

Bourn Parish Council Newsletter

March 2018

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On 3 May 2018, local government elections will be held throughout the UK. In Bourn, residents will have the opportunity to elect one district councillor (down from two following

the recent boundary changes) and all parish councillors.

More information is available on the South Cambs **District Council** website

www.scambs.gov.u k/content/all-out-elections

Parish Council **Achievements** this Quarter

The Council has been awarded a grant to continue improvement work on the path

> running up the High Street. The encroaching bank and undergrowth will be cut back, a retaining slab wall put in and the path resurfaced. This will result in a smooth path wide disabled enough for scooters and pushchairs.

Work will start this year

- The new Broadway play area is now established and the Council has purchased and will be installing a new junior football goal and picnic bench over the next few weeks
- The Council is supporting Bourn Sports Club's initiative for building work at the Pavilion at the Jubilee playing field. This will

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reorganise the interior space to make better use of the facilities for the benefit of both club members and villagers. The Council is jointly funding this work with Bourn Sports Club. The work will be completed by the summer.

Please note that records of all of the Council's activities and decisions are available at the website www.bourn.org.uk

Bourn Airfield Development and Countryside Properties' Exhibitions

Bourn Parish Council continues to object to the development of 3,500 houses on Bourn Airfield and chose not to engage with Countryside Properties' public relations events held last month at the Belfry Hotel and on the Airfield itself. Parish Councillors made a policy decision at the beginning of the Local Plan process to wait until the inspectors had determined the soundness, or not, of including Bourn Airfield in the SCDC Local Plan before we decided to meet with Countryside Properties to discuss details of their proposals for the Airfield. This remains our policy.

Unless and until the Local Plan is declared sound there remain significant question marks over SCDC's strategy to concentrate the majority of great housing development over the next 20 years in settlements. Should inspectors decide to endorse the Local Plan, and the inclusion of Bourn Airfield in the Plan is ratified, then the Parish Council will review our decision engage with Countryside Properties. If any parishioner wishes

to discuss this policy please drop an email to bournpcclerk@qmail.com

The Council has been made aware that Countryside Properties had advised attendees that Bourn Parish Council had refused them permission to hold an exhibition in the village hall. The Parish Council would like to make it clear that this is not true.

Annual Parish Meeting

This year's APM will be held on Wednesday 9th May at 7:30pm in the Cherry Tree Room at Bourn Village Hall.

All parishioners are invited to attend.

Cleaning Up After Your Dog

The Council is aware that dog mess is causing a problem for residents especially in the play area at Hall Close and Riddy Lane. The Council has displayed new

notices (after

previous ones

were removed)

to remind dog owners to clean up after their dogs. If you have a dog or are simply walking one for someone else, do clean up after it. Let's keep the village clean, tidy and safe for others, especially children.



Bus Service Changes Stagecoach Routes 18 and Citi 4



Stagecoach is to alter a number of services from 15 April 2018 including the number 18 and Citi 4, Cambourne to Cambridge services. These changes are as follows:

- 18: Minor amendment to some Cambridge departure times and evening journey times between Cambridge, Cambourne and Eltisley/Longstowe.
- Citi 4: Change to timetable departure times up to 10 minutes earlier or 15 minutes later

Full details and copies of the timetable can be obtained by contacting Stagecoach directly on o1223 433250, cambridge.enquiries@stagecoachbus.com or www.stagecoachbus.com

Bourn Sports Club News and Events

Bourn Sports Club is a registered charity established in 1996 to provide sporting activities to Bourn residents. The Parish Council is delighted to

support the Club and its use of the Pavilion and Jubilee Playing Field.

For further details about membership and membership benefits email Lottie Phillips at:

bournsportsclub@gmail.com



Forthcoming events for your diary include:

Sunday 15th April - Quorn Under-10s Cup

Friday 18th May - Quiz Night

Saturday 14th July - Summer Sports Day

Sunday 16th September - Chariots of Fire

Sunday 23rd September - Bourn to Run

Updates from South Cambs District Council

Community Chest: Opens 1 April

Our Community Chest scheme opens again on 1 April with a further £57,000 available for voluntary and community groups, charities and parish councils wishing to improve the quality of life for residents in South Cambridgeshire. Applicants can apply for up to £1,000 per project, up to a maximum of £3,000 per parish in the financial year.

