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CAMPS REVIEW



Front Cover Story

Jilly Cunningham - Shudy Camps Artist

The acquisition of my sculpture portrait of Benjamin Zephaniah by the National Portrait Gallery.

By way of an explanation..

I studied sculpture for 4 years in London. After qualifying I had absolutely no idea how I was going to earn a living.

Why buck the trend of an artist starving in her garret... ?

It happened that after a visit to Madame Tussauds in London... I was unimpressed with the 'waxy' dead looking figures, of course they are wax!

I devised a plan. I thought an 'Alternative Tussauds' might be a possibility.

I set about finding the addresses of my own personal favourite cultural legends. This was not at all easy but I did locate a few. Benjamin was one who was happy to have his portrait made by me. It was to have poems and a mic included on the sculpture.

I never got to have my 'Alternative Tussauds' it was outside anything I could afford, but I did continue making portraits of interesting people.

After the death of Benjamin Zephaniah I decided I would approach the National Portrait Gallery, offering Ben as a gift. He was a black person who influenced many with his unique poetry, acting, music, and no compromise attitude, fun nature, and a person to be respected. The National Portrait Gallery are now more open to the achievements of their British born black nationals, so I was optimistic.

After 3 committees & many emails and 2 viewings of the sculpture the National Portrait Gallery accepted him to be included in their permanent collection. They sent professional packers and a private van to collect him!

I can't wait to see him at The National Portrait Gallery.

To see more of my portraits and art please visit:
[www. jillycunningham.com](http://www.jillycunningham.com)

Jilly Cunningham - Resident of Shudy Camps

Dear Readers

Welcome to the latest edition of the **Camps Review** and welcome to 2025.

If like me you,
....are relieved that we have reached the end of dry January (well partially dry at least),
....are still trying to retain some vestige of those New Year resolutions that were made in full sincerity but now seem rather more foolhardy,
....have just about devoured all of the Christmas snacks that were bought in abundance to fuel us through the festive season,
.... and have exchanged all those well intentioned but mis-judged presents.

Well, we can now all look forward to February,
....the shortest month of the year, when the days start to get appreciably longer,
....knowing that we have turned the corner towards Spring,
....and once again we have a regular blue and green bin collection ! (Refer to back cover for details)

As ever, I hope that this edition makes enjoyable and informative reading

Nick

Go on, put your feet up... ...and I'll do the rest

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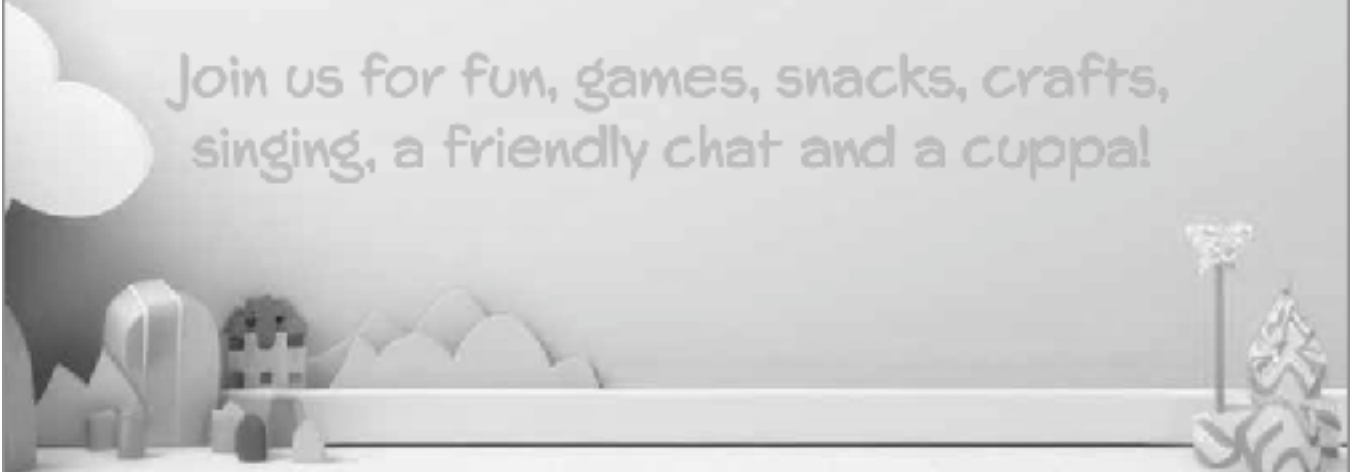


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Children's Activities

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CATS (Village Hall)	01440 762290 - Trevor Bishop
Toddler Group (VH)	01799 584785 - 9.15-11.15 Wednesdays (term time only)

Recreational Clubs

Bowls Club (Apr-Nov)	01799 584523 / 07444 232911 - Peter Cottage
Camps Community Choir	07766 101446 - Sara (Thursdays 7-9pm)
Gun Club	01799 584217
Yoga (VH and Zoom)	07794 882471 - Caroline Daunt
Yoga (VH)	07929 517085 - Liz
Art Club (VH)	01440 730035 - Sue Moss (alt. Thursdays 10.30-1.00pm)

Village Amenities

The Oak	01799 584207
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Mobile Post office	Thursdays 11.00-12.00 Outside Village Hall
Hanchett Toys	01799 584979
Saddlery, Horse & Pet Feeds	01799 584802
Castle Camps School	www.castlecampsschool.co.uk

Useful Contacts

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URC (Secretary)	
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News from Castle Camps Parish Council

On this cold but bright January morning we can reflect on Christmas just gone and the new year's future that is ahead of us. I hope and trust that the Christmas period passed happily and peacefully for the most of you and that we do not forget those others not so fortunate. The season is past and whilst we have had some very cold nights and days with a heavy snowfall it is getting a little warmer now as I can see the snowmen most ably and enthusiastically built are gradually melting and will soon be a memory, a fun memory.

After the festivities the holiday period being a great time to break out of the home, stretch our legs and enjoy a walk along some of the many and historical footpaths we are fortunate to have around us. Furthermore it was great to have the pub open over the holiday where the community had the opportunity to enjoy it's comfort and hospitable atmosphere. "Use it or Lose it" was the term and again we are fortunate to have The Oak P.H. at the heart of the village.

