









## Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting
Monday 09 May 2016. 8:00pm
Upwood Village Hall, High Street, Upwood, PE26 2QE

## **Minutes**

**Present:** Councillors: J. Noble, R. Howe (Chairman), H. Nel, J. Paxton, A. Perkins, R. Singleton, G. Slater, H. Smith. County Councillor M. Tew and three members of the public.

In Attendance: Mrs. C. Bilverstone (Clerk),

- 1. Welcome by Councillor Robin Howe. Councillor Howe welcomed parishioners to the meeting.
- 2. Apologies. Councillor Edwards: Work commitments

## 3. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting

To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 11 May 2015: Copies of the minutes and the reports of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 11 May 2015 had been circulated in advance following their informal approval by the chairman. Councillor Slater proposed acceptance of the minutes. Councillor Paxton seconded the proposal. All who had been present were in favour and it was **resolved** to do so. The chairman signed the minutes.

- 4. Report from the Chairman of Upwood & the Raveleys Parish Council. Please find attached.
- 5. Financial report from the Clerk to the Council. Please find attached.

## 6. To invite village representatives to address the Meeting

Reports were received from the following groups and organisations:

Huntingdonshire Association for Community Transport (HACT). Presented by Jo Philpott, Manager.

Meet and Munch, prepared by Jan Howe, Coordinator. Presented by the clerk.

St. Peter's Church, prepared by Anne-Marie Cracknell, Churchwarden. Presented by the Clerk.

St. Peter's Handbell Ringers, prepared by Vernon Cracknell. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood Cricket Club. Prepared by Neil Tuffin. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood Branch WEA. Prepared by Liz Carter. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood and the Raveleys Archive. Prepared by Judith Harvey. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood and the Raveleys Community Allotment Association prepared by URCAA committee. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood Community Orchard Group, prepared by Julia Evans. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood and the Raveleys Local History Group, prepared by Andrew Bilverstone, Chairman. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood Primary School, prepared by Mrs S. Whitelaw, Headteacher. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood and the Raveleys Newsletter, presented by David Paine, Chairman.

Upwood Quilters, prepared by Margaret Jones. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood Table Tennis Club, prepared by David Williams, presented by the clerk.

Upwood Ukuleles, prepared and presented by Carol Bilverstone, member of the management committee.

Upwood Village Hall Management Committee, prepared by Stephen Howes, Chairman. Presented by the clerk.

Upwood and the Raveleys Website, prepared by Doug McLeod & Stephen Howes, Webmasters. Presented by the clerk.

7. To invite the public to raise any matters of interest. No matters of interest were raised.

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## 8. Questions for the County and District Councillors

16. May. 2017.

Please find attached written reports from Councillor Michael Tew (County Councillor) and Councillor Robin Howe (District Councillor). There were no questions.

## 9. Chairman's Closing Remarks

The Chairman began by asking "whoever said there was nothing to do in Upwood?" He added that when he first joined the parish council there were nowhere near the number of reports, or the number and diversity of community groups. He told Councillor Noble that if she does nothing else in the course of the coming year, that she must get the children of Upwood Primary School to attend next year's annual parish meeting to present their own reports.

Councillor Howe noted that every parish council in his ward complains about the lack of public transport. He thanked Jo Philpott for raising the profile of HACT once again. The door to door service provided throughout this area and beyond is outstanding and parish council will continue to promote this service (Current HACT leaflets are included within the attached reports).

The chairman concluded by thanking those who had taken the time to prepare reports for this meeting. He added that Upwood and the Raveleys is host to such a rich variety of organisations embracing all aspects of social activity and these thoughtful accounts of parish life had enlivened the evening.

Close of meeting: 9:00pm

Please visit www.upwood.org to view the reports.

## UPWOOD AND THE RAVELEYS CHAIRMANS REPORT TO THE ANNUAL MEETING

I am pleased to report that the Parish Council has completed a successful year in which most of its key objectives have been met.

The Community Led Plan was completed and launched in January following two years' work by a dedicated team of residents supported by several parish councillors. The plan identified a long list of issues and a number of priorities and these have guided the decision-making of the council in recent months. Notable amongst these was the demand for improved communications in the parish and with the help of a grant from the Ramsey wind turbine trust a number of important investments had been made.

