

Burwell Parish Council Newsletter

October 2013

WORK AT JUBILEE READING ROOM

Building work is ongoing 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. Please be aware that the October Parish Council meetings will be held in Mandeville Hall as a result.

DIARY DATES

Tues 8 Oct 7.30pm Tues 29 Oct 7.30pm Full Parish Council Mandeville Hall 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

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Parish Council were delighted to provide funding towards the 2013 Summer Reading Challenge and to be asked to present certificates and medals to those who had completed the challenge.



Joan Lonsdale, Vice Chair of the Parish Council and Cllr. David Brown attended the award ceremony at Burwell Library on Friday, 20th September. Over a dozen children received their reward for completing the challenge and most believed they were better readers now. Well done to everyone involved!

MULTI-PURPOSE SPORTS COURT

The Parish Council is looking into the possibility of putting a multi-purpose sports court on the Recreation Ground. If all goes to plan the facility could be in place by next summer. The council would be pleased to hear from any groups or sports teams that would be interested in using the court.

SPEEDWATCH - VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The Speedwatch scheme, run by volunteers in conjunction with Cambridge Constabulary and the



Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Road Safety Partnership, allows the public to get actively involved in monitoring the speed of vehicles travelling through their neighbourhood. Registered owners of vehicles seen exceeding the speed limit, as determined by speed indicator devices operated by trained volunteers, are sent an advisory letter from their local neighbourhood policing team, explaining that speeding is unacceptable to the local community. In addition information from Speedwatch activity can be

supplied to the Highways Agency when speeding is identified by residents as a concern on roads within and through the village.

Burwell Parish Council are looking to re-launch the Speedwatch scheme that started over 4 years ago in the village. The scheme has been operated by a small group of volunteers under the coordination of a Parish Councillor. In order that the scheme can successfully operate we are looking for further volunteers.

Volunteers will be fully trained to assist with the sessions which usually last around 1 to 2 hours and can be operated on any day of the week within daylight hours and depending on volunteer availability. Also sought are volunteers to act as Speedwatch session Coordinators - to arrange and oversee individual sessions. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Clerk in the first instance.

COUNCIL WEBSITE

The Parish Council website has been improved and updated in the last couple of months. We would welcome your comments on the new look.

If you wish to be included as a link on the 'Useful Links' page please contact the Parish Clerk.

The Minibus Service to Ely run twice monthly by the Parish Council in partnership with Dial-a-Ride introduced a new timetable in April that has been well received.



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.

CONTACTING THE COUNCIL

- The Parish Office is open every week day morning from 9.00am 1.00pm
- E-mail: burwellpc@btconnect.com
- Telephone: 01638 743142
- Letter: Burwell Parish Council, Jubilee Reading Room, 99 The Causeway, Burwell CB25 0DU
- 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.