What's On In Landbeach - February 2021

January's weather was mostly wet and windy, but towards the end of the month we were graced with some more proper snow. I saw several family groups setting off to enjoy the unexpected snowfall. People are now rediscovering the pleasure of simply going for a walk around our lovely village.

The A10 is not so lovely, though. The apology for a pavement is narrow and unprotected from traffic. The crossing over to Waterbeach at the Slap Up is confusing. We, and the residents of Waterbeach, HAVE to use this pavement and this crossing – on foot, by cycle and by car – to get in and out of our village. The recent tragic, fatal accident there makes it clear just how dangerous this junction is. Planners - please notice this!

As was pointed out on the Landbeach Community Facebook page, there is a pelican crossing further up by the business park not connected and not in use. Why not put one where people cross NOW? Councillors – demand action to save our lives, please!

Here's a cheering photo of frost crystals shining in the winter sun along Waterbeach Road one morning last month:



Items for Mar are needed by Sat 20th Feb, please. Barbara Le Gallez, 113 Waterbeach Rd, 01223 860283, blegallez@yahoo.co.uk

Community Cupboard always open @ All Saints' Church

Please help yourselves with our love. Open 24/7 in church porch
Restocked frequently

This is a **Zero Waste Cupboard**.
We would love everyone in the village
to help combat waste by using it.

We get lots of lovely bread from M&S and Tesco's -
Do treat yourself!

Church Events

All Saints' Church - Rev Paul Butler (860353), Ray Gambell (860757), Website: http://stjohns-waterbeach.org.uk,
FB "St John's Church, Waterbeach & All Saints' Church, Landbeach"

All Saints' Church will have to remain closed until it is safe to reopen. The Community Food Cupboard is always accessible in the South Porch.

To join an online service from St John's Waterbeach, please see our Website and FB page (above).

Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church - Mo (01954 202402), Maureen (01954 250118)

Services and activities are currently suspended. We hope to open as soon as it is sensible to do so. Please look out for notices outside church. For more information, please contact one of the above.

URGENT! Volunteer drivers needed for
Beaches Community Car Scheme

Call 07807 875878, or email m.dean@ntlworld.com. **THANK YOU!**

Beaches Community Car Service - **Booking line** 07807 875878. For trips to hospital, doctor etc. Please give as much notice as possible. Charge 30p / mile.

Waterbeach Library (on Primary School site)

Open for appointments. See the Waterbeach Library Facebook page – www.facebook.com/WaterbeachLibrary/

You can access this without a Facebook account.

If you are unable to go online, contact Barbara on 01223 860283.

I'm bored! What can I do?

Mobile Library - Check with Cambridgeshire Libraries

Village Coffees

Village Coffees is suspended until further notice.
Further information from Margaret, 860128, or Joan, 441769.

Landbeach Sports and Social Club

Food vans will be in the Village Hall car park as follows:

3rd Feb - Guerrilla Kitchen 5pm-8pm

17th Feb - Pizza Passione 5pm-8pm

When allowed to open, our opening hours are:

Wednesdays 5pm - 7pm
Fridays 5pm - 10pm
Sundays 12pm - 3pm

Landbeach Sports and Social Club AGM
has been postponed until January 2022.
Existing membership fees will be due January 2022.
Any new membership fees are due at the time of joining.

Thank you for your continued support
and we hope we will see you all soon, government guidelines permitting.

Landbeach Sports and Social Club Committee

The Lion & Lamb, Milton is Open for Takeaway & Delivery

Wednesday to Saturday 5-9pm
Sunday 12-4pm

Menu - http://www.lionandlambmilton.co.uk/takeaways

Call to make your order on 01223 860202. Messages can also be left outside of opening times.
Email your order anytime to bookings@lion-lamb.co.uk
Or just drive into the car park, order, and wait while we cook your meals.

