

Somersham **4U**

A VOICE FOR THE COMMUNITY

JUNE - JULY 2017



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Parish Council

Chairman's Annual Report

June/July 2017



The highlight of the year has to be attaining our Gold Award under the nationally recognised Local Council Award Scheme – the first and to date only Council in Cambridgeshire to do so. This recognises good governance, engagement and improvement, developing and achieving

outcomes for residents beyond expectations. I would like to pay particular tribute to our clerk Penny Bryant, as this award also recognises her major contribution to our continued success.

I know many were surprised to learn in the April/May issue of Somersham 4U, of the wide range of functions that the parish council performs, supports or influences, some of which go unnoticed by our residents. We increasingly need to predict and prevent problems rather than wait and react. This is particularly important as we consider the individual needs of the people we strive to serve.

Somersham & Pidley Time Bank is a fine example and celebrated its 5th anniversary this year. Under the excellent stewardship of Lucy Bird this community initiative continues to include, connect and support a wide range of people. As an extension to this work, Lucy and Penny have successfully taken advantage of a funding opportunity I developed in my County role, to provide help for the growing number of people in our community recognised as experiencing neurological problems such as dementia and Alzheimer's. An action plan is currently being prepared.

Health & Wellbeing Group. Our own local group continues to provide a valuable network of practitioners, voluntary groups and key contacts – all of which improves the delivery of local services. It meets 3 times a year to update on specific issues and potential solutions.

Nature Reserve. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful facility on our doorstep. It is managed by a dedicated group of volunteers who have been very active over the last year. A balance needs to be maintained between safe public access and preserving wildlife habitat. The parish council supports their training needs and they do an excellent job. They have held several special events over the last year as well as working parties on the first Sunday morning of every month. I would encourage others to join in. Plans are still in place to extend access to the north, once long-standing issues with Lafarge have been resolved.

The council is responsible for many trees across the parish, not just on the Reserve. We have just completed a costly but very necessary 3 year maintenance programme. This helps protect the health of our trees whilst ensuring the safety of the public.

Heritage. This is something the council is proud of and particularly keen to protect. In the village centre, the historic finger post has been refurbished and the war memorial has now been Grade II listed as a building of Special Architectural or Historic Interest. Work on the Fire Hooks will soon be complete so they can be returned to the wall of the Tithe Barn.

The Youth Club continues to be a valuable asset to the village, with the junior sessions being very well attended. The senior club is much less popular, but we will be reviewing how to best cater for their needs and attract greater participation. Regrettably our Youth manager Alice Boon has had to leave us, but we are fortunate that Alice Eastham has stepped in on an interim basis. Teresa Clark is now acting Principle Youth Leader and we look forward to continued success.

Play facilities on the Norwood field continue to be very popular. A review of all the equipment is underway as some are ageing or wearing badly. A programme of maintenance has already started and some may shortly need to be replaced.

Speeding is an issue constantly reported to the parish council, particularly on St Ives Rd, Parkhall Rd and more recently through Hammond Way. Unfortunately most culprits are local, so the safety and the quality of life for our residents, along with the cost of any control measures, are largely down to the anti-social behaviour of a few of our own. Following on from the Chatteris Rd features, a review is currently underway to improve safety at the White Post junction. Having successfully applied for funding, County Highways will submit proposals for consideration by the parish council.

We were sad to lose two councillors during the course of the year. Thanks go to Davina McMurdo and Guy Wakelin for their time on the council. Fortunately, we have just appointed Alice Eastham and Kevin Hawkins as replacements and I look forward to working with them.

I would like to thank all councillors for their contributions throughout the year, with a particular mention to Paul McCloskey for his support as Vice Chairman. Special thanks also go to Penny our Clerk and Megan her deputy along with our other members of staff who help the smooth running of the council.