The new year brings with it an improved speed watch monitoring activity, pot holes being filled and flood areas being addressed, not all but most. There is still more work to be done. The Lakes development that has affected the footpath to the All Saints Church is being addressed as advised by our County Councillor. The new housing development at Old Orchard Grove is completed and we welcome the new residents to our community. The URC in the high street had a well attended and most enjoyable choral event, our thanks go to the Trustees , organising committee. not forgetting the benefactor who enabled this creation of a village central activity venue.

The Village Hall continues successfully with regular events promoted and organised by the committee and published within this review and throughout the village. There is a proposal for an F.A. supported football club for under elevens beginning in September but the stringent requirements and budget need to be defined and approved. The village Hall car park extension is still under discussion, quotes are in and being reviewed.

The Parish Council following consultation with The Highways office at South Cambs District Council have issued a footpaths and pathways policy advising of home and land owners responsibilities to keep the public paths adjoining their property clear and unhindered by overgrown hedges, bushes and trees. This policy can be found on the adjoining page.

John Biggs
Chair of the Parish



News from Castle Camps Parish Council

Policy and Procedure for dealing with highways obstructed by hedges, trees and vegetation

The public highway consists of any verge, pavement, road, byway or public footpath (referred to from now on as highway) whether or not maintained at public expense and over which the public has a right of way

The issue of hedges, trees and vegetation overhanging and obstructing the highway is a cause of complaints to the Parish Council from residents and this policy describes what the Parish Council will do, on its own instigation or on receipt of a complaint.

It is the responsibility of those households/landowners with trees and hedges adjacent to the highway, to keep them cut back so as not to obstruct others' rights of way and to give maximum vision for road safety.

The Parish Council will act should householders/landowners decline to take appropriate measures themselves, in a reasonable time scale.

The Highways Act 1980 obliges owners of hedges and trees not to obstruct the highway and whilst the Parish Council has no legal powers to enforce the issue, the County Council as the Highways Authority, does.

The Parish Council firmly believes that it is preferable for issues such as this to be resolved at a local level and enforcement action by the Highways Authority will be the last resort.

To that end, the Parish Council's Policy is:

- To promote awareness of the issue, through various forms of publicity including the website and Camps Review
- On receipt of a justified complaint, the Parish Clerk or a Councillor will speak to the landowner informally to ask them to cut the hedge, tree or vegetation back within 14 days if non urgent or sooner if creating an urgent hazard
- If remedial action is not taken the Parish Clerk will send a letter to the householder/landowner, which sets a further 14 days to comply if non urgent and the consequences of failure to comply. If urgent the matter will be referred directly to Highways Authority.
- If remedial action is not forthcoming, the Parish Clerk will refer the matter to the Highways Authority for enforcement action which is likely to be charged to the household and a letter would be sent to the householder/landowner informing them that the Highways Authority has been notified.

Date adopted: November 2024

Date for review:

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Shudy Camps Amenities

Shudy Camps Parish Council - For information see website

www.shudycamps.org.uk

Parish Clerk - Jackie Dockerill - clerk@shudycamps.org.uk - 07769 558334

News from Shudy Camps Parish Council

As mentioned in the previous article it was agreed to install a new Litter Bin next to the Bus Stop opposite the church as there had been a litter issue. It has been a welcome addition and is been used by people waiting for the bus.

We have had two new members join the Parish Council. Alison Warwick of Main Street joined in Nov 24 and Andrew Webb formerly the parish clerk was co-opted in Jan 25. So we are back to a full Council of 5 members but only for a few months as Simon Powell is moving back to Saffron Walden. So we are again looking for a new member to join the council. So please contact us if you want any further information or are interested in the role.

Simon will be missed as he has been the individual responsible for moving and maintaining the Mobile Speed Awareness Device which we collected in Summer 24. So even if the role of councillor is not for you but you feel you could help with the deployment of the Mobile speed devices and gathering data round the village please get in touch.

The application for the Jubilee Green to be an official village green, which was submitted back in Jan 23, is also slowly progressing and likely to be completed in 2025.

We are still looking to paint the exterior of the telephone box in Main Street and are still awaiting quotes from local painters

The installation of Handrail leading up to the church in Shudy Camps is still being discussed with the Highway Department, who hopefully might come up with a viable solution.

Jackie Dockerill

Shudy Camps Parish Council Clerk



ARE WE LOOKING FOR YOU?

Could you fill the voluntary role of Secretary on the Village Hall Committee and spare a few hours a month? Terry is stepping down after many years. Is this you -

01

Good organisational skills and work well as part of a team

02

Want to get involved with your Community and meet new people

03

Can take notes, create Minutes & Agendas and confident on the phone. Full training and support will be given

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We're looking forward to meeting you



Village Hall Committee

We have held two management meetings since the last Review issue, where, as well as dealing with the usual Financial, Admin., Maintenance and Health & Safety agenda points, we further developed the new ideas coming from your revamped committee, for improving the hall facilities and communications. Improvements such as utilising the bar area more effectively; updating equipment in the kitchen; installing Wi-Fi; reviewing our marketing processes and investigating and trialling an online booking and possible invoicing system.

Please come and help us modernise our Hall by joining our friendly group of volunteers, we have vacancies for up to three more trustees so if you have practical, technical, administrative and social skills we would love to welcome you! Just email me at: terry.chapmanccpc@gmail.com

The action to replace our lease holding trustees: Susie Culpin, Sue Herbert and Paul Sherville with the Charity Commissioners, has not progressed at all as we still waiting for a response from the Land Registry. They have had this simple request since May!

The November Jumble Sale raised a healthy £475 for our funds. We hope to have 4 this year, in February, May, August and November.

The “**Friends of Castle Camps Village Hall**” group will have a meeting later in January to discuss social activities and fund raising events for this year following a very successful 2024. It’s a very sociable group, so If you like the idea and want to help, please contact its leader Chris Swan on info@castlecamps.org.uk

For more information about our charity, just enter our registration number 300375 into the Charity Commission website and review all the available data. Other details can be found in the Hall tab on the Castle Camps.org.uk website.

