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STUART MEMORIAL HALL SUMMER QUIZ

Thanks to all who supported the Hall by buying a quiz sheet and tackling the 50 questions. £140 profit was made which goes towards the general maintenance of the hall.

26 people sent in their answer sheets. The £25 cash prize went to Eileen Smith of Hitchin with 49 answers correct out of the 50. The answers are given below

The 1960's

An American pop festival with the same name as a character in the Peanuts cartoon?	WOODSTOCK
What was the name of the M.P. involved in the Christine Keeler scandal?	PROFUMO
What year was the "summer of love" in San Francisco?	1967
Who killed J.F.K.?	LEE HARVEY OSWALD
What made Sandie Shaw famous, apart from her singing?	BARE FEET
Who acted as "The Likely Lads"?	JAMES BOLAM & RODNEY BEWES
From which show did the phrase "Oi'll give it five" come?	THANK YOUR LUCKY STARS
What did a Double Diamond do?	WORK WONDERS
Who was the Beatles drummer before Ringo?	PETE BEST
Who was "Barbie's" predecessor?	BILD LILLI

Desserts Name the pudding

Was this exclusive school responsible for the state of this pudding?	ETON MESS
A delicious tart from Derbyshire.	BAKEWELL TART
Named after a Russian ballerina and first made in New Zealand.	PAVLOVA
Small Girl Guides.	BROWNIES
A Greek dessert with lots of honey.	BAKLAVA
Sounds like Richard's got the Measles.	SPOTTED DICK
Miss Muffet could have made this dessert.	JUNKET
Often known as "Dead Man's Leg".	JAM ROLY POLY
Especially eaten before Lent.	PANCAKES
A small rodent misspelt.	MOUSS

Seaside Resorts In Britain Name the Resort

Did Simon & Garfunkel visit this fair?	SCARBOROUGH
You might meet the man with 7 wives here.	ST. IVES
No ewes allowed through this gate.	RAMSGATE
You won't run out of water here.	WELLS NEXT THE SEA
Dance your way to the top of the tower.	BLACKPOOL
End of the rally for veterans.	BRIGHTON
Wide steps.	BROADSTAIRS
Milky chops	WEYMOUTH
A heavy weight of artist's material.	PAIGNTON

The only place in Britain ending with an exclamation mark!

WESTWARD HO!

Trains and Boats and Planes

Force 12 on the Beaufort scale.

HURRICANE

She's moored at Greenwich.

CUTTY SARK

Who was run over and killed by "The Rocket"?

WILLIAM HUSKISSON

Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young sang about this.

MARAKESH EXPRESS

A heavenly body?

COMET

Thomas's red friend.

JAMES

Do elephants fly in these?

JUMBO JETS

Christopher Columbus's fleet had 3 ships; one was the Santa Maria.

Name one of the other 2.

NIÑA & PINTA

Said to be unsinkable.

TITANIC

The Paris Underground

METRO

Children's TV, Past and Present Name the programme or person

Mary, Mungo and ?

MIDGE

Pontypandy's hero.

FIREMAN SAM

Nutwood's resident bear.

RUPERT

The purple Telly Tubby.

TINKY WINKY

Friends of the Soup Dragon.

CLANGERS

Peppa's little brother.

GEORGE

Mark Fowler from "Eastenders" played which character from "Grange Hill"?

TUCKER JENKINS

A resident of "Festive Road".

MR BENN

What had an arched window to look through?

PLAYSCHOOL

On which programme would you have won a cabbage for a wrong answer?

CRACKERJACK

We're looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Tempsford Show on Saturday Sept 5th when we shall be pleased to welcome Pam Rhodes (of BBC "Songs of Praise") as our guest. She will present the awards and prizes to the winners of the many and varied classes (see centre pages for a reminder of the schedule).



And don't forget the free bouncy castle for the kids and the tea room for the



CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL

Tempsford Methodist Church is once again supporting this special project. All information, together with leaflets, will soon be available from Carole Gosling (01767 641175) should you wish to fill a shoebox for a child.

Children are so often the innocent victims of the world we live in today and shoeboxes are small – but they do change lives. Your 'love in a box' shows that there is love in the world and that somebody somewhere cares.

For some children it will be the **ONLY** present they receive in their **ENTIRE** childhood. Please join with us once again this

CHAT CLUB

Due to the cold weather in July members met to celebrate the 13th birthday of the Chat Club in the Chapel Schoolroom. Tea and cake were the order of the day.

