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THE GUILDEN MORDEN VILLAGE NEWSLETTER



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Editorial

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

The deadline for the December issue is the 25th November. There will be no January 2027 Issue.

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 16th - Full Meeting
December 21st - Planning Meeting
January 18th - Full 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

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



LIGHT THE NIGHT



GUILDEN MORDEN ADVENT WINDOWS 2026

December sees the return of 'Light the Night' Advent calendar window event in Guilden Morden. It begins on 1st Dec and will run for each night of Advent. Each night one of the 24 windows will be unveiled at 5pm. These windows will then remain lit through Advent until 30th Dec to give everyone a chance to see the wonderful creativity.

More information and maps will be available next month, on local Facebook groups and from village pubs, farm shop and telephone box libraries

Time to choose

REAL CHRISTMAS TREES

At 101, High Street, Guilden Morden

Reserve now for collection as required
or freshly dug on 12th December

Charles and Maggie Paget-Wilkes
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ASHWELL AND BASSINGBOURN PATIENTS GROUP



Notes from our September Meeting

- We have new nurse to replace Nurse Margaret who has retired. Nurse Nicola is looking forward to seeing you when her help is needed.
- We are aware that some patients have experienced problems with repeat prescription orders. Hopefully, any glitches will be ironed out.
- Are you a patient with a long-term condition (LTC)? We are inviting LTC patients to come for an annual medical review in their birth month. This will involve a meeting with our Health Care Assistant, who will carry out checks including a blood test. If the results require following-up, an appointment with Dr Hasham or Dr Howe will be made.
- The Ashwell Community Hub is thriving. Sessions are on Thursday afternoons in the URC Hall and are open to people who would benefit from gentle exercise and socialising.
- Concerns have been raised about the lack of privacy at the reception and dispensary windows. These have now been removed so it is easier to have a quiet and more private conversation.
- We recently held one of our Q&A sessions in Bassingbourn at the over-65s club. These are lively interactive events where patients can raise concerns with our medical and admin staff. Our next one will be in Guilden Morden. If your organisation would like to host one of these sessions, please ring Peter Chapman on 01462 742977.
- One issue raised at the Bassingbourn Q&A session was blood tests requested by Addenbrookes. The blood testing service available to patients at Ashwell Surgery is provided by an independent company who do not have a contract with Addebrookes. This means that blood tests required by consultants must be carried out at one of the hospital's blood testing facilities. We understand that this may be inconvenient for our patients but sadly it is beyond our control.
- As you know, appointments need to be made using the online form. Not all patients are comfortable using computers. Remember, you can ask reception to help you to complete the form either in person or by phone. There are tablets in the waiting rooms for this purpose.

Guilden Morden Congregational Church Diary

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.

Monday 2nd Nov	**10.30 – 12.00** Men's Guild **9.30 - 11.30am** Open Church. Come and have a chat with our minister, Tony **7.00 for 7.30pm** Local Vocals sponsored by GMCC
Tuesday 3rd Nov	**2.00 – 4.00pm** COGS
Wed 4th Nov	**9.00 – 10.45am** Fun4Tots
Sunday 8th Nov	**9.55am Remembrance Ceremony** (RBL) only at Guilden Morden **10.55am Remembrance Ceremony and Service** at St Catherine's Litlington
Monday 9th Nov	**9.30 - 11.30am** Open Church. Come and have a chat with our minister, Tony **7.00 for 7.30pm** Local Vocals sponsored by GMCC
Wed 11th Nov	**9.00 – 10.45am** Fun4Tots
Sunday 15th Nov	**10.30am** Joint service with St Mary's at the chapel
Monday 16th Nov	**9.30 - 11.30am** Open Church. Come and have a chat with our minister, Tony **7.00 for 7.30pm** Local Vocals sponsored by GMCC
Wed 19th Nov	**9.00 – 10.45am** Fun4Tots
Sunday 22nd Nov	**10.30am** Service led by Mr David Freeman
Monday 23rd Nov	**7.00 for 7.30pm** Local Vocals sponsored by GMCC
Wed 25h Nov	**9.00 – 10.45am** Fun4Tots
Sunday 30th Nov	**10.30am** Joint communion service with Litlington Congregational Church at the chapel (First Sunday of Advent) led by Tony Frost

Other Group Meetings

Bridge Club	Mondays at 19.30
Community Choir	Mondays at 19.00 for a 19.30 start (term time)
Knit and Natter	Every other Tuesday
History Group	Wednesday 4th September at SM Village Hall
COGS	First Tuesday of every month 14.00 - 16.00 Contact pauline.robbins@btinternet.com
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

Anyone wishing to book the rooms for social activities please contact Gina Ferrari ginaferrari57@gmail.com

Support Families Your Way

We know the way people support charities is changing. Time is precious, budgets are stretched and fundraising events aren't always going to suit everyone.

That's why we've launched **Support Families Your Way**, giving you the choice to support local families in a way that works for you. You might wish to join us at one of our fundraising events, such as our upcoming **Crackin' Christmas Quiz on Friday 20 November at 7pm at Meldreth Village Hall**, or perhaps a small amount each month suits you better. Even £5 a month can make a lasting difference.

So, whether you fancy putting your festive knowledge to the test with friends or would rather give a little each month, you'll be helping us be there for local families when they need us most.

Are you ready to support families your way? Visit www.hsrsc.org.uk/support-families-your-way to book our **Crackin' Christmas Quiz**, give monthly or simply find out more. You can also call us on **01763 262262.**

Home Start
Support and friendship for families