Steve Criswell

Chairman's Extra by the Parish Clerk

June/July 2017

2017 was a busy year for Somersham Parish Council and I am pleased to report a summary of some of our activities:

PARISH COUNCILLOR'S ATTENDANCE RECORDS

A copy of the Councillor's individual attendance records for parish council meetings and working parties between May 2016 and April 2017 can be found on the 'document archive' tab on our website www.somersham-pc.gov.uk

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Somersham Parish Council responded to 43 planning applications during 2016

CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS

Parish Councillor's considered the following Consultation Documents in 2016: Boundary Commission – Electoral Review of Cambridgeshire: New Draft recommendations, Somersham Primary School – consultation on joining the Horizons Learning Federation, Electoral Review of Huntingdonshire: Draft Recommendations, Anglia Level Crossing consultation – Cambridge, Cambridgeshire ACRE Rural Services Survey 2016, CCC – Cambridgeshire Network Rail level crossing 2nd round consultation, CCC Flood awareness & preparedness Questionnaire, Local Government Boundary Commission – Review of Cambridgeshire Final Recommendations, Huntingdonshire District Councils consultation on 'Orphan Sites' in Somersham, Huntingdonshire District Council Consultation to Change the Election Cycle, Cambridgeshire CC - Enforcement Plan for Planning, minerals and Waste, Huntingdonshire DC – Draft Huntingdonshire Design Guide 2016, Pre-application Consultation Telecommunications facility at: Somersham, Station Approach, High Street, Somersham, Needingworth Parish Council – request to receive comments made regarding Gifford's Park in the HDC Local Plan to 2036, Huntingdonshire Local Plan to 2036: Wind Energy Developments and Interim Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places & Polling Stations.

GRANTS/DONATIONS/FUNDING RECEIVED

Cambridgeshire County Council	Annual Grass verge cutting grant	£1,490.41
Christmas Lights	Donations	£664.87
Christmas Lights	Draw ticket sales	£1144.65
Huntingdonshire District Council	Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)	£1,272.87
Huntingdonshire District Council	Recycling Credits	£248.00
Pidley Parish Council	Time Bank – scheme share	£327.00
Time Bank	Twiddle Muff donation	£10.00
Time Bank	Quiz night	£85.00
Time Bank	Apple Day event	£121.01
Time Bank	Music evening	£26.80
Time Bank	Carnival donation for T shirts	£100.00
Time Bank	Carnival stall donations	£44.26



Steve Criswell

At the Annual Meeting held on 8th May 2017

Steve Criswell was elected as Chairman of Somersham Parish Council and

Paul McCloskey elected as Vice-Chairman for the coming year.



Paul McCloskey

SOMERSHAM4U

Bank - Cash and Investment Reconciliation as at 31st March 2017

June/July 2017

Somersham Parish Council

	<u>Account Description</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>Bank Statement Balances</u>		
1	UNITY TRUST 3580	7,008.56
2	UNITY TRUST DEPOSIT 3577	120,364.02
3	Co-op	52,103.64
4	Alto card	0.00
5	Optimum	299.61
		179,775.83
<u>Unpresented Payments</u>		
1 08/03/2017	300407	1,342.00
1 28/03/2017	300408	75.00
		1,417.00
		178,358.83
<u>Receipts not on Bank Statement</u>		
0 31/03/2017	All Receipts Cleared	0.00
		0.00
		178,358.83
<u>Closing Balance</u>		
<u>All Cash & Bank Accounts</u>		
	Unity Trust Bank-Current a/c	5,591.56
	Unity Trust Bank-Interest a/c	120,364.02
	Coop Bank - Saving a/c	52,103.64
	Alto card	0.00
	Optimum	299.61
	Other Bank & cash Balances	0.00
	Total Bank & Cash Balances	178,358.83

Community News



Police and Crime Commissioner
CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND PETERBOROUGH

June/July 2017

Elected into the role on 5th May 2016, the Commissioner has spent his first year meeting members of the public and local organisations involved in keeping the county safe, in order to understand local concerns and produce his first Police and Crime Plan. The Plan outlines objectives for the Constabulary over the next 3 years. The Commissioner spent his first day (May 12) out on patrol with local police officers in Cambridge city. Talking through the year, the Commissioner said:

"The Constabulary has faced a number of challenges over the past 12 months. Although overall crime remains lower than previously, levels of recorded crime for certain crime types have risen, largely due to the way crime is now recorded, reporting of historic incidents and increasing confidence of victims to come forward. However, the good news is that Cambridgeshire remains one of the safest places to live in the country.

"Supporting victims to cope and recover from their experiences will always be a top priority for me. Opening the new county-wide Sexual Assault Referral Centre in Hinchbrook Hospital, (The Elms) in March, remains a memorable day. Knowing that victims can access a safe place to receive medical aftercare, forensic examinations, support and to anonymously report sexual assaults is an important achievement for everyone concerned.