In August members had a go at making bunting and Chat Club meets again on Wednesday, 30th Sept and Wednesday, 28th Oct from 2.30 to 4.00 p.m. All welcome.

'MEET & EAT' LUNCHES

These are held on the second Wednesday of the month in the Methodist Chapel School room. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy a super meal together. To help with catering and seating arrangements places **MUST** be booked by **MID-DAY** on the **Monday** prior to the lunch taking place. Call Carole Gosling on 01767 641175 if you would like to know more or if you would like to book your place.

<p style="text-align: center;">'MEET & EAT' LUNCH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, 9 September 2015 12.30 to 2.00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MENU Chicken & Leek Pie Seasonal Vegetables</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fruit Crumble Custard Tea/Coffee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£4.00 per person</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">'MEET & EAT' LUNCH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday, 14 October 2015 12.30 to 2.00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MENU Beef Casserole Seasonal Vegetables</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Apple Pie Custard Tea/Coffee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">£4.00 per person</p>
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CHURCHES TOGETHER IN TEMPSFORD

As far as is possible allowing for seasonal and celebratory variations there will be a church service **every** Sunday in Tempsford, either at the Parish Church or at the Methodist Church.

A warm welcome is assured at all services.

ST PETER'S PARISH CHURCH,

Church Street, Tempsford

Rector : Rev Margaret Marshall

Phone: 01234 870363

Parish Church

Sunday 6TH Sept	9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 13 th Sept	9.30am at Gt Barford, 11.15 Blunham
Sunday 20th Sept	9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 27 th Sept	9.30am at Gt Barford, 11.15 Blunham
Sunday 4th Oct	6.00pm Harvest Service
Sunday 11 th Oct	9.30am at Gt Barford, 11.15 Blunham
Sunday 18th Oct	9.30am Holy Communion



St Peter's Church
Harvest Service

Sunday 4th October at 6.00pm

St Peter's is very pleased to welcome Bishop Richard, who will be taking our Harvest Service this year. Please come along and show the Bishop how important it is to keep our beautiful church OPEN!

If you wish to donate any produce for harvest, please

TEMPSFORD METHODIST CHURCH,

Station Road, Tempsford

(part of the St Neots and Huntingdon Methodist Circuit)

Minister: Rev Paul Beard 01480 473444

Church Steward: Stephen Gosling,

81 Station Rd, Tempsford 01767 641175

Methodist Church

Sunday 6th Sept	6.00 pm	Section United Service at Buckden
Sunday 13th Sept	6.00 pm	Preacher: Rev Katy Dunn
Sunday 20th Sept	6.00 pm	Harvest Festival Preacher: Rev. Barbara Garwood
Sunday 27th Sept	4.30 pm	Circuit United Service at Huntingdon.
Sunday 4th Oct	6.00 pm	Section United Service at Eaton Ford
Sunday 11th Oct	6.00 pm	Preacher: Rev Paul Beard Service will include Holy Communion
Sunday 18th Oct	No Service	
Sunday 25th Oct	6.00 pm	Preacher: Rev Pam Siddall

Please note: there are services on the other Sundays at Gt Barford Methodist Church and Berkley Street Methodist Church, Eynesbury, all at 10.30am



HARVEST FESTIVAL

**Sunday 20th September 2015
at 6.00 p.m.**

led by Rev. Barbara Garwood

Come and join our thanksgiving

for another Harvest

EVERYONE WELCOME

(All gifts of produce used to decorate the church for this occasion will be distributed to the sick and elderly of the village)

WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO ABOUT....?

In reply to the many requests the Parish Council puts before Central Bedfordshire Council, they have sent the following which explains several points that they believe we should be attending to first:

Some pavements seem very uneven. Why aren't they repaired?

Trip hazards of over 20mm (0.8in) deep and more than 100mm (3.9in) across are treated as urgent repairs. These are repaired or made safe within 24 hours. Smaller hazards will be monitored. 'Patching' is also used as a short-term measure to hold the surface together until full resurfacing is carried out. We are able to cover more distance and provide better value for money by assessing the wear and tear on pavements to ensure that repairs and resurfacing, when undertaken, provide the best value investment for Central Bedfordshire and its residents.

Some gardens have overgrown trees and hedges that make it difficult to use the pavements. What can the Council do about that?