Expenditure is closely monitored by a subgroup of the council and reported monthly at the parish meeting; the effect of which was the annual budget was slightly underspent for the third year running, which meant the reserve fund increased again to a such level that it was decided to ask for a lower precept for 2016/17, thereby ensuring the parish does not add to the council tax burden for the year.

The council has continued to improve governance, financial management and reporting and thanks to our indomitable Clerk Carol Bilverstone, will apply for the coveted Quality Council award in 2016, which will place Upwood, if successful, in an elite category of councils in the country.

We are committed to improving the appearance of settlements in the parish and the maintenance schedule for grass cutting and hedge tending has been increased to the point where Upwood village is now better presented than at any time in recent memory. Efforts will be made to clear the blight of litter from our paths and roads and volunteers for a litter picking day will be called for in the next month or two.

The council membership has altered during the year following the departure of Gill Shelford, Hayley Huskinson and Fiona Hopkins and I would like to thank them, on the half of the Council, for their excellent contribution and to single out Fiona for her outstanding chairmanship of the community planning team.

In their places have arrived Jane Singleton, Helen Nel and Howard Smith, all of whom bring their unique skills and energy to the council.

Five years ago the council was lucky to have one applicant for vacancies on the council, but the latest recruitment produced an amazing total of five applicants, which surely confirms the council now commands more respect from residents.

The work arising from the Community Led Plan project is considerable as expected and the CLP team under the leadership of Howard Smith are defining the priorities and allocating tasks to the various sub group teams which cover the following subjects:

Transport Roads Pavements and Footpaths

Public Transport
Housing and Planning
Communications
Environment Conservation and Appearance
Local organisations Groups and leisure activities
Crime safety and emergency services
Young People
Community

Details of work needed in each of these categories are shown in the CLP action plan which is held on the Parish website www.upwood.org

One of the greatest concerns which residents express is the increasing level of congestion on our local roads and this situation can only get worse in the future as planned housing developments generate new levels of traffic.

It is expected that, in addition to the 60 homes being built on the site of the USAF clinic, up to 160 houses will be built around the base commander's house and the barracks area in the next few years. Further developments planned for Ramsey town area will increase traffic flows through Bury and Upwood as well.

The Parish Council will be campaigning vigorously for improvements to our crumbling road surfaces, footpath's and cycle ways and will continue to call for a speed limit reduction on the road past the primary school.

I would like to close by saying that due to my recent appointment as Executive Leader of the District Council I shall be unable to continue as a member of our parish council for an extended period and will step down in the next month or so. I will be happy to stand for reelection of Chairman until my successor can be identified and a succession plan agreed. I believe we have restored the good reputation of the council in the last six years following the unhappy episode with a previous Clerk. I think the residents have learned to trust the council again and are generally satisfied with services we provide. We have rebuilt the depleted finances over this time and have reserves representing 1.5 times the annual precept again; a little higher than desired, but we are planning for a controlled reduction in reserves over the year as we fund new projects and subsidise our annual expenditure to avoid raising the precept this year.

I will continue to attend parish meetings as often as the District calendar allows but I know there is strength in depth among the council team and they are more than capable of managing the parish affairs of Upwood and the Raveleys.

Robin Howe May 2016











## Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council

**Annual Parish Meeting. 09 May 2016** 

## Financial Report from the clerk to the parish council

In 2015/2016 the parish council worked with a budget of £23,268. At the end of the year receipts totalled £29,286.69 and payments £26,772. The balance brought forward on 31 March 2016 was £36,891.37 (an increase of just over £2,500 on the previous year). The award of £3,000 from REG Ramsey Wind farm Community Benefit Fund to enhance communication across the parish has been well documented and has made a positive social impact. In financial terms the grant covered some of the council's budgeted projects (for example, the refurbishment of the noticeboards); and enabled investment in areas highlighted by the results of the community led plan. Comparing the forecasted budget with actual expenditure in 2015/2016, there are five notable variances:

- The district council estimated an election fee of £135. The actual cost was £1138.96!
- Unplanned tree work was carried out in Glebe Paddock at a cost of £664.00
- The council did not budget for the launch of the community led plan and the printing of the final document at a cost of £907.00.
- The council made several unplanned small investments in parish asset maintenance. The purchase of a new grit bin; new signage for the play areas; and the servicing of a lawn mower added £300 to its unplanned expenditure.
- The set-up fee of £300 for a new employee pension scheme was un-budgeted. The parish council received insufficient notice of the government's intention to impose new pension regulations on employers.

