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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:

**August 17<sup>th</sup> - Planning Meeting**

**September 21<sup>st</sup> - Full Meeting**

**October 19<sup>th</sup> - Planning Meeting**

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

Please continue to report pot holes as you see them, this can be done online at:

[highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk](http://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

If you have any issues with reporting pot holes, please also contact Heather Williams, District Councillor, who will be happy to assist you.

### Editor:

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### Village Website:

[www.guildenmorden.gov.uk](http://www.guildenmorden.gov.uk)

### Parish Council Clerk:

[clerk@guildenmorden.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@guildenmorden.gov.uk)

### Editorial

If you have any events planned for the year, please forward them to the editor.

The next issue is in October, so the deadline is the 25<sup>th</sup> September.

*Mike Allton*  
Editor

# Food Fayre Guilden Morden St. Mary's Church

**Saturday  
3rd October 2026  
10am-1pm**

'Local produce from  
local people'

**BREAKFAST ROLLS  
FROM 10.00-11.00  
LUNCH FROM NOON**

**STALL HOLDERS  
PLEASE EMAIL  
GUILDENMORDENEVENTS  
@GMAIL.COM  
TO REGISTER INTEREST**



## ASHWELL AND BASSINGBOURN PATIENTS GROUP

### NOTES FROM OUR MEETING IN JULY 2026

- A very warm welcome to Anna Genda who has been nominated by Ashwell School PTA to represent parents and younger children on our group.
- We were also delighted to welcome Shalini, our Dispensary Lead. She explained that there had been some glitches with our village pharmacies concerning repeat prescriptions. She is due to meet Dhaval (Ashwell Pharmacy) and Caroline (Bassingbourn Pharmacy) to iron these out.
- We were very sorry to see our much-valued nurse Margaret retire. We wish her retirement and welcome nurse Nicola who has replaced her.
- We had hoped to welcome Kyle Gall-Gray, our local coordinator for First Responders but he was away so we hope he will join us in September.
- Our annual Patient Survey is now closed, and we are busy analysing the results. Thanks to all those who participated.
- Work is almost completed on our "Patients Guide To Ashwell Surgery". This is primarily for new patients and staff members with the aim of providing all the information they need in at-a-glance format.
- Ashwell Wellbeing hub continues to thrive. If you, or anyone you know, can't get up from a chair without using your arms, have difficulty in removing lids from jars or lack confidence in walking then the hub is for you. Thursday afternoons at Ashwell URC hall.
- The pressure is still on to cope with the volume of online appointment requests. We receive approx 170 in a day. All are reviewed by one of our GPs who decide on the urgency of each case and on the best response. Appointments can be offered on the day, or at a later date, depending on urgency. Patients may be advised to go to a pharmacy, an Urgent Care Centre or A&E, as the GP deems appropriate.
- Ava and Carrie, our two Doctor's Assistants, explained our new process for dealing with patients with long-term conditions (LTCs). These are being contacted in their birth month for a meeting with Mads, our Health Care Assistant, who will carry out a number of tests. The results will be reviewed by a GP who will decide whether any further action is required.
- We were sad to learn that Dr Martin Hoffman has left the village to be closer to his daughter. Martin was well-known and highly respected not only for his long service as a GP but for his involvement in many aspects of village life. We send him every good wish.
- Our next meeting will be in September.



## Guilden Morden Congregational Church Diary

[www.guilden-morden-congregational-church.weebly.com](http://www.guilden-morden-congregational-church.weebly.com)

Every Friday at 10.00am in the Chapel you are also welcome to join an informal gathering of those praying for our villages and our world.

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| <b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>  | <b>3.00pm</b> Circuit Songs of Praise service at Litlington Congregational Church<br>(please note no morning service)                                                        |
| <b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>  | <b>10.30 – 12.00</b> Men's Guild<br><b>9.30 - 11.30am</b> Open Church. Come and have a chat with our minister, Tony<br><b>7.00 for 7.30pm</b> Local Vocals sponsored by GMCC |
| <b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Sep</b> | <b>2.00 – 4.00pm</b> COGS                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>     | <b>9.00 – 11.30am</b> Fun4Tots                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Sep</b> | <b>11.00am</b> Joint at Litlington Congregational Church led by Mrs Fiona Davis                                                                                              |
| <b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Sep</b> | <b>9.30 - 11.30am</b> Open Church. Come and have a chat with our minister, Tony<br><b>7.00 for 7.30pm</b> Local Vocals sponsored by GMCC                                     |
| <b>Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>    | <b>9.00 – 11.30am</b> Fun4Tots                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Sep</b> | <b>10.30am</b> Joint service with St Mary's at the chapel                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> Sep</b> | <b>9.30 - 11.30am</b> Open Church. Come and have a chat with our minister, Tony<br><b>7.00 for 7.30pm</b> Local Vocals sponsored by GMCC                                     |
| <b>Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Sep</b>    | <b>9.00 – 11.30am</b> Fun4Tots                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Sep</b> | <b>10.30am Harvest Festival</b> Joint service with Litlington Congregational Church at the chapel including communion                                                        |
| <b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> Sep</b> | <b>9.30 - 11.30am</b> Open Church. Come and have a chat with our minister, Tony<br><b>7.00 for 7.30pm</b> Local Vocals sponsored by GMCC                                     |
| <b>Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Sep</b>    | <b>9.00 – 11.30am</b> Fun4Tots                                                                                                                                               |

## Other Group Meetings

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| Bridge Club      | Mondays at 19.30                                       |
| Community Choir  | Mondays at 19.00 for a 19.30 start (term time)         |
| History Group    | Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September at SM Village Hall |
| Knit and Natter  | Every other Tuesday                                    |
| Needle Bees      | Every second Thursday, 19.30 - 22.00                   |
| Photography Club | First Thursday of the month 19.00 - 21.00              |