Terry Chapman, Secretary to the Management Committee of Trustees.





Coffee Morning

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EVERYONE WELCOME

First Monday of the month | 10:00am – 12:00pm |

Castle Camps Village Hall, CB21 4SR

Contact Sue 01799 584522

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MAY

£2.00 and See you there!

Village Hall Hiring Rates

Full day hire for full Hall		
Castle Campers : £110.00	Shudy Campers : £132.00	Non camps Hirers : £190.00
Hourly Rates		
Full Hall	Main Hall	Small Meeting Room
Castle Campers : £14.00	Castle Campers : £12.00	Castle Campers : £10.00
Shudy Campers : £15.00	Shudy Campers : £14.00	Shudy Campers : £12.00
Non Camps Hirers : £22.00	Non Camps Hirers : £21.00	Non Camps Hirers : £15.00



Please ring Susie, our bookings manager, on 01799 584596 to book or view, or ring 07967 626919.

You can also send a message to Mike Peirson at: castlecampsvillagehall@gmail.com or email terry.chapmanccpc@gmail.com

Details can also be viewed at: www.castlecampsvillagehall.org.uk and, coming soon, the revamped Cambs. ACRE website: www.hallsforhire.org.uk

Village Hall Diary Dates

Coffee Morning	Monday 3rd February 2025
Quiz and Cocktails	Saturday 15th February 2025
Jumble Sale	Saturday 22nd February 2025
Clairvoyant Evening	Friday 14th March 2025
Table Top Sale	Saturday 12th April 2025
Easter Egg Trail	Saturday 19th April 2025
Race Night	Date to be confirmed
V.E.Day Community Event	Saturday 10th May 2025
Scarecrow Competition	July 2025
Castle Camps Fete	Saturday 5th July 2025
Autumn Show	6th September 2025
Games / Fish 'n' Chips Night	4th October 2025

**Castle Camps Events Committee
Grant Application.**

Funds raised at our events will be donated back into our community. Donations can be requested by groups or individuals via this form and will be considered following the next committee meeting after submission. The money must be used to benefit and enhance our amenities or vicinity. All applications considered. Not all will be guaranteed successful.

Committees' decision is final.

Full Name	
Address	
Phone	
Email	
Group If Applicable	
Brief Proposal?	
Amount Requested?	£
For what is the money to be used?	
Bank Details	Account Name: Account No: Sort Code:
Date	

Post or email completed form to:
2 Bartlow Road, Castle Camps / cindycamps@yahoo.com

Castle Camps Events Committee News

I am sure you'll join me in taking a minute to reflect on how lucky we are to experience real community spirit where we live. To name a few examples in December we had a Ladies Christmas Party, Carols and Readings Service at All Saints Church, Carols with the Choir at the Chapel, Afternoon Tea in the Hall, a guided walk, Carols on Christmas Eve and a splendid Christmas Tree on the Green. All these can take planning, practice, advertising and more, but most of all are done by people volunteering their time and generosity. So thank you to all those groups, individuals and families who make these events all possible

Back to the Events Committee. We have the following planned for you and we hope you'll enjoy and support our efforts.

Quiz and Cocktails Night – Sat 15th Feb – Book your table for a fun quiz with cocktail bar (other drinks available), enjoy the quiz or just come along for the cocktails! With or without the family! Max 8 per team. £2/head. Drop money off at Ra Towene, 2 Bartlow Rd. Gather your own team or come along and we'll create more teams

Clairvoyant Evening with Sue Breen, Medium - Fri 15th March – Ticket only event. No entry on the door. Grab your tickets early as it was a sell out last time

Night at the Races – date to be confirmed

Easter Egg Trail – in progress

VE Day 80th Anniversary Community Afternoon Tea on the Rec – Sat 10th May – celebrate together with a chilled out afternoon brought together by input from the Parish Council, Chapel, Village Hall and Events. We are planning bouncy castles, music, bar, games, sandwiches and more. If you have any other ideas that would complement this event please get in touch

Our next round of grant applications to give money back to the neighbourhood will be looked at in March. So if you would like to run a small project (with help from us) like planting bulbs around the parishes or a bench for the village, anything that benefits the community, please fill in the request form in this issue or get in touch, Campsevents@yahoo.com.

Many thanks for your support and we look forward to seeing you at an event or two,

The Events Committee

Fundraiser for Camps Village Hall



JUMBLE SALE

Entrance 50p inc Tea & biscuits

DOORS OPEN 2 PM

Drop off stuff from 10am

Castle Camps Village Hall, CB21 4SR

**22ND
FEBRUARY**

CLOTHING | GADGETS | TOYS
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22/2 17/5 23/8 6/12



QUIZ & COCKTAILS

NIGHT

SAT 15 FEB

Hosted by Castle Camps Events Committee

Children welcome

Doors open 7pm

Quiz starts 7.30pm

Max of 8 per team (if you don't have a team, please still come along and we can join you up... if you just want to drink cocktails you are also welcome!!)

-Bring your own food-

Tickets £2 per person - to book your team email
campsevents@yahoo.com / or call Mel on
07818275743 by Weds. 12 Feb

Cocktail bar [other drinks available] & crisps on sale

-Cash or card-

-Raffle-

Clairvoyant Evening with Sue Breen

Friday 14th March 2025

Doors open 7pm. Event 7.30

Welcome to an evening full of tears, laughter
and memories

Castle Camps Village Hall. CB21 4SR

Join us for this extraordinary evening of
psychic mediumship, where the veil between
worlds is lifted, and the ethereal realm
reaches out to touch our souls.

Ticket entry only no cash on door.

Tickets £15

Bring your own drinks & snacks

<https://buytickets.at/campseventscommittee/1547790>



Campsevents@yahoo.com

VE DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION



**JOIN US FOR A COMMUNITY AFTERNOON TEA
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EVERYBODY WELCOME**

SAT 10TH MAY

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CASTLE CAMPS
VILLAGE HALL

TABLE TOP

SALE



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2-4 PM

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~
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Carols on the Green

Nearly 200 people joined Hannah and her musicians and the events committee to sing carols on the green on Christmas Eve. Thanks to Acorn Garage for sponsoring the Christmas tree and lights, which brightened the village and shone out over the Christmas period. Thank you to everyone who helped with this event from the musicians, who kept everyone in tune, to Father Christmas who took time to visit us during his busy night. It was a great to see every one come out for this community event. See you all on the same date, at the same time, in 2025.