Other notable expenses and achievements include continued financial support to the parish newsletter (the grant application from the village hall was received and approved after the end of the financial year); work to clear the ditches and improve drainage to the allotments and the cemetery; two continued professional development courses for the parish clerk (a course in Planning; and a Regional Conference, both of which continue to benefit the day to day management of council business); and further investment in the upkeep and maintenance of parish grass and hedges.

The Smaller Authorities Transparency Code came into force on 1 April 2015, requiring the parish council to publish online a significant amount of information about its activities, spending and governance. Upwood and the Raveleys Parish Council is fully complaint with the code and exceeds the minimum requirements.

The 2014/2015 Audit was positive and the internal auditor identified the asset register as the only area of the parish council's administration in need of attention. This has since been reviewed and updated in compliance with national guidelines. The internal audit for 2015/2016 took place last week and I have yet to receive a formal report. The meeting was positive once again and the auditor was satisfied with all areas of the parish council's financial administration and governance.

In conclusion, the parish council has applied for recognition through the Local Council Award Scheme. It is hoped that the council's achievements will be recognised with the achievement of the "Quality" Award. If successful, there is scope in the budget for 2016/2017 for the parish council to apply for the ultimate recognition of "Quality Gold" status within the next twelve months.

## Registration Form

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Any other information that you feel is relevant

together with annual membership fee of £15.00 made payable to HACT to: Please return completed form

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Return fares from £6.50 STAMFORD

Start 09:30-Return 15:30 3rd Friday of every month

Return times are approximate—this will be arranged at the drivers discretion

Please note bookings for Ring & Ride Specials are only taken 1 week before the travel date.

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Do you live in a rural location with limited or no access to public transport?

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## Who are HACT?

HACT is a registered charity in the Huntingdonshire area which offers a door-to-door service for people who cannot access local bus routes due to age and disability, people living in rural locations with limited or no access to local bus routes.

## What is Ring & Ride Service?

This is a pre-bookable service operating throughout the Huntingdonshire area five days a week. The service is based on a timetable/route and users holding a Cambridgeshire County Council bus pass can use the service free of charge after registering.

## What can Ring & Ride be used for?

If you are eligible for Ring & Ride, then you can use us for any reason. For example: shopping, days out, pubs and restaurants, etc

## How do I join Ring & Ride?

To become a Ring & Ride member there is a small annual membership fee of £15.00 per person and is payable on registration. Please complete and return the registration form with your annual membership fee and we will send you a welcome pack.

## How do I book the bus?

Booking a Ring & Ride is easy. All you need to do is contact the HACT office on 01480 411114 before 1:00pm the day before you wish to travel. If you plan to travel on a Monday, please ensure that you contact HACT on a Friday before. Driver will wait a maximum of 5 minutes before moving on to the next pick up point.

# For further information about HACT and our different services, please check out our website:

www.hact-cambs.co.uk

## MONDAY St Ives Start 09:30 - Return 13:30 TUESDAY Peterborough Start 09:30 - Return 13:30 WEDNESDAY Huntingdon Start 09:30 - Return 13:30 THURSDAY St Neots Start 09:30 - Return 13:30

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Bluntisham	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Broughton	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.50	£7.00
Bury	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Colne	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	67.00	£7.00
Earith	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Fenstanton	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£6.50	£7.00
Fenton	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Godmanchester	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Great Raveley	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Great Stukeley	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Hartford	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£6.50	£7.00
Hemingford Abbots	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£6.50	£7.00
Hemingford Grey	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£6.50	£7.00
Holywell	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Houghton	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	67.00	£7.00
Huntingdon	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£6.50	£7.00
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Little Raveley	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Little Stukeley	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	67.00	£7.00
Needingworth	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Oldhurst	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	67.00	67.00
Pidley	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Ramsey	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	67.00	£7.00
Ramsey Forty Foot	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.50	£7.00
Ramsey Heights	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	67.00	£7.00
Ramsey Mereside	£6.50	£6.50	£6.50	£7.50	£7.00
Ramsey St Mary	£6.50	£6.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Somersham	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
St Ives	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£6.50	£7.00
Upwood	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Warboys	05.93	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Wennington	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Wistow	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Wood Walton	£6.50	£7.00	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Woodhurst	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
Wyton	£6.50	£7.50	£6.50	£7.00	£7.00
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## Registration Form

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Would you have any of the following	when travelling? (please tick)
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Wheelchair	Shopping trolley	Walking aid	Guide dog	Escort	
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## Monday 24 October 2016

One of the UK popular destinations.

