

Burwell Parish Council Newsletter

August 2013

WORK AT JUBILEE READING ROOM

Building work is on-going at the Jubilee Reading Room. If you do visit the Reading Room during this time, please observe all Health and Safety notices in operation.

During the building works the Parish Council office will remain open as long as possible but might need to operate from an alternative venue for a short time. Please be aware that the August Parish Council meetings will be held in Mandeville Hall as a result.

DIARY DATES

Tues**13 Aug** 7.30pm Tues **27 Aug** 7.30pm Full Parish Council
Mandeville Hall
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Helping to keep residents up-to-date with Parish Council issues and activities. This newsletter is available on noticeboards located at the Jubilee Reading Rooms, the Post Office and the Library and on the web-sites: www.burwellparishcouncil.gov.uk and www.burwell.co.uk

BURWELL YOUTH ACTIVITY

Burwell Parish Council supports a number of youth related activities in the village and has a working group dedicated to the purpose. The group has developed and launched its Facebook page aimed at 13 - 19 year olds. The page is designed to allow young people to find out what is going on for them in the village and to give their ideas for facilities and events.

Support provided by the Council includes:

- Funding for the Burwell library for the Summer Reading Challenge 2013. The challenge for children of primary school age is to read a target number of books before the start of the new term. This year's challenge theme is 'Creepy House'. Good luck to everyone planning to take part.
- Funding towards the Connections Bus Project which provides a mobile drip-in youth facility (bus) supporting young people in Burwell and surrounding villages.
- Discount to youth groups and societies for use of Parish Council controlled amenities including Mandeville Hall and Gardiner Memorial Hall.
- Provision and maintenance of recreation grounds throughout the village

If you are involved in a Youth group in the village and would like to learn more about how the Parish Council might support you please contact the Parish Clerk.





The Minibus Service to Ely run twice monthly by the Parish Council in partnership with Dial-a-Ride is set to improve. New times, effective from April, will extend the time in Ely to 3 hours on one of the trips each month while the second will remain at 2 hours.

A drop-off and pick-up point at the new Sainsburys store and also Ely Market is to be introduced also.

The minibus service is open to everyone in the village and costs just £5 return (£2.50 with bus pass). It runs on the first and third Thursdays of each month. To book a place or for more information call Dial-a-Ride on 01353 661161.

CONSULTATION EVENT CONCERNING SOLAR FARM PROJECT

The Parish Council last month heard details of an idea for a solar farm on grade two agricultural land at the end of Heath Road facing the A14.

No formal plans have yet been entered for this project. As Council recommended the agents, Pike Associates, are planning a consultation to tell local people the details of the plans and allow them to make their comments. This is planned for **Wednesday**, 14th **August** at **Mandeville Hall** from 4pm - 7pm. Residents are encouraged to attend.

BURWELL FIRE STATION

A new fire station in Burwell combining services from Burwell and Swaffham Bulbeck has gained approval from the majority of people who responded to a recent survey. More than 150 people said they agreed with the plans while just 18 people responded against the plans.

However, a petition in protest against the new fire station was handed in at a meeting of Swaffham Bulbeck Parish Council two weeks after the

consultation had closed. Burwell Parish Council was strongly in favour of the new fire station which would see the present station move to a larger site in Reach Road and also gain a new training area.



CONTACTING THE COUNCIL

- The Parish Office is open every week day morning from 9.00am 1.00pm
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- Web-site: <u>www.burwellparishcouncil.gov.uk/</u>
- Contact details for all Councillors are published on the notice board at the Jubilee Reading Rooms and on the website.