"I also want to help vulnerable offenders rebuild their lives and stop them from reoffending. I am pleased to have been able to extend Appropriate Adult support for children, young people and adults with learning difficulties coming into custody. Support is now available county-wide, 24 hours a day.

"Working with HMP Peterborough and Outside Links, I have also been able to extend a conditional cautions scheme to help steer offenders away from a life of criminality: putting in place suitable conditions and support which could be about tackling housing issues, drugs or alcohol misuse and support for debt management.

"Every death and life changing injury which happens as a result of a road collision on our roads is one too many. Funding a new Police Casualty Reduction Officer to help reduce the number of collisions on our roads is another key milestone.

"The biggest highlight for me has been representing the public. I have met some amazing, talented and dedicated members of the community – at public surgeries, police contact points and while out with local policing teams. I want to thank all the officers and staff who have helped introduce me to the Constabulary.

"I have been hugely impressed by everyone involved and whilst there will always be challenges ahead, particularly with ongoing budgetary constraints and the emergence of more 'hidden' crimes, such as child sexual exploitation and human trafficking, I will continue to work with Chief Constable, Alec Wood, to make Cambridgeshire Constabulary a police force to be proud of."



Opening The Elms with Baroness Newlove (Victims' Commissioner)



CHANGE OF VENUE

**THE REGULAR SOMERSHAM CHH DROP-IN SESSIONS
WILL NOW TAKE PLACE AT THE MILLENNIUM PAVILION**

(JUST OFF THE TRUNDLE)

WITH EFFECT FROM

TUESDAY 13th JUNE

(2pm to 4pm on the 2nd Tuesday monthly)

Free advice on hearing loss and the usual free repair and maintenance of NHS hearing aids, including the issue of batteries, is available

*Cambridgeshire Hearing Help CIO, 8A Romsey Terrace, Cambridge CB13NH
Telephone 01223 416141 Fax 01223 245800 www.cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk
Email enquiries@cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk
Registered Charity No 1154071*

Lucy's Page

Does Timebanking work?

June/July 2017

Does it really connect people together and reduce isolation?

Tony moved to Somersham in October 2013. We were introduced to him the following June by a care agency, who were concerned that Tony was unable to get in and out of his house while waiting for adaptations to provide an access ramp for his wheelchair. He joined the Time Bank not knowing a single person locally and having not left his house for 9 months.

Once he joined, our members helped with his garden on regular basis until he was able to employ a local gardener. We supported him with pushing the adaptations through with the Home Improvement Agency, acting on his behalf. Members helped clear his rooms out when the builders came in and helped him put it all back again. In return, Tony provided a great space and huge TV for our Film Club, getting people together in his own home. He helped me find much needed equipment by doing internet searches and even helped sell raffle tickets for the Carnival Committee at their Community Games.

He became a valued member of the Time Bank, coming along to our social evenings at the pub and regularly attending coffee mornings (and sometimes terrifying us all with his hit and miss parking!). We grew very fond of him. Tony even made a contribution to our moment in the spotlight on BBC Look East.



While I was away at Christmas one of our members went to visit Tony to check he was alright as he'd been spending more time than usual in bed. Concerned that he just wasn't right he went back the next day. Tony was not at home. The Timebanker rang the hospital and was told that he had been admitted. When I returned from my holiday I discovered a stream of emails filling me, and other members in on Tony's progress. A group of amazing people had been visiting him in hospital, checking on his home and they had formed a network of support for Tony.

Tony was in hospital for over 3 months and sadly passed away in March. I can't say how fantastic our members were during this period and send a thank you to them all from both myself and Tony's family. Tony's funeral was held in the open air in Ramsey and was a perfect tribute. Many of the Time Bank were there to remember him and show their support for his two sons, who we were able to create a lovely relationship with over the last few months.

Tony's family kindly made a donation in his memory to our 'Time to End Loneliness' fundraiser, so thank you to them for that as every penny will go towards Time Banks in Cambridgeshire and the great work they do. Tony is greatly missed and I hope that through the Time Bank we were able to make him feel a real part of this community.

Somersham Walks

FREE walks for everyone to enjoy their local area:

- ◇ **Nature Rambles** A gentle paced walk taking in the Nature Reserve. **1st Tuesday of each month.**
- ◇ **Health and Well-being Walks** A faster paced walk lasting around 30 minutes. **3rd Tuesday of each month.**

No need to book, just turn up at 10am at the Station Approach entrance to the Nature Reserve. There will be the opportunity to end each walk with a drink at Hotpots Tearoom.

