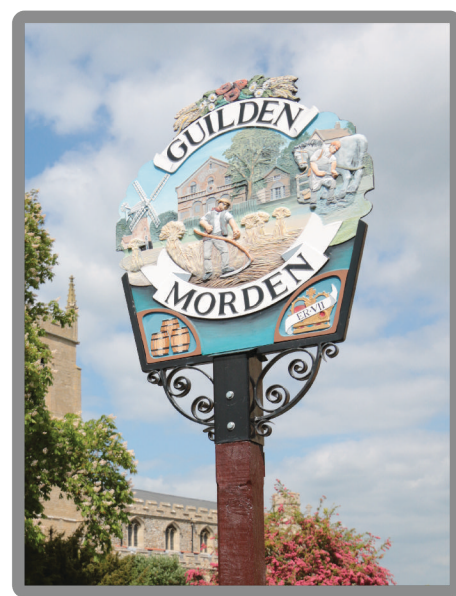


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DECEMBER '22



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GM Parish Council Update

Our next planning meeting will be held on 19th December 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.



Reg.Charity: 1056864



WHEELS FOR MARTIN'S FRIENDS

GRAND CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



First Prize - A Luxury Christmas Hamper

Lots of prizes, including a Round of Golf for Four at the John O'Gaunt Golf Club, Family Dinner at The Pig & Abbot, Wines and Spirits, Luxury Cosmetics, Seasonal Gifts and much more ...

The draw takes place in The Edward VII on the evening of Wednesday 21st December from 8pm. Why not join us for a drink to celebrate another successful year.

Tickets available now, priced at £1 each - Available from The Edward VII, Sarah's Farm Shop, Steeple PO and any WFMF Committee member.

Purchase tickets online - email pjfurmston@btinternet.com stating the number of tickets required with the reference 'raffle'.

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Editorial

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to gamut this year. Let me be the first to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy new Year.

Please note that the next gamut will be February 2023. Copy by 25th January please.

Mike Allton - Editor



TICKETS £10



WWW.WEGOTTICKETS.COM/EVENT/559010

We are delighted to announce the big reveal of the '**Recycling Christmas**' project which will take place on Sunday 4th December in the morning.

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| Sunday 4th Dec | 10.30 Café style service, and reveal of recycling project. Come and join us for croissants and coffee in our relaxed style of worship. All welcome. |
| Monday 5th Dec | 10.30 Men's Guild in the Schoolroom |
| Wed 7th Dec | 09.00 – 11.00 Mix and Match for parents and toddlers |
| Sunday 11th Dec | 16.00 – 17.00 Carol singing followed by refreshments |
| Wed 14th Dec | 09.00 - 11.00 Mix and Match for parents and toddlers |
| Sunday 18th Dec | 10.30 Joint communion service with St Mary's in the Chapel
15.00 Carol service at Litlington |
| Tuesday 20th Dec | 14.00 COGS Christmas Party |
| Wed 21st Dec | 09.00 - 11.00 Mix and Match for parents and toddlers |
| Sat 24th Dec | 16.00 Carols by Candlelight, followed by mince pies and mulled wine |

Other group meetings:

Bridge Club	Mondays at 19.30pm
Knit and Natter	Alternate Tuesdays at 10.00am from 13 th Dec
Local History Group	Tuesday 6 th Dec at 15.00pm

Home group Zoom meetings Tuesdays 20.00
Contact Amanda for details ajgenieman@gmail.com

January 2023

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| Sunday 1st Jan | 15.00 Café style afternoon service. Come and join us for tea and cakes in our relaxed style of worship. All welcome |
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Wed 4th Jan **09.00 – 11.00** Mix and Match for parents and toddlers

Sunday 8th Jan **TBC** Joint Ecumenical Service.

Monday 9th Jan **10.30** Men's Guild in the Schoolroom

Wed 11th Jan **09.00 – 11.00** Mix and Match for parents and toddlers

Sunday 15th Jan **10.30** Songs of Praise

Tuesday 17th Jan **14.00** COGS

Wed 18th Jan **09.00 – 11.00** Mix and Match for parents and toddlers



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.

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

In December we will hold our Christmas meal at a local venue.

In January our speaker will be Mr John Flood with a talk about the history of the Cambridge Folk Museum.

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.

Steeple Morden Post Office Closure

The Steeple Morden Post Office counter will close for the last time on Tuesday 31st January 2023.

The time has come for me to retire, or at least not have so much responsibility.

Carol and I haven't made this decision lightly and it will indeed be a sad occasion - but I hope you will all understand.

Your nearest Post Office will now be in Litlington.

The village shop and garage reception will continue to remain open as normal.

Tricia Covington



COPY TO THE EDITOR BY THE 25TH PLEASE



PEOPLE EXPERIENCE STREET HARASSMENT MORE THAN ANY OTHER CRIME

A quarter (23%) of respondents to the Neighbourhood Watch Crime and Community Survey 2022 (25,293 total responses) had experienced a crime in the past 12 months.

Being harassed, threatened or verbally abused in the street is the crime most experienced (36%) – more than any other crime. This is unchanged from the past two years (36% in 2021 and 33% in 2020). Over eight in ten (82%) of all respondents worry about street harassment as a national issue.

Neighbourhood Watch is working in partnership with Police forces around the UK to encourage bystanders to actively and safely intervene when witnessing street harassment.

Shockingly one-quarter (23%) of over 25,000 people who responded to the Neighbourhood Watch Crime and Community Survey 2022 (25,293 total responses) experienced a crime in the past year. Even more concerning than that is that the crime most experienced (36%) was being harassed, threatened, or verbally abused in the street – this is unchanged from the past two years (36% in 2021 and 33% in 2020). Over four-fifths (82%) of all respondents worry about street harassment as a national issue.

Neighbourhood Watch believes the high incidents of street harassment are partly down to the everyday nature of the crimes and incidents and the fact that they are deeply ingrained and tolerated within our culture. The national charity is calling on bystanders to do more to **safely** intervene when they witness it.

The crime-prevention charity launched a campaign encouraging bystanders, when it is safe to do so, to ask **'are you okay?'** to the victim when they witness street harassment. The campaign generated thousands of comments online, both for and against intervention, with many people wanting to know more about what is meant by safe intervention."

Grateful thanks to all those from Guilden Morden who came to the 'Music for Peace' concert in Steeple Morden church on Sunday evening, November 6th.

The New Cambridge Singers were in fine voice with a varied programme of Eastern European music.

The highlight of the evening however, was a very moving presentation from **Sofia Pavlichenko**, who lives together with her family in Guilden Morden, after which she sang a most beautiful song with background accompaniment from the choir.

As a result of everyone's generosity the retiring Collection raised **£945** for the **DEC Ukraine Appeal**.

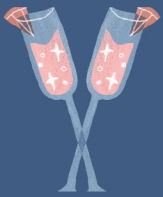


*Merry Christmas
and a Happy New
Year to you all*

THE THREE TUNS

Guilden Morden

POP UPS



Friday 2nd December

'Grab a Burger' Food Van
Pub and food open from 5.30pm

Saturday 17th December

'BB Pizza Van' from Ashwell
Pub and food open from 5.30pm

Friday 23rd December

Christmas Carols around the Piano
Mulled Wine, Mince Pies and Sausage Rolls
Pub and food open from 5.30pm

Christmas Day

Pub open from 11am to 1pm

Saturday 7th January* 2023

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

(*It was on Friday 6th, but it is now on Saturday 7th)