

Dear Friends,

‘When my wife bought me an electric shaver, I liked it so much I bought the company.’

These words were spoken by Victor Kiam in a TV advert in 1979, referring to the company Remington. I’ve been thinking about those words this year. Having finished being the curate for the local churches in 2015, we decided that while we couldn’t afford to buy the whole village, we liked it so much that we might at least be able to buy a house! Having managed this, we were able to move to Barton in the summer of this year.

It’s great to be a part of the village that meant so much to us when I was serving the churches in what is known as the Lordsbridge team. Now I continue to do so on a voluntary basis, working part time in publishing to support this role.

One of things about being a minister in Barton that I enjoy the most is the café **The Generous Slice**. It is a great way for the churches in Barton to offer the whole village a space to meet, share in each other’s company and relax. It currently meets once every half term from 8.45 a.m. to about 10.30 in the **Village Hall**. This is a great time for parents, grandparents and carers to get together after the school drop off or the assembly, but it is very much open to **everyone** in Barton. If you like croissants, good coffee and a relaxing start to your day, do come along! The next opening will be on **16th November**.

The Generous Slice is not about making a profit. Any money made from donations is used to cover costs and the surplus is reinvested in the café. J.K. Rowling, author of the Harry Potter books, said:

‘...the idea of just wandering off to a café with a notebook and writing and seeing where that takes me for a while is just bliss.’

We all need a bit of space for reflection and conversation, which is one of the core values of the Generous Slice, and, if J. K. Rowling wanders in, we promise to let her have the space she needs!

Hope to see you soon!

God bless

*Revd Corin Redsell
Associate Minister to Lordsbridge Team*

Church News

Saturday October 15th Coffee Morning in the Village Hall 10 to 11.45am. for church funds. Bring and Buy, cakes, raffle, etc. Christmas Cards will be on sale from Save the Children Fund; come and get your cards early in a leisurely way over coffee. Admission £1.50.

Adopt a Grave A number of people have worked hard during the summer to keep the churchyard tidy and well cared for and we are very grateful. We have taken lots of ivy away from some graves that no longer have anyone to look after them, and the grass has been mowed regularly. There are still a few graves in need of attention so if anyone feels they could 'adopt' just one grave and keep it tidy we would be very grateful. Please talk to Anne Coulson if you could offer help.

Anne Coulson, 262666

Barton Baptist Church News

As we have a Church meeting this month we only have one Bible Study on Wednesday 5th at 7.30pm. All are welcome to join us. The Food bank collection point will also be open at then.

The **Tea and Chat** will also take place as usual on Tuesdays the 11th and 25th October starting at 2.30pm. All over 50's are welcome to join us. The Food bank collection point will again be open at these times.

On Sunday 16th October we will be sharing in our Cluster Celebration at Gamlingay Baptist Church. This is when a number of the Village Baptist Churches get together. We start with tea at 5pm and then have a service at 6pm. It will also give us a chance to meet their new minister.

The Men's meeting this month is on Friday 28th at 7pm. The speaker will be Prof. Steve Jones. The meeting will be in the Baptist Church.

Brian West

Parish Jottings

Vandalism in Barton

In the last couple of weeks glass bricks have been punctured at the Old Pavilion adjacent to the play area. This damage has been systematic, continued and deliberate. If anyone has any information, please contact a Councillor. The Council will have to spend valuable money to put this right. Would everyone please keep a look out?

Parents with children therefore need to take care in this area, just in case there are glass splinters in the grass.

City Deal consultation on tackling peak-time congestion in Cambridge. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO RESPOND BECAUSE TRAFFIC IMPACT ON BARTON AND THE APPROACH TO CAMBRIDGE MAY BE CONSIDERABLE.

You can have your say on an eight-point plan to tackle congestion in Cambridge.

Over the summer months, **through to Monday 10th October**, City Deal officers will be publishing information and proposals, talking and listening to communities and people affected.

Information will be available online, via local media and at a series of events and exhibitions at community hubs and employment locations across Cambridge, South Cambridgeshire and beyond.

The information gathered will be used to help shape the details of the proposals for final recommendations, due to be considered by the Executive Board in January 2017.