Booking Deadline: Friday 14 October 2016 There are 2 main shopping areas with over 150 shops and a market which is open every day.

Return Fare £15.00

## Milton Keynes Shopping Centre

## Thursday 27 October 2016

Home to over 200 shops ranging from national store to smaller specialist shops with a range of cafés and restaurants all under one roof.

Return Fare £10.00

Booking Deadline: Monday 17 October 2016

## Meadowhall Shopping Centre, Sheffield

## Friday 04 November 2016

Shop the latest high street and designer fashions in over 280 stores, and you will be spoilt for choice when it comes to dining

Return Fare £20.00

Booking Deadline: Tuesday 25 October 2016

# Springfields Shopping & Garden Centre OR Baytree Garden Centre

Monday 28 November 2016

Choice of either Springfields which has over 55 outlet stores and gardening products or aytree where you can explore every aspect of gardening

Return Fare £10.00

Booking Deadline: Friday 18 November 2016

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## TERMS & CONDITIONS

## By sending in payment, you agree to the following:

- A carer/friend/child is able to travel with you, they will need to pay the full fare as well. Please inform us when booking.
- The service is subject to change dependent on demand.
- If you have not informed us that you are taking a trolley/wheelchair/scooter, we have the right to refuse these on the vehicle due to vehicle capacity/layout/safety.
- Times we give are only an approximate guide, drivers will wait a maximum of 2 minutes before moving on. We are unable to give you a time of arrival at destination as this depends on collections and traffic.
- Be aware we collect passengers from a wide area so you need to allow for time spent on the minibus, where possible we If you wish to be seated with a friend, please make us aware and we will try to keep you together. These trips normally have more than one vehicle and we cannot guarantee you on the same vehicle as your friend unless requested.
- If you cancel, payments are not refundable and not transferable to another person/outing.

will try and accommodate a comfort break,

- Details and dates are correct at time of setting up, we cannot be held responsible for any changes due to circumstances beyond our control.
- Any complaints with the venue are to be made direct to the venue and not to us.
- We need a certain amount of people booked on to be able to run the trips, if we do need to cancel due to low numbers, we will issue a refund.





## DAY TRIPS 2016

coastal trips, historic places, shopping and garden centres with a door-to-door service. We would like to offer all our individual members some additional days out, to enjoy

These trips are payable as you cannot use your bus pass. The return fare listed is per person. We will start all routes at 08:30 unless stated and the return time will be arranged on the day between driver and passengers.

If you wish to book:

- Call the office before the booking deadline to reserve your seat.
- You can pay over the telephone by card or send a cheque into the office.
  - If we are doing a spilt trip, which place you are going to or both.
- If you will be taking a trolley/frame/scooter with you.
- Once we receive your payment, we will contact you to confirm your seat.
- Without prompt payment, we cannot guarantee you a seat.
- Payment will not be accepted on the day of trip.

You will be contacted the day before the trip to confirm the approximate pick up time.

scooter. Most places we visit have a mobility shop where you can hire a scooter, and extra £15.00 due to us having to remove "paying" seats from the vehicle to store the If we have room we are able to accommodate a scooter, but you will be charged an we advise you check this out (we can drop you at the shop if requested)

These trips are booked on a first come first served system, so you are advised to book early to avoid disappointment.







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# Springfields Shopping & Garden Centre OR Baytree Garden Centre

Monday 18 January 2016

Choice of either Springfields which has over 55 outlet stores and gardening products or Baytree where you can explore every aspect of gardening.

Return Fare £10.00

Booking Deadline: Friday 08 January 2016

## Downtown Superstore & Garden Centre, Grantham

Monday 15 February 2016

A wide range of shopping including fashion, gift ideas, arts & crafts and gardening products. Refreshments are also available in the onsite restaurant.

Return Fare £10.00

Booking Deadline: Friday 05 February 2016

Milton Keynes Shopping Centre

Thursday 18 February 2016

Home to over 200 shops ranging from national store to smaller specialist shops with a range of cafés and restaurants all under one roof.