Full details, guidance on eligibility and the application form are on our

website at:

www.scambs.gov.uk/communitychest

Contact: Elizabeth Davy at:
Elizabeth.Davy@scambs.gov.uk or
01954 713111

Community energy grants

The Community Energy Grant scheme aims to support the delivery of energy saving and green initiatives for local communities. Grants of up to £3,000 per organisation are available to voluntary and community sector groups, charities and parish councils who wish to be more environmentally friendly.

Projects that this funding could support include:

- Energy saving and efficiency measures for community buildings and village halls, such as lighting and heating controls, upgrades to LED lighting, roof and cavity wall insulation and energy efficient boilers
- Installation of electric vehicle charging points for community use
- Battery storage for solar panels or other low carbon energy generation measures
- Energy surveys to allow the investigation of suitable green energy measures for community buildings and village halls

Applications are not expected for the installation of low carbon energy generation measures, such as solar panels or air source heat pumps. If we were to fund these then the group installing them would not then receive the national Feed-in-Tariffs or Renewable Heat Incentive payments.

More information: www.scambs.gov.uk/communityenergy-grant

Contact: Cecilia Murphy-Roads on cecilia.murphy-roads@scambs.gov.uk or 01954 713344

Cabinet and Parish Council liaison meetings 2018

The Cabinet and parish council liaison meetings will be held from 6.3opm to 8pm at South Cambridgeshire Hall on: Wednesday 20 June and Tuesday 27 November

Contact: Gemma Barron at: gemma.barron@scambs.gov.uk or 01954 713340

Planning open days

Our planners are hitting the road to visit communities so that they can find out more about the planning process, and ask us questions. The roadshow sees us team up with Cambridge City Council to run events around the Greater Cambridge area. Each event includes talks on understanding the planning journey, the importance of pre-election advice, how to submit a planning application and get it right first time, listed building and conservation advice, works to trees and building control.

The first roadshow was held at the Pathfinder C of E Primary School in Northstowe at the start of March.

The second roadshow is planned for Whittlesford Memorial Hall, Mill Lane, CB22 4NE on Saturday 9 June from 10am to 2pm.

Further dates will be published on our website at www.scambs.gov.uk

Contact: Katherine Habib on Katherine.Habib@scambs.gov.uk or 01954 713 195

Make your metals matter!

Our Shared Waste Service with Cambridge City Council continues to encourage residents to ensure all metal packaging from around the home finds its way into their blue bins. This includes drink cans, food tins (including from pet food), foil trays, empty aerosols, metal screw tops and foil wrap.

The Metal Matters campaign currently underway sees leaflets sent to every home, events for residents and is being supported on social media. The shared waste service's brand-new fleet of refuse collection vehicles are also sporting smart "Metal Matters" liveries.

If all the metal packaging used in homes in Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire each year was collected for recycling it would save around 3,820 tonnes of carbon dioxide, the equivalent of taking over 812 cars off local streets for a year.

More details:

www.scambs.gov.uk/metalrecycling

Contact: Izabela Obiye and Vicky Lacey on refuse@scambs.gov.uk or 01954 713611

Your Place, Our Plan

All Parish Council clerks have been sent by post a copy of South Cambridgeshire: Your Place, Our Plan. This document sets out our vision and strategic aims, contextual information and examples of what we plan to deliver.

The document is available to view on the website here:

www.scambs.gov.uk/council-aims-and-objectives

Burglary Crime Prevention -Update from our PCSO

By taking simple preventative measures you can reduce the risk of becoming a victim of burglary:-

ALARMS: One of the most effective deterrents is to install a burglar alarm. Ensure it is set every time you leave

the house.

SECURE ENTRY POINTS: Don't leave

any windows or doors unlocked or ajar as these can be easy access points for a burglar.

IF YOU ARE GOING AWAY: make your home look lived in, ask your neighbours to keep an eye out and install timer lights. You

are at much less risk of being the next victim if burglars think you are at home.

LOCK UP YOUR SHED: Burglars will often enter sheds to look for tools that can be used to break-in to your house.

STRONG COMMUNITIES: Our officers continue to conduct highly visible and plain clothed patrols in our communities but we are all safer when we work together - make friends with neighbours or join your local Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. Look out for the elderly & vulnerable - houses where there are things like ramps, handles and key safe boxes are often seen by offenders as potential easy targets.

Often when we respond to reports of burglaries, victims will tell us that they feel like they have been followed to establish when they are most likely to be away from

the home. This is very rarely the case, but offenders will often visit an area in the days leading up to a burglary to scope out potential targets. If you believe someone knocking on your door could be a burglar then contact the police immediately on 999.