Further detailed information, along with **a questionnaire**, is available on this site www.gcacitydeal.co.uk/congestion . **DO READ A LEAFLET – and RESPOND.**

Public exhibition:

Wednesday 5th October 5.30-8pm Comberton Sports & Arts, CB23 7DU

The eight-point package recommends:

1. Better public transport

Investment by bus companies in new routes and services, made possible by new peak-time congestion control points (see below) that will remove traffic from key bus routes and immediately improve bus reliability and reduce bus journey times in the city. This will complement on-going work to improve bus journeys on other routes to and from the city and lead to quick and seamless trips including to/from the Park & Rides, the railway station and key work destinations. City Deal also continues to support improved rail services and the aim of a new Addenbrooke's station.

2. Better cycling and walking

Opportunities created by the package of measures will be used to continue to enhance cycling and pedestrian infrastructure and work with existing plans and proposals to create a comprehensive city and South Cambridgeshire 'greenways' cycle network in, out and around Cambridge, linked to towns and villages beyond.

3. Peak-time congestion control points

Similar to the established and successful core scheme in the city centre, 'virtual closures' for general traffic at key points on the city's road network would create a low-traffic zone during rush hour through which only buses, cyclists, local taxis and emergency vehicles could travel. Drivers could still access streets in the zone but would need to find an alternative route or – as is the aim - switch to bus, cycle or walking for part of their journey. The closures would be enforced through the use of Automatic Number Plate Recognition and £60 penalty fines. Near-by roads would be protected from rat-running. There will be further investment in Park & Rides to encourage uptake.

4. Workplace Parking Levy (WPL)

Based on a successful scheme in Nottingham, and subject to consultation with business, employers with lots of parking space for employees would be charged an

annual fee for each commuter parking space. All the funds raised would be used to encourage people to switch to other modes as well as create an important new funding stream to invest in better local transport to ease commuter trips.

5. On-street parking controls

Residents Parking Zones in areas near large workplaces would further discourage commuter car journeys and work with WPL ensuring parking is not displaced to nearby streets, ensuring limited on-street parking is prioritised for residents.

6. Smart transport technology

Use of technology and data to help people make smart travel choices including ‘digital way finding’, real-time traffic alerts and intelligent traffic signals at main junctions prioritising bus and cycle trips.

7. Travel planning

Expansion of the existing advice service to help businesses, schools and individuals adapt to changes and make optimum travel choices.

8. Public space and air quality

Using opportunities to make improvements to public space - such as landscaping, new street furniture or public art – to keep Cambridge a pleasant and attractive place to live, travel and do business. The reduction in congestion and, in particular, car travel will improve air quality.

Safety at the Rifle Range

We have received reassurances from the Ministry of Defence, after walkers complained about unclear warning flags at the Rifle Range.

The Training Safety Officer replied: “Rest assured that if a unit is firing, flags will be hoisted at the A603, by the bridle path and on top of the hill. Both sentries will be deployed at either end of the range at the bridle path. I have told the range staff that they must lower the flag at any cost when firing is completed.”

Any noise issues?

If you have strong and immediate concerns please use the following contacts: Environmental Health Service, South Cambridgeshire Hall, 03450 450063 or after 5.30pm 0845 609 5437

External audit of the Parish Council: PKF Littlejohn LLP has advised that the Annual Return 2015-16 is in accordance with proper practices, and no matters give cause for concern. The Return has been posted on the website.

Renewal of Concessionary Bus Passes

The County Council is aware that over the next eighteen months the amount of renewals of the concessionary bus passes is going to be potentially very high. It is the responsibility of the pass holder to check when their pass is up for renewal and then to contact the County Council to get a new one. In order to aid the pass holder the County has set up a new form which allows people to easily renew online. This online form can be found at cambridgeshire.gov.uk/concessionary. If people have any problems with the online form then they can also call the number

on the back of their passes or go to the library who will be able to help.

Passenger Transport Team Phone: 0345 045 0675

Email: passenger.transport@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Passenger Transport Team, Box SH1013, Castle Court, Shire Hall, CB3 0AP

UK Power Networks: '105' On 6th September a new national phone number 105 was launched by electricity network operators for customers to call should they need to report or get information about a power cut in their area. Key points to note about this service are:

Dialling 105 will put customers through to their local electricity network operator – the company that manages the cables, power lines and substations that deliver electricity into homes and businesses in their area.

