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GM Parish Council Update

Our next full meeting will be held on 20th March at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. All parishioners are welcome.

Parish Council Vacancy

If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor, please contact the clerk, who would be happy to provide further information.

Village Website – Can you help?

The Parish Council would be most grateful for a volunteer to oversee our village website and check that information is current and up to date, by liaising with the page owners etc. This is a voluntary role, however full training on the back office will be provided.

This would not be more than a couple of hours per quarter. If anyone is interested in helping, please could you contact the Clerk.

Ashwell's Famous Flea Market
"Weird and wonderful things for sale"
Saturday 4 March 2023



09.30 to 13.00 at St Mary's Church, Ashwell
Free Entry - Tea and Coffee will be available

Guilden Morden Congregational Church Diary

www.guildenmordencongregationalchurch.com

Following the fire in the Chapel there are no services or meetings able to take place on the premises until later in April. The information below is our best forecast at this moment, but please visit our website (see above) for the most up to date information.

Wed 1st Mar	09.00 to 11.00 Baby and Toddlers Group, meeting in the village hall.
Friday 3rd March	14.00 World Day of Prayer Service at Litlington Chapel
Sunday 5th Mar	10.30 Café style service, to be held at Guilden Morden Primary School. Come and join us for refreshments in our relaxed style of worship. All welcome.
Monday 6th Mar	10.30 Men's Guild, meeting in the village hall
Tuesday 7th Mar	14.00 COGS, meeting in the village hall
Wed 8th Mar	9.00 to 11.00 Baby and Toddlers Group, meeting in the village hall.
Sunday 12th Mar	11.00 Joint service at Litlington.
Wed 15th Mar	09.00 to 11.00 Baby and Toddlers Group, meeting in the village hall.
Sunday 19th Mar	10.30 Joint service with St Mary's at GM Primary School
Wed 22nd Mar	09.00 to 11.00 Baby and Toddlers Group, meeting in the village hall.
Sunday 26th Mar	10.30 Joint communion service with Litlington at GM Primary School

Other group meetings:	Locations TBA
Bridge Club	Mondays at 19.30
Knit and Natter	Alternate Tuesdays at 10.00 (village hall)
Local History Group	Wednesday 1 st March (SM village hall)
Film Club	Friday 17 th March (SM village hall)

Home group Zoom meetings Tuesdays 20.00
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Editorial

At last, spring is in the air and a few events are starting to come out of hibernation.

The team at Neighbourhood Watch continue to watch out for local crime and there is an article on preventing catalytic converter theft.

Have a great month.

Mike Allton - Editor



Catalytic Converter Theft

We've been visiting scrap merchants across the county as part of our work around metal theft and most recently in response to the high numbers of catalytic converter thefts.

Our Rural Crime Action Team work alongside the Environment Agency and local authorities to carry out the visits:

Ensuring they have the correct licences, checking they are keeping a complete record of all scrap metal bought, reminding them it is an offence to buy scrap metal for cash and looking for any signs of stolen metal.

If you suspect anyone is dealing illegally in scrap metal, report it to police or your local authority.

It takes just minutes to remove a catalytic converter and on many occasions victims are unaware their vehicle has been targeted even though it was sat on their driveway.

We're generally seeing groups of three or four men, wearing balaclavas and gloves, jacking up vehicles and using an angle grinder to cut out the catalytic converter.

Please do not approach these people as they are known to carry weapons.

Instead call us on 999 and provide as much information as you can about the vehicle they are using, in particular the make, model and colour.

Remember:

👁️ If you see a car jacked up

👂 If you hear the sound of metal being cut

❌ It's likely a catalytic converter theft is taking place

☎️ Call us on 999



A HUGE THANK YOU

To all of you for your many kind messages and lovely gifts to mark our retirement, Carol and I were overwhelmed by your generosity.

Our last day was made very special by those of you who came along to celebrate my 36 years, and Carol's 22 years, of service in the Post Office

Tricia and Carol

The Mordens WI are a small, friendly group of ladies meeting on the third Thursday of the month, usually in Guilden Morden Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

We have a wide variety of activities to choose from and interesting speakers throughout the year.

On March 16th our speaker, Stephen Stackhouse, will tell us about "Life in a 1970s five-star hotel kitchen."

If you would like to join us, or to know more about The Mordens WI, please contact Joyce on 01763 852087. Transport can be arranged.

Celebrating Voices Concert

Home-Start invites you to join us for our 40th anniversary concert, 'Celebrating Voices', led by the wonderful Linda Bance, on Saturday, 4th of March.

Come and enjoy a brilliant mix of singing styles from four local choirs - Foxton Singers, Lift Off Choir, Reed Choir and WomenSing Choir. Our amazing poet-in-residence, Jude Simpson, will be hosting the event, and local author, Sarah Harrison, will join us to recite one of her poems.

The concert will be held at St John the Baptist parish church, Royston, SG8 9LG; doors open at 6:45 pm for a 7:30 pm start. There will be a licensed bar available and a raffle. There is free parking at the health centre car park opposite the church.

And just by booking your ticket(s), you are helping Home-Start continue their work supporting local families in the community – so thank you!

Tickets cost £10 for adults, £7 for under 13s. To book your tickets, please call 01763 262262 or email events@hsrsc.org.uk, or you can book online here: [40th Anniversary Concert - Celebrating Voices](#)



THE THREE TUNS

Guilden Morden



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Saturday 4th March

'Pimp my Fish' - Fish & Chips Van
Pub and food from 5.30 pm



Friday 10th March

Italian filled focaccias
Pub and food from 5.30 pm



Saturday 19th March - Mother's Day Lunch

Two-course Sunday lunch

Catering by 'The Stove' in Bourn
Pub open from midday, food until 2.30 pm

email bookings only:
sarah@thekitchenbakery.co.uk



Saturday 1st April

Christy's Kitchen Presents:
'One Night in Tokyo' - Japanese Food Evening at 7 pm

Book via the link below:

<https://bookwhen.com/chrityskitchen/e/ev-sy7q-20230401190000>

