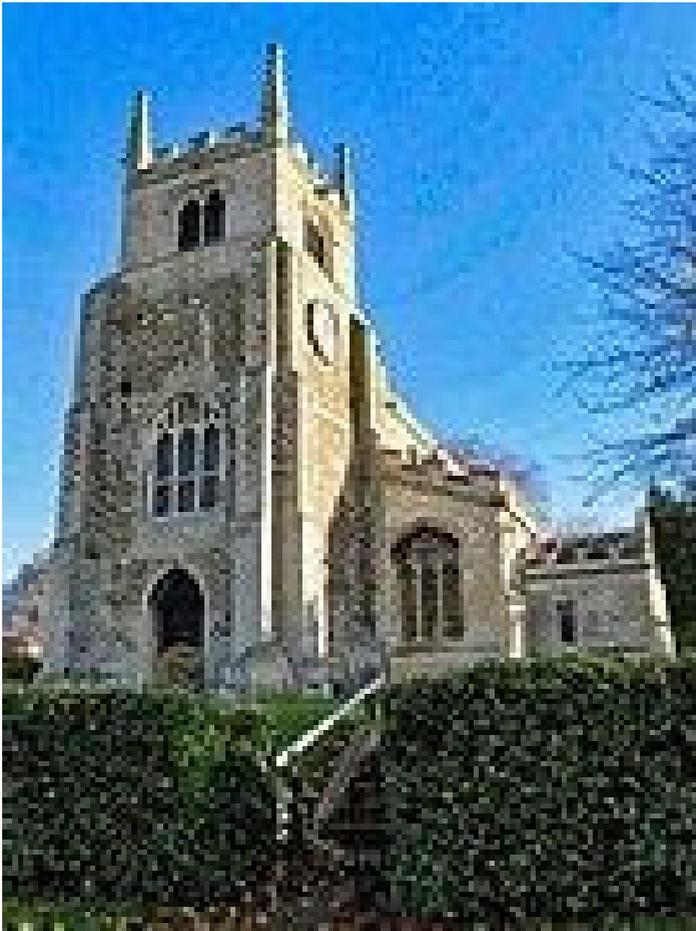




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Wed 9 th Mar	WI Meeting	GSVH
Wed 30 th Mar	Community Coffee Morning	GSVH
Sat 4 th & Sun 5 th Jun	Platinum Jubilee	GSVH
Sat 3 rd & Sun 4 th July	Great Stukeley Open Gardens	
Sat 6 th Aug	Great Stukeley Flower Show	

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We reserve the right to refuse an article, cut its length or hold it over to a later issue without notice.

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Stukeleys Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7th February at 7.15pm at Great Stukeley Village Hall:

Present – Cllr T Pinner (chairman), Cllr T Close (vice chairman), Cllr S Burton, Cllr B Parkyn, Cllr P Digby, Cllr G Evans, Tim Slater (3D planning – Town Planning Consultancy) and one member of the public.

Cllr Paula Tuck and Cllr Sally Smith sent their apologies.

It was approved for Emily Pacey to be appointed Clerk and Responsible Financial Person to Stukeley Parish Council. (Cllr T Close proposed and Cllr P Digby seconded, and all were in favour)

Cllr S Burton advised the traffic calming through the village is still a working progress and is currently still with Urban & Civic and Huntingdon District Council, one Electronic Speed sign has been installed on the approach to Lt Stukeley, three more to be in place within the month.

The application of the Stukeley's pocket park project has been confirmed and validated by HDC and the consultation is now open. **Anyone who is in support of this application may contact Huntingdon District Council quoting reference 21/02824/FUL. The SPC urge members of the public to take this opportunity to help move this forward as speedily as possible.**

Key Phase Submission - KP2 - The Country Park (Hybrid Element) | Alconbury Weald Ermine Street Little Stukeley The SPC reiterates its holding objection (initially made on the 3.12.19) and believes that this application remains premature until the alignment of the A141 is finally fixed and the country park can be

properly designed in conjunction with any housing that may be ultimately acceptable on Grange Farm.

Cllr S Burton advised a first draft of the Neighbourhood Plan will be available by the end of February and will be available to the public.

Cllr T Close advised all payments are up to date and have been authorised on the bank account. It has been agreed and approved to have a separate bank account for all CIL transactions. (Cllr S Burton proposed and Cllr B Parkyn seconded, and all were in favour.)

Regarding flooding issues at the allotments Cllr T Pinner advised he had a meeting with Urban & Civic. They propose to dig a trench so any overflow of water from the allotments will go onto the surrounding fields. He advised Urban and Civic will cover the cost for this.