Where an overhanging tree, hedge or shrub which does not belong to us but has been identified as an obstruction to road users, we will ask the owner in writing to cut it back. If after 28 days this has not been done then we will do it ourselves and charge the owner for the work. Use our [Report It Online page](#) to tell us about a problem in your area.

Car-parking on pavements can also make it difficult to get about, especially if you have a pushchair or mobility scooter.

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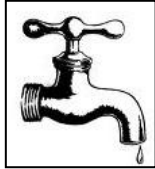
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GET ON THE COUNCIL LIST

If you are aware of anyone living in the parish who would like to make a housing application, please advise them to apply on line at www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk alternatively they can contact the Council direct on 0300 300 8000 for advice about their housing options and assistance making their housing application.

CAR PARKING

Please try to leave a good space between your car and any parked opposite so that others can get through.

LEVEL CROSSING

News from Network Rail's feasibility agents:

"The results of the survey were extremely helpful and we would like to re-iterate our appreciation to all those who contributed. The results have allowed us to develop a preferred option for each crossing and a detailed understanding of the steps that would be required to close them, as well as the impact these closures would have on the communities around them.

Based on the information we have gathered, we have decided not to go ahead with a single programme of level crossing closures. Instead we will take a case-by-case approach, looking to close level crossings as part of other planned improvement work over the next five-year funding period (2019-2024) and beyond, or where an opportunity for closure becomes apparent due to development activity in surrounding areas."

GRAVE NUMBERS

We have found old grave marker numbers in the cemetery hut. These are no longer needed and the Parish Council is considering selling them as house numbers! Want to know more? They will be available at the village show on Sept 5th.

As Rev Margaret Marshall is on sabbatical, Brenda

Dear Readers,

As I write this the Harvest is well under way. Crops are being gathered from the fields and in a short space of time the ploughs are out preparing the ground for next year. Not quite like the harvests of my younger days which mostly happened in September and sometimes October. Times change, technology in the shape of better seeds, insecticides and farm machinery, have speeded up the process. There is still, however, a rhythm to life, with our seasons of Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. Although there again these are changing and becoming more unpredictable.

I remember one of the first signs of Summer was when my Father picked the first strawberries from the garden in June. It was quite exciting and then there was always the chance of a few extra by casually wandering near the strawberry beds without, hopefully, being seen! Nowadays strawberries can be bought in our supermarkets from early Spring, many of which are imported, but is it such a good idea? When you can get something all the time, whatever the season, some of the joy goes; strawberries, and other fruit and vegetables are not special and not appreciated as much.

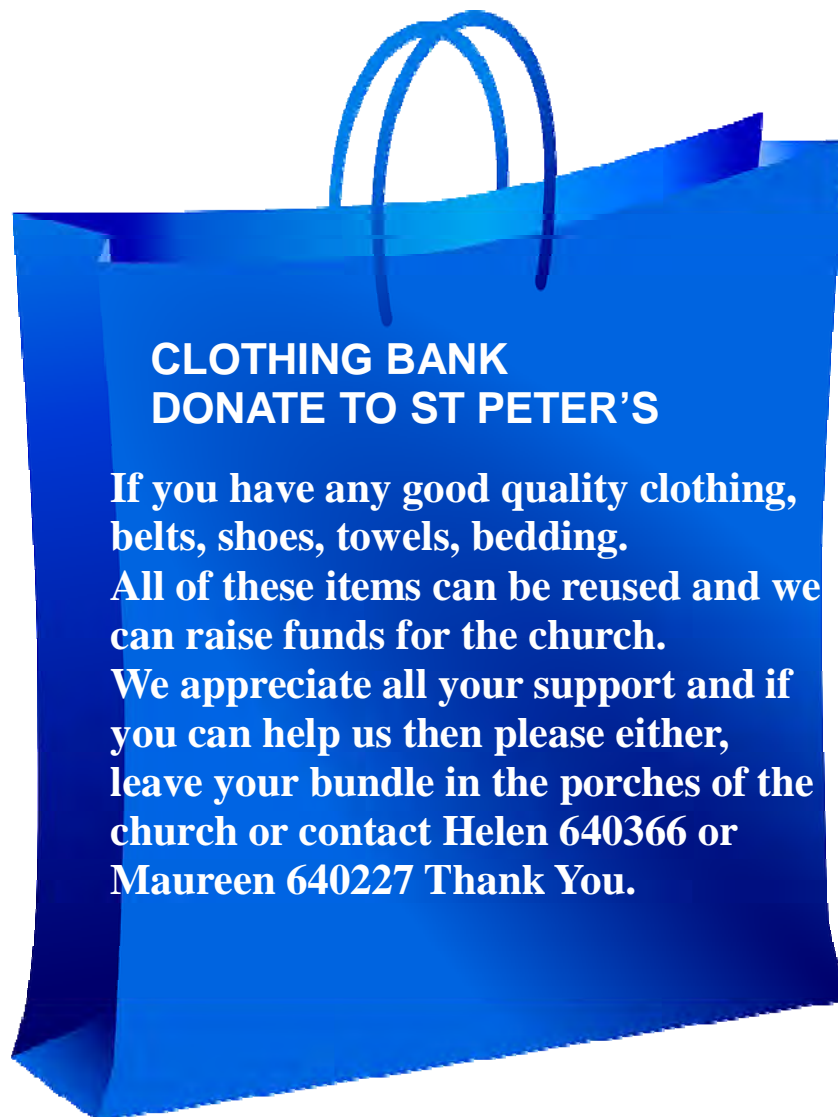
In wanting everything all the time, we lose sight of the rhythm of life. God gives us the seasons. Darkness and light. Times of shortage, times of plenty. Waiting for the days of harvest, and the waiting makes the fulfilment so full of flavour. Seasons come and go, so do the passages of our lives, but Jesus Christ, always faithful, is the same yesterday and today and forever. With God there are no seasons, and there need be no season without God.