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Booking Deadline: Monday 08 February 2016

Norwich

Thursday 24 March 2016

One of the UK popular destinations.

There are 2 main shopping areas with over 150 shops and a market which is open every day.

Return Fare £15.00

Booking Deadline: Monday 14 March 2016

Thursday 31 March 2016

Springfields Shopping & Garden Centre OR Baytree Garden Centre

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Return Fare £10.00

Booking Deadline: Monday 21 March 2016

Tuesday 05 April 2016

In the town you have many shops and a market, also out of town shopping at Dobbies and The Range.

Either spilt time between both or stay in the town.

Return Fare £15.00

Booking Deadline: Thursday 24 March 2015

**Bull Ring Shopping Centre, Birmingham** 

Friday 22 April 2016

The glamorous heart of Birmingham with over 160 imaginative and desirable shops to explore and more than 40 restaurants and cafes to relax in.

Return Fare £20.00

Booking Deadline: Tuesday 12 April 2016

**Bury St Edmunds** 

Wednesday 04 May 2016

A market town with a glorious cathedral and abbey gardens. Department stores, selection of shops and an award winning market on Wednesdays.

Booking Deadline: Friday 22 April 2016 Return Fare £10.00

Hunstanton

Tuesday 31 May 2016

A very popular destination, you can enjoy all the traditional coastal attractions, walk along the extensive promenade or sit in the colourful gardens. Booking Deadline: Friday 20 May 2016

Return Fare £17.00

Bedford

Friday 03 June 2016

Bedford has a vibrant town centre offering shoppers a range of shops, independent retailers,

Booking Deadline: Tuesday 24 May 2016 along with major retailers and department stores

Return Fare £10.00

Downtown Superstore & Garden Centre, Grantham

Monday 20 June 2016

A wide range of shopping including fashion, gift ideas, arts & crafts and gardening products.

Booking Deadline: Friday 10 June 2016 Refreshments are also available in the onsite restaurant.

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Springfields Shopping & Garden Centre OR Baytree Garden Centre

Monday 25 July 2016

Choice of either Springfields which has over 55 outlet stores and gardening products or Baytree where you can explore every aspect of gardening.

Return Fare £10.00

Booking Deadline: Friday 15 July 2016

Lakeside Shopping Centre

Thursday 28 July 2016

las over 300 shops all under one roof including major department stores and national stores with over 30 cafes and restaurants.

Return Fare £20.00

Booking Deadline: Monday 18 July 2016

Melton Mowbray

Tuesday 02 August 2016

Old historical market town famous for pork pies and stilton cheese. It is a popular and lively places to visit, especially on market days which is Tuesdays.

Booking Deadline: Friday 22 July 2015

Return Fare £10.00

Friday 05 August 2016 **Great Yarmouth** 

Mile upon mile of beach with seaside memento shops, plenty of places to eat and many places to shop.

Booking Deadline: Tuesday 26 July 2016 Return Fare £17.50

Thursday 18 August 2016

With award winning beaches and enough attractions to keep everyone happy. With a range of shops, places to eat and the indoor market is open daily.

Booking Deadline: Monday 08 August 2016

Return Fare £17.50

Monday 22 August 2016

Cromer & Sheringham

Spend a couple of hours looking around Cromer with its pier and Victorian landscapes and then on to Pretty Sheringham for a further couple of hours

Booking Deadline: Friday 12 August 2016 Return Fare £17.50

Wyevale Garden Centre OR Northampton Shopping

Friday 26 August 2016

Choice of either Wyevale Garden Centre for all your gardening needs or Northampton town which has two shopping centres.

Return Fare £10.00

Booking Deadline: Tuesday 16 August 2016

Hunstanton

Tuesday 30 August 2016

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Booking Deadline: Friday 19 August 2015

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## **LUNCHEON OUTINGS**

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**TELEPHONE: 01480 411114** 

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## THE WHITE HORSE, TILBROOK

Monday 25 January 2016

Arriving 12:00, Departing 14:00

Situated in the picturesque village of Tibrook, deep in the heart of the countryside.

Traditional pub food at affordable prices.