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Castle Camps Football Team



The Castle Camps 6 aside Football team started up in June 2024, and consists of 16-19 year old players from the Camps and surrounding villages.

We play on a Monday evenings in the Haverhill 6 aside Adult League, and currently have 11 players, that we rotate, as not all are available each week. Normal kick off is around 7:30 pm at Haverhill Rovers 3G pitch, we would love to have more players, and also support which is always encouraging.

We are also interested in setting up an 11 aside team and with support of the village to reinstate the football pitch on the recreation ground and bring football back to Castle Camps. If we can gain local support we can apply for a grant from the FA to help us with the finance of equipment, and reinstatement and upkeep of the pitch.

If you would like to join the team or can offer support /advice or want more info, please contact

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sonnypagram15@icloud.com

Adam Gearing
adamrgearing@gmail.com

Castle Camps C of E (V.C.) Primary School

Life in all its fullness

It was wonderful to welcome the children back after their Christmas break and it has been a busy, but exciting couple of weeks in school.

Reception Open Morning for 2025 Admissions

We held a very successful Open Morning for Parents on Wednesday, 6th November. During the morning, parents heard a presentation by Mrs Sterecki and the children in Y6. A second tour took place on Wednesday, 20th November at 1:30pm. If you are considering a Reception place, please contact the school office.

iRock Concert

On Tuesday, 17th December, we all enjoyed a concert from our iRock music groups. The children performed brilliantly in front of the whole school and we loved singing along to the songs

The Penguin Hop

The Sponsored Penguin Hop was a tremendous success and we have raised just over £1200 for the school fund. The children took the event seriously and I think Miss Lansdell, Miss Furner and the staff were quite dizzy from counting all the hops!

Young Voices Concert 02

On Thursday, 23rd January, we will be taking our choir to attend the Young Voices Concert at the O2 Arena. This annual event is a wonderful opportunity for the children to sing as part of a massed choir of 8000 children and to perform with a live orchestra and professional singers. Thank you to Mrs MacBean and Mrs Evans for organising this.

Wrap Around Care

Following an extensive procurement process, Prestige Sport were successful in their bid for providing wrap around care at our school. We will be meeting in January to discuss next steps and hope to have the breakfast and after school provision in place as soon as possible. The provision will be play-based and located in our Nursery room, but with access to the outside areas and the Hall (when it is not being used by other clubs). It will be open to children from Reception to Y6.

Miss Alexandra O'Connor
Headteacher

Poppy Day Appeal Thank You



2024 Poppy
Appeal

Thank you to everyone in the village for supporting this year's poppy
appeal. We Raised

£1207.73

Special thanks to Susan Cutter, Michael Prentice, The Oak, Castle Camps Saddlery,
Castle Camps School, Susie Culpin, Patricia Haylock, Margaret Cottage and Lorraine
who helped collect contributions.

CATS, CATS + and TOPCATS

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Presents

A Compendium of Comedies

Friday 21st March 25 7.45pm
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The words appear UP, DOWN, BACKWARDS, and DIAGONALLY.
Find and circle each word.



The Connection

News from our Anglican Churches



Dear Friends,

“Am I a terrible person, Vicar?” she asked me. “Why would you think that ?” I asked. “Because the only thing that I can pray now, is that he dies.” I would like to say that this was an unusual exchange, its certainly not every day, but it is an exchange I have had many times in my ministry. Someone whose loved one is dying, no cure is available, they are approaching their end and their disease has taken from them any semblance of humanity or personal autonomy, for someone with a loved one in this state it is understandable and not unreasonable that they would pray for their death, that they would ask God to end the suffering and bring about the only healing that is now possible. So, the answer to the original question is “No, you are not a terrible person”.

The process of dying has been much improved by the hospice movement, but even the excellent care that they provide may provide other choices but not all the answers.

My thoughts were turned to this situation by parliament passing the second reading of the Assisted Dying Bill in November. This didn't make assisted dying legal, but it does allow for the further consideration and for the possibility of it becoming law. The bill in its present form is quite limited in its application. As I gather, an adult person seeking a medically assisted death must have a terminal illness and an expected life span of six months or less, they must convince two doctors of their eligibility and wish to die and also a high court judge. The idea of these safeguards is to ensure that the desire to die is theirs alone and not due to any direct or indirect coercion from others. I also gather that they need to be able to express their desire to die continued eligibility at the point of requesting the drugs and that the drugs are self-administered.

As I said the bill is quite limited, this has not stopped religious leaders opposing the bill, not on any theological basis, but warning that a 'right to die' could 'all too easily' end in vulnerable people feeling they have a 'duty to die.' The weight of Christian thinking has been that a human being is not the absolute owner of their own life, whose creator and redeemer is God. There are, though, Christians who hold the view that there can come a time in a person's life when there is nothing more they can do to serve God or their fellow humans, and their continued suffering is detrimental to themselves and their loved ones. But whatever Christianity or any other religion might say it cannot bind the conscience of someone who doesn't hold to those beliefs.

The Assisted Dying Bill would provide a choice to some, but whether to make that choice isn't I think purely a medical or legal matter, and that should we find ourselves in this position there are people that we can talk to honestly to consider our options.