Keep a note of anything unusual:

 Take a description and registration of unknown vehicles parked in your area Note down as much information as possible about suspicious incidents, including dates and

times, as well as descriptions of anyone you believe to be involved

• If you see a witness who is intending to leave the scene before police arrive, ask for their contact details and pass these onto our officers



If you would like to receive regular email bulletins from Cambridgeshire Constabulary (e-Cops) see their website - www.ecops.org.uk

Please do remember, crime rates in Bourn are low.

Looking after our Trees

We have some very beautiful trees in the village which are great assets both for us to appreciate and for the wildlife which depends upon them.

A number of trees in Bourn are protected in law with Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs). These are intended

to "protect specific trees or a particular woodland from deliberate damage and destruction. This could include felling, lopping, topping, uprooting or otherwise wilful damage."

Trees protected in this way may be on, or alongside, your property and if you are thinking about felling or lopping one you need permission to do so. You can check whether a tree or a group of trees has a TPO by checking on South

Cambs District Council's TPO page:

https://www.scambs.gov.uk/content/t ree-preservation-orders

If a protected tree is felled you must replace it with another of similar size and species as soon as reasonably possible. This applies even if the tree was dead or damaged. See the Woodland Trust's guidance on their website https://bit.ly/2uEEOZ1.

For further information please contact our Tree Warden, Hilary Gretton, on 01954 719329.

Parish Clerk Vacancy

Bourn Parish Council requires a Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to



provide professional support and guidance in all aspects of the Council's work. The job is based at home and for 13 hours each week. The job gives and requires flexibility on when the hours are worked with attendance required at each monthly meeting in Bourn (excluding August and December).

We are looking for an enthusiastic, friendly and self-motivated person with good interpersonal, verbal, written and IT skills. This should include proficiency in MS Word and Excel and experience in taking minutes, book-keeping/accounts, preparing reports, dealing with correspondence and record keeping.

The successful applicant will hold the Certificate in Local Council Administration OR be willing to obtain it.

Salary is on the scale recommended for local council clerks (as agreed between the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) and the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC)) at LC2, typically SCP 26 (£12.16/hr) depending on experience.

For more information and an application pack (which includes job description, person specification and application form) please go to https://bit.ly/2pK3pa5

References will be required.

The closing date for applications is 30 April 2018.

Pot Holes

The snow and ice over the winter has exacerbated the existing problem with pot holes throughout the village. The



Council continues to communicate its concern about this to the County Council who are responsible for highways matters. The Council is otherwise unable to address these problems as it does not have the authority (or budget) to do so. If you see pot holes they should be reported to Cambridgeshire County Council at:

https://highwaysreporting.cambridges hire.gov.uk

Temporary Road Closure

Bourn Road in Caxton is to be closed to all through traffic to enable sewer connection work to take place. The area lying between the A1198 flyover and number 20 Bourn Road will be closed, aside from access to affected properties. The restrictions will be in



place between 16 April and 23 April.

During that time the alternative route for vehicles is via Royston Road -A1198 - B1046 - Fox Road - Gills Hill -High Street - Alms Hill - Caxton Road, and vice versa.

Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council meets on the **third Wednesday of each month** (except August and December) **at 7.3opm in the Village Hall**.

All parishioners are invited to attend the meeting and the first ten minutes or so are open to residents to ask questions or make comments and observations on Bourn matters or on items on the agenda. If the matter is on the agenda or has already been under discussion a response may be given at the meeting, otherwise the matter may be tabled for fuller discussion at the next (or a future) meeting. If you want to raise a matter with the Council please email the Parish Clerk.

Items for the Parish Council's consideration must be sent to the Parish Clerk seven clear days before the meeting.

Newsletter Distribution

If you would like to be added to the newsletter email distribution list or like a large print copy delivered, please email Cllr Jaggers - sarah.jaggers2@qmail.com.

Alternatively they can be downloaded from the Parish Council website -

http://www.bourn.org.uk

A limited number of printed copies will be available at the village notice boards, Hall Close Community Centre, the local shop, the Doctors' Surgery and Knibbs the butchers.