105 is just one of the ways that customers can contact their electricity network operator. They can also contact them by phone or via their website, and most network operators are on social media too.

105 is a free service for people in England, Scotland and Wales.

Customers can call 105 no matter who they choose to buy electricity from.

Customers can also call 105 if they spot damage to electricity power lines and substations that could put anyone in danger. If there's a serious immediate risk, they should call the emergency services too.

Electoral Review of Cambs CC: final recommendations

The Electoral Commission has now completed its review. The Hardwick division of CambsCC will comprise Barton, Caldecote, Comberton, Coton, Grantchester, Great Eversden, Harlton, Hardwick, Kingston, Little Eversden, Madingley and Toft parishes from 2017.

A full copy of the report is available on the website, www.lgbce.org.uk. An interactive map of final recommendations is available at www.consultation.lgbce.org.uk

The changes proposed for Cambridgeshire County Council must now be implemented by order subject to Parliamentary scrutiny. A draft Order – the legal document which brings into force the recommendations – will be laid in Parliament. The draft Order will provide for new electoral arrangements for Cambridgeshire County Council to be implemented at the local elections in 2017.

Next Parish Council meeting: Tuesday 4th October 2016 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Patrick De Backer 07771-923710 bartonpcclerk@btinternet.com

Official notices and agendas and minutes of meetings can be seen on the notice board by the pond or on the Website <http://www.barton-cambs.org.uk/>

Village News

Thanks – Gillian Whitworth

The family of the late Gillian Whitworth thanks all the residents of Allen's Close and Barton Village for their kind messages and help during her fight with cancer.

Her friends and neighbours especially, kept her spirits high, as did the continued attention of Doctor Ian Parker.

Mobile Library

The Mobile Library is free to join and offers a wide range of books for all ages, and also large print and audio books. There is access to all Library Service stock on request, and online requests can be delivered to our local Mobile Library. The Mobile Library comes to Barton on the third Thursday of the month:

Roman Hill 10.45-11.05 am; Kings Grove 11.10-11.45 am; Great Close
11.50 am-12.10 pm; Allens Close 12.15-12.35 pm

Foxcote Bus Shelter

On Comberton road, a new, bigger and more appealing bus shelter is planned to replace the current small structure opposite the Six Houses. It is to be oak framed, with a central doorway in the shape of a 'jawbone' arch. Set on an old brick floor, and clad in waney-edge boards of sweet chestnut, it will have a roof of reed thatch. We expect construction to begin in October.

We are grateful that nearly all of the workmanship is being contributed free by village entities. The frame and walls are via the nearby Foxcote Fencing. The roofing is by Bill and Chris Pepper, thatchers of Wimpole Road, and our BeaVers will work on the floor and other aspects.

To cover the cost of materials, several grants have been sought. As I write, confirmation is awaited over £1,500 from SCDC Community Chest. Barton Parish Council, Perennial (the charity which manages Six Houses) and the trustees of Arbory Trust (operating the woodland cemetery) have all promised some £200-300 each.

We believe the end result will be a credit to Barton and a useful and attractive feature at this entry point to the village.

J C Boocock

Barton Lunch Club – Friday, 7th October, 12.30 for 1pm, Village Hall

The Lunch Club on the first Friday of each month is for Barton residents, booking essential. The cost is £3. To book or cancel (or volunteer to cook) contact Anne Coulson, 262666.

WI Harvest Supper – Saturday 8th October, 7.15 for 7.30pm

Come and join us for a delicious supper followed by entertainment. Tickets £15 are available from Helen Newstead 262543.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal – Volunteer House-to-House Collectors required

If you would like to help contribute to the Poppy Appeal and are willing to spend a short time collecting in a pre-arranged route around the Village please contact asap Ian Minto the Poppy Appeal Organiser on C 264158 or ianminto@btconnect.com

Full instructions on contact and all preparation completed by Ian Minto.

Key dates are:

29th October-12th November House to house collections period

11th November – Armistice day

12th November – Poppy Day

13th November – Remembrance Sunday

ALSO...if you run a business locally (which doesn't yet participate) and would like to have a static collection box at your premises for visitor contributions please let Ian Minto know.

