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THE GULDEN MORDEN VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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**Editorial**

If you're planning an event in the forthcoming months, please send me your advert and I'll publish it in the next edition.

December deadline - 25<sup>th</sup> November.

Mike Allton

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### Parish Council Meetings

Guilden Morden Parish Council meets approximately every four weeks in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm on the third Monday of each month.

The meetings alternate between full and planning meetings.

The next meetings are:

**November 17 - full meeting**

**December 15 - Planning meeting**

If you would like to become a member of the Parish Council, please contact the clerk, Ben Stoehr, at the email address shown on this page.



We 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.

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

As we head into the busy (and brilliantly festive!) season, we have lots of exciting events coming up — and as always, we'd love your help to make them a success.

♥ **Raffle Prizes Needed** - We're putting together prizes for our upcoming raffles and would be grateful for any donations of wine, beer, chocolate, and nice, usable unwanted gifts.

Please note: we can only accept complete toiletry sets (no individual items, please).

👥 **Volunteers Needed – Can You Help?** We have several events where an extra pair of hands would make a big difference:

🧠 **Quiz Night, Melbourn Springs Care Home**

Thursday 13th November, 6.30 pm for 7 pm start. Help us run a fun and friendly community quiz night.

🌿 **Christmas Door Decoration Workshop**

Monday 1st December, 10.30 am – 12.30 pm at Royston Bowling Club. We're also looking for volunteers to help Chris Carter collect foliage in advance of the event.

🎅 **Quiz Night, The British Queen, Meldreth**

Tuesday 9th December. Join the fun and help us host another great evening in support of local families.

Your support, whether through volunteering, donating prizes, or simply spreading the word, helps Home-Start RBSC continue supporting families across Royston, Buntingford and South Cambridgeshire, when they need it most.





## ASHWELL AND BASSINGBOURN PATIENTS GROUP

### NOTES FROM OUR SEPTEMBER MEETING

We have recently said goodbye to two valued members of our dispensary team, Julie and Tammy. We thanked them for their loyal service and wished them well for the future. Our newly recruited dispenser, Dorcas, will be joining us shortly.

We are pleased to welcome Dr Nisha to our clinical team. Until recently, she was one of our registrars and is now being funded by our Primary Care Network (association of local practices) to work for us, and Baldock surgery, bringing much-needed extra appointments to our rotas.

There was a long discussion about the Government's new requirement for online appointment forms to be available all day when practices are open. The facility up until now has been withdrawn, once daily capacity is reached. We are not sure how best to manage this change, which comes with no additional resources. The British Medical Association has expressed grave concerns about patient safety if the GPs reviewing (triaging) these forms suffer from overload fatigue, and they are considering industrial action.

A charity is due to supply wheelchairs to our surgeries for use by patients who arrive by car and who are in need of such assistance. This will save the unloading and loading of personal wheelchairs.

Electronic tablets should soon be available in our surgeries and one of our patients has agreed to help with installing them. These are being offered to assist patients who do not have internet access or who wish to communicate with reception discreetly.

Earwax removal is available under the NHS at Sollershott Surgery in Letchworth, appointments are made via our reception staff. There is also a private provider- "Cleaner Ears" - based in Arlesey.

The Ashwell Frailty Hub continues to thrive and new members are always welcome.

## The Big Give Christmas Challenge 2025

Save the Date!

The Big Give Christmas Challenge 2025. Help us double the support for local families!

We're excited to announce that Home-Start Royston, Buntingford & South Cambridgeshire is taking part in The Big Give Christmas Challenge 2025.

From noon on Tuesday, 2 December to midday Tuesday, 9 December, every donation made will be doubled, helping us reach our goal of **£10,000** to support local families facing hardship.

This Christmas Challenge is the perfect time to maximise your impact and make twice the difference to those who need it most. Whether it's isolation, financial crisis, or mental health struggles, your donation will go twice as far in helping local families.

Please save the date, spread the word, and join us in doubling the support for families this Christmas. Every donation made during the challenge week will help transform lives in our local community.



**Royston, Buntingford &  
South Cambridgeshire**



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