Turn spare time into shared time.



Follow us on Facebook or contact

Lucy at lucy.bird@somersham-pc.gov.uk or on 01487 841359.

Somersham and Pidley Time Bank @SomershamTime

Millennium Pavilion Events

June/July 2017

Wednesday 5th July 2017

Gates Open 18:00

Show starts 19:00

Ends at 21:00

The Millennium Sports Facility,
The Trundle, Cambs, PE28 3JS
01487 841359



A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

MILLENNIUM SPORTS FACILITY

"A rip-roaring, bicycle-powered, All-male production of Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream."

The HandleBards are the world's first cycling theatre company.

Before touring their "Beautifully bonkers" production of A Midsummer Night's Dream around the world, they pedalled it 1500 miles around the UK by bicycle, with all the necessary set, props and costume in tow. Now, the critically acclaimed show is back by popular demand - and, in usual HandleBards style, you can expect riotous amounts of energy, a fair old whack of chaos, and a great deal of laughter.

The HandleBards presents: A Midsummer Night's Dream, leaflets can be found in most local shops and businesses

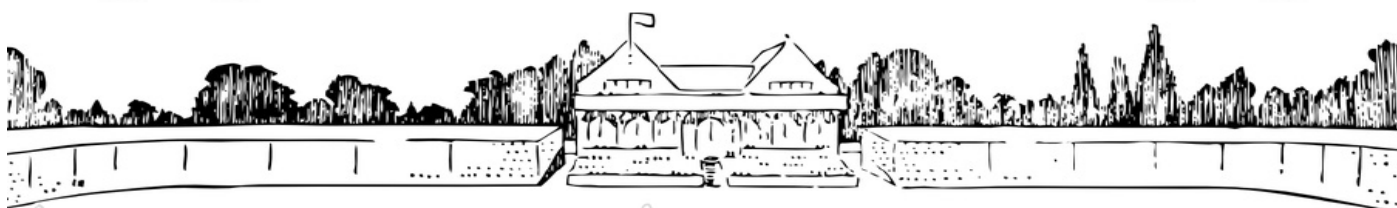
Tickets are £15 until Tuesday 4th July 2017
On the door: £17

Purchase: The Norwood Building, Parkhall Rd,
Somersham, Cambs PE28 3HE
01487 841359

No concessions will be available, but one free ticket can be claimed at the time of purchase for an under-16 with every standard ticket sold.



CARNIVAL CRICKET COMPETITION



SOMERSHAM TOWN CRICKET CLUB WILL BE HOLDING A 6-A-SIDE MIXED CRICKET COMPETITION OVER THE CARNIVAL WEEK (W/B 19TH JUNE)

Each team will play one mid-week game in the evening between 5:30-7:30pm, with the top 6 teams competing in the finals day.

All matches will be played at the Millennium Field.

Midweek fixtures will be drawn once the team registrations have closed.

The matches are 6-a-side; however, you can register up to 8 players in your squad. All teams must have a 12-16 year old player and a female player.

Further rules and information will be emailed out once team registration has closed. Equipment can be provided and teams can play in their own suitable sportswear.

FINALS DAY SUNDAY 25TH JUNE MILLENNIUM FIELD 1.30PM

Spectators and families are encouraged to come along for what will be an excellent day of family cricket. Bar and games provided for spectators and players!

Community News

June/July 2017

The Church of Saint John the Baptist, Somersham



Church Flower Festival

9th - 11th June 2017

Theme:

The Four Seasons

Friday: 10 am - 6 pm
Saturday: 9 am - 5 pm
Sunday: 12 noon - 5 pm



Lunches

Saturday only 12 noon - 2 pm
Refreshments until 4.30 pm daily

Sunday 11th - 10.30 am;
Morning Service

Sunday 11th - 6.30 pm:
Festival Songs of Praise



St John the Baptist Church -
Somersham presents:

Witchford Voices

Sound of the Summer Concert

Returning to Somersham, after their fun-filled 2016 Christmas concert, this award winning choir invites you to join them at St John the Baptist Church for an evening of Summer filled musical delight.

Friday 14th July - 7.45pm at St John's Church

Tickets £10 Adults . £5 Children

From Strands Hairdressers, Somersham Library, or Alan Draper on 01487 741531

Ticket price includes a glass of wine or fruit juice in the interval.