Return Fare: £ 7.50

Booking Deadline: Friday 15 January 2016

## THE APPLECART, STANGROUND

Thursday 25 February 2016

Arriving 12:00, Departing 14:00

The Applecart is a new build pub situated on the outskirts of Peterborough. Full table service, serving good quality food and offering 2 for 1 deals on all main courses

Return Fare: £ 8.00 Booking Deadline: Monday 15 February 2016

## THE WEEPING ASH, ST NEOTS

Wednesday 30 March 2016

Arriving 12:00, Departing 14:00

A wetherspoons pub in St Neots where the old post office was situated.

Value meal deals on offer, all day, every day. With different themes for food each day of the week.

Return Fare: £ 7.50

Booking Deadline: Friday 18 March 2016

## THE FARMERS, YAXLEY

Monday 18 April 2016

Arriving 12:00, Departing 14:00

Renowned for its magnificent carvery. Order from the all day menu, special board or choose what you would like on your plate from the Carvery. Quality food at affordable prices.

Return Fare: £ 8.00 Booking Deadline: Friday 08 April 2016

## **HUNTINGDON GARDEN CENTRE and/or HARTFORD MARINA**

Tuesday 03 May 2016

Arriving 10:00, Departing 14:00

Have 2 hours shopping and looking round Huntingdon Garden Centre then choose to stay for lunch (a further two hours) in their onsite restaurant or be taken to nearby Hartford Marina for lunch.

Return Fare: £ 7.50 Booking Deadline: Friday 22 April 2016



## YE OLDE GRIFFIN HOTEL, MARCH

Wednesday 01 June 2016

Arriving 12:00, Departing 14:00

A friendly and welcoming venue.

Offering delicious food at great prices.

Return Fare: £ 7.50

Booking Deadline: Friday 20 May 2016

## TWENTY PENCE GARDEN CENTRE, WILBURTON

Friday 22 July 2016

Arriving 10:00, Departing 14:00

Find all the products you need to keep your garden looking good all year round and eat in the Applejacks restaurant which offers a wide selection of hot and cold meals all at great prices.

Return Fare: £ 7.50

Booking Deadline: Tuesday 12 July 2016

## FROSTS GARDEN CENTRE, BRAMPTON and/or BREWERS FAYRE, BRAMPTON HUT

Wednesday 31 August 2016

Arriving 10:00, Departing 14:00

Have 2 hours shopping and looking round Frosts Garden Centre then choose to stay for lunch (a further two hours) in their onsite restaurant or be taken to nearby Brewers Fayre for lunch.

Return Fare: £ 7.50

Booking Deadline: Friday 19 August 2016

## THE MARSH HARRIER, ST IVES

Monday 26 September 2016

Arriving 12:00, Departing 14:00

This is a new build pub situated on the outskirts of St Ives.

Serving good quality food and offering 2 for 1 deals on all main dishes.

Return Fare: £ 7.00

Booking Deadline: Friday 16 September 2016

## JOHNSONS OF OLD HURST FARM SHOP, OLD HURST

Friday 28 October 2016

Arriving 11:00, Departing 14:00

A Farm shop which has a good Varity of fresh and speciality foods. Take a look at the crocodiles and then relax in the tea room, where you can enjoy pasties & cake with a drink.

Return Fare: £ 7.00

Booking Deadline: Tuesday 18 October 2016

## THE ADMIRAL WELLS, HOLME

Tuesday 15 November 2016

Arriving 12:00, Departing 14:00

The Admiral Wells is an independent, family run free house located in the pretty village of Holme. Freshly prepared food with a varied menu, as well as the daily special board, all at affordable prices.

Return Fare: £ 7.50

Booking Deadline: Friday 04 November 2016

## THE GREEN MAN, COLNE

Monday 19 December 2016

Arriving 12:00, Departing 14:00

Nestled in the delightful village of Colne.

The Green Man serves traditional, home cooked pub food at good affordable prices.

Return Fare: £ 7.00

Booking Deadline: Friday 09 December 2016



## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

## By sending in payment, you agree to the following:

- A carer/friend/child is able to travel with you, they will need to pay the full fare as well. Please inform us when booking.
- The service is subject to change dependent on demand.
- If you have not informed us that you are taking a trolley/wheelchair/scooter, we have the right to refuse these on the vehicle due to vehicle capacity/layout/safety.
- Times we give are only an approximate guide, drivers will wait a maximum of 2 minutes before moving on. We are unable to give you a time of arrival at destination as this depends on collections and traffic.
- If you wish to be seated with a friend, please make us aware and we will try to keep you together. These trips sometimes have more than one vehicle and we cannot guarantee you on the same vehicle as your friend unless requested.
- If you cancel, payments are not refundable and not transferable to another person/outing.
- Details of venue and dates are correct at time of setting up, we cannot be held responsible for any changes due to circumstances beyond our control.
- Any complaints with the venue/food are to be made direct to the venue and not to us.
- We need a certain amount of people booked on to be able to run the trips, if we do need to cancel due to low numbers, we will issue a refund.





