What's On In Landbeach - March 2021

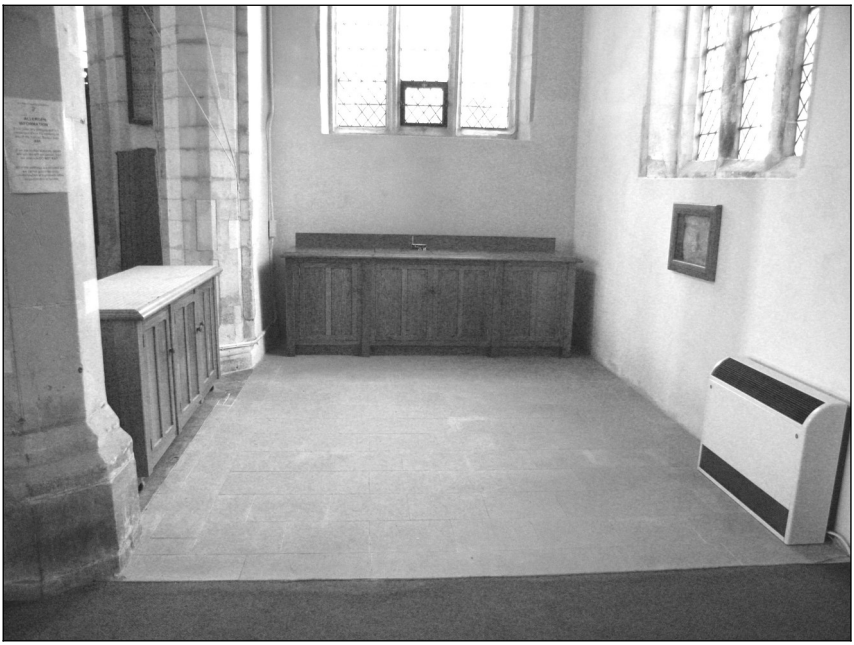
Welcome! To everyone who has recently moved into Landbeach. The village is looking forward to becoming friends with you. We hope to meet you as soon as possible.

Welcome! To the spring, to the sun, to the lovely country feeling of seeing cows grazing in Worts Meadow, to the birds singing at dawn and sunset, to the bumblebees, to the daffodils and plum blossom, to the first leaves on the trees.

Welcome! To the restart of clubs, meetings, church services, every other activity we can enjoy together.

Welcome! To a village with a strong community spirit; let's plan how we can work together to make Landbeach an even greater place to live. Here's to a re-energised 2021!

Here's a photo of the new servery area at All Saints' Church, ready and waiting to welcome you just as soon as it can. Read all about it on the back page.



Items for Apr are needed by Sat 20th Mar, 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.

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"

We hope to resume in-person services on either Palm Sunday (28th March) or Easter Day (4th April). All is dependent on government guidance.

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.

Easter Bonnet competition

Easter day 4th April @ 10 a.m.

All saints' church

Get making – you must be able to perch your beautiful creation on your head for one minute!

Waterbeach Food Hub

We will be open on Thursdays 3-6pm at St John the Evangelist.
You tick off what you want on a list and we serve you.

I'm bored! What can I do?

'Covid Dreams' art installation with community involvement
by Theo Gayer-Anderson and Gideon Pain

planned for the Tithe Barn this April.

Read on to see how you can get involved.

Theo says:
"I am creating an art installation to mark one year on from the first lockdown. The installation will be on show at the Landbeach tithe barn. Part of the installation will be a soundscape made out of lockdown memories. I am looking for anyone in and around the villages of Landbeach and Waterbeach willing to share their lockdown memories.

I'm interested in everything whether it be how your life has changed in general, specific anecdotes, your daily walk, home-schooling or even vivid dreams. So whether you have been cooped up with your family, coping with isolation or carrying on as a key-worker I would like to hear from you."

To find out how you can contribute, email Theo for more information - metigo@hotmail.co.uk

Booking will be essential for this free event. Tickets can be reserved via https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/tithe-barn-trust-27492103979

Friends of Worts Meadow (FOWM)

Wood paths: A big thank you to the individuals who used their daily exercise in January to spread chippings on the muddy wood paths, to farmer Chris who stored the chip and the residents that donated it. Hopefully work parties can resume in April or May.

The Grounds Café at Milton Country Park

Now open again. The café menus are available on their Facebook page: Grounds Café (Milton Country Park), or https://www.facebook.com/Groundscafemilton. See the Menu tab.

Save Honey Hill

To support the residents of Horningsea in their fight against having the Anglian Water sewage works near their village, please find details of their campaign by searching for "Save Honey Hill" on the Internet.

Mobile Library - Check with Cambridgeshire Libraries

Pharmacie Café Pizzeria (W'beach) - www.pharmaciecafepizzeria.co.uk

Scotsdales Garden Centre at Horningsea - has a great range of plants and gifts with plenty of space to browse while staying socially-distanced. Hand sanitiser and trolley wipes are supplied so you can stay safe while supporting this local business.

