

VILLAGE VOICE

BRINKLEY.....BURROUGH GREEN.....CARLTON.....WESTLEY WATERLESS

JANUARY 2021

Happy New Year

BRINKLEY CHRISTMAS CARD

We hope you have appreciated receiving your Brinkley Christmas card.

An enormous thank you to all who contributed to the Christmas 2020 card. The list is growing year by year, and your generosity has donated £710 to Brinkley Church and £325 to Newmarket Open Door Food Bank. Both amounts will be increased by 25% when the Gift Aid has been reclaimed.

Thank you all

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WHAT'S ON AT THE RED LION BRINKLEY

We are writing this on Dec. 18th. It is clearly crystal ball time right now, so all we know is come January we will likely be somewhere between Tier 1 and another National English lockdown after the inevitable Christmas easing issues kick in. Pubs have been an easy target, despite the data showing for many months now they are some of the safest places to leave your home to go to.



N. Ireland and Wales have already made their call. January and February are always the worst months of the year for anyone in our business, even back in the good old days when everything was somewhat normal. We miss seeing so many of you and we have been listening to what you have said, and so we will open again.

We will open again on Friday Jan. 8th (if we are permitted to, of course), and for the rest of January we will plan to open Thursday through Sunday and just hope we do not have to throw even more kegs of beer and more food away due to last minute government decisions. Please come in or order a takeaway.

We will never forget everyone that has supported us this past several months, and we thank you, so much.

This is not a use us or lose us message. We will certainly still be here for you as everything gets better in 2021. Please just help us through Jan and Feb if you can - especially if we did things that helped you through March through May this year when you needed us. We now need you.

We know 2020 hasn't been fun for anyone.

Best wishes for 2021

Gwyn & Morris. 01638 508707

NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE

JANUARY 2021

Please call us or follow us on Facebook to keep up with the ever-changing rules and regulations on what is permitted at the Centre

We would like to thank you all for your generous donations to the Ellesmere Centre through these really difficult times it is very much appreciated and has been an enormous help. Let's hope we can all get together again soon.



HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL
AND WISHING YOU A MUCH BRIGHTER NEW
YEAR IN 2021

THE BULL BURROUGH GREEN

With the ever-changing situation we will post details of our plans on our Facebook page.



Rob and I look forward to welcoming you when we next can in 2021
01638 508333

RECYCLING

Carlton & Willingham Green - Usually Mondays.
Black bin - **Tuesday 12th** & Monday 25th January
Blue - **Wednesday 6th** & Monday 18th January.
Green - **Wednesday 6th** January.

Brinkley, Burrough Green, Westley Waterless -
Usually Thursdays :
Black sacks weekly - **Saturday 2nd, Friday 8th,**
Thursdays 14th, 21st, & 28th January.
Blue Lid - **Friday 8th,** Thursday 21st January .
Green Lid - **Saturday 2nd,** Thursdays 14th & 28th
January.

ANSWERS TO CHRISTMAS QUIZ

Food anagrams

CHESTNUT STUFFING
BREAD SAUCE
MULLED WINE
CRANBERRY SAUCE
PIGS IN BLANKETS
BUBBLE AND SQUEAK

THE PETER & RUTH LLOYD TRUST AWARD

With predicted GCSE & A level grades and lectures watched by 'Zoom', our young people faced a difficult start to sixth form and university life this year! Let us hope that by September 2021 things may be beginning to resemble normality again. For those from our villages looking to embark on this next chapter of their academic life do please apply to our local trust to get some financial help!

We are now inviting applications for pupils starting university in September 2021. Normally one scholarship is awarded each year to the amount of £1000.

Broadly speaking the degree course should be from one of the following:-

Architecture, Engineering, Geography, History, Law, Mathematics, Sciences, Medicine and Veterinary Medicine.

The applicant should be living in one of the parishes bordering the old RAF Wrattling Common airfield - Great Thurlow, Little Thurlow, West Wickham, Carlton cum Willingham, West Wrattling, Weston Colville and Withersfield.

The award is intended to be of assistance in the purchase of books, materials, equipment etc.

Final decision and award will be made immediately after 'A' Level/Baccalaureate results and University offer are known.

For further information about the trust and award please contact:

Jonathan Drury 01223 290968

For an application form please apply via email to:
peter.ruthlloydtrust@sky.com

The application form and supporting documents must be received at the latest by 31st March 2021.

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### **MARSH MAIL - News from Linton Village College**

At Linton Village College we have been working hard to keep school as safe as possible since reopening to all students in September. While it has been necessary to make curriculum adjustments to prioritise the health and wellbeing of the community, it has been really important to us that students benefit from a great quality of education.