Love and Prayers
Ian

Ian Fisher (Team Vicar)
ian.fisher@btclick.com

Church Diary

Sunday 2nd February Candlemass			
Horseheath	16.00	Evening Healing Service	Revd. Ian Fisher/LK
Bartlow	10.00	Morning Worship	Congregation Led
Sunday 9th February Fourth Sunday before Lent			
Castle Camps	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Bartlow	10.00	Family Service	Cathy Watts LLM
Sunday 16th February Third Sunday before Lent			
Horseheath	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Bartlow	18.00	Evensong	Revd. Lesley Gore
Sunday 23rd February Third Sunday before Lent			
Shudy Camps	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Bartlow	10.00	Eucharist	Revd M. Wilcockson
Sunday 2nd March Sunday next before Lent			
Horseheath	11.00	Family Worship	Revd. Ian Fisher
Bartlow	10.00	Morning Worship	Congregation Led
Horseheath	16.00	Evening Healing Service	Revd. Ian Fisher/LK
Wednesday 5th March Ash Wednesday at the Vicarage			
Castle Camps	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Sunday 9th March First Sunday of Lent			
Castle Camps	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Bartlow	10.00	Family Service	Cathy Watts LLM
Sunday 16th March Second Sunday of Lent			
Horseheath	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Bartlow	18.00	Evensong	Lindi Kent LLM
Sunday 23rd March Third Sunday of Lent			
Shudy Camps	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Bartlow	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. P. Seaton Burn
Sunday 30th March Mothering Sunday Joint Team Service			
Linton	10.00	Eucharist	Team Eucharist
Sunday 6th April			
Horseheath	16.00	Evening Healing Service	Revd. Ian Fisher/LK
Bartlow	10.00	Morning Worship	Congregation Led
Sunday 13th April Palm Sunday			
Castle Camps	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Bartlow	10.00	Family Service?	
Thursday 17th April Agape Maundy Thursday			
Shudy Camps	18.00	Eucharist/ shared meal	Revd. Ian Fisher
Friday 18th April Good Friday Liturgy			
Horseheath	12.00	Liturgy	
Sunday 20th April Easter Day			
Castle Camps	8.00	New Fire/ Breakfast	Revd. Ian Fisher
Castle Camps	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher
Sunday 27th April Second Sunday of Easter			
Shudy Camps	10.00	Eucharist	Revd. Ian Fisher

Church Events

Carol and Readings Service 1st December

On the 1st of December a wonderful Carols and Readings service took place at All Saints Church. Over 70 in the congregation gathered to listen to the wonderful readings, sing carols and listen to our singing group. Thank you to all who contributed with readings, singing and the nibbles and mulled wine that were enjoyed after the service.

The Guided Walk 29th December

The guided walk, organised by Russell Kent was a great success with 24 hardy souls tramping off for an hours' walk to brush away the cobwebs. Then back for well-earned mulled wine and nibbles. Well done Russell and Lindi.



Wednesday Communion at the Vicarage

A reminder that there is a weekly mid-week communion held at the vicarage every Wednesday at 10.00. All are most welcome.

Church Events

Open Gardens

Calling All Gardeners

On the **12th of July 2pm to 5pm** we are planning an **Open Gardens Event**. We haven't had an Open Gardens for about 6 years and as we have several new neighbours thought it would be good to resurrect. **If you would like to open your garden for the afternoon, would you please advise Lindi Kent (07801 790213 lindi.allen.kent@gmail.com)**



Future Breakfast Event for your diaries

May 3rd Saturday 9am, we are planning another breakfast talk in **All Saints Church by Mark Heyward**. Mark Heyward is the founding member and company director of The Pantaloons, Mark is a playwright, actor, storyteller, director, producer, singer/ songwriter, attempted carpenter and father of two. Having graduated from the University of Kent in 2005 with a degree in English Literature he has adapted and directed numerous classics for the stage, many of which we have enjoyed at All Saints. His talk promises to be fun and interesting. **Please let Lindi know if you are coming in order to feed you all! (07801 790213 lindi.allen.kent@gmail.com)**

Pantaloons 26th July 7pm Robin Hood

Several people have enquired as to whether we are having another outside theatre performance by The Pantaloons. Oh yes we are!.. so, a future event for your diaries. We have invited **The Pantaloons** to perform in their inimitable style **Robin Hood** on the evening of the 26th of July 7pm. Normal routine bring picnic and picnic/rugs or chairs and prepare to be entertained!

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Marsh Mail

Linton Village College

We were very honoured to welcome author and poet Michael in January. Michael Rosen is a British children's author, poet, presenter and academic and is now a professor of children's literature in the Department of Educational Studies at Goldsmiths, University of London. He has also served as Children's Laureate.

This was our second visit from Michael. This time he conducted a series of workshops to a range of different year groups. Michael gave a poetry workshop to the whole of Year 7 where he told stories of his family's experiences during the Second World War and the students worked together to create some very moving poetry on themes of family, home, flight, empathy for others and compassion. After lots of book signing and interactions with students and staff, he worked with LVC dance company to plan a collaboration for a concert in June and he finished the day writing protest song lyrics with GCSE musicians. At the end of the day, very unexpectedly, we had a visit from ITV who filmed an interview with Michael Rosen performing his poems in our library with the homework club looking on silently. This was broadcast on ITV Evening News on the same day.



Marsh Mail

Linton Village College

As well as our visit from Michael, the cast of 'We Will Rock You' (our latest school production) were lucky enough to be given an all-day workshop from Richard 'Woody' Woodford, alumnus of LVC and West End singer/actor/dancer at the start of term. As well as directing and giving feedback to the cast, he spoke about his career and in particular, the path he has taken since leaving LVC. Thanks to the Friends of LVC for funding this opportunity. 'We Will Rock You' runs at LVC from 6-8 Feb - tickets are now on sale.



Swing into Action

Arthur Rank Hospice Charity's popular Golf Day returns on Thursday 26 June at the stunning Gog Magog Golf Course. Gather your team for a day of friendly competition, fun challenges, and the chance to win great prizes, all while supporting a fantastic cause.

For £300 (up to 4 players), enjoy 18 holes of golf, including the nearest the pin challenge and putting competition. Afterwards, relax with a delicious BBQ at Arthur Rank Hospice and socialise with fellow participants.

Spaces are limited, so book your spot today or if you are interested in sponsoring a hole, email partnerships@arhc.org.uk.

Popular Floral Wreath Making Workshop Returns

Following the success of the festive wreath-making workshop, which raised over £3,000 for hospice services, Arthur Rank Hospice Charity are excited to announce their first Spring Wreath-Making Workshop lead by Eco-Florist Flora Laura Flowers. Just in time for Easter, book your place for Friday 4 or Saturday 5 April by visiting arhc.org.uk/whatson or call 01223 675888.