Cllr P Digby advised he is attending a virtual meeting with HDC to discuss the LHI application for 2022/2023 on the 2nd of March. He did advise he will approach Urban & Civic as they still own all the roads on Alconbury Weald, and it will be up to them to change the speed limit to 20mph.

It was agreed that SPC will make an application to HDC for two dog poo bins one to be cited near the allotments at Gt Stukeley the other on Low Road Lt Stukeley.

The Queens Platinum Jubilee Celebration. This has been referred to the next PC meeting, any members of the public or organisations within the parish that may have outline plans for the celebrations are welcome to make those known to the SPC.

The next PC meeting will be held on the 7th of March at Little Stukeley Village Hall.

A response to Bill Crean's and Bob Hulstrom's articles on climate change from the December and January issues of the magazine.

Firstly, like Bob, I am not a scientist. I rely on my information on climate change from those that are experts in their fields and I have to concede that Bill is far more qualified than I am to make a judgement on the validity of the arguments made to support or undermine the subject.

However, in every profession there is always a range of opinion on almost every subject, and I have no reason to think that this is an exception. I take Bill's point that some parts of the media over-sensationalise items to grab the attention of their audiences. Social media can be problematic as, due to the way their algorithms are written, we all end up getting fed stories which broadly line up with our own, pre-existing views based on those stories we click on to read. This results in an ever more concentrated echo chamber of likeminded opinions and does nothing to broaden the knowledge of the reader. This has always happened to an extent as we tend to buy those newspapers, listen to those radio shows, and watch those news channels that make us feel comfortable, but the likes of Facebook and Twitter have accelerated this to an unprecedented degree. Time was when you might hear some outrageous nonsense from the local eccentric in the pub about how the government had planted a radio in his fillings to control his behaviour and you went home and forgot all about him. Now he, and countless thousands more, are on the internet blasting their drivel out to the world. And some people are listening to them.

Back to my point. Given all of the above, after reading Bill's article I thought I would do some research of my own and decided that rather than going through Sky News or the BBC (both fine institutions whose news channels I watch regularly) I would look at the climate page on NASA's website

(<https://climate.nasa.gov/evidence/>). I chose them because I doubt they have any particular axe to grind and because I was almost 9 years old when Apollo 11 landed on the moon and NASA has been an organisation I've admired ever since.

What I read wasn't comforting and I encourage you to go and read it for yourselves but a few points stood out:

The surface temperature of our planet has risen by 1.18 degrees Celsius since the late 19th century, most of which happened in the last 40 years.

The Polar Icesheets in Greenland and the Antarctic have lost an average of 279 billion and 148 billion tons of ice per year respectively between 1993 and 2019.

Glaciers are retreating around the world and Spring snow cover in the Northern Hemisphere has decreased over the last fifty years and the snow is also melting earlier each year.

Global sea levels have risen by 20cm (approximately 8 inches) in the last century but in the last twenty years this rate has increased every year.

As I said at the start, I am not a scientist, but I am a grandfather. To be perfectly honest global warming won't affect my life too much and likely not the lives of anyone I care about who is alive today. However, as a grandfather, I would like to think that my grandchildren's children, and their grandchildren, will have a chance to live in a world similar or even better than the one Bob, Bill, and I have enjoyed all our lives. If that means paying a bit more to help the growth of the renewable energy sector, cutting down on unnecessary travel and trying to do what I can to reduce my carbon footprint, then I will do it gladly. That way they can grow up to live in Alconbury Weald and not Alconbury on Sea.

Mark Young
Alconbury Weald

Royal British Legion (RBL) Update



The Brampton & District Branch of the RBL is growing from strength to strength. After a couple of difficult years, we are pleased to say that our membership is growing, and we have plans to not only support local community events but also organise some trips and visits ourselves. These events will be open to all within the local community with the aim of not only raising awareness of the Branch but also give an understanding of what the RBL does to support veterans, serving personnel and their families.

Our first planned visit will be to the Imperial War Museum, Duxford and take place on Thursday 7th April 2022. The site at Duxford includes a large number of hangars housing a variety of exhibitions from aircraft to the home of two Regimental displays. The cost for this trip will be £20.00 per person; this includes transport, museum entrance and a presentation from the airborne museum curator. For further information please contact Mick Forsdick on 07850139683 or at BramptonRBL.Chairman@rbl.community, or Pete Digby at pete.digby@live.co.uk or keep an eye on our website at <http://branches.britishlegion.org.uk/branches/brampton-district/meetings-events>. We are also planning a Memorial Cycle Ride in September where it is proposed to cycle around the Brampton & District RBL area and lay remembrance crosses where veterans are either laid to rest or remembered on a memorial.