This year St. Peter's will be celebrating and giving thanks for the Harvest on Sunday 4th October at 6 p.m. We shall be joined by the Bishop of Bedford to share the time with us. I do hope some of you will be able to come along, you will be most welcome.

A final thought:-

"As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease"

Genesis Chapter 8 v 22.



**CLOTHING BANK
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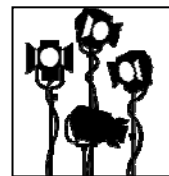
**If you have any good quality clothing,
belts, shoes, towels, bedding.**

**All of these items can be reused and we
can raise funds for the church.**

**We appreciate all your support and if
you can help us then please either,
leave your bundle in the porches of the
church or contact Helen 640366 or
Maureen 640227 Thank You.**

St Peter's Flood Lights

If you would like the flood lights put on for any occasion, please contact Gloria 01767 640050. The cost is £10 per night.



TEMPSFORD SHOW
Saturday Sept 5th
A reminder of the Schedule of Classes

Floral Classes

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| 1. Three single-headed blooms - single variety | <i>Mrs. J. Shield</i> |
| 2. Six single-headed blooms - two or more varieties | <i>Mr. & Mrs. P. Russell</i> |
| 3. Single rose (Tempsford villager only) | <i>Mr. C. Bettles</i> |
| 4. Single pot plant – flowering or foliage | <i>Mrs. S. Lammie</i> |
| 5. Fuchsia in a plant pot | <i>Mrs. S. Lammie</i> |
| 6. Flower arrangement in a tea pot | <i>“The Wheatsheaf”</i> |
| 7. Vase of garden flowers (<i>to be judged by public vote</i>) | <i>“The Wheatsheaf”</i> |
| 8. The largest sunflower head | <i>Mr. & Mrs. G. Norman</i> |

Sponsor

Fruit and Vegetable Classes

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| 9. Three onions | <i>Mrs. J. Stocker</i> |
| 10. Six tomatoes | <i>Mrs. J. Stocker</i> |
| 11. Six cherry tomatoes | <i>Mrs. J. Stocker</i> |
| 12. Three beetroot (bunched) | <i>Mrs. J. Stocker</i> |
| 13. Six stick beans | <i>Mr. & Mrs. P. Russell</i> |
| 14. Six carrots (bunched) | <i>Mr. & Mrs. P. Russell</i> |
| 15. Garden produce selection in a container | <i>Mr & Mrs P. Russell</i> |
| 16. Three potatoes - single variety | <i>Mr. & Mrs. S. Gosling</i> |
| 17. Six shallots | <i>Mr. & Mrs. S. Gosling</i> |
| 18. Three apples - single variety | <i>Tempsford Estate</i> |
| 19. Six plums | <i>Mr & Mrs D. Pennington</i> |
| 20. Three pears | <i>Mrs. J. Shield</i> |
| 21. Bunch of mixed herbs | <i>Mr. & Mrs. D. Pennington</i> |

