News & Views around



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SENIOR CITIZENS AFTERNOON TEA



An annual event enjoyed in our village hall





OUR VALUABLE VILLAGE AMENITY: OUR VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall Management Committee members have now accumulated more than 40 years of service between them



and feel that there is an urgent need for new members and fresh ideas to ensure the future of this important village amenity.



If you are an enthusiastic person with some new ideas and wish to help by joining the management team please contact Stuart Farrow – e-mail: <u>stuartfarrow@btinternet.com</u> or phone 838505.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL BUDGET CONSULTATION

Have your say on what the Council should spend money on and where it should make savings.

Please help us complete the budget consultation survey which will help Cambridgeshire County Council make £37 million in savings next year. The survey should take only 10-15 minutes, and it will be open until 17 October 2012

NATIONAL POETRY DAY: Thursday 4 October

Celebrate National Poetry Day this year with a creative contribution of your own! We invite you to assemble **Book Spine Poems in our libraries**, and we will set aside special shelves or tables to display them, on the day itself. All you have to do is select a small number of books with titles which fit together in, for example, a resonant, thought-

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We are encouraging children to write out their favourite poem on a star-shaped piece of card and these will be displayed in the children's libraries. Don't forget that children will find a rich variety of suitable book titles to use for their poems, in our children's libraries. For further information about National Poetry Day, visit www.nationalpoetryday.co.uk. Look out for additional displays of poetry in <u>Cambridgeshire</u> <u>libraries</u> on the day, too.



MELBOURN LIBRARY TIMETABLE Mon, Tues,

Wed, Fri: 14.30-16.30 Thurs: 17.00-19.00 Sunday: 10.00-12.00

CHISHILL YOUTH CLUB New members welcome 10 - 17 years old Tuesdays in the Pavilion 19:30 to 21:00 More details from Fred on 838513

STOP STANSTED EXPANSION CAMPAIGN

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSES TO CONSULTATION

Responses to the Department for Transport's Aviation Policy consultation (available on the DfT website at

http://www.dft.gov.uk/consultation
s/dft-2012-35/)

need to be submitted **by 31** October 2012. SSE Campaign Office 01279 870558 info@stopstanstedexpansion.com www.stopstanstedexpansion.com

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEETING

16 October at 19:30 in the Village Hall

CAMTAD by Frances Dewhurst



MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE 2nd Friday in the month

12 Oct, 09 Nov

The Church 13.25 - 14.05

FROM OUR COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

HOUSING, HUB AND LIBRARY AT MELBOURN'S OLD POLICE SITE

A planning application for 13 affordable homes and a Community Hub on the Old Police Site in Melbourn High Street was approved by South Cambridgeshire District Council Planning Committee at their August meeting.

There have been a number of queries about the availability of this new housing. Please contact Jose with any queries. Melbourn Library Access Point, currently in the green portable cabin adjacent to the village college reception entrance, will move into permanent premises in the new Hub building once it is built. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the 'new-look' library, again please contact Jose.

FASTEST GROWING COUNTY IN THE UK

Cambridge and South Cambs villages, especially those on the city fringes, are set to experience a massive population growth: from 2001 to 2031, population will have increased by 40%. We are being asked by our councils for our views: how should this area develop, and can our existing road and public transport network cope?

The District and County Councils want to know what we think. Please take a few moments to answer a few questions (you don't have to answer them all, just the ones that interest you) before consultations close on 28 September.

South Cambs Local Plan: <u>www.scambs.gov.uk</u> Cambridge and South Cambs Transport Strategy: <u>http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/</u> <u>tscsc</u>

POST-16 STUDENT TRANSPORT: 50% DISCOUNT BY RAIL

The discount which Susan negotiated with First Capital Connect two years ago is in place again for this school year, and is available to all students living and attending any school in Cambridgeshire, state or independent. It can only be accessed on line, and the link is <u>http://www.fcc.trainsfares.co.</u> <u>uk/season/requirements/st_qtt</u> <u>.asp?sitecode=FCC&Promo=FCC</u> <u>STUD50</u>

BIKES ON TRAINS

Last year the Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Rail User Group negotiated a cycles-ontrains policy which is less restrictive than that which First Capital Connect was about to impose. The policy was decided on safety grounds, tallying in with the busiest service of the day. It says that full-sized bicycles cannot be taken on the 8:06 from Royston to Cambridge, which stops at Meldreth at 8:10, Shepreth at 8:13 and Foxton at 8:16. Folding bikes are OK any time. Full-sized bikes are OK at any time except the above mentioned morning service.

SUSAN & JOSE'S DROP-IN SURGERIES

Melbourn Library Access Point, in the green portacabin adjacent to the Melbourn Village College Entrance in The Moor: 1st October and first Mondays of the month, 2:30-3:30 PM.

Susan van de Ven, County Councillor Foxton, Heydon, Melbourn, Meldreth, Shepreth and the Chishills Contact details at <u>www.susanvandeven.com</u>

Jose Hales, District Councillor, Melbourn, Heydon and the Chishills Contact details at www.josehales.com

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