Home Group Zoom and face-to-face meetings - Tuesdays at 19:45  
Contact Emily for details to: [tonyfrost.gmcc@gmail.com](mailto:tonyfrost.gmcc@gmail.com)

Anyone wishing to book the rooms for social activities please contact  
Gina Ferrari [ginaferrari57@gmail.com](mailto:ginaferrari57@gmail.com)

## Home-Start Volunteer Training Course – Last Few Places Available!

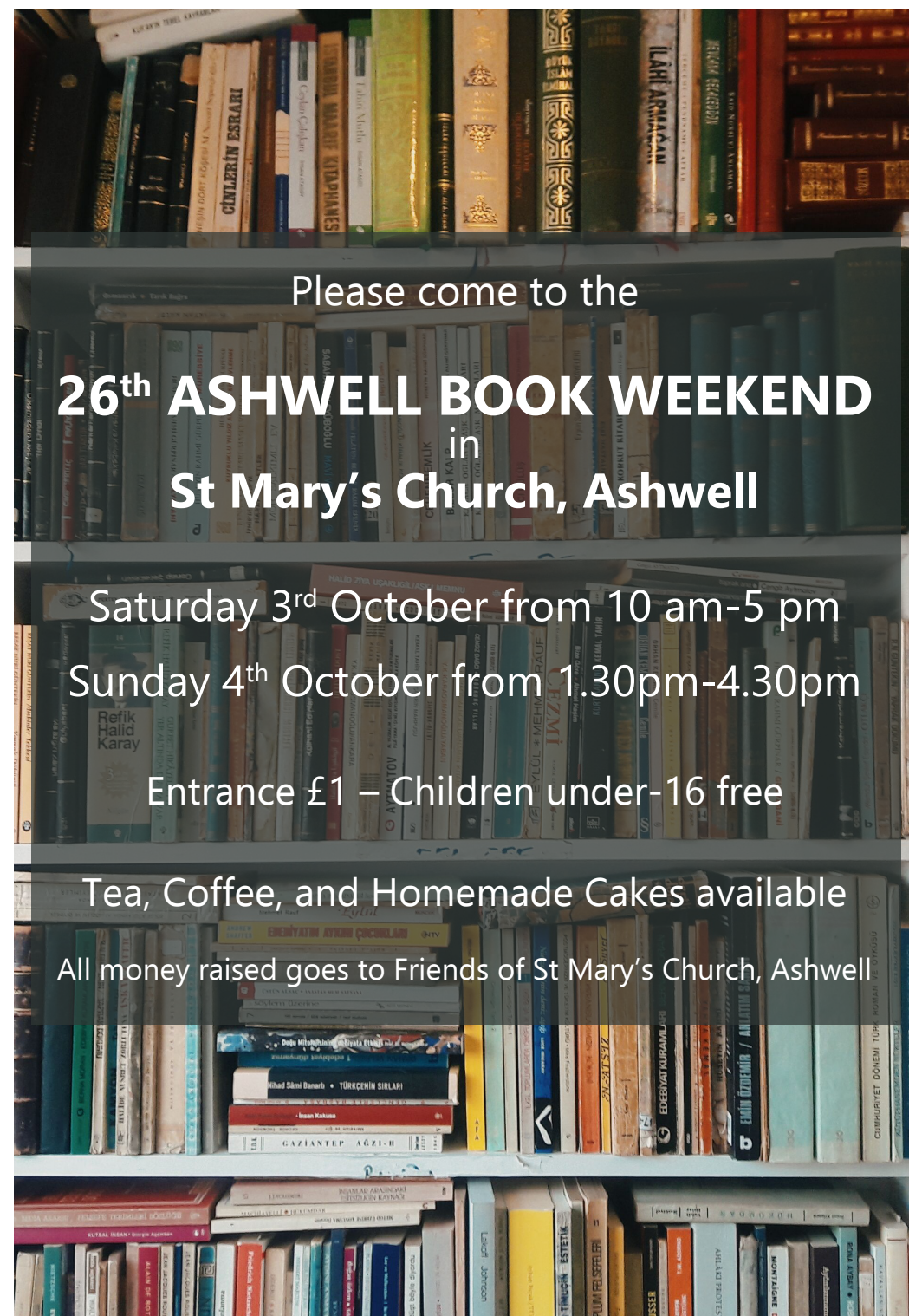
Could you spare a little time to help a local family? Home-Start Royston, Buntingford & South Cambridgeshire is looking for people with parenting, childcare or care-giving experience to become Home-Visiting Volunteers.

Our volunteers offer friendship, encouragement, and practical support to families with young children who may be going through a difficult time. Just a few hours a week can make a lasting difference.

Our next **free Home-Visiting Volunteer Training Course** starts on **Monday 21 September** and runs for **five consecutive Mondays, from 9.30am to 2.30pm.**

**A few places are still available.** To find out more or book your place, call **01763 262262** or email [admin@hsrsc.org.uk](mailto:admin@hsrsc.org.uk).

**Home  
Start**  
Support and friendship  
for families



## Please come to the **26<sup>th</sup> ASHWELL BOOK WEEKEND** in **St Mary's Church, Ashwell**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October from 10 am-5 pm  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October from 1.30pm-4.30pm

Entrance £1 – Children under-16 free

Tea, Coffee, and Homemade Cakes available

All money raised goes to Friends of St Mary's Church, Ashwell

# 150 Years Ago in The Mordens

Come and See How We Lived in the 1870s



Sept 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>

Guilden Morden

Congregational Church

Sept 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

Steeple Morden

Village Hall

10 am to 4 pm - Free Entry - Refreshments

An Exhibition from the Mordens Local History group