Eggs

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| 22. Six hens' eggs | <i>Mr T. Husain</i> |
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Culinary Classes

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| 23. Fruit cake (free style) | <i>“The Wheatsheaf”</i> |
| 24. Six chocolate brownies | <i>Mr & Mrs I Gosling</i> |
| 25. Lemon drizzle cake | <i>Mr & Mrs I Gosling</i> |
| 26. Six fruit scones | <i>Mr. & Mrs. C. Knott</i> |

27. Four muffins – any variety	<i>Mr. & Mrs. C. Knott</i>
28. Chocolate sandwich cake – men only	<i>Mr T Husain</i>
29. Fruit pie on a 6” - 9” base	<i>Mr & Mrs G Norman</i>
30. Victoria Sandwich	<i>Cold Arbour Kennels</i>
31. Six flap-jacks, any variety	<i>Cold Arbour Kennels</i>
32. Six cheese straws	<i>Cold Arbour Kennels</i>
33. Jar of jam made from non-stoned fruit	<i>Cold Arbour Kennels</i>
34. Jar of jam made from stoned fruit	<i>Mr. & Mrs. A. W. Bingham</i>
35. Jar of marmalade	<i>Mr. & Mrs. A. W. Bingham</i>
36. Jar of chutney – any variety	<i>Kier Group</i>

Photographic Classes – size not to exceed 7” by 5”
(Maximum of 3 entries per person per class)

37. “Man and Machine”	<i>Mr. & Mrs. T. Sills</i>
38. “Summer Fun”	<i>Mr. & Mrs. T. Sills</i>
39. “New Beginnings”	<i>Mr. & Mrs. G. Norman</i>
40. “Beauty”	<i>Mr and Mrs T Partridge</i>
41. “Food Glorious Food”	<i>Mr and Mrs T Partridge</i>

Craft Classes

43. Painting or drawing – any medium	<i>Mr T Husain</i>
44. A hand-made greeting card	<i>Mr T Husain</i>
45. A piece of pottery	<i>Tempsford Stained Glass</i>
46. A piece of handmade jewellery	<i>Tempsford Stained Glass</i>
47. A piece of handicraft that does not fall in any other category	<i>Tempsford Stained Glass</i>

Children’s Classes

48. A decorated fruit or vegetable sitting in a flower pot	<i>Mr. & Mrs. C. Knott</i>
49. Original Lego model	<i>Mr. T. Husain</i>
50. Three gingerbread men	<i>Mr and Mrs A Quinn</i>
51. My favourite photo	<i>Mr and Mrs A Quinn</i>
52. Colouring competition - age 5 and under	<i>Kier Group</i>
53. Colouring competition - age 6 or 7	<i>Kier Group</i>
54. Handwriting competition - age 8 or 9	<i>Ms. A. Halliwell</i>
55. Handwriting competition - age 10 or 11	<i>Ms. A. Halliwell</i>

Entries will only accepted between 10.00 and

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

The following is a summary of the main points of discussion at the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 20th July 2015. Full copies of the minutes are available on the village website. www.tempsford.org

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All Councillors were present, also CBC Councillors Doreen Gurney and Adam Zerny and 4 members of the public.

- 1. Apologies for absence** - Apologies were received from PCSO Lucy Bartlett
- 2. Declarations of Interest** – No declarations of interest were received.
- 3. Acceptance of Minutes** – Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on the 18th May 2015 were accepted as a true record and were signed by the Chairman.
- 4. The General Power of Competence** – The Chairman explained this power that the Council were now allowed to hold as the Clerk is now CiLCA qualified and the Council is fully elected. The Resolution to accept this power was passed by 6 votes to 1.
- 5. Police Report** – There had only been one report of criminal damage in Church St., Tempsford.
- 6. Public Session.** 4 members of the public were present. Subjects discussed were i) inappropriate allocation of housing association accommodation in the village by it not being offered to villagers first; ii) pavements in bad condition; iii) drain grids blocked; iv) hedges overhanging paths and v) lack of provision of high speed broadband. The Council agreed to investigate all these matters.
- 7. Central Beds Councillors** – Cllr. Zerny reported that the project by Network Rail to close level crossings has been shelved. Cllr. Gurney – hoped that the Black Cat flyover and A428 improvement would still go ahead sometime in the future.
- 8. Planning** – CB/TRE/15/00251 – tree works in Tempsford Hall. No objections.
- 9. Highways and general matters linked with Central Beds.**
In reply to various matters raised by the Parish Council, Central Beds

has expressed no concern with regard to the dead trees on the “link road”, and the list of street lights Central Beds pays the electricity for appears to be out of date. Requests for permission to remove the amphibian fence on the link road, to erect road traffic speed indicators and bollards are to be sought. Central Beds has yet to rule on the leaving out of rubbish bins on pavements.