Landbeach Village Hall is available for hire

Excellent facilities for children and adults, competitive prices.
For further info and a booking form,
visit www.landbeach.org.uk/directory and click 'Village Hall'
or call Anne on 01223 860692

Village Hall 100 Club

Dec	£20 no. 3	£10 no. 50	£5 no. 23
Jan		£10 no. 25	£5 no. 27

Volunteering

From the Landbeach Village Hall Management Committee

In May the following officers are standing down from the Landbeach Village Hall Management Committee and these posts become vacant:-

Chairman
Vice-Chairman
Secretary

If you feel able to help run this important asset for the village and would like further information about what the duties of each post entails then please contact:-

Colleen Dell 01223 860578
regarding the posts of Chairman and Vice Chairman
Robert Humphrey 01223 863454
regarding the post of Secretary

Useful info

Bins

Green bins are collected Fri 5 Feb, Fri 5 Mar and thereafter fortnightly

Sewage Works Relocation

Anglian Water have announced that the selected site for the Sewage Works relocation is Site 3 (between Horningsea and Fen Ditton). They will be holding a community webinar on Th 4th February (7-8pm).

Grow your own?

If anyone would be interested in a small piece of allotment (at the crossroads), then please telephone Steve on 01223 860384.

Lost Dog?

Have you lost a dog in the last few months? Was it a light-coloured whippet type? If so please call the finder on 07570 694616.

If you ever find a dog, alive or deceased, please take it to a vet to get the chip read. Please also register it on https://www.doglost.co.uk/

Need help? Covid-related or general?

Resource List

Direct Covid problems	Landbeach Covid Support Group covidlandbeach@gmail.com
Disability problems	Disability Cambridgeshire admin@disability-cambridgeshire.org.uk
Benefits	benefits@scambs.gov.uk 03450 450 061
Housing (District Council tenants) Worries about paying rent or condition of house	duty.housing@scambs.gov.uk 03450 450 051 and rents@scambs.gov.uk 03450 455 216
Coronavirus Support for Businesses	Coronavirus information for businesses - South Cambs District Council (scambs.gov.uk)
Financial concerns	Citizens Advice
Anxiety / Loneliness	Cambridge Older People's Enterprise (over 50s) http://www.copecambs.org.uk Community Warden 07977 219403
Cambridgeshire Care Network - Community Navigator - directing people to specific services - Help at Home - shopping and prescriptions (also linked to discharge from hospitals) - Wellbeing - help for those with mild depression - Telephone befriending	admin@care-network.org.uk 01954 211919
Milton GP surgery	01223 420511
Waterbeach GP surgery	01223 860387
Lift to vaccination appointment	See next page

Thanks to Cllr Anna Bradnam for supplying this list.

Transport to your Covid-19 vaccination

Milton Community Centre (off Coles Road, behind the surgery) is our local vaccination centre. If you have difficulty getting there, you can call on any of the following:

Cambridge Dial-a-Ride - offer free transport to vaccination centres for both members and non-members who have received a Covid vaccination invitation from the NHS and have difficulty with public transport or do not have other means of attending. Please call 01223 506335 for details and to book your journey.

All the minibuses have protective screens to protect staff and passengers and seating is reduced to allow more distancing. Also: extra cleaning, staff wear PPE, passengers wear masks.

Panther Taxis - offer free transport, up to the value of £10 each way, to those without transport and who are vulnerable to get to their vaccination appointment safely. They have the following safety features: partitioned vehicles, drivers and passengers wearing face coverings, vehicles cleaned between journeys, hand sanitiser available, contactless payment.

Beaches Community Car Service - **Booking line** 07807 875878. Please give as much notice as possible. Cost 30p / mile.

Waterbeach Food Hub

We will be open as normal on Thursdays 3-6pm at St John the Evangelist. The only change is that we will ask you to tick what you want on our check-list and we'll shop for you. Imagine Argos style hub! We appreciate that this won't be the same shopping experience that we are used to, however the changes mean that we can continue running over the next season. Individual Shopping will hopefully reduce our queue time, keep everyone safe and still give choice over what we need.