Tickets also online at www.ticketsource.co.uk/witchfordvoices

Community

June/July 2017



Somersham Garden Club warmly invites you to

SOMERSHAM OPEN GARDENS WEEKEND

Saturday June 3 and Sunday June 4

1.30pm-5.30pm each day

Around 15 gardens throughout Somersham will be opening their gates to the public for our ninth Open Gardens Weekend. Gardens large and small, old and new, ornamental and functional are open for your inspection, inspiration and enjoyment.

Entrance to all the gardens on both days is with the ticket map available from The Cross during the event, at a cost of £5 per person (accompanied under 16s free) and includes a free tea or coffee at The Limes to sustain you during your tour. There will be refreshments available and some plants for sale, and the Town Band will be playing at The Limes on the Saturday. Proceeds from the event go towards SGC funds and local community groups.

We hope you will support this popular village event, and look forward to seeing you in the glorious gardens of Somersham. Look for the daisy signs!

Why did the Church have a Hat on?

Why has the church got a covering over one end? That's a question some people were asking back in April. As regular readers of Somersham4U will probably know, under that scaffolding and covering, the work of removing the old slates and getting them replaced with new ones had been going on.

We had been warned that when the old slates were removed that some dust and dirt might descend into the chancel below. What we did not anticipate was that the whole area would be covered in a thick layer of black grit. The thin polythene sheets draped over the choir stalls sagged under the weight of the grit that had come down on them. Thank goodness that we had got the organ professionally covered, it would have been ruined if the grit had got into its pipes. A small team of volunteers did a rapid clean up on Maundy Thursday in preparation for Good Friday and Easter services. The vacuum cleaner clogged up rapidly and proved to be almost useless. Brooms and shovels were the order of the day as buckets of grit were swept up and removed. A final clean-up was carried out at the beginning of May when all the new slates had been nailed into place.



Somersham Carnival!

16th - 25th June

www.somershamcarnival.org.uk

Community News

June/July 2017

Somersham History Society

Our talk on Tues 23 May by Dr Peter Green on "The Draining of the Fens" has now been confirmed. 7.30pm in the Baptist Church, all welcome.

The Annual General Knowledge Quiz between Somersham History Society and Houghton & Wyton Local History Society will be on Tues 27 June at Houghton Chapel. Buffet included. If you would like to participate please contact dp.knights@virgin.net to let us know and for further details.

Also a future date for your diary: the evening of Tues 4 July for another of our local Town Tours - destination to be confirmed!

"I would like to send a 'very big' thank you to all the people who have sent me get well cards and good wishes during my recent illness. I am now home from hospital and walk on my own (albeit slowly!). It was lovely to learn that so many people were wishing me well. THANK YOU."

A Letter from a Somersham Resident: Mrs P Upchurch



Need to find local health
services quickly?



DOWNLOAD FREE



Need to find local health services quickly? New 'MyHealth' app for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough

A new app to help Cambridgeshire and Peterborough residents find local NHS services available to them has been launched.

Quick and easy to use, the **'MyHealth Cambridgeshire & Peterborough'** app will direct you to your nearest appropriate NHS service. This includes local GPs, pharmacies, minor injury units, and dentists, based on your location or postcode.

Free to download and available in five other languages, including Polish, Latvian, and Lithuanian, MyHealth provides up to date information on current services including directions, opening hours, and contact details. The app is available to download for iOS via Apple Store, Android via Google Play, and Windows phones via Microsoft Store by searching for **'MyHealth C&P CCG'**.

Baptist Blog

June/July 2017

Do you ever wish you'd invented something? The person who thought of the little bit of plastic on the ends of our shoe laces to stop them fraying perhaps? Loom bands! Or maybe yours is a grander vision, a new medical treatment, a cleaner emission car engine, even a flying car! Which always reminds me of Doc Brown in "Back to the Future". We do have a slight stereo type of an inventor – lab coat, mad hair, maybe the big glasses, definitely safety goggles, bits of wire and "stiff", half built everywhere.

Well this summer I'd like to invite all the children who are currently Reception to Year 6 to join me (Boffin) and Rev Sue Simpson (Brainwave) at **Mega Makers**. We'll be in Somersham Primary School from **10am to 12noon, Monday 7th to Friday 11th August** at this year's Holiday Bible Club. We'll have games, crafts, bible stories, songs, quizzes, some drama, refreshments and fun.

mega makers!