10. Play area – The Council accepted the advice and the maintenance regime which the contractor offered for the grass in the new play area. The Council also agreed to his costs for the clearance of all cuttings from the hedge laying in Gannock Castle. Quotes for repairs to equipment in these areas are still awaited. New signs are needed for the new play area and quotes are being sought. Possible 5 -a-side goal posts for the new area were suggested and prices and styles are being investigated. The basketball post from the small children’s area will be moved to the new area

11. Church/Churchyard – Cemetery hut – this has been treated with woodworm treatment by Cllr. Cooney.

12. Finance– Necessary payments were presented by the Clerk and were approved. Details of the bank reconciliation were explained. External auditors explained that the new fence to the new play area had now to be classed as an asset of the Council and needed to be included in its accounts.

13. Green Infrastructure A work party is needed to lay the new path edging in the Millennium Garden. A bridge across a drainage ditch in Esme Wood is planned and is still in discussion. It was agreed to purchase and plant more daffodil bulbs in the Autumn.

14. Defibrillators An Awareness Course is booked for 4th August at 7pm in the Stuart Memorial Hall.

15. Transparency Code - Information about the Council and its activities is needed to be made public in the new Transparency Code brought in by the Government. Most if not all such information concerning Tempsford Parish Council is already on the village website. Any extra information will now be included.

16. Correspondence – Cllr. Bull reported on her Councillor training.



Police and Crime Commissioner Olly Martins’ Police and Crime Plan for Community Safety in Bedfordshire

My Commitments to You and Your Communities

This Plan is all about you and keeping you safe from crime in your county. Your views about what you want from policing are at the heart of my commitments. These undertakings match what people tell me is most important in fighting crime, supporting victims and protecting vulnerable people.

Value for money

My first three commitments are linked with making sure that Bedfordshire Police gives value for money to you, the taxpayers, in delivering its service. I will carry on fighting for more funding and a fairer deal for the force from the Government, and I will keep a close eye on what the force does about levels of crime and victim satisfaction.

Confident communities

Strong partnerships with the police help to build confident communities. This is why I promise to strengthen work between communities and the force to help protect people and fight crime together. Residents make it plain they want to see more police out and about, so I am trying very hard to protect front line policing despite Government funding cuts. I am also set on doubling the Special Constabulary to 500 members by 2017 and introducing new technologies – including body worn cameras – that mean officers can spend less time in stations and more in your communities.

Protecting the vulnerable

We must do more to protect victims of 'hidden harm.' These horrible crimes include domestic abuse, hate crime, serious sexual offences, modern day slavery, child sexual exploitation (CSE), forced marriage, so-called honour-based violence and genital mutilation. I promise to raise awareness of what is happening, of terrorists and extremists who exploit these vulnerable people, and encourage more people to report these crimes. I am determined that police and partner agencies make sure that young people at risk of CSE are receiving protection, and I am championing services that help the most vulnerable victims.

Many organised crime groups are linked with drug dealing, burglary, robbery and theft, people trafficking, forced labour and fraud. I am working with other Police and Crime Commissioners in the region on community-based schemes that tackle these threats.

Keeping watch

I will continue to support more Neighbourhood Watch, Street Watch and Speed Watch schemes covering the county and hope to see even greater benefits from them joining up to work together. One of their strengths is that so many residents are willing to volunteer help in keeping neighbourhoods safe from crime and anti-social behaviour.

Breaking the cycle of crime

With less reoffending from 'tagged' volunteer offenders in Bedfordshire, I am pushing the Ministry of Justice for speedy, must-have, roll-out of the compulsory use of GPS technology where offender managers feel it would work. Tagging could right now be protecting people, preventing crime and helping offenders turn their backs on offending – all of which is exactly what we need.

Finally, I will continue to find new and innovative approaches to openness and transparency in policing, which will build greater confidence within our communities.

