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9am BCP or CW Communion

10.30am Various, including Communion, Sunday Worship, All Age, Messy Church or Messy Forest Church

6pm Evensong

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Shelford Free Church (Baptist)

Sundays 10.30am

From the Rev Matt Lewis

Patience and Disagreement

There are more incendiary news items currently than there have been in my lifetime. Ever. Or so it would seem. Sanctions on Israel for actions that prevent a two-state solution. Masked protests in Dover and Portsmouth by people dressed in black, complete with balaclavas. An undercover investigation into illegal donations to Reform, followed by a female reporter being assaulted at their party conference. A suggestion from a former Anthropic researcher, Evan Hubinger, that there is a 10% chance AI could kill all humans. There are more. I have my (strong) opinions on each as well, but I'll not share those here.



What has been evident about all of these, both online and in conversations with people, is that disagreement over these and other world events is huge. I wonder how many dinner tables or date nights these incendiary news items might have disrupted. Related disagreements seem to have the capability to derail polite and orderly discourse. Opinions become entrenched. Facts are denied when they don't suit a preferred opinion. Eventually, disagreements tip over. Ordinary, sensible, and otherwise rational people become impatient with the arguments heard before, and deaf to any new arguments.

Disagreement becomes less about the issue and more about our feelings. Author Speed B. Leas suggests that disagreement is the second layer of conflict. It exists when problem solving ebbs to a preference for personal protection. If left out of check, disagreement then gives way to contest. Argumentative wins become more important than the actual issue, however incendiary. Following the third layer, contest escalates by drawing in more people to take a 'side'. Drawing people onto a 'side' protects the self, but still the issue remains. Finally, these parties set out to 'destroy' one another. The instigating issue has been lost sight of and all lines of enquiry become about a person. Sounding familiar?

When this happens, it's easy to lose sight of what is going on. Disagreement spirals and patience with another person is diminished. How many dinner table spats are caused by differing political views on the correct actions that should follow? This pattern of escalation is likely recognisable in our social lives. Sadly, I suspect it's even easier to notice in our working lives. Problem solving ebbs to disagreement, and then contests

arise. More people are drawn to take a side, and the problem lies underneath leaving a lasting impact on how we treat others.

An antidote exists in a well know idea: treat others as you wish to be treated. Sometimes called the Golden Rule, this originates from the Gospels (Matthew 7.12 and Luke 6.31-36). 'Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? ... And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? ... love your enemies, do good to them.' A simple axiom arises which has been repeated in schools and by parents up and down the country: treat others as you wish to be treated. It's a simple summary of a well-tested rule.

It's a marvellous rule for life, but it comes with challenges. Treat others as you wish to be treated sounds simple. What credit is that to you? Loving your enemies requires self-sacrificing love that does not seek to win an argument or 'destroy' someone over a disagreement. It requires understanding the person and the argument. Some credit is due. But I've been wondering about something else. What about when I am wrong? Should I want to be told? How many of us want to have the gaps in our decisions, arguments, or rationales prodded at? Or to put it another way: how far wrong do I want to go before someone tells me? A short answer is that I'd rather be told quickly. To not go too far wrong before having my fault(s) gently pointed out. I think much more credit is due here. So, should I do the same for others?

The Golden Rule is not an axiom that bypasses disagreement; it prevents disagreement escalating to contest. There is no credit to us if we bypass disagreements. In truth, when the Golden Rule is adhered to and done well, everyone benefits hugely. Treat others as you would like to be treated. Sometimes that does mean pointing out error, and realising when we ourselves are in the wrong. But it requires patience. Being patient is another antidote to the spiralling conflict cycle described above.

Patience is easily diminished at times. Ever noticed how patience diminishes when waiting for the train barriers to rise? Even this trivial example has a greater impact on us than we realise. Circumstances affecting patience changes how any of us respond to correction and disagreement. Have a friend who thinks the protests in Dover and Portsmouth are good? Patience is important. Bide your time whilst offering a critique. Keep the conversation below the realm of small wins. Watch yourself. Small wins are easy to find, but hugely abasing to those we speak with. They do not unite, nor seek solutions. Small wins are impatient, negating the complexities within situations. But we should not avoid these topics. They are important. Our role is more likely to take a step back and check our own reactions,

especially when we disagree strongly. Disagreement is necessary at times, but disagreeing well is of greater benefit.