An important part of students' curriculum experience is opportunities for enrichment. We have had to pause extra-curricular activities to focus on safe, core provision and ensure year group separation. We are looking forward to being able to relaunch a range of clubs and extend our curriculum offer when it is safe to do so.

Despite the restrictions, LVC staff and students are finding ways to bring learning to life in lots of imaginative ways. An example of this is in the Arts. GCSE Dance students are benefiting from virtual links via Teams with A Level students at Abbey Gate Sixth

Form College in Bury St. Edmunds and GCSE Music students enjoyed being able to safely perform in a mini open air Christmas concert at the end of term. The Arts team is also busy preparing students for practical exams and a Year 7 production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is underway.

School staff have had to be incredibly innovative to adapt to the challenges of educating our young people in the current context. The prospect of returning to 'normal' later this year is a welcome relief to staff, students and parents. Learning during lockdown has taught us the value of human relationships and connections and the importance of the holistic, enriching aspects of education for students' physical and mental health.

However, the phrase 'necessity is the mother of invention' has certainly struck a chord in schools over the last 9 months. There are plenty of innovations and developments that have arisen through necessity that we will harness in the future. Developing our use of technology has enabled flipped learning, virtual parents' evenings and click and collect library loans.

Seeing students living the Linton Learner attributes through their responsible, caring and independent conduct and staff rallying together with community spirit will certainly sustain us this term.

*Helena Marsh*

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CAMBRIDGE FIRE AND RESCUE BULLETIN

Distraction is one of the biggest causes of fires in the home - most of which start in the kitchen.

You lock your door when you leave the house, but do you unplug your chargers?

You turn off your oven when you aren't using it but do you regularly ensure there isn't a fat build up in your oven, hob and grill?

A simple fire safety check list can help you avoid an unnecessary fire in your home - Simple tips, simply STOP the chance of a fire.

- NEVER overload sockets: Multi-socket adapters, often used in homes to provide more plug sockets quickly and easily, are particularly popular during the winter period when people are more likely to plug in heating devices, lights and other items. If used incorrectly however, these can be very dangerous and cause an electrical fire through overloading the socket. 'One appliance, one socket' is the safest approach to avoid any danger of fire in your home.

- Switch off, Turn off: If it isn't meant to be left on (like fridges, freezers) switch it off and turn it off at the plug when it isn't in use.

- Charge safely: Only use electrical charging devices for the purpose they were intended and avoid purchasing counterfeit, cheap charging devices for electrical items and always keep leads away from cookers and hobs.

• **Fat-Free, Fire-Free:** Fat can build up slowly over time through regular use of kitchen devices and as it does it increases the chance of a fire when cooking. Ensure you regularly maintain hobs, grills and ovens and keep them clear from fat build up and safer from fire.

• **Distraction causes fires:** over 50% of fires in the kitchen are caused by distraction - pay attention and avoid cooking if under the influence of alcohol or medication or feeling tired.

For more information log on to www.cambsfire.gov.uk, follow us on social media or call 01480 444500.

If you wish to get in contact, please email pressoffice@cambsfire.gov.uk.

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**2523 LINTON AIR CADETS.**

We look forward to kick starting the new year with Face to Face activities at 2523 Linton Squadron. With many events starting to populate the calendar we look forward to the return of L98 shooting. With weapons handling tests being completed in December and the first shoots booked for mid January.

2021 will see many flying opportunities with our usual allocation of air experience flights and scholarship placement opportunities. 2 Flight Training School have worked hard to ensure we can return safely to airborne activities and training.

The aerospace team have been busy preparing our simulator training stations and the course dates for ground school aerospace have started to be released, along with dates for the premier camp; Aerospace Camp.

Our camp season kicks off in March, and we are hopeful that Easter Camp 2021 will be able to go ahead as planned, paving the way for all of our summer camps too.

With staff using the lockdown to complete additional training, when the squadron does return in the new year we will be better placed than ever to deliver first aid, leadership and BTEC training from across our progressive training syllabus. A list of subjects can be found on our website [www.2523linton.co.uk](http://www.2523linton.co.uk).

Once we are settled back into a routine we will look to expand the squadron by recruiting new cadets, minimum age 12 and in year 8, to start their cadet career.

523 and the entire RAF Air Cadet organisation is set to bounce back next year with an industrious and ambitious training program at local, regional and national level.