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## Meet and Munch Report

Meet and Munch is run by a group of 15 volunteers who, each month, serve teas in Spring and Summer and lunches in Autumn and Winter to the older members of the Upwood community. In all, the group holds ten events a year.

The helpers are greatly appreciated as they provide a delicious two course lunch or an amazing array of sandwiches and cakes. We ask for a minimum donation of £3 to cover costs.

The group currently has 19 members but we would encourage anyone over 55 to join us as it is a welcoming group and provides an opportunity for a chat and to make new friends. The special event of the year is the June lunch party and this year we are celebrating the Oueen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

We would also like to thank the Ukulele group who provided so much fun at the December meeting. A donation to Magpas was made on behalf of Meet and Munch.

Jan Howe Co-ordinator for Meet and Munch

## ST PETERS'S CHURCH REPORT

Firstly, I send my sincere apologies as I am unable to come to the meeting today. Around 20 people meet in our congregation on Sundays with an electoral roll of 45. Morning Prayer is now said at St Peters on Wednesday mornings, with a chance to go to the Cross Keys for coffee and a chat afterwards and therefore supporting our local pub.

2 funerals and 4 baptisms have been performed this year. We have a strong link with the Upwood school and we offer "open the book" weekly.

We support the food bank being a collection point and with volunteers as well as Kings Ripton Lodge (Salvation Army) and EACH charities.

The fabric of the church is quite sound and Award Lead will be coming this summer to do some roof-work.

The Parish Council is carrying out their schedule of the tree work and we are very thankful for this.

We have had many events this year of which the community has supported like at the candlelight concert.

We wish to reach to the need of the young and the old alike and giving everyone the possibility to come to church which is open daily.

Anne-Marie Cracknell

(St Peter's Churchwarden)

## St Peter's Handbell Ringers Report 2016

St Peter's Handbell Ringers meet every Monday evening in St. Peter's Church, Upwood.

Our team currently consist of 8 players from Upwood and the surrounding villages and are always willing to recruit and welcome new musicians.

This year, we have looked at different ways of playing to increased our possibilities in ringing more challenging music with fewer musicians by playing from tables.

We played at the Methodist Carol Service, the Christmas tree festival, Van Hage garden centre, Alconbury RAF library and for the Hobby Show in the village hall.

Our focus is now on improving our standard so that we can play more ambitious music.

Vernon Cracknell

## Upwood Cricket Club Update

## Quiz

Upwood CC held their annual quiz night on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March at Bury Village Hall but this year was a slight change to the proceedings. The club decided to make this year's quiz a more family orientated event tailoring the questions to allow the youngsters to show off their trivia knowledge. Although not quite full there was an excellent turn out with about 60 people young and old attending. With the entrance fee, raffle takings, heads and tails game and the auction of a football signed by the Peterborough United team (kindly donated by Andy Morris) the club made £250 which will help to pay for some of the impressive improvements in the revamped pavilion. Special thanks must be made to veteran quizmaster Mr Pat Tuffin who had to do some additional research for his questions than normal and scorer Mrs Chris Morris. Also thanks to all those who contributed raffle prizes or helped out packing away at the end.

## Open Day

On Bank Holiday Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May the Cricket Club are planning a New Pavilion Unveiling an Open Day. The day will form part of the Club Open Day scheme run by the ECB and Waitrose. Although plans need to be finalised the day will include an adult 20/20 match start at 1pm; followed by a junior softball game at 4 pm. There will also be a bouncy castle, stalls and refreshments during the day and a bar in the afternoon and evening. In the evening there will be a BBQ and for the first time ever at the club some music and dancing; either a band or disco. There will be no charge to participate and everyone is welcome including non-members. The club would love to see you there!