Key Safes

Located outside the home, are a consideration if you are at risk of falling or needing support and can't get to the door.

Sensible precautionary measures to put in place **in case of a fall**:

- Place cushions, blankets and a bottle of water in a handy place in the home.

What to do if you do fall:

- Lay still for a minute to see if you have injured yourself anywhere.
- See if you can get on to all fours, or bottom shuffle to summon help.

Whilst you wait for help:

- Stay warm.
- Keep moving where you can.
- Keep up your fluids.

The Bobby Scheme offer advice, information and guidance to increase confidence whilst living in your own home. More information can be found at <https://thebobbyscheme.org/> or by telephoning 01480 413311.

A useful leaflet called 'Get up and go' can be downloaded at arhc.org.uk/maintainingindependence

Bereavement Support with Grief Kind

Bereaved Cambridge residents can access free, informal support, as Arthur Rank Hospice Charity hosts a new Grief Kind Space, in association with Sue Ryder, held at The Bistro, in Shelford Bottom, Cambridge, every Friday from 10am until 12 noon.

By collaborating – with the Hospice hosting the space and Sue Ryder providing trained Grief Kind Space Volunteers – the two charities hope to tackle the isolation and loneliness felt by many people following a bereavement.

Annalie Graham, Bereavement Lead at ARHC said:

“Almost every home in the UK has experienced or will experience the loss of someone. Research from Sue Ryder, found that 86% of people who had been bereaved said they felt alone in their grief.

“By working together, we hope we can fulfil this unmet need by offering a safe, welcoming and supportive place for anyone to share their experiences of grief, helping them to feel heard and less alone.”

“Attendees have told us how coming to the space each week makes the week ahead easier to face. Many have also shared how family and friends just don’t always understand what they are feeling, but the people they meet at the Grief Kind Space do and it’s of enormous help to them.”

The Grief Kind Space is open to anyone over 18 who has experienced a bereavement. There is no need to register or book.

“Whether you want to attend regularly for the full two hours, or pop in to connect with others in a similar situation for a quick chat when you need to, you will receive a warm welcome from our team of Sue Ryder trained volunteers, who are there to support anyone who has experienced any kind of loss at any time.”

For further details visit arhc.org.uk/griefsupport

Charity Star Shine Night Walk 2025 in Cambridge and Wisbech

Arthur Rank Hospice Charity’s Star Shine Night Walk will be back with two events this year. Their flagship Cambridge event will take place on Saturday 21 June at 7pm. Choose between a 10- or 5-mile route and get those steps in as you watch the sun set on the longest day of the year.

Or, for the first time ever, you can join the Wisbech Star Shine which is taking place on Saturday 17 May at 7pm. This 6km route starts and ends in the beautiful grounds of Elgood’s Brewery and is sure to be a talking point of the town!

Whichever walk you choose and whichever distance you go, you’ll be helping to raise much-needed funds for hospice care. **For more information, visit arhc.org.uk/ssnw**

The Manages Trust

ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FROM THE MANAGES TRUST SHUDY CAMPS

The Manages Trust is a small charity in Shudy Camps which was established to provide help and support for people of the parish. (Registered charity no 238214).

If you or your family, or someone you know would benefit from the financial assistance the Trust is able to provide to help with costs such as extra winter heating, attending hospital appointments or paying unexpected bills, please contact the clerk to the Trustees, Andy Webb on 01799 584489/07757 740090 or email andrewsdenwebb@icloud.com.

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Granta Medical Practice Update



As I write this, the NHS is again in the throes of extreme winter pressures due to high levels of infectious diseases such as flu, Covid, RSV and norovirus. You can help stop the spread by following the three C's:-

CLEAN: Wash your hands often, using soap and warm water or use an alcohol-based hand rub

COVER: Cover your mouth and nose when you cough and sneeze. Use a tissue or your upper sleeve, not your hands.

CONTAIN: If you get sick, stay home until you're well again. Try not to spread your germs to others.

Don't forget you can treat many minor illnesses at home with a well-stocked medicine cabinet. Colds and coughs, sore throats, and upset stomachs can all be treated by having a supply of health care essentials such as pain relief (paracetamol / ibuprofen), cough and sore throat remedies, a first aid kit, upset stomach treatment, rehydration treatment and heartburn / indigestion treatment.

And finally ... it isn't too late to get a flu jab – they are available until the end of March – just give us a ring to book your appointment!

Wishing you all a safe and healthy February.

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Castle Camps Craft Club



The Craft Club has now been running for two years and is still welcoming new crafters, whether they have lived in the village for many years or only recently moved in.

Do you want to revisit a crafting hobby or learn a new one? Stuck on a current project?

We can hopefully offer advice, encouragement and help with getting started.

This year we are hoping to include some expert speakers, workshops and a visit to a local crafting emporium.

We meet twice a month on a Thursday morning, from 10 - 12.30, please feel free to drop in at whatever time suits you. Do check the dates on the flier as Art Club meets on the alternate Thursdays ! Contact me if you need transport.

There is no charge, it is free, just a donation tin if you wish to make a contribution. Thanks go to the village Events Committee for their grants, which have covered half the cost of our annual hall hire fees, allowing us to double our number of meetings.

Would love to come to Craft Club but not free on Thursday mornings?

If this is you please let me know. With enough interest we might be able to look at other options, hall availability permitting.

Caroline Parkinson
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Gardening Club



More than just a Gardening Club...

West Wickham & District Gardening Club has been going through a sea change in the last 12 months and is continuing to evolve in 2025. With a greater variety of talks and local garden visits than ever before, stalls at village fairs and numerous social gatherings our aim is to be a club for all our communities.

Over the past 12 months we have been delighted to welcome members and many new visitors of all ages to our events including the spring plant sale and rejuvenated summer fair, both of which we will build on this year. The photography competition is running again* and the excellent homemade cakes baked by the members will, as always, be a central feature of these gatherings!

Whilst many members are keen gardeners, there are an increasing number who just want to find out a little more about nature, ecology and plants. Sharing knowledge after the monthly meetings is, of course, invaluable with tips from the more proficient members helping out those of us with much less knowledge.