*Bradley Wright*  
*Pilot Officer RAFAC*  
*training.2523@rafac.mod.gov.uk*  
*07943 873272*  
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DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

Henry Batchelor & Geoff Harvey (South Cambs)

A1307 Update

The upgrades, managed by the Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP), to the A1307 continue with the next steps being installation of average speed cameras between Haverhill and Linton, a new roundabout at the end of Bartlow Road in Linton and remodelling of the Dean Road junction. The signalised pedestrian crossing at Hildersham is attempting to move ahead but are having difficulty securing the land required. The GCP are trying all avenues, including compulsory purchase, which will increase the project time as this isn't a quick process.

(Another) GCP Consultation

The GCP have finished consulting on their preferred new off-road route between the new travel hub/park & ride site and Cambridge. This is a huge piece of infrastructure, so please do engage. The consultation closed December 14th. The consultation documents can be seen online at -

<https://consultcambs.uk/engagementhq.com/cset-eig>

Local Plan

The joint Local Plan, being drawn up between South Cambs and the City councils, is still moving forward. The latest update is that the findings from the consultation last year have now been collated and published. The councils will take this information on board whilst formulating their preferred options, which will likely be published next autumn. If you'd like to see any of the documents, including the proposed locations of developments, you can see all the information here -

<https://www.greatercambridgeplanning.org/emerging-plans-and-guidance/greater-cambridge-local-plan/document-library/>

Brexit

You may have seen the national advertising campaign urging businesses to prepare for Brexit, please do encourage local businesses in your areas to take heed of this. This is still happening and very soon. If commercial advice is needed, the Cambridgeshire Chamber of Commerce is always very useful - <https://www.cambridgeshirechamber.co.uk/brexit/>

Covid Support

At time of writing, we are about to exit the latest national lockdown and are coming out into 'Tier 2', which has its own set of restrictions, as laid out by government. This will of course have some impact on people and local business. There is a small support grant for business that is forced to close due to Covid, available from the District Council -

<https://www.scambs.gov.uk/businessgrant> also available from SCDC is a 'Covid Co-Ordinator' who can assist with most things Covid related. Her name is Vicky Hoover - Vicky.hoover@scambs.gov.uk

There is also support available from the County Council, via their 'Hub' which can be contacted through their website -

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/corona-virus/covid-19-coordination-hub-your-community-needs-you>

Sunnica Solar Farm Consultation

Not strictly in our area, or District for that matter, but there are proposals for an enormous solar farm based in East Cambridgeshire, across 4 sites. The company is currently consulting on these proposals and anybody can comment here -

<https://sunnica.co.uk/proposals/>

Uttlesford Local Plan

Some of you may remember that last year Uttlesford District Council (directly to the south of us, North Essex) submitted plans to a government inspector to allocate 10,000 houses near Gt Chesterford as part of their Local Plan. The inspector told them to go away and start again, which they are now doing and are asking for public engagement in this process. Uttlesford still need to allocate these houses somewhere and there is still a risk of them trying to do so on/near to the South Cambridgeshire border, which will directly affect our infrastructure etc etc. Geoff and Henry will keep you as up to date as possible from the local authority angle but do keep your ears to the ground!

Zero Carbon Communities Grant

The judging and selection process for this year's entries has started. The standard of creativity and imagination shown in 2020 was impressive. The cost if all applications were funded would be about twice the allocated funding, so unfortunately not all schemes will have been successful. I was noteworthy that at least one scheme not successful last year scored highly this year, with a much-improved scheme and application write-up. So the message should be to keep trying if, as we would hope, funding is available to run the scheme again next year.

One thing that we forgot to include in the report is that South Cambs now have an online customer-facing business directory to help signpost people to local businesses. It's free to sign-up and only takes a few minutes. Here's the link - www.scambs.gov.uk/local-business-directory

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#### **Charlotte Cane and John Trapp (East Cambs)**

At the last meeting of the Operational Services Committee:

-It was decided to support the Local Electricity Bill and to write to local MPs to ask them to support the bill.

-The grant to the Voluntary and Community Action East Cambs was renewed.

-The reports on Waste Collection and Street Cleansing showed very good performance.

At the last meeting of the Finance & Assets Committee:

-The External Audit noted some areas that required improvement, but nothing major, and the report was accepted.

-The ECDC accounts for the last year were submitted and approved. There was some disquiet voiced about the further loan to East Cambs Trading Company, the Council's company for building development.

-The Council Tax Reduction Scheme was continued.

-A new trustee was appointed to East Cambs CLT which has only four members; some misgivings were voiced over the appointment of the Leader of the Council to a supposedly-community led organisation. Clarification of the purpose of this trust, its governance and its relation to Palace Green Homes and East Cambs Community Housing was sought.

-The Bus Services Review document was accepted and will be submitted to the Cambs and Peterborough Combined Authority. Besides the continuation, and augmentation, of the no. 11 bus to Cambridge, other interesting ideas such as a fast bus from Bottisham to Cambridge North, and Demand Responsive Transport to the south of the A14 were proposed.