## Pavilion and Ground

The updates to the pavilion have moved on well although time was tight for the start of the season. Much progress was made on the club's working weekend on the 9<sup>th</sup> April. As well as continuing to work on the inside of clubhouse much work was done to the outside and ground including painting the new extension, tidying up the surrounds and fixing new fencing around the boundary edge. On the same day the members present decided in a very short EGM to agree to new subscriptions for the year: Adults will be £35, Juniors £15, Family Membership £50 and Social Members £5. The club have also procured some wheeled covers which are a useful which should allow more games to be played when the weather is inclement.

## **Training and Games**

The junior training has now switched to outside and will continue throughout the summer on Monday nights. Times are:

5-30 to 6-30 PM for Under 9 and Under 11

6-30 to 7-30 PM for Under 13 and Under 15.

As well as training many games versus other local teams have been planned and the cost will be £2 for these. All juniors are welcome regardless of experience. The coaches are very experienced and ECB qualified. All kit will be provided as necessary for practice and games.

The adults have now started their games and the next few weeks home fixtures have been reproduced here. The first team play in the Hunts League Division 3 and the 2nds in Hunts League Division 5. Please feel free to pop in and relax watching the cricket; tea, coffee, ice creams, wine or beer are available. If you fancy going one step further and would like to play adult cricket we are always looking for new players please do make contact if you are interested

## 1st Team

MAY				
Sat	7 <sup>th</sup>	RAMSEY 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI	Div 3	1.00PM
Sat	14 <sup>th</sup>	HAMPTON 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI	Div 3	1.00PM
Sat	28 <sup>th</sup>	BIGGLESWADE	Div 3	1.00PM
2nd Te	<u>eam</u>			
MAY				
Sun	8 <sup>th</sup>	GODMANCHESTER	Div 3	1.00PM
Sun	15 <sup>th</sup>	HOUGHTON & WYTON	Div 3	1.00PM
Sun	29 <sup>th</sup>	SHEIKH XI	Div 3	1.00PM
JUNE				
Sun	12 <sup>th</sup>	ST IVES	Div 3	1.00PM

Neil Tuffin npe.tuffin@gmail.com

## UPWOOD BRANCH WEA

The Upwood branch of the WEA has had a successful year with daytime, evening and study day courses.

The autumn term saw the welcome return of Honor Ridout and her course on the History of Cambridge – Town and Gown

with culminated with a fascinating walk around Cambridge with the tutor.

Honor entertained us with tales of early Cambridge, maps and sketches of the buildings and bridges and all the students were enthralled and entertained.

In February we hosted a study day with Ian McLachlan on 'The Friendly Invasion – the US Army Air Force in East Anglia'. This was well-attended and proved to be a fascinating topic. We hope to have Ian back again next spring to give us the companion study day on the RAF in East Anglia.

March saw the second study day, this time with Chloe Cockerill who gave a series of beautifully illustrated lectures on 'Pomp & Circumstance' looking at the significance of the royal ceremonies and regalia. We are, at the moment, in the middle of our first-class summer term, evening course on 'Royal Gardens' with Andrew Sankey – looking at five royal gardens including Hampton Court, Windsor and Buckingham Palace. We are looking forward to a visit to Sandringham to finish off the course.

We have a superb selection of courses lined up for next year including the return of Dr. Hartnell talking about historical climate change and a Tuesday morning course starting in September on Victorian Crime & Punishment. As you can see, there is something for everyone! The WEA is open to all – it is not a club! We welcome people of any age, creed or colour and have free places available for people on specific benefits – just ask.

The Upwood and Raveleys Archive is part of the Cambridgeshire Community Archive Network (CCAN). The network has 36 participating groups that operate totally independently but under the umbrella of CCAN. CCAN celebrates its  $10^{th}$  anniversary this year; the Upwood and Raveleys Archive being one of the first groups to get up and running. The archive is a web based archive and can be viewed on www upwood.ccan.co.uk

The website has photos of both events and documents. The aim is to provide a record, in pictures and words, of life in the villages making it a 'living archive' that will grow with the villages. Such archives exist in communities across the country and are a valuable source of reference material for school projects, family history research and for tracking social and economic changes and lifestyles. The archive is definitely for the use of past and present members of the community.

Over the past year the archive group has been less active than in previous years but with the new broadband facility in the village hall it will now be possible to hold an open event and show how the website can be used and enjoyed and how to contribute to the site. The group looks forward to an active future.