With the trend for indoor gardening continuing to grow, **17th February** sees us welcoming **Dr Manos Kanellos** who will be talking on the subject of *How to set up and maintain a terrarium*.



Dr Kanellos is a plant physiologist who has been growing orchids for many years and is a qualified judge for the RHS Orchid Committee.

On **17th March Rosemary Buisseret** of Plant Heritage, Cambridgeshire local group, will come and talk to us about *The role of Plant Heritage in conserving plants for the future*. Plant Heritage is the world's leading plant conservation charity with the mission to ensure that the cultivated plants we grow now will be available to future generations for cultural, medical, culinary and aesthetic use.

The talk on **14th April** by **John Spain** about the *Rise and fall of Cambridgeshire's horticultural societies* is a joint meeting with the Local History Club so promises to be as fascinating as it is well attended.

So why not come and join us one evening. Non-members are always welcome for a £2 entry fee.

Annual membership is £8 per person. Please contact Sue Boase on 07716 401646 wwdgc@westwickham.org

*Photography titles this year are: *Frozen, Light and Dark, Terrific Trees*. All categories are open to children with a special prize awarded for the best under 16's entry. Entries to be received by the end of August.

**** All meetings are held at 7.30pm in West Wickham Village Hall**

Sally Collins, Vice-chair WW&DGC

County & District Councillors Report

Kingsway Solar Farm

The proposal by Downing Renewables/Kingsway Solar for a very large new solar farm on parcels of land between Balsham, West Wratting and West Colville, has completed the 'informal consultation' stage at the back end of 2024 and thank you to everyone that has engaged with this process.

Shortly before the Christmas break, Kingsway Solar released their 'Environmental Impact Assessment' (EIA) document, which outlines what the applicants' environmental consultants see the environmental challenges and concerns to be. You can see this, plus all the other documents currently in the public domain, on their website - <https://kingswaysolarfarm.co.uk/>

The next stage of the process, once Kingsway Solar have digested all of the initial feedback, will be that they will hold a 'formal consultation' which will be asking for much of the same responses to the proposals, should they be more detailed, that they will present at this point. Again, we encourage everyone to engage with this process, as the scheme will impact everyone in this area, directly or indirectly.

It's worth reiterating that, given the size and scale of this scheme, the ultimate decision to approve, or not, will be made by a central government planning inspector, rather than any of the local planning authorities. This will be a major development covering a very large part of our countryside, if it does go ahead, so please do engage if you have any views on this proposal.

4 Day Week Consultation

The District Council has been trialling a 4-day work week for their staff since January 2023. The trial was supposed to last for a shorter period of time but the previous government had indicated that they would be levying financial penalties to the Council for running this trial, but wouldn't say how much this would be, therefore the Council couldn't make a decision on whether to make the trial permanent. However, the new government has said they won't be applying any financial penalties on the Council, so SCDC are now in a position to come to a decision on this. This will likely include a formal consultation where people can give their views on the scheme since its inception.

Local Government Reorganisation

Before the Christmas break there was an announcement by central government that there would be a reorganisation of local government in the coming years with the thrust on there being much larger councils, run by elected Mayors, and doing away with smaller councils, such as District and possibly County councils. It's unlikely that there will be anything happening in Cambridgeshire for some years, if at all, as we already have a directly elected Mayor in our county and have been designated as a 'non-priority' area for reorganisation.

County & District Councillors Report

Greenway progress

The 'greenway' that runs between Linton and Abington has made some progress over the past few months. The foot/cycle/horse path between Granta Park and runs down the side of Newmarket Road in Little Abington has been completed. This is the latest stage of upgrades to the stretch of the road. Future phases include a new Travel Hub at Babraham and an upgraded bridge crossing of the A11 to access this.

Average Speed Camera & Accident Data

We have recently been sent the traffic data for the stretch of the A1307 between Linton and Cardinals Green – this shows the accident data as well as the number of tickets issued for people exceeding the speed limit. We're happy to provide these to people that are interested.

Local Highways Officer Update

Our local highways officer (LHO), Bradley Southwell, has now moved to cover a different area of Cambridgeshire. This leaves our area without a permanent LHO and the workload is being covered by a collection of other officers until a permanent appointment can be made. The message is keep reporting highway issues via the County Council website.

Local Government funding

On 28 November the Government published its Local government finance policy statement 2025 to 2026. This lays out the principles for the funding of local authorities for the financial year starting in April.

There will be no change to the council tax cap, which will remain at three per cent for core council tax, with a two per cent adult social care precept. The cap for the police precept will be £14, and £5 for the fire and rescue authorities. There will be no cap for Combined Authorities, or for town and parish councils. There will be a number of changes to grant funding. And in 2026/27 the Government plans to 'radically simplify the local government funding landscape'.

Happy New Year

As this is our first report of the 2025, we'd like to wish you all a Happy New Year and we look forward to working with you all throughout the next 12 months.

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The Hundred Parishes Society

Enjoying a winter stroll along any of the described walks within the Hundred Parishes provides an opportunity to view the landscape features visible from various vantage points. Much of this countryside has been farmed by many successive generations as these custodians of the land have raised livestock and garnered variable harvests of grain. The spring of 2024 was rather wet, and this resulted in poor establishment of autumn-sown cereals. This, combined with the inclement conditions during harvesting, resulted in disappointingly low yields.



Hatfield Broad Oak



Langley

However, it seems that with dry weather in the autumn of 2024, the sown wheat, barley and oats have germinated well, with most fields now covered with fresh green shoots. Many farmers have decided to cut back on growing oil seed rape, and they may choose to plant alternative niche crops such as sunflowers or borage once the weather is warmer.



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The Hundred Parishes Society

These farmed landscapes have traditionally supported assorted wildlife including skylarks, rooks, ladybirds, bumble bees, butterflies, badgers and foxes. In addition, well-maintained soils contain not just beneficial fungi, but a variety of earthworms and beetles which in turn provide food for many other creatures. Sadly, other less-welcome creatures such as slugs and root-eating beetle or fly larvae are also present. Seeing a sizeable flock of birds following a plough demonstrates this plethora of food!