We're inviting the children to join us in our inventor's workshop as we discover how wide and long and high and deep is Jesus love. As our mega machine will be producing bigger and bigger things, we want to show that God's love for us is wider than we can ever imagine. It is longer than we think, stretching into eternity. It encourages us to aim higher and higher in the way we live as disciples. And it takes us deeper in our faith in Jesus. The best thing about what the children will learn is that it applies to all of us. So everyone is invited to join us at the end of the week on **Sunday 13th August at 10.30am** where you can find out all about the whole week and it's followed by a BBQ.

More details and a registration form for the children can be found on our website.

But why wait until then? If you've got a question about does God really love me? Did Jesus come to earth? And if he did Why? What does it mean for me to be a disciples, a follower, of Jesus? Why not come and find me for **"Chat on the Chairs" at Carnival on Saturday 24th June**. I'll be under the gazebo, in one of the armchairs and would love for you to stop by for a chat. Or you could come to **the Carnival Service on Sunday 25th June at 6.30pm at Somersham Baptist Church** to find out about "The Game of Life".



Rev Bruce Daniels

www.somershambaptist.org
and
www.facebook.com/SomershamBaptistChurch



St John the Baptist Church

June/July 2017



As we come into the season of fetes, flower festivals, cream teas as well as weddings and baptisms, there is a distinct emphasis on celebrating with others. Whether it's a special occasion or appreciating a sunny afternoon there is plenty to give thanks for and Ikea wasn't the first to encourage us to celebrate the wonderful everyday'. Luckily we don't have to put furniture together first!



But speaking of Ikea, Jess our families worker and myself went to top up our resources for Little Acorns, the baby and toddler group which runs at the back of church on Thursday mornings. If you are a bit older than that, there is still Messy Church the second Sunday of the month from 4pm. On the 11th June we will... weather permitting have messy church outside the church and get creative so it will be good to see you.

Creativity, even adult colouring and doodling can be very beneficial to our health and help us relax our minds a bit or step back and see the bigger picture. Jesus would often spend time alone to pray, it is increasingly hard to find time for ourselves but the church is open during the day for anyone to have a bit of space. Some of us, at times like to be encouraged in the company of others. We have a Creative Minds group meeting 2.30pm in church on Thursday 15th June and Thurs. 20th Jul (just turn up and it's free). There is also a bereavement monthly coffee morning. Please get in touch with me for further details. You will see that the scaffolding is now off (I had a brave moment and climbed up all the ladders to stand very carefully on the new roof, supported by a plank so as not to fall through it!) and it looks good to me – thanks to the very many of you who sponsored a tile.

Events coming up...

Flower Festival - Friday 9th – Sunday 11th June

Messy Church outdoor (unless rain or snow) Sun 11th June 4pm-5.30 also come visit us at the Carnival...

Carnival concert Wed 21st June 6.30 pm

Bible Holiday Club (Churches Together) at Somersham Primary Mon 7th - Fri 11th August

10am-12noon for children currently in reception – yr. 6. Contact Louise (at the Baptist Church) or myself for a form - it's great fun.

Finally, if you have not had enough cream teas and you are a '**Friend of the Church**'... or if you would like to become one for only £5 per year we would like to thank you for your support with a garden party at the rectory Saturday 12th August 2-4pm (contact me if you would like to join the friends).

And a future date for the diaries is **Tea and Trains** at Braunston House Saturday 9th September.

Morning Services with communion are at 10.30 am with Sunday school 1st and 3rd week All Age on the 4th. **Evening Prayer** 6.30pm 1st Sunday of the month. Also a short communion followed by coffee on **Wednesday** mornings at 9.30am. **All Welcome**

Messy Church 2nd Sunday 4-5.30pm – Crafts and Activities, Story, Prayer and Singing then party tea. All Ages.

Little Acorns (Baby, Bumps and Pre-School Group) Thursday Mornings 9.30 - 11am (Free)



If you are planning to get married or would like to discuss a baptism do get in touch and if you would like to explore more about your faith I will be running a discipleship course in September.