The **Telephone Box Library** in the High Street has taken off well, we often change the books; do bring any books you don't want, feel free to exchange or take them away.

We do have a shortage of children's books of all ages, so if anybody could kindly donate any of these please contact the people below.

Val Baines 263512, Elizabeth Thomson 262683

Barton Bowls Club Quiz Night, Saturday 15th October, 6.45 for 7pm, Village Hall

Up to 8 people per table, £8 per person including full ploughmen's and desserts. Bring own drinks and glasses. Tickets/information from: Ken Gifford C-263239 / kenpat.gifford@btinternet.com or Hugh and Meta Greenfield C-262005 / thegreenfields114@gmail.com

Afternoon Tea at Barton's Ritz

Why not join us for the next Barton's Ritz Afternoon Tea at 221b Baker Street on Saturday, 22nd October. Tickets £13 from Ruth (262985) or Margaret (262353).

BRIG Autumn Coffee Morning, Saturday 29th October, 10am-12pm, Barton School

Do come and stock up on jams, chutneys and other preserves as well as buying the **Barton 2017 calendar**. Cards and books will also be on sale. Entrance £1 to include refreshments.

Meta Greenfield

Barton Football Veterans need you!

A newly established football team has been registered in the local Cambs veterans league for Barton and we're looking for players. It's for over 35yrs to join an already mixed standard of footballing ability. Matches are played once a month on Sunday mornings and provide the perfect opportunity for middle aged men in the village to relive their youth and limp back to the pub. If you're interested in joining please email Matt Sullivan on spmag@hotmail.co.uk

Neighbourhood Watch

We have had recent cases of burglaries from houses and garden sheds and also thefts from vehicles. However, crime rates remain relatively low in this area.

Please be extra careful to protect your property as criminals are always nearby. There has also been some antisocial behaviour on the recreation ground and elsewhere, including damage to property.

Please report any suspicious activity to the police on the 101 number, or 999 if you suspect a crime is in progress.

Keep safe, Bev Edwards

Barton Gardeners

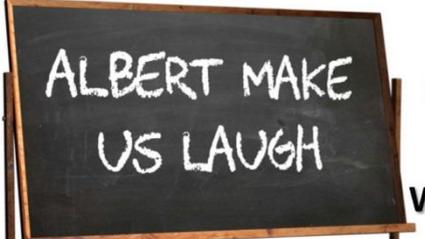
Is **Barton Gardeners** providing You with the gardening club you want? Would you like it to give you more inspiration as an aspiring gardener? Are we keeping up with the needs of a changing busy village population?



If you would like to help to form the future of this popular club which has continued to evolve since its formation in 1949, please come to our **AGM** and share your ideas.

Monday, 10th October at 7.15 for 7.30pm followed by a talk by Richard Ayres on 'Snowdrops and Winter Interest'. Cheese and Wine, Free entry draw for all attendees.

Sue Edwards – 262479 bartongardeners@hotmail.co.uk



By Jimmy Chinn



Wednesday 23rd to Saturday 26th
November 2016
at 7:45pm
In Barton Village Hall
www.bartondramagroup.com

Tickets: £8.00
(£6.00 concessions)
Available by phone from:
Norma Eaton (01223) 263561
Online booking: www.booking-bdg.co.uk

Barton Friendship Club

On the 6th of September we had a very interesting talk and slide show from the Christian Blind Mission. It just shows you what is happening in different parts of the world and how lucky we are in Great Britain.

Our next meeting is on the 4th October at Barton Village Hall at 2.30pm when we will be playing games of Hoy.

All Welcome Members £2 Visitors £3.

Also on Saturday 8th October we have our Coffee Morning/Bring and Buy At 10.15am in Barton Village Hall. Please come and bring and buy, there will also be

a Raffle. Entrance £1 includes Tea/Coffee/and Biscuits.

Meetings are at Barton Village Hall at 2.30pm. All welcome. Members £2, visitors £3: this includes tea/coffee and biscuits and raffle.