All proposed events and activities that the Branch are supporting can be found on our website at <http://branches.britishlegion.org.uk/branches/brampton-district/meetings-events> or on our Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/547617765757898>.

We hold our meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at The Hare on The Green starting at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome even if you have not served but just want to help the veteran community.

Great Stukeley Flower, Garden & Craft show 2022

We are delighted to say that after a frustrating two year absence the show will be back this year. So please make a note, the show will be on Saturday 6th August. We hope you have been busy doing crafts, changing your garden or thinking of new skills you may have picked up in lockdowns.

So firstly, would you be willing to enter your garden for the best spring garden trophy. Please note it has to mostly be your own work, or make the judge aware of what help you have with. It's not just about a tidy garden, so if you are interested in entering please contact me on 07835630559. Judging will take place in mid-April, so look forward to hearing from you.

More details will be in future magazine editions, and once we have finalised the schedule they will be with us as soon as possible.

Iain Shaw
Chairperson of Flower Show Committee

- 1) **Present** 22 members and 1 guest were welcomed to the meeting
- 2) **Apologies for Absence** Sylvia Reynolds, Moira Eddington, Hazel Rideout
- 3) **Thanks** Draw Prize and Curtis Bowl Janet Talbot Refreshments Janet Talbot and Jenny Thilo
- 4) **Jerusalem** Was sung
- 5) **Speaker** Unfortunately Sandra Barker was unable to come, so Chris Bylett stepped in. Chris is a ventriloquist and magician. He performed magic tricks and, in some cases, revealed how they were done. A thoroughly enjoyable evening with lots of audience participation.
- 6) **Refreshments** were served.
- 7) **Minutes of January Meeting** were read and signed
- 8) **Matters Arising** Squares for blankets – ‘Show you Care, Make a Square’. Sheila Stephenson confirmed that the crochet squares needed to be 11 inches square and knitted squares needed to be 60 stitches by 54 rows, using size 8 needles. Wool had been donated by a resident of Gt Stukeley, and members could take what they needed at the end of the meeting.
- 9) **Correspondence** Most correspondence had been forwarded to members. An email had been received about the WI’s commitment to Equality, Inclusion and Diversity. Notes from a session of the National Council Meeting were on the noticeboard, or members could ask for them to be forwarded by email.
The 2022 Group Meeting – our WI has the responsibility for running this. The date has been fixed for 21st September. Further details will be announced later.
- 10) **Arrangements for the Annual Meeting** There would be a fish and chips supper. Members were asked to sign up so that they could be ordered. The meeting would start at 7.30pm.
August Outing Members were informed about possible outing venues and costs. There will be a discussion at the next meeting when a decision will be made.
- 11) **Draw** was won by Tracey Post **Competition** 1) Ann Monk 2) Rita McKechnie 3) Jill Sapsed

- 1) **Roll Call** was a famous dressmaker you admire
- 2) **AOB a)** The Queen's Platinum Jubilee was discussed. Possibilities included raising money, as individuals, to fund a toilet in a Commonwealth Country, planting a tree, as that is what the Queen has asked people to do and working with Great Stukeley Village Hall on a joint event. All suggestions were agreed upon. **b)** USAF Alconbury engagement with the local community There had been a meeting between representatives from USAF, the Stukeleys' WI and Huntingdon Cromwell Rotary. It had been decided to hold a Coffee Morning where members of the USAF community could come and meet members of the WI, Rotary and other local organisations. The date will be 6th April, 10.30 to 12.00.
c) Membership cards - The telephone number for the President is incorrect.
- 3) **Next Monthly Meeting** Our next meeting will be the Annual Meeting and will be on Wednesday 9th March.
Competition – Piece of Jewellery
Curtis Bowl - Jill Sapsed
Draw – Jill Sapsed
Roll Call – Favourite Jewellery Maker/Designer
Tea/Coffee – Carol Mailer and Maria Cowie

With no further business Sheila closed the meeting at 9.45pm and wished members a safe journey home.

Members helped to put away the chairs etc.

Make a note of this date!

In 2020 St Bartholomew's church was going to hold a Medieval Fayre, to celebrate the fact that the first priest that we know about began his time in Great Stukeley in 1220. This event is now planned for Saturday 10th September 2022.