I hope you have a lovely summer,

Many Blessings,

Rev Sue Simpson

01487 840676

Rector@somershamparishes.org

www.somershamparishes.org

MILLENNIUM SPORTS FACILITY



The HandleBards will be performing
on 5th July 2017 gates open from
6PM

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks
will be sold including ice-creams

PICNIC PARK

Somersham's Musical Extravaganza on the Millennium Field

Saturday 5th August 2017 a fantastic outdoor music event for all the family

Our Picnic In The Park 2016 was the best year
so far, and we want this year to be even better!
We've got a great line-up and our gates open
earlier from 2PM to 9:30PM

**For tickets/prices for either event
Contact 01487 841359 or email
megan.blewett@somersham-pc.gov.uk**



Amenities

- **Function Room Seating up to 80**
- **Large Kitchen**
- **Projector & Screen available for hire**
- **Changing Rooms**

**Set just off The Trundle in
Somersham with lovely scenic
views the Millennium Sports
Facility offers a quiet venue for
sports activities, parties,
meetings & more!**

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Editor's Snippets

June/July 2017

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Deadline for the August/September 2017

Edition of SOMERSHAM4U

Monday 3rd July 2017 (3:00PM)

STALLS AT THE CROSS

11th March Friends of Somersham Parish Church £110.60

25th March Animal Health Trust £118.00

1st April Somersham WI £133.00

8th April Friends of Somersham Parish Church £155.20

15th April Friends of Somersham Library £93.00

22nd April Somersham Over 60's £103.00

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Despite the request on the back page of Somersham4u, private landowners are still suffering from trespassers walking their dogs on private land. Please remember to **Respect other people**:

□ Consider the local community and other people enjoying the outdoors

□ Leave gates and property as you find them and follow paths unless wider access is available for example, don't block gateways, driveways or

other paths with your vehicle.

□ Remember your actions can affect people's lives and livelihoods.

□ Co-operate with people at work in the countryside. For example, keep out of the way when farm animals are being gathered or moved and follow directions from the farmer.

□ **DO NOT** trespass on private land – climbing over walls, hedges and fences can damage them and increase the risk of farm animals escaping. Also, failing to collect your dog mess from a farmer's field puts the farm livelihood and animal health at risk if the crops to be harvested are being used as feed.

□ If you think a sign is illegal or misleading such as a 'Private - No Entry' sign on a public path, contact the local authority.

□ Leave machinery and farm animals alone – don't interfere with animals even if you think they're in distress. Try to alert the farmer instead.

NB. Somersham's Local Nature Reserve can only be accessed through designated access points these are at Robert Avenue, Springfields and Station Approach. ALL access to the nature reserve via neighbouring fields or the Millennium Sports Facility is strictly prohibited as the land is all privately owned and therefore you are trespassing if you access these without permission. This unauthorised access is causing a great deal of stress to the local farmers and is impacting on their livelihood.



Parish Office 01487 841359 Open 9:00AM-3:00PM
Monday-Thursday

www.somersham-pc.gov.uk

www.somersham4u.org.uk

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2017

Parish Council meetings are held in the Millennium Pavilion, The Trundle, Somersham PE28 3JS with a prompt start of 7.30 pm. Agendas and Minutes can be found on the council's website somersham-pc.gov.uk

5th June

23rd October

3rd July

20th November

31st July

18th December

4th September

15th January 2018

25th September

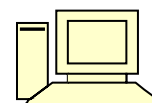
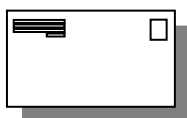
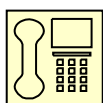
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YOUR PARISH COUNCILLORS

June/July 2017

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 The Norwood Building,
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We are running a project in Somersham and surrounding villages to help to improve the lives of local people living with a range of neurological conditions, depression and for their carers. This survey is to help us ensure that we are providing services that people will use, enjoy and find helpful providing a supportive network.

1. Do you live with a neurological condition?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

2. Do you know someone living locally with a neurological condition?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

3. Do you live with depression and/or anxiety?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure

4. Are you a carer of someone living with a neurological condition or depression/anxiety?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

5. If you are happy to share, please tell us which condition/conditions you, or the person you know lives with.

6. Do you or the person you know/care for feel supported locally?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Sometimes

Other (please specify)

7. Would you be interested in attending one or more of the following? If none of these would be of interest please make suggestions of what you would like to do.

- ☐ Nature based activities
☐ Chair based activities
☐ Singing group
☐ Dancing sessions
☐ Therapy sessions e.g. Massage, beauty
☐ Walking
☐ Counselling sessions

Other (please specify)

8. Are you a local business or organisation who could support this project?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Comment

9. This survey can be filled in anonymously or please add your contact details below.