Harry Baines

Barton WI

Our August garden meeting took place on a rather chilly evening but member enjoyed the opportunity to catch up on each other's news. Our September speaker, Ellee Seymour, spoke to us about the background research she did before writing her book *The Shop Girls* which is centred on Heyworth's, the upmarket ladies' fashion shop in Cambridge which closed in 1965. She gave us a fascinating glimpse of the retail and social scene in the Cambridge of the 40s and 50s and included detailed, personal stories of many individuals. A few members remembered the shop and some of the people mentioned which added even more interest to the evening. Our October speaker is to be our District Councillor, Francis Burkitt, but before then we shall be hosting the annual Harvest Supper.

Ann Killen

Barton WWWI

As ever we meet in the White Horse Inn, guest fee £5. For further information contact Sarah Massie on wednesdaywomenwi@live.com or 07791 668134.

Sarah Massie

Barton PlayGroup

As we start the new term we're returning to the 'All about me' topic which supports the children to develop a positive sense of themselves as well as supporting us in planning activities around the children's interests. We're still able to play outside as much as possible, we even provide protective wear for rainy weather! Much of this month is focused on settling the children in, recognising that for many it will be their first time separated from parents for any length of time and of course supporting the parents with this too!



If you're interested in finding out more about playgroup or reserving a space for your child please see the website at www.Bartonplaygroup.wordpress.com or call 07764 487650 term time mornings. We also run a parent and toddler group on Mondays at 1.30pm.

Elise Fielder

The Countryside Restoration Trust is trying to locate where the House Martins who gather mud from our farm are building their nests and would love any information or pictures if possible please!

Please email info@countrysiderestorationtrust.com or call us on C-262999.

Comberton Library

Monday:10am-1pm, **Wednesday:**10am-1pm,2pm-5pm **Friday:**2pm-5pm **Saturday:**10am-1pm

At Comberton Library for the next few weeks, we are hosting a display of the six titles which made up this year's *Brave New Reads*. There is a good mix of books from both new and lesser known authors, so if you are looking for something different to read this Autumn do come along to the library to have a look and borrow one, or more, of the books. They come highly recommended.

During October, we are promoting *Cambridgeshire Celebrates Age*, which aims to boost the well-being and quality of life of older people. Do pick up a leaflet or ask staff for more information. If you have internet access the booklet is also available online at <http://www.cambscelebratesage.org.uk>.

Large Print and Audio Books We have a good selection of fiction and non-fiction titles available to borrow. Again just ask staff for more information.

Library At Home Service If you are unable to visit the library because of ill health or disability, one of our lovely volunteers will bring books, either in print or spoken word format, to you in your own home. Ring Cambridgeshire Libraries on 0345 045 5225 or email your.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Upcoming Rhymetime sessions: 3rd, 17th and 31st October, 14th and 28th November (10.30 -11am). Please note that although these sessions are aimed at very young children we welcome older siblings and pre-schoolers who enjoy singing too!

Rosemary Pryke, Comberton Library

Comberton Twinning Association is recruiting new Members. It does annual visits to and from our twin village in France – Le Vaudreuil, near Rouen. The next visit is to France, 28 to 30 October 2016. You stay with local host families, and experience the French way of life. Subsidised travel by coach, stopping this time in Boulogne to visit the Nausicaa aquarium and Sea Centre. Speaking French is NOT a requirement. Families with children particularly welcome. Annual subscription only £10, under 16s free. For more information, or to join, contact Paul Hardy tel 263232, email paul@paulhardy.net, or see www.CombertonTwinning.org.uk

Cambridge Past, Present and Future (Cambridge PPF) – October Events

The crisp mornings and beautiful early evening sunsets mean autumn is here again, but while the mercury is falling it's actually the perfect time to raise yourself up and outdoors to enjoy the captivating colours of the English countryside. This October CambridgePPF will be hosting a variety of fun seasonal activities to suit all ages – and everyone is invited. Bring the whole family to the unique history and archaeology fun day where you'll be spoilt for choice by a wealth of traditional and historical hands-on events, try your hand at bat-box

making, or take a leafy walk around Wandlebury on a fungal foray for adults. If you're looking for ideas for the half-term holidays, there's plenty to keep kids busy and banish the boredom with an arsenal of exciting activities – orienteering, exploring, tracking, making fires and toasting marshmallows. And if you can keep up, don't miss the spooky fun on an evening of Halloween howls – if you dare... Events are held every weekend throughout the month, with extra activities during Half-Term and a Halloween Party on 29th.

