 1pm. Contact details: web address: [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library), tel 0345 045 5225, and email: [your.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:your.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)



## PAPWORTH TENNIS CLUB NEWS



### Papworth Tennis Club Championships 2022

On Sunday 25th September Papworth Tennis Club concluded its 2022 Club Championships.

In the Ladies' Singles there is a new name on the trophy as Elise Lanteri defeated 2021 champion Davina Mathis, while Diane Cobb and Theresa Truter claimed victory in the Ladies' Doubles, avenging last year's defeat to their opponents Davina Mathis and Holly Cobb.

In the Men's Singles Nathan Paszylk put on a powerful display to overcome defending champion Kamil Kaminski.

In the Men's Doubles Bob Magill and Alex Jouvray held on to their 2021 title with Cory Bunnett and Russ Drury taking the runners-up spot.

Geoff Alexander and David Barker triumphed over Paul Dowsett and Jon Tomlinson in the Senior Men's Doubles, and the last match of the day, finishing under the floodlights, was a family affair with Helen and Kamil Kaminski beating Malwina and Nathan Paszylk in the Mixed Doubles.

Caitlin Jouvray took the under 14 Girls' Singles title against Ava Rajnic, with Luke Jouvray beating Dan Sellwood in the under 14 Boys' Singles and Daniel Canamares taking the under 12 Boys' Singles crown over William Scarboro.

Mateen Taghavi and Oliver Conroy were winner and runner-up in the under 8 category. Alex Kaminski took the prize in the under 9s with Noah Conroy finishing second, and Baxter Peacock won in the under 10s with Mae Matthews in second place.

Well done to all players for a great day of tennis, we really do have some talent within our club and it was great to see it on show. Thank you also to the spectators who helped Chequers Lane resemble a mini Wimbledon for a few hours with their support.

Thank you to Jon Tomlinson and Michele Eidevik-Skinner for helping with the set up and organisation on the day and to Clare Lindsay for putting on a fantastic lunch to keep the players and spectators well nourished. And a final big thank you to John Garland for refereeing another great Championships.



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