Landbeach Sports and Social Club

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

3rd March - Steak and Honour
17th March - Buffalo Joe's

7th April - Pig-Casso's
21st April - Nanna Mexico

5th May - The Cook's Nest

Details of each evening will be advertised on the Landbeach Community Facebook page nearer their dates.

When allowed to open, our opening hours are:

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

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

Landbeach Sports and Social Club Committee

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.

Introducing The Occasional (lady) Gardener!

Don't want to employ a regular gardener but wish that just sometimes there was someone who would give you a hand for 3 hours now and again to get on top of it, or to help prepare for an occasion? I have worked as a professional gardener for 15 years in and around Elsworth but moved back to Landbeach last year. Experienced in all areas. Bring my own tools, social distancing etc compliant. Blocks of 3 hours, as often or as little as you like. £50 per time.

07570 694616 Janet Bell, Waterbeach Road, Landbeach

Volunteering

URGENT! Volunteer drivers needed for
Beaches Community Car Scheme

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

The Farmland Museum and Denny Abbey

Scheduled to reopen for Easter 2021. You can still support the museum at this time by making a donation or volunteering your skills to help out. More information on volunteering can be found its website https://www.dennyfarmlandmuseum.org.uk/

Milton Country Park is looking for volunteers

The team at Milton Country Park are looking for volunteer walk leaders to lead group walks at the Park. Walks can be on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis when government guidelines allow. As a Walk Leader volunteer you will:

- Help people in your community to get active and healthy, providing vital support that they otherwise might not get, while staying active yourself
- Get to know others and become part of a nationwide community of walkers and volunteers
- Receive specialist training and ongoing support as part of a nationally recognised and well respected programme

Full walk leader training and ongoing support will be provided. If you're interested in finding out more, please email at Mcp@cambridgesportlakes.org.uk

Useful info

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

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

UK charity Arthritis Action

https://www.arthritisaction.org.uk/

We give hands-on, practical help to combat the pain of arthritis through self-management and lifestyle advice. We provide a range of free resources, including factsheets, exercises, recipes and videos.

Presentations on self-management of arthritis via zoom to local groups can be arranged - contact Marc Williams Marc@arthritisaction.org.uk

Online Arthritis Action Groups

To support people living with arthritis, we also run online Arthritis Action Groups, including groups for the East of England, and evening groups. We know that all the changes in people's lives this past year have made managing arthritis more challenging.

Arthritis Action Groups are an opportunity for people with arthritis to talk with others and share their tips on how to manage their arthritis and stay active whilst at home, and we actively welcome new attendees. We discuss a variety of self-management techniques. Participants will need to contact us directly for the log in instructions for the meeting, and we have produced 'How To' guides for those not familiar with using Zoom.

East Anglia Groups:

Evening: 4th March 6pm or Morning: 5th March 10:30 am

Joining details - http://www.arthritisaction.org.uk/media-centre/events

Buses (lack of)

There are no Park & Ride services from any sites, until further notice.

The Citi 2 bus stop at Cambridge North Railway Station will be closed until November 2022 for construction works. During this closure, the Citi 2 will use a new temporary bus stop located at the Cambridge North Station Car Park, 500 metres away from the current stop. Busway services continue at their current stops, unaffected by this closure.

Covid-19 Rapid Testing

There are now a number of NHS Test and Trace sites local to us which provide rapid testing for key workers and those who cannot work from home. They are intended for asymptomatic people to check regularly if they are in fact free of Covid-19 or not.

For more information, including how to book a test, see:

https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/coronavirus/coronavirus-covid-19-rapid-community-testing

Clocks go forward on Sunday 28th March

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
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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

Events at the Tithe Barn

There's a wide range of activities in the months ahead. Those with an interest in the arts will enjoy two exhibitions coming up. In April, local artists Theo Gayer-Anderson and Gideon Pain will be staging another immersive art installation; and in May, local painter and print maker Maureen Mace and other members of the Cambridge Drawing Society will be exhibiting their work.

There also will be a pop-up market and events to support the national Heritage Open Day, as well as our ever-popular carols towards the year end. Later in the year we also hope to continue our popular 'Outdoor Gym' where you can support the barn, get a little exercise, meet old and new friends all whilst helping to maintain the barn's environment.

See https://tithebarntrust.org.uk/learning/2021-events for details. Events may be subject to Covid restrictions and will be updated as needed.

Tithe Barn Spend a Penny 2021

Our 2021 development campaign has benefited from a major donation.

Our campaign to install eco-friendly loos has taken a great leap forward thanks to a local donor (who wishes to remain anonymous) making a wonderful £10,000 donation, meaning we have now raised over £11,500 from 47 donations - over a third of the way to our £30,000 target! That we are successfully raising money ourselves is a great support to both the bids now being written seeking the support of grant-making bodies and the application for planning permission. We still have a long way to go and all donations (of any size) are much appreciated.

You can donate via the barn's website https://www.tithebarntrust.org.uk

Cows in Worts Meadow

Following a query from a Landbeach resident, Friends of Worts Meadow (FOWM) has collated the following information:

Cambridgeshire County Council own the site as part of their County Farms Estate. It is leased to a tenant farmer and the cows graze the site between June and October.