Further details will be published later, but if anyone is willing to help with the planning or on the day, please get in touch with Ann Monk – 01480 456634.

Time to get walking again!

At this time of year, we start to think about the mud drying up and getting out to walk in the beautiful English Countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

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John Harris

www.walkinginengland.co.uk

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Susan Pond

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Tuesday Nights: Youth meetings (ages 12 – 18), starting at 7.00pm

First Thursday, Sisters monthly meeting and activity, at 7.00pm

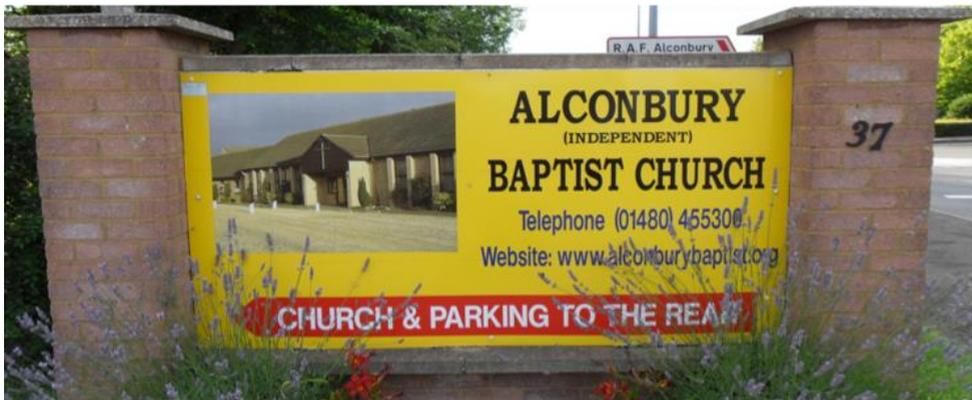
Sunday Evenings, every other Sunday – Young Single Adult meeting and activity

Come and see what we believe – try www.comeuntochrist.org

Believe: Learn about the Savior, Jesus Christ, and how basic beliefs of His Restored Gospel can enrich lives

Belong: Jesus can make you a better person. You can make us a better community. Come worship with us!

Become: We are all trying to be better human beings. Explore ways to aid your personal and spiritual growth.



Alconbury Independent Baptist Church



A warm welcome awaits you. We believe the historic message of the gospel. Christ was born of a virgin (Matthew 1:23). He suffered on the cross, was buried rose again on the third day (1 Cor 15:1-4). The Lord Jesus is the only way of salvation (Acts 4:12) and only way to know God (John 14:6)

Regular Services

Sunday Morning Worship - 10:45am

(Children's Church for 5-11years)

Sunday Evening Service - 6pm

Other Weeknight Meetings

Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6:30pm (ZOOM and in the building)

*Fridays **AIBC EXPLORERS** 2nd & 4th each month (11-16 years)*

Live broadcast on Sunday morning on Facebook & Youtube

Copies of John's Gospel and Bibles free on request

Please contact us 01480-455300. www.alconburybaptist.org



May the Lord bless you and all your families in the New Year!



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Church services for March 2022

We have two special events this month

Ash Wednesday: is the start of the 40 days of Lent. We have a chance to stand in the face of God's enormous love for us and say sorry for the times we haven't loved like that.

Mothering Sunday: we are told that God loves us like a mother. God will never forget us. We are carved upon the palms of God's hands. We come into the presence of God who doesn't forget us, to give thanks for our mothers, and grandmothers, and those who have loved us like a mother, on this special day. Come and join us.

March 2nd 7.30 pm Holy Communion with imposition of ashes for Ash Wednesday

March 6th 9.30 am Holy Communion, Gt Stukeley

March 13th 9.30 am Morning Service, Great Stukeley

March 20th 9.30 am Morning Service, Great Stukeley

March 27th **Mothering Sunday**
9.30 am Special All age service for Mothering Sunday, Little Stukeley

11.00 am Special All age Communion service for Mothering Sunday , Great Stukeley

Everyone is welcome. Please come and join us.

We will follow the latest COVID 19 guidance and strongly encourage people to continue to wear face coverings in church in order to protect one another.

Every Sunday morning –9.30 am a 'live' service which will also be recorded. You can join this service by Zoom, or find it on the website (www.norleigh.org.uk) or North Leightonstone Benefice Facebook Group

St Bartholomew's Church is open for individual prayer by arrangement

St Martin's Church is open for individual prayer by arrangement

Rev Fiona Brampton (01480 538726 revfiona@norleigh.org.uk) is available for prayer or a chat – by phone or in person.

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