-The Gender Pay report for ECDC showed that there was still a gap in pay between genders.

All Council meetings are now on Zoom, and available to view retrospectively as well as being screened live, so you can see your Councillors in action. For details go to the Council website, [www.eastcambs.gov.uk](http://www.eastcambs.gov.uk).

We shall be holding our next Councillor's Surgery by Zoom on 12<sup>th</sup> January from 6.30 p.m. The Meeting ID is 357 775 2400, and the Passcode is 098359. If you prefer to follow a link, it will be on Charlotte's Facebook page - [fb.me/charlottecanelibdem](https://fb.me/charlottecanelibdem).

If you join for the Surgery, you will be held in the waiting room if there is already someone in the meeting with us, so that any discussions with us during the Surgery remain confidential.

The Surgery will be followed by 'Meet your Councillors' on the same Zoom link, and this will be a group meeting to listen to, and discuss, your ideas and opinions with others.

As we write this, the Covid vaccine is starting to be rolled out, which gives huge hope to all of us. But it is critical that we continue to follow social distancing, mask wearing and hand washing as well as other restrictions.

If we keep protecting ourselves and each other, 2021 should be a healthy year for all of us.

Happy New Year

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SERVICES - JANUARY ALL WELCOME

Sunday 3rd January Second Sunday of Christmas
9.00am Holy Communion Brinkley
10.30am Family Service Burrough Green
Jeremiah 31:7-14 John 1: 10-18

Sunday 10th January The Baptism of Christ
9.00am Holy Communion Stetchworth
10.30am Morning Prayer Dullingham
Genesis 1:1-5 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11

Sunday 17th January
9.00am Holy Communion Burrough Green
10.30am Morning Prayer Brinkley
1 Samuel 3:1-10 Rev. 5: 1-10 John 1:43-51

Sunday 24th January
10.30am Holy Communion Dullingham
3.00pm Evening Prayer Stetchworth
Jonah 3:1-5, 10 1 Corinthians 7:29-31 Mark 1:14-20

Sunday 31st January
10.30am Benefice Communion Westley Waterless
Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Mark 1:21-28

RADDESLEY BENEFICE WEBSITE

On the website you can find out more about our churches, services, what's on and useful information about baptisms, funerals and weddings; www.raddesley.com

If you wish to book a baptism, wedding etc., please contact Nikki. Her usual working days will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday of course, or one of the Churchwardens; details as below.

Rev'd Nikki Mann 01638 507980
The Vicarage, 23 Stetchworth Road, Dullingham. CB8 9UJ

Burrough Green: Lucy Talbot Tel: 01638 507060, email: peterandlucy@btinternet.com

Westley Waterless: Ms. Deborah O'Riordan, Tel: 01638 507741, email d.a.oriordan@btinternet.com and Mrs Liz Gibson, Tel: 01638 508600, lizgibson@me.com

Brinkley: John Robertson Tel. 01638 507484

Carlton: Stephen Roberts 01223 290372 or Stephen.roberts28@btopenworld.com.

Rural Dean: Rev'd Sue Giles 01223 812726
e.mail : suethovic@btinternet.com

ARTICLES FOR FEBRUARY VILLAGE VOICE

To
villagevoicenewsletter@btinternet.com
01638 507495
by 20th January 2021 please

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**A General Knowledge Quiz in which all the answers have something in common.**

1. What is the alternative name for the plant 'woodbine' ?
2. The day of ..... is the most solemn religious fast day of the Jewish year.
3. Roy Orbison had his first UK number one hit in august 1960. what was the title?
4. Which modern day musical instrument is most closely related to the 15th century 'sackbut'?
5. Freetown is the capital of which country?
6. Which type of dwelling gets its name from the literal translation of the French for little house?
7. The world's 4th most populous country contains over 12000 islands extending from the Malaysian mainland towards Australia. what is its name?
8. What was the nickname of the famous civil war confederate general Thomas Jackson?
9. What male singing voice falls between tenor and bass?
10. What is the common link with the answers to questions 1 - 9?

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BURROUGH GREEN READING ROOM.

We are licensed to cater for 100 people and are available on various days of the week.

The charges are £8.00 per hour for village and £10.00 for outside.

To hire the Reading Room,
Please contact Joanne Harrison on 01638 508888

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**BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL**

If you wish to hire the hall, please contact  
Susie Shuter on 01638 508729

The charges to hire the Memorial Hall are £8.00 per hour for VV cluster and £11.00/ hour for outside. We cater for one off parties and Groups looking for a venue. The Hall can cater for 80 people.

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