Stansted Mountfitchet

Recent concerns about the loss of insect life, especially pollinators or those that eat aphids, is encouraging farmers to find ways of enhancing habitats for insects by leaving marginal strips round fields for wildflowers, planting new hedges or creating beetle banks within their fields. These features may be visible from footpaths during the winter months so make a note of where they are and plan return visits during the summer to observe them full of flowers and other wildlife.

Tricia Moxey, Trustee.

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Crossword

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| 1) Hydrotherapeutic hangouts | 41) Eccentric |
| 5) Social blunder | 42) Sometimes it's a bust |
| 10) "Did you forget about me?" | 43) Mimic's activity |
| 14) Carpenter's strip | 44) Dues payers |
| 15) Some clay pots | 47) Fizzled firecrackers |
| 16) Short version of a long vehicle? | 49) Rises dramatically |
| 17) Offshore, and then some | 50) Foreign Legion hat |
| 18) Headgear that sparkles | 51) Despondent |
| 19) Share a border with | 54) In a good position |
| 20) Hang in there | 58) It's destined to happen |
| 23) Mini feature? | 60) One way to annoy one's spouse |
| 24) "Old MacDonald Had a Farm" sound | 61) Hacksaw, e.g. |
| 25) Some gumbo ingredients | 62) Member of the kitchen staff |
| 28) Dungeons & Dragons beasts | 63) Time-time link |
| 29) Tirana's land | 64) "___ and the King of Siam" |
| 31) Ship parts | 65) They're always tired |
| 34) Rock with potential | 66) Some table wines |
| 35) Pro-___ (certain tourneys) | 67) No longer waiting for the doctor |
| 36) Mobile phone perks | |

DOWN

- 1) Hyphen's relative
- 2) Kindergartener's jarful
- 3) Elite military unit
- 4) Two-wheeled carriage
- 5) Like some arches or novels
- 6) Visitors from afar
- 7) "Killing Me Softly With His Song" singer
- 8) Western card game
- 9) Son of Isaac
- 10) 1867 U.S. purchase
- 11) Emulate a bear
- 12) Non-flier of Australia
- 13) Quotable remark
- 21) Subject in sculpting
- 22) Reiner, Roy or Schneider
- 26) Archer, at times
- 27) Given to back talk
- 28) Woodsy, for one
- 29) Turntable extension
- 30) Island neckpiece
- 31) Dances with themes
- 32) Cowboys' entertainment
- 33) Michelangelo, for one
- 34) Leftover for Rover
- 37) Alternate spelling abbr.
- 38) Oral stumbles
- 39) You can only go up from here
- 40) They deliver
- 45) Michael Jordan pitched them
- 46) Suffix for verbs following "thou"
- 47) Thermometer unit
- 48) Tranquilizers' opposite
- 50) Shoelace annoyances
- 51) What things might be written in
- 52) Do more than regret
- 53) Musical legend Bob
- 55) One spelling for a former Russian ruler
- 56) Short bits of data
- 57) Flight data, briefly
- 58) Broadcast regulatory agency
- 59) "I knew it!"

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By Bill Bobb

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Castle Camps Community Choir



At the United Reform Church on Saturday 21st December, a wonderful evening of Carol Singing and Christmas Readings was arranged and performed by the Castle Camps Community Choir. The choir performed to an enthusiastic and packed audience, who needed little encouragement to join in on the more well known carols. It was great to see the URC so busy and so full of joyous song. Our thanks go out to the Choir and to all those who helped arrange this memorable evening, which concluded with tea and cakes, and Christmas chat.



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* Also Hildersham, High Street
4th Tuesday of the month
9:40am - 10:00am

ROUTE C9 – 2ND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

1	Linton	Flaxfields	10:15	10:50
2	Camps End	Sangers Farm	11:20	11:40
3	Shudy Camps	Main Street	11:50	12:05
4	Castle Camps	Claydon Close	12:15	12:50
5	Horseheath	Old Nurseries	14:00	14:40
6	West Wickham	Streetley End	14:50	15:05
7	West Wickham	High Street Lay by	15:15	15:30
8	Balsham	Bandstand	15:40	16:45



Local public transport Bus timetables: 319 and 19

[Please let me know if you know of or discover otherwise.]

DO CHECK
where you can
for the latest
schedules

319 – TO SAFFRON WALDEN / AUDLEY END

MONDAY TO SATURDAY

Bartlow Road, High Street, Castle Camps	06:34	08:20	10:40	12:40	14:40
Opp Carter's Farm, Shudy Camps	06:38	08:24	10:44	12:44	14:44

319 – TO HAVERHILL

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

Opp Carter's Farm, Shudy Camps	09:09	10:52	12:52	14:52	18:00
Bartlow Road, High Street, Castle Camps	09:13	10:56	12:56	14:56	18:04

Visit centralconnect.info/timetables/ for the latest schedules, other locations and times.

19 – TO HAVERHILL

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

Carter's Farm, Shudy Camps	09:31	12:01	14:01	17:36
opp The Manse, Castle Camps	09:36	12:06	14:06	17:41

19 – TO BURROUGH GREEN VIA LINTON

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

Castle Camps, High Street	10:33	12:33	15:03	18:08	18:35s
Castle Camps, opp The Manse	-	-	-	-	18:36s
Carter's Farm, Shudy Camps	10:38	12:38	15:08	18:13	18:30s
St Mary's Church, Shudy Camps	-	-	-	-	18:31s

Times marked s – "sets down only" – the bus will only stop to drop passengers off. Visit bustimes.org/services/19-haverhill-linton-burrough-green for the latest schedules, other locations and times.

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PSH Electrical Services	07867 980738	37
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Wednesday 26th February 2025	X		
Wednesday 5th March 2025		X	X
Wednesday 12th March 2025	X		
Wednesday 19th March 2025		X	X
Wednesday 26th March 2025	X		
Wednesday 2nd April 2025		X	X
Wednesday 9th April 2025	X		
Wednesday 16th April 2025		X	X
Wednesday 23rd April 2025	X		
Wednesday 30th April 2025		X	X
Wednesday 7th May 2025	X		

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