For more information on all events, visit www.cambridgeppf.org/whats-on, email bookings@cambridgeppf.org, or call 01223 243830 ext 207

Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service – October Bulletin

Winter is coming and Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service is encouraging all residents to get their chimney professionally swept before the cold sets in.

Top tips to enjoy an open fire safely:

- Sweep your chimney at least once a year and get brickwork inspected, especially the chimney breast and roof space.
- Do not bank fires too high or overload the grate, and remember to let them burn down well and check the hearth before going to bed.
- Use a fire or spark guard to prevent accidental fires.
- Do not place objects over or on the mantle-piece which may cause you to stand too close to the fire to reach or use them.
- Avoid burning resinous woods as soot builds up quickly.

Above all, ensure you have a working smoke alarm fitted on each floor of your home and a carbon monoxide alarm installed.

For more information on fire safety, log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk or call 01480 444500. Sign up to email alerts, and find us on social media.

The Comberton Ramblers Club walks on alternate Sundays.

All walks start at 10.15 a.m.

Walks are from 4 – 7 miles, usually ending near a public house.

We are a friendly / informative group and enjoy exploring the varied countryside in this area.

New walkers are welcome to join us with up to 2 free walks, and if you enjoy our walks we request that you become a member.

From the 1st September our annual membership fee is £8.50 / free if under 18 years old.

For further details on how to join our sociable rambling group please contact

Stella – The Secretary: 01954 210049

stella.ramblers@hotmail.com www.combertonramblers.org.uk

Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust (ACT)

Addenbrooke's Abroad is a volunteer programme of ACT, in which clinical staff give their own time to provide specialist training, education and support to long term healthcare projects around the world. Dr Sue Broster, Consultant Lead for

the Acute Neonatal Transfer Service (ANTS), is currently organising an annual congress in El Salvador, where there are only four doctors for every 100,000 residents, to work with local hospitals to provide specialist training in obstetrics and neonatal emergencies. The maternal and neonatal mortality rate is five times higher in El Salvador than here, largely because nobody can help them

How your money can help make a difference:

£20 towards the cost of travel insurance for one volunteer

£30 towards the cost of accommodation for one volunteer

£50 towards the cost of a return flight to El Salvador for one volunteer

All conference and workshop costs are covered in country by the Ministry of Health and corporate sponsorship within El Salvador.

For further information or to make a donation to Addenbrooke's Abroad please contact Nicky Newton, Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust. C-217757 or nicky.newton@act4addenbrookes.org.uk

Get your party started to support breast cancer patients – Friday 21st October

Can you host an afternoon tea party to help raise money for the Addenbrooke's Breast Cancer Appeal? Invite friends, family and colleagues on Friday 21 October (or a date convenient to you) for tea and fun 'boobie' cakes. How about bakewell tarts, chelsea buns or macaroons? It's as easy as A, B, C! Your support will help raise £50,000 to screen one more patient at Addenbrooke's every day. To find out more please call Emily at ACT on C-349885,

fundraising@act4addenbrookes.org.uk
www.act4addenbrookes.org.uk/ABCappeal

Arthur Rank Hospice Charity – Hospice moves to a big new home

The new Hospice at Shelford Bottom has space for twice the patients that could be cared for at Brookfield Hospital, as well as three times the area of outdoor and garden space. With this welcome expansion, the need for a new influx of volunteers has become increasingly apparent.

There are some exciting new roles created by the Hospice's move to their new home, including patient group activity leader, education receptionist, education assistant, café assistants and meet and greet representatives. We also need to strengthen the number of volunteers helping with driving, gardening, afternoon tea, the Inpatient Unit, reception, the shops, bereavement support and fundraising.

Even just 2-3 hours of your time each week or fortnight could make such a difference! Please get in touch with the Volunteer Services team, who are dedicated to finding the right fit for your availability and skills, by calling Vipra on 01223 72311 or emailing Volunteer@arhc.org.uk, or to find out more visit arhc.org.uk/volunteering.asp.