Cow grazing is essential for managing the meadow and is outlined in the Higher Level Stewardship Agreement (under which the site is managed), as the most efficient form of management.

The cows are kept in one or other of the two fields, never in both at the same time so there is always 'cow-free' space for people to enjoy. Last summer there was a 'grumpy' cow that caused some concerns which FOWM passed on. Usually they are a placid lot.

FOWM help with practical management but have no jurisdiction over the site. However we are always happy to field queries and find the right person to answer them. The FOWM contact is (email) frances.dipper@sustenergy.co.uk

News from All Saints' Church

All Saints' Church has emerged from the scaffolding on its north side to reveal the work carried out since last August to counter the damp in the walls. The impermeable Victorian cement covering was removed, revealing interesting evidence of the stonework. An earlier building, including Norman material, was replaced by a 13th century church, in turn followed by later rebuilding. To allow some of this stone to be seen now that it is covered by breathable cladding, a small 'Truth Window' has been inserted in the north aisle inside wall.

A new servery unit has also been installed in the northwest corner of the church to add to the refreshment facilities. This will allow wider use of the building for community as well as religious purposes. A grand opening will be held when the Coronavirus permits.

This £165,000 restoration and development work carried out by F.A.Valiant & Son of Barrow has been made possible through the generous support of private donors, in addition to grant funding obtained from the Amey Community Foundation, the Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust, the Shanti Trust and the All Churches Trust.

AgeUK Community Warden

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

Call 07977 219403 to join the scheme.

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 March 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.

LANDBEACH PARISH COUNCIL

'What's On' March 2021

Scams – Do be vigilant as there are vaccination and cyber scams going round. Have secure passwords. You will never be asked to pay for a vaccination. There are also scams regarding bitcoin investments – remember that if a thing seems too good to be true, it probably is! And don't invest more than you can afford to lose.

Verges in the Village – There is quite a bit of litter on the verges. We are unable to organise a litter pick until the situation eases, but any individual efforts are much appreciated.

Recreation Ground – Wild Flowers – The Parish Council is proposing creating a wild flower meadow on part of the Recreation Ground, opposite the church. Mr McWilliams has produced some suggestions and an estimate of start-up costs.

This project would require long-term maintenance and would need participation from volunteers.

If you are interested in being a volunteer, please contact the Clerk by return as it would need to be planted before the end of March, otherwise it will be too late to do the planting this year.

Flooding – The recent flooding has meant quite a bit of liaising with our County Councillor who is following up with various bodies and individuals. The local farmers have also been busy with ditch work. County Highways need to do more work to ensure the crossroads do not flood. If you believe a main drainage ditch near you has been blocked or built over, please let the Parish Council know.

Annual Parish Meeting(APM) – At present we are unable to hold an APM on 22 April. If the situation improves, we will let you know.

CCTV in Village Hall – The CCTV needs replacing in the Village Hall. The Parish Council hopes that the cost, in the region of £3,500, can be split between the Parish Council and the Village Hall. The main beneficiary would be the Village Hall. It is essential to them and would also protect the village.

Covid-19

Parishioners over the age of 70 should have been vaccinated by now. If you have not been contacted and are over 70, please contact 119. The next priority groups (over 65 and highly vulnerable) are currently being vaccinated.

Rural Exception Site, Landbeach

The Parish Council have invited Joshua Eyles, SCDC Housing Development Officer, Jenna Brame of Cambridge Acre/Eastern Community Homes and Sarah O'Brian of Longhurst Housing Group (registered social landlord) to the next meeting on 1 March in relation to a Housing Needs Survey.

If you have a Landbeach connection and would be interested in more affordable housing in the village, you are welcome to join the meeting.

Benefits – Please call the Benefits Office at SCDC, 03450450061 or email Benefits@scdc.co.uk for advice if you think you are not getting enough benefits. You can also get in touch with the Citizens Advice Bureau.

Precept 2021/22 – SCDC have confirmed a Precept of £27,000 for 2021/22. This gives a Band D equivalent of £69.23. This is an increase of £2.25 or 3.37% to the Band D equivalent charges in 2020/21. The tax base has increased from 388.2 to 390.0; this results in an increase to the Band D equivalent cost.

The Precept was increased by a small amount (£1,000) as there are a lot of things that need money spent on, the Village Pump, Village Sign, Path and MUGA which would cost in the region of £10,000. The Parish Council has very little say on the bigger things.

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 2019.
It is tied up with the Sewage Works. There is a lot of objection to it.

CWWTPR (Cambridge Waste Water Treatment Plant Relocation)
Anglian Water have revealed their preferred site for the sewage works is Honey Hill, near Horningsea. This has to go to the Secretary of State.

A10 Upgrading Proposals
We are awaiting the formal Consultation.

Village Plan
Two parishioners have agreed to produce a Village Plan. They are hoping to do some work on this in the Spring. If anyone else is interested in being involved, please let us know.