We'll keep it under review and hopefully we can return soon to chatting and seeing all of you again inside the hub! See you on Thursday.

The Widows' Trust

The Widows' Trust is a Landbeach charity,
which has a small fund available to assist any resident in need

Please apply, in total confidence, to Dr Ray Gambell
Tel. 01223 860757, email. ray.gambell@btinternet.com

Landbeach Tithe Barn News (Registered Charity Number 1167108)

'Ensuring the long-term survival of the rare and ancient Tithe Barn, by breathing new life into the site, for everyone to enjoy.'

Free admission; donations welcome. Thank you for your support.

Tithe Barn entrance opposite 2 Waterbeach Rd, Landbeach, CB25 9FA

www.tithebarntrust.org.uk E-news: www.tinyurl.com/z9d4s4p
email tithebarntrust@gmail.com 07986 717958
FB: FriendsofLandbeachTitheBarn Twitter: @TBarnT

Donate at https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/mypage/TitheBarnTrust
Become a Friend - http://www.tithebarntrust.org.uk/become-a-member
Volunteer / Trustee - https://do-it.org/organisations/tithe-barn-trust

Please follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter

Volunteering at the Tithe Barn

See https://tithebarntrust.org.uk/join-get-involved/volunteer for our current volunteering opportunities. We are currently looking for a Treasurer Trustee to join our board. We are always looking for people to help out on open days and also to contribute as Event Volunteer or Learning Volunteer.

Events at the Tithe Barn

A great programme of events is planned for 2021, subject to government guidance at the time.

See https://tithebarntrust.org.uk/learning/2021-events for details of the events planned and for up-to-date info.

Tithe Barn Spend a Penny 2021

Installation of the loos should be completed in August (subject to funding, so please attend our fundraising events if you can).

This will be followed by a grand opening to the general public. This will be a really fun celebration.

Donate. We've been asking people to donate a minimum of £5 (today's cost of a medieval penny). Would you be willing to donate this (or a little more), or perhaps commit to a regular monthly donation? You can do this at: www.totalgiving.co.uk/appeal/TitheBarnTrust_spendapenny

Hire The Tithe Barn

Email tithebarntrust@gmail.com or visit https://tithebarntrust.org.uk/venue-hire/weddings-and-special-events/

The Community Warden Service – Could this be for you?

Melanie Lombardi, a Waterbeach resident for over 20 years, is the Community Warden working in Waterbeach, Landbeach, and Chittering.

The Community Warden is a local provision for people aged 60 and over. It assists and supports older people to continue living independently at home by providing daily contact (Monday to Friday) by telephone or a personal visit. It is managed by Age UK Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

What can we help you with? -

Listening to your concerns and linking you to helpful information and guidance.
Advice on local community services.
Small items of shopping.
Collecting prescriptions.
Reading post.
Making phone calls on your behalf.
Being a listening ear and having a chat.

Free Trial - You are entitled to a two week free trial, however after that period we charge a small fee of £9.00 per week for a single person and £11.00 per week for a couple, which is payable to the warden.

If you are interested in joining the scheme - call Melanie on 07977 219403. She will be pleased to meet you to discuss the service in more detail. There are currently vacancies in Landbeach.

The service can be ongoing or short term, depending on what you need. The Warden isn't a domestic helper or a carer providing physical care. She is employed and paid by Age UK Cambridge and Peterborough and can't undertake tasks on a private basis. Age UK Cambridgeshire and Peterborough provides other services including: handyperson (fitting of keysafe, grab rails, small repairs etc), information and advice. Other services include personal call alarms, stair lifts, insurance policies with no age limit, funeral plans and will writing.

Community Warden

An AgeUK initiative.

Call 07977 219403 to join the scheme.

Supporting people aged 60+ to live independently in their own homes.

LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

'What's On' February 2021

Scams – The Police have indicated that catalytic converters are still been taken off cars and there are cyber scams. There is a virus scam text asking for bank details. Be vigilant and have secure passwords.

There is a Cyberhood Watch initiative which aims to put people in the best possible position to stay protected online. There are some helpful guides at www.avast.com/uk-cyberhood. They are also looking for Cyberhood Watch Ambassadors who will be trained by Avast. Please contact amy.mawby@ourwatch.org.uk

Verges in the Village – The Parish Council are meeting with a parishioner in relation to the verges. He said that it would not be good to clear out too much where animals and insects are hiding. Also he would be cautious about cutting the hedge. It would be good to lay the hedging down like it is at Worts Meadow. The height of the hedge dividing the Rec should be between 8ft and 9ft (as formerly). This would give more light at the top area.

The verges have been cleaned across from the Church after having a lot of building trucks on them whilst repair was going on at the Church.

Recreation Ground – Wild Flowers – The Parish Council are going to make enquiries about getting the Bedfordshire/Cambridgeshire Wildlife Trust to come for a day and the Council could offer the manpower.

Flooding – Gullies and drains are not running properly and the Parish Council are finding it difficult to get the County to do any maintenance. They say they have no money. If anyone is willing to clear some of the gullies out in Waterbeach Road or Cockfen Lane, please do.

Covid-19

With cases still significant in the county, it is possible that Landbeach residents may have to suddenly self-isolate or quarantine. Some people may also need to stay home to protect themselves.

If you find you need any help, or are concerned in any way (finance, physical/mental health) about someone else who may need support, please contact the Clerk. This will be in complete confidence. If the phone is not answered immediately, please leave a message and she will get back to you.

If any parishioner finds themselves with an immediate short-term need (e.g. unable to obtain essential supplies while awaiting a self-isolation payment), the Covid support team can help. For example, we could purchase and deliver a small amount of food to you. This is supported by South Cambs District Council who have provided us with a small grant.

Rural Exception Site, Landbeach

If you have a Landbeach connection and would be interested in more affordable housing in the village, please contact the Clerk.

Benefits – Residents have complained that they are not getting as much benefit as they should. Please call the Benefits Office at SCDC, 03450450061 if you think this is you? You can also get in touch with the Citizens Advice Bureau.

Village Walk – This has become very muddy due to extra wear and tear and the amount of rain that we have had. It is also intermittently flooded in places.

Worts Meadow: The FOWM are going to put wood chippings on the paths. Thank You to them.

Urban and Civic
This is ongoing.

Waterbeach to Cambridge Consultation

The Greater Cambridge Partnership public consultation for the Waterbeach to Cambridge project finished on Monday 14 December 2020. More information can be found at https://www.greatercambridge.org.uk/transport/transport-projects/waterbeach-to-cambridge

North East Cambridge Area Action Plan
The consultation for this closed on 2 October.
It is tied up with the Sewage Works. There is a lot of objection to it.

CWWTPR (Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant Relocation)
The selected site is site 3 (between Horningsea and Fen Ditton). There will be mitigation.

A10 Upgrading Proposals
This is ongoing until the next Consultation.

Village Plan
Two parishioners have agreed to produce a Village Plan.

Precept 2020/21 - The Parish Council have applied for £27,000 this year which is an increase of £1,000 on last year. We have to install a new CCTV in the Village Hall, which will cost in the region of £3,500. There is improvement work to be done on the Village Pump, Village Sign, Path and MUGA. Ongoing maintenance includes tree and hedge work.

Parish Council details

Clerk

landbeachparishcouncil@gmail.com

Telephone: 07724 047656

Please report any problems to the Clerk.
Please leave your contact details
and she will be happy to call/respond to messages.

The next Zoomed Parish Council meeting will
be held on 1 February 2021

It is hoped we will be able to start using the Village Hall later in the year.
If you would like to join one of these meetings, please contact the Clerk.