Do let me have your views on policing. You can contact me at:
Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner, Bridgebury House, Woburn Road,
Kempston, Bedfordshire. MK43 9AX.
Email: pcc@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk
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SPECTACLES AND SPECTACULAR FLYING CHICKENS

Biggleswade Sandy Lions have drop off collection bins in Sandy Health Centre, Alders Opticians and Clear Vision Direct, both in Biggleswade and in Clifton Church for your old, used spectacles and hearing aids. Throughout the year we gather together around 1200 pairs of glasses and send regular parcels to Chichester Lions Club. Chichester store the parcels and twice a year, they take a large Transit van load and cross the Channel to Le Havre. Lions of Le Havre take the specs on to a small charity, Medico de France. Nuns and a number of disabled people run Medico de France, and they grade the specs and prepare them for the last leg of the journey to sight projects in Africa and Asia. In these days of recycling, this project brings hope to many families in the developing world who have been affected by reduced sight.

Should you have any specs that you no longer have any use for, please do remember this worthwhile effort of ours, and either drop them off at one of the collection points above or give us a call.

PS – we also collect used postage stamps and pass them on to help Canine Partners!

Now – we can confirm that some chickens really do fly. We have a super new game, pumping up the pressure in 'chickens' and launching them so that they jet through the air, in the hope of landing in the target basket. There's water and a bit of energy needed, but it's tremendous fun! Next taking to the air at Old Warden Fete on Sunday 30th August and again, we're flying the chickens at Upper Caldecote Village Show on Sunday 6th September. Why not come along and try your skill?

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News report from ROXTON LOWER SCHOOL - your local lower school

This has been another very busy, fun year for Roxton Lower School.

We began last year with a super day of song and dance led by the Barnabas Group who focused on aiming for our goals and achieving our dreams-a great start to the academic year.

Our Harvest Service at Roxton Church, started our year long support for the Bedford Food Bank, and then a visit from Pudsey as we had fun on Children in Need Day. Our popular Christmas concert ,“The Ordinary Ox”, involved the whole school from pre-school to year 4. We finished the year with our annual visit to Peterborough to see the Pantomime-Jack and the Beanstalk. The New Year began with a surprise arrival-a balloon had crash landed on the field! The children had to use all their detective skills to work out what had happened. They decided that a mystery adventurer had stopped off on a world tour and wanted to share their travels with us. To learn more about the history of worldwide flight the children later visited the Shuttleworth Collection.

Other visitors included the Spring Dance Company who taught us all how to dance the Creation Story and Zoolab who shared an interesting variety of creepy crawlies with the whole school.

The Summer term saw the school converted to a jungle as we started to study the Rain Forest. We also went Sports Mad! The year 3 and 4 children embarked on their swimming lessons, we took part in all the local sports competitions and began a serious training regime for Sports Day. Each class went on interesting end of year trips (generously supported by our Parents Association)-the pre- school and Reception class went on Safari to Woburn, Key Stage 1 children explored the world of Ponds and Woodland at Marston Moretaine, and Key Stage 2 tested their strength and ingenuity at the Kempston Outdoor Centre. Over the summer various developments for the children include a school pond and an outdoor story reading area.

If you would like your children to be part of our happy village school-YOUR local lower school- then come and see us! We have a pre-school, SAPLINGS, who take children from 3 years upwards (soon to be moving into their brand new, purpose built room) and once your child reaches school age, free transport is available from home to school. As well as our exciting school days we also have a range of extra curricular activities including football, multi sports, dance, drama and Mad Science. We look forward to meeting you.

Roxton VA C. of E. Lower School
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For further information or a copy of our Programme for all meetings in 2015, please contact;

Secretary - Stella Gibbs, Tel: 01480 351931 or Chairman - Peter Newell, Tel: 01234 870158



FROM THE VILLAGES

Roxton and District Local History Group

September 3rd - Change to Programme;

Members meet in the Church Tower Room to examine our Roxton collection.

(Our talk & slides by R. Todman is postponed, due to essential work ongoing in the Parish Hall).

Blunham & District Gardening Club

The club is back in the village hall in September after three successful summer outings. The weather was good on all three occasions and the gardens were varied and interesting.

On Tuesday 1st September, 7.30pm in the village hall, Margaret Waddy will talk about 'Plant Propagation'.

Refreshments will be served afterwards. All visitors are warmly welcomed. For further details contact Brenda on

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