Sometimes I fear that disagreeing well might not be possible. We all need the Golden Rule. Disagree with this? Come and tell me (but let's be patient with one another). I'd value the conversation. **God bless, Matt Lewis**

St Andrew's Noticeboard

2 OCT	5 PM	EVENSONG with CLARE COLLEGE CHOIR
4 OCT	9 AM	BCP COMMUNION
	10.30 AM	HARVEST FESTIVAL ALL AGE & FAMILY CW COMMUNION Deuteronomy 8.7-18; Luke 12.13-21
5 OCT	7 PM	MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING
11 OCT	9 AM	BCP COMMUNION
	10.30 AM	SUNDAY WORSHIP <i>How can I help?</i> Romans 12.6-8; John 16.1-15
	10.30 AM	MESSY CHURCH in the Johnson Hall
	6 PM	COME & SING EVENSONG 1 John 3.1-15; Mark 10.17-31
15 OCT	10.30 AM	THIRD THURSDAY MIDWEEK COMMUNION followed by refreshments
18 OCT	9 AM	BCP COMMUNION
	10.30 AM	ALL AGE & FAMILY CELEBRATION OF THE NACHINGWEA LINK
25 OCT	9 AM	BCP COMMUNION
	10.30 AM	SUNDAY WORSHIP AND BAPTISM Romans 12.9-21; John 16.16-33
1 NOV	9 AM	BCP COMMUNION
	10.30 AM	CW COMMUNION FOR ALL SAINTS' DAY Revelation 7.9-17; Matthew 5.1-12
	6 PM	MEMORIAL EVENSONG FOR ALL SOULS' Lamentations 3.17-26, 31-33; Peter 1.3-9

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or enjoy a moment of quiet reflection.

FROM THE REGISTERS

30 AUGUST Baptism of ISABELLA YOUNG
3 SEPTEMBER Funeral of MIKE CLEGG

Contrast

CONTRAST plays an important role in everyday life. Strangely, though, we don't pay much attention. Its presence is accepted without considering significance or merit: light, dark, dappled shade, brilliant sunshine influence mood and atmosphere; smiles or frowns. Rooms in our homes give us confidence. We create them with contrasting fabrics, textures and colour. They appeal to us as individuals. Appearance gives a clue to personality: extrovert, introvert, shy or bold. Not always true. We may hide behind bright jewel colours, the warm smile disguising low spirits. Disappointment, heartache, worries drag us down. Rather than admit that it is often easier to appear strong, in control and able. Who really knows what goes on behind scenes? That's where loyalty, love and trust is important, earned over time. Opinions and advice may contrast. If offered sensitively, fresh perspective and hope grows.



In an optician's test, tiny red dots flashing on and off on a black screen check peripheral vision. Basic letter charts detect weakness. Depending on results, lenses are prescribed for spectacles. Precision is achieved by fine adjustments comparing and contrasting left and right. A delicate balance. Questions asked requiring absolute honesty.

Watching television, listening to the radio or, in my case a CD, all need correct contrast. Once perfected, viewing or hearing is clearer. Cameras need to be focussed; observatories too. The world is full of fascination. Local scenery is beautiful. Our Gog Magog Down is such a treat. Trees beneath wide skies regularly surprise. Last week when travelling from Cambridge into Sussex, I noticed greener grass. Here it was still yellow. Now we are catching up. Simple views bring joy, often waiting, for free. The markets' striped awning, stalls of bright fruit, vegetables and flowers: appealing contrasts.



Apart from nature, flora and fauna, I love the sea. Two contrasting coastlines startled with beauty. Stunning dense dark clouds warned of storms. Glinting light streaked the sea which moved gently, seeming undisturbed; dramatic. Further away bright cobalt blue skies, speckled with dainty white threadlike clouds, cheered.

