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CONSULTATION of RESIDENTS



You may be aware that the current owners of

Great Chishill Windmill, Cambridgeshire County Council, wish to dispose of the building as it has become surplus to their requirements. Over the years, their track record on maintenance has been less than satisfactory to the point that recently frequent emergency repairs have been required.

Apart from this Grade 2* Listed Building being of significant historic interest, the Parish Council holds the opinion that the Windmill is both an important landmark and an 'identifier' for the village as well as an object of positive sentiments for the residents of the Chishills. If this is the case, the Parish Council will explore a number of options, with the long-term aim of securing the future of the Windmill under an acceptable set of financial and management arrangements. These options could include.

*Acquiring the Mill for a nominal fee and then leasing it to a specialist organisation

on a 99 year, full repairing lease

*Acquiring the Mill for the Parish to hold in trust and to renovate by obtaining grants from such organisations as, for example, English Heritage or the Heritage Lottery Fund

So that we do not act on false assumptions, the Parish Council would like to gather your thoughts and opinions. To this end, residents are to be sent a letter with a ballot slip attached. Please fill it out and post it in the green box on the side of the bus shelter by the end of February.

Great and Little Chishill Parish Council

DEER DAMAGE



Beware of deer on the road between Royston and Barley

YOUR DATE WITH THE

W.I.

15th February

19.30 in the Village Hall

Behind Harem Walls

with Louise Reed

YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

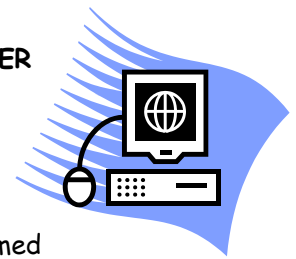
A COMPUTER CLASS

has started up in the village aimed mainly at people who are maybe not as familiar with using a computer as they would like to be.

With a class size of no more than 6, an informal atmosphere is created in which learners gain experience and confidence in using the Internet, handling e-mails, creating simple documents and doing 'online shopping'.

Learners can take their own computers to the class or use machines provided - each learner having a connection to the internet.

There are **still a couple of places left in the current class** so if you, or someone you know may be interested in joining the class, please give Phil Maynard a ring on 838311 for more details.



DON'T FORGET!

As previously advertised:
GREAT CHISHILL BELL RINGERS
SLOE GIN
COMPETITION & PARTY 2011

Saturday 12th February
8.00pm at Hall Farm

OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

A505 Flint Cross speed limit review for a reduction in speed limit to 50MPH: There were no objections in the public consultation (which I have to say was quite limited) but therefore it has gone ahead swiftly.

Addenbrooke's Access Road:

The Highways Cabinet member has now formally declined the suggestion of adding volunteer drivers from established community transport schemes to the Addenbrooke's Road White List, having taken his officer's advice that this is unnecessary. If you are concerned and wish to write to him directly his email is mac.mcquiere@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Melbourn Library Access Point has added Tuesdays, 2:30-4:30, to its opening times. Library Access Points figure in the massive Library budget cuts and Melbourn Library, ironically, is growing in terms of volunteer staff and usage.

Gritting and snow clearing, generally: Please let me know any particulars you'd like me to help on.

Neighbourhood Panels: There is recognition that County Highways is not providing a joined-up manner of problem solving, for example in responding concretely to clearly identified concerns by Speedwatch teams. This point is being fed into the debate now happening on proposed

reconfiguration of the panel system.

County Council budget discussions now in full gear and are very difficult. My particular task as opposition spokesperson for Community Engagement and Libraries is to examine the thread of support within the budget for voluntary services. There is also the question of the attitude to supporting volunteer efforts (existing and proposed!) and this is also a concern.

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WANT TO REDUCE YOUR HOME INSURANCE PREMIUM?



Keep neighbourhood watch alive!

Neighbourhood Watch is an informal group of individuals who keep a wary eye open on a close or street so you can report your suspicions. Rosemary Livings has some informative leaflets about home security. If you want to help, call her on 838708 or Derek on 838719.

Future date to celebrate in a year's time: 6 February 1952 Queen Elizabeth's accession. The Coronation took place in Westminster Abbey on 2 June 1953.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE
11th February 11th March
The Church 13.25 - 14.05

REMEMBER - Melbourn Library - Use it or lose it!

SPORT RELIEF - WE ROSE TO THE CHALLENGE

The Great Chishill Playing Field Mile.

Our fantastic event raised a whopping £ 3,960.13 !
"Every single penny of it will be spent by Comic Relief to help disadvantaged people, both at home in the UK and across the world's poorest countries, to turn their lives around. Please pass on our heartfelt thanks to every single person that helped organise The Great Chishill Playing Field Mile - we salute you!" *Jess Kirke, Senior Events Officer*

You are invited to an evening of

BIG BAND SWING 

with the

DUXFORD SATURDAY WORKSHOP JAZZ BAND

Featuring Heydon's very own vocalist, **MAGGIE MAYTHER** in Great Chishill Village Hall **Saturday 12 March** at 19.30
Bar and Raffle
Tickets £10, including supper, from the Church Office: 837272

BIN COLLECTIONS

Black **Green & Blue**

February

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18	25

March **04**