'Now What Can I Eat?' the Cookbook

The Parish Council has been asked to tell Bourn residents about Pippa Kent's kickstarter campaign to create

a cook book specifically for the immune suppressed. We are delighted to do so: Pippa was brought up in the village (her parents still live here) and has just launched her campaign to raise £58,000. This is her story:

"Last year on Good Friday I was being wheeled into theatre for a double lung transplant operation that would save my

life. Thanks to this huge gift from my donor and his family, as well as the expert hospital care I received I am now in the hugely lucky situation where I am able to try and give something back.



This operation was obviously life changing in multiple ways, but one I never really considered pre transplant was that it would affect my diet. I would for the rest of my life be immune suppressed and have to follow a diet suitable for this.

I soon realised that in fact the diet that I was now restricted to was not simply for those who had received transplants. There are hundreds of thousands of people in the UK alone who are dealing with taking immune suppressants every day. This includes anyone who has had an organ transplant, is undergoing

chemotherapy, has Crohn's disease or rheumatoid arthritis and many many more conditions.

Hence 'Now What Cat I Eat?' the cookbook.

A book crammed full of recipes, from loads of different chefs (Gizzie Erskine, Paul Ainsworth, Tommy Banks,

Mark His, etc) restaurants (Leon, Burger and Lobster, Honey and Co to name a few) and well known foodies (Tess Ward, Alice Living, Lili Vanilli) that are 100% immune suppression

PIPPA KENT

friendly and created with the support of Papworth Hospital and their specialist dietitian team. With not only the right ingredients but with all necessary cooking steps included in the method to ensure anyone can prepare safe and delicious food. The idea being that those who are dealing with illness, their friends and family have enough to worry about without having to think about food too and for everyone else it's just a beautiful book crammed with recipes from some of the UKs favourite chefs and foodies and with the added bonus that funds raised through sales will also be going to charity."

If you are interested in supporting Pippa's campaign, you can find out more here:

https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/ nowwhatcanieat/now-what-can-i-eatthe-book

Did you know...

that Bourn Parish Council has its own website?

If you are seeking to advertise a community event, service or activity, get in touch with Cllr Rolfe (les.rolfe@hotmail.co.uk) and he will add your information to the website.

www.bourn.org.uk

BOURN PLAYERS PRESENT

Fiddler on the Roof

Based on Sholem Aleichem stories by special permission of Arnold Perl

Book by JOSEPH STEIN

Music by JERRY BOCK

Lyrics by SHELDON HARNICK

Produced on the NewYork Stage by Harold Prince. Original New York Stage Production Directed and Choreographed by JERROME ROBBINS

26th 27th & 28th APRIL at 7.30 Matinee on Saturday 28th at 2.30

At the **GREAT BARN**MANOR FARM IN BOURN

TICKETS available at
BOURN VILLAGE SHOP
and online at
WWW.BOURNPLAYERS.ORG.UK

Supporting

East Anglian

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This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International (Europe) All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI Europe www.mtishows.co.uk





Diabetes Public Engagement Events

Thursday 19 April 2018 6.30pm - 8.30pm
The Countryside Centre, Hinchingbrooke Country
Park, Brampton Road, **Huntingdon** PE29 6DB

Wednesday 25 April 2018 6.30pm - 8.30pm March Town Council, The Town Hall, Market Place, **March**, Cambs PE15 9JF

This is a great opportunity for you to:

- Find out what services are available for people with diabetes locally.
- Ask local healthcare professionals and commissioners questions on diabetes care.
- Meet people with Type 1 and Type 2 diabetes who live in your local area.
- Tea, coffee and exhibitions are available from 6.00pm.

To book a place call Diabetes UK on: 01376 501390, email Eastern@diabetes.org.uk

or book online: http://bit.ly/dp2018htn











Diabetes UK working together with: North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust Cambridgeshire and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust Cambridgeshire and Peterborough CCG

Sunday Times Best Places to Live 2018

In March, the Sunday Times included Bourn in its list of the best places to live in the UK. If you didn't see the original article, go to https://bit.ly/2q3qx9F

Parish Councillors

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Sarah Jaggers	32 Caxton End	t: 718037	e: sarah.jaggers2@gmail.com
Steve Jones	Rosemary & Lavender Cottage, Caxton Rd	t: 719329	e: stevejonessja@aol.com
Des O'Brien	Vine Cottage, Fox Road	t: 718115	e: des@amethyst-tv.com
Les Rolfe	57 Hall Close	t: 718150	e: les.rolfe@hotmail.co.uk

Parish Clerk

While we recruit our new Parish Clerk/RFO you can contact our temporary clerk by email at bournpcclerk@gmail.com