The effect was of stripes; sand, shingle, sea, sky. I have said before that seeing is believing. We should observe and be grateful. **Judith Lee**

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Stapleford-Nachingwea Link

Our 45th Anniversary



YOU will be very welcome to our 45th anniversary celebration during the 10.30am service at St Andrew's church, Stapleford on Sunday 18 October. There will be music, singing, dancing and videos as well as activities related to our link village of Nachingwea in Tanzania.

New stretcher arrives!

We were delighted to receive the message below from the Nachingwea chair, Kevin Bushiri, with a photo of the heavy-duty stretcher which we helped to fund, arriving at the Nachingwea hospital.

"The event of giving stretcher to the leadership of Nachingwea district hospital took place on 28 July whereby the following members attended as seen in the photo, from left: the Pharmacist Mr Samweli Msaki, Dr Shukrani Nsikini who is District Medical In Charge, secretary of the hospital Mr Godphrey Chembe, Dr Evelyn Mlumapili (chairperson of health link subcommittee) Kevin Bushiri and Nurse Pendo Kawambwa. Rev Phares Lihewe was invited however he faced family challenge short time before the event." **The Stapleford-Nachingwea Link Committee**





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Friends of St Andrew's Church



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St Andrew's is very much a village church. We have been here, serving the village, for well over a thousand years, and hope to be here a lot longer. We know that not everyone in the village comes to church regularly, but even if you don't, you might want to see the church kept in good repair and serving the community as a place of gathering, celebration, mourning and all sorts of events.

That is why the independent charity the Friends of St Andrew's (Charity number 104811) exists – to provide a vehicle for the whole community to help to maintain and improve the church building. Over the years it has contributed a lot for all sorts of repair and upgrading jobs. Funds it collects from subscriptions and events can only be used for those purposes.

We would love you to join! It costs £5 per year (or more if you want). Many of our members are able to be much more generous than that. We are very grateful to all members.

To read more and to join, go to the Friends page on the St Andrew's website – accessible from the front page.

If you do join up, here is a date for your diary: the Annual General Meeting is on Wednesday 18 November at 7pm in St Andrew's – with another chance to see a presentation of the plans for work on the church at that meeting. **Simon Taylor**

Sawston Cinema

Rebuilding (PG)

AFTER a wildfire destroys his home, divorced father and ranch owner Dusty (Josh O'Connor) must plant new roots. Now living in a close-knit trailer community, he quietly reassembles his life, reconnecting with his estranged young daughter and ex-wife (Meghann Fahy).

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Harvest Festival

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People's Emergency Briefing



ST Andrew's is very pleased to be joining with St Mary's Great Shelford, Great Shelford Free Church and 2G3S to host a screening of the People's Emergency Briefing film on Tuesday 17 November at 7.30pm at Great Shelford Free Church. This is a great film about the climate and nature crisis, and well worth seeing to be well-informed about the true scale of the issues we are facing.

After the film there will be about 30 mins of discussion, finishing by about 9.30pm. Do come along and bring your neighbours and friends. Tea and coffee will be available on arrival. **Simon Taylor**

Music Moments Concerts

Following the success of our July concert, we are excited to share that the next Music Moments concert will be on **Saturday 14 November** from **6 to 7pm**.

If you haven't been to one before, the aim of Music Moments is to celebrate our local musicians and share the joy of music-making with the community. There is a wealth of musical talent in Stapleford and beyond, and we are calling on people to take part! If you would like to perform at this concert, or at a future event, please sign up using the QR code or the link here: forms.gle/zL28nQen4UdoC2GD8.

As always, the concert will have an informal, living-room vibe, with wine and nibbles to enjoy alongside the music. Entry is free, with a retiring collection to raise money for music at St Andrew's.

So come and join us for another uplifting hour of music performed by local musicians! We look forward to seeing you there. **James Buchanan-Worster**



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THE 2025 Annual Report to the Charity Commissioners of Ely Diocesan Mothers' Union, approved by the Trustees, was

presented to members at its AGM in April.

Prison work:

- 3 successful Relationship Courses at Littlehey Prison
- At Christmas, more than 150 filled stockings taken to Whitemoor Prison for families of inmates

Social projects:

- 2,339 items (including knitted goods, baby clothes, household cleaning products, toiletries) sent to hostels, refuges, baby banks and the Mary's Child charity, supporting families and the homeless.
- Over Christmas, all refuges and hostels for young people received shopping vouchers so residents could choose what they bought.
- 10 Away From It All holidays for family groups sent to Hunstanton for a holiday in a mobile home: all the children received pocket money and funds provided to each family to help with food or petrol expenses.
- Baby tent at the Gransden Show for parents wishing to feed or change young babies.

Campaigns:

- Continued support for the UN 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence, and the MU Rise Up campaign: a Silent Prayer Vigil held on 29 November in the cathedral, followed by a Silent Protest outside the cathedral.
- A display in the South Transept for the duration of the campaign, with the chance to make a paper dove, symbolising our love and support for victims of domestic abuse.

Worldwide:

- Links with our overseas Dioceses maintained (Lusaka in Zambia. Shyogwe in Rwanda, Sokoto and Ikka in Nigeria, and Karimnagar in India) through forwarding the monthly Newsletter via email.
- We were also honoured to receive a visit from the Worldwide President, Kathleen Snow, in April, together with the Canterbury Provincial President, Comfort Fearon.



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Puzzle Corner

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3-letter words

umpire

enemy

charge

golf peg

4-letter words

fool

pine, for example

woodwind instrument

pace between walk and canter

5-letter words

curt

soft cap

rich cake

strapped for cash

6-letter words

caress

suppurate

improve on

sports equipment brand

7-letter word

ornament or badge

8-letter word

borscht ingredient

Set by Hermes – Answers on page 25

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Residentiary Choir at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh



AT the end of July I headed off to Edinburgh for my fifth residentiary choir course. It doesn't feel like long since my first course in Portsmouth in 2018. It's always great to see people every year who I've known since then; it's like getting back together with a singing family year on year and some new faces too. We are all singers from Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) affiliated choirs around the UK; St Andrew's where I sing in the choir being one of these; also four Americans, one from Japan and this year we were joined by a Canadian.

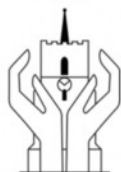
Back to this year as our leader was Martin Rawles, assistant director at Lichfield Cathedral. He is always very patient and gets the best out of us. The music repertoire he chose this year gave us a good challenge, and was mostly all new to me. Pieces by composers from countries represented in the choir this year: Japan, *Ubi Caritas* by Matsushita during the Eucharist on the Sunday, and Canada, *Rise up, my love* by Willan.

This time they gave us a day either side of the course to travel to and from Edinburgh as it's further away, then we started singing on the Monday. There is never much hanging around as we sung Evensong that day at 5:30pm with rehearsal earlier in the day, we started our first service Evening service in D by Moeran and *Pray that Jerusalem* by Stanford.

Other music I enjoyed singing during the week included: *Beatus Andreas* by Macmillan, Becky McGlade's *Missa Brevis* and Lucy Walker's *St Martin's Service*. Lucy is a Cambridge based composer. I was also lucky to have a small solo part in the *Fourth Evening Service* by Batten. Then a strong finish for the last Evensong with Brewer's *Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis*, which I know well, and Elgar's *Great is the Lord* which I really enjoyed singing.

We also had Kris Thomsett back from Newcastle Cathedral to accompany us on the organ; it's always great to hear Kris play every year!





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I've enjoyed the adventure singing up in Edinburgh and look forward to the next! Our Eucharist service is currently available on St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral YouTube channel. Go to the live section and find 10th Sunday after Pentecost. The Royal School of Church Music Facebook page also has a small audio clip of us singing the *St Martin's Service* with a few photos posted on 8 August. **Alice Barlow, member of St Andrew's Church Choir**

Mothers' Union



WE have a members' coffee morning on 15 October at Valerie's house, from 10.30am. There will be the usual Bring & Buy and raffle, to raise funds for the Branch and for MU projects.

On 29 October, one of our members, Sarah Hackett, will be speaking to the Branch on her career in nursing, covering midwifery to palliative care; we look forward to an interesting and informative afternoon.

There is a new Chief Executive Officer of the Mothers' Union, Alison Marshall, replacing Beverley Julien – there is an interesting piece about her in the latest Diocesan Newsletter. **Hilary Street**

Magog Down car park - help needed



CAN you help support Magog Down by joining our team of car park gate volunteers? The gate to the car park is opened by 8am in the mornings and closed in the evenings (the time varies between 5pm and 8pm across the year).

In particular, we have an immediate need for volunteers who would be able to unlock the gate on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday morning, as one of our long-standing volunteers has just stepped down. If you are able to open up the gate one morning a week on a regular basis that is fine, but if someone wishes to do more than one day each week that's a bonus.

We also need volunteers to join the team who can be part of a group who fill in while others are away, unavailable, etc. Normally, this is always done with several days' notice. If you want to know more, please send us an email - admin@magogtrust.org.uk - and we will be in touch. **Geoff Hale**

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HOPEFULLY it's a bit cooler now it's October. If you were thinking in the heatwaves of buying new fans, shutters, or other ways to keep your house cool, now's the time to do it, don't wait till next May when the suppliers sell out. Even simple things help - we certainly found hanging white sheets on the outside of sunny windows reduced the temperature in the room a few degrees.

People's Emergency Briefing – you will recall I have written in previous articles about the National Emergency Briefing on Climate and Nature that was held last November, to which many politicians, business people, civil servants, representatives from churches and civil groups and others were invited. A number of expert speakers talked about the risk of climate change to national security, health, food security, agriculture, the economy, and other aspects of life in the UK. The Government has suggested we all stock up on a few days' worth of tinned food and bottled water in case of wildfires, floods, or cyberattacks. There is now a film made covering the points in the briefings, and there have been several local showings. We are holding one at Great Shelford Free Church on Tuesday 17 November at 7.30pm, with a panel to answer your questions afterwards. Free to attend but you need to book a seat in advance. Here's the booking link: tickettailor.com/events/shelfordcommunityevent/2370719

Repair Café – if you missed the one in September, the next one of these will be on Saturday 21 November in St Mary's Church Hall in Sawston from 2pm to 5pm. To book a slot go on the CCF (Cambridge Carbon Footprint) website and click on Repair Cafes. Our repairers can mend all sorts of things, or at least will be able to tell you if an item can be repaired or not. And there's always tea and cake! And all for a small donation.

Don't forget **Dr Bike** continues to hold its volunteer-run weekly bike repair sessions at the Old Slaughterhouse in Stapleford, 3pm-5.30pm every Tuesday. It is also running one on Saturday 31 October, subject to demand. Please let us know if you are intending to bring a bike to the Saturday workshop. For more information and to book a slot, contact drbikestapleford@gmail.com. You can donate by card as well as by cash. Bring your children with their bikes, they can learn simple necessary maintenance jobs from the volunteers. In fact, as we always plan to have at least two adults on duty at every session, older children can bring their bike along without needing an accompanying adult.

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You might wonder why environmentalists put such store on protecting endangered species, or looking after green spaces – people might say “it’s just a little bird in South America”, “it’s just a bit of scrubland”. Species are interlinked and balanced in a web, take out the top predator and you get a surge of herbivores. Take out birds and you get a glut of insects eating your crops. If there is nowhere for species to live they will die out. Besides, being in nature is very restorative to our mental health and reduces stress. Peat and trees hold carbon, saving it from adding to climate change. Vegetation soaks up pollution. Wetlands reduce flooding from rivers and rain by holding the water in the ground. Natural spaces support a rural economy. Thus in an uncertain future, nature isn’t an obstacle to development, but helps to build a more resilient future.

If you are interested in green matters and the environment, send an email to mail2G3S@gmail.com to sign up for our monthly newsletter, or to get more information about our meetings. We welcome anyone who wants to come along to one of our events or to find out more about how we can live sustainably. Also see our Facebook page and our website 2g3s.staplefordvillage.org.uk. **Helen Hale**

Stapleford Horticultural Society



UNFORTUNATELY we had to cancel our September meeting as our speaker had to withdraw at short notice for medical reasons, and we couldn’t find a replacement in time. We hope to reschedule the talk in our 2027 to 2028 season.

The opening talk is now the October one, when we shall welcome Steve Coghill to tell us about the wildflower meadow at Kings College. It will be held in the Johnson Hall on Thursday 8 October, starting at 7.30pm. As usual, all are welcome, with guests paying the meeting fee of £3. **John Sherwell**

Puzzle Corner answers

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4-letter: BERK, TREE, OBOE, TROT

5-letter: TERSE, BERET, TORTE, BROKE

6-letter: STROKE, FESTER, BETTER, REEBOK

7-letter: ROSETTE

8-letter: BEETROOT

Stapleford WI



AFTER a very long spell of hot, dry weather, our August meeting arrived on a very welcome, if extremely wet, evening! The rain certainly did not put our members off, however, and we had a very good attendance, perhaps helped by the prospect of hearing our guest speaker, Steve Richards. Steve gave us a fascinating and entertaining insight into his 40-year career in radio with the BBC. His talk included some highly amusing clips demonstrating just what can go wrong during a live broadcast, as well as examples of how mistakes can be corrected when programmes are recorded. It certainly gave us a new appreciation of all the skill and expertise needed behind the scenes to make a broadcast sound effortless.

Steve worked his way up through the BBC, eventually becoming an Engineering Manager, and over the years his career has taken him to many high-profile events, including the King's College Carol Service for 18 years, the Football World Cup and Glastonbury. It was enlightening to hear about his experiences and an entertaining evening was enjoyed by all.

Our competition this month had a horticultural theme, with members invited to submit a photograph or picture. Congratulations go to Wendy Gibson who was awarded the Rose Plaque.

The WI is about much more than our monthly meetings, and the range of activities and outings organised by the Cambridge Federation of Women's Institutes (CFWI) is a very good example of this. There really is something for everyone, whether you enjoy meeting over coffee and playing board games, getting creative at the Knit and Stitch Show, exploring fascinating exhibitions such as Schiaparelli at the V&A, or simply enjoying good food and good company at an autumn lunch or Italian banquet. There are also some very special experiences on offer, including a candlelight event at Holkham Hall. These activities provide an opportunity to try something different, visit interesting places and spend time with people who share similar interests. They are also a great way of getting to know members from other WIs, and the friendly, welcoming atmosphere means that new friendships can develop quite naturally.

It is this combination of interesting speakers, enjoyable activities and, above all, good company that makes being part of the WI so rewarding. If



you are interested in finding out more please look at our website: staplefordwi.weebly.com, speak to Sallie Dixon on 843847 or come along to one of our meetings. We meet on the fourth Thursday of each month in the Pavilion, and in October Brian Saddington will be giving a talk entitled 'Seaside Piers'. **Joyce Dobson**

History Society talks programme

October to July 2027



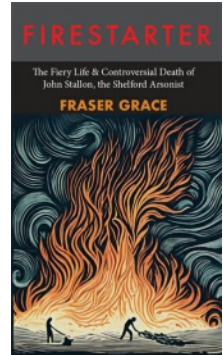
OCTOBER sees the start of a new season of History Society speaker meetings, and we'll kick off on **Tuesday 13 October** with a talk by local writer, Fraser Grace, telling us about the "Shelford Arsonist", John Stallon – whose fiery life and controversial death in the 19th century Fraser has

researched and presented in his book, *Firestarter*.

Our full programme of this season's six talks can be found on the Events pages of our website: historysociety.staplefordvillage.org.uk. The dates are 2nd Tuesdays of alternate-ish months, that is: 13 October, 8 December, 12 January, 9 March, 11 May and 13 July. Speakers this year include a couple of returning favourites, plus a couple of new faces.

All talks take place in the Pavilion, with doors opening at 7.30pm for a 7.45pm start. Entry is free to History Society Members, or £3 per person for non-members. Membership is just £10 for the year, or £15 for a family – this can be paid on the door if you come to a meeting.

The History Society Committee are still looking for additional help, in particular from anyone willing to assist with the task of 'Speaker Liaison' in terms of finalising practical arrangements for each talk, and/or researching future speakers to build our future years' programmes. Without someone coming forward to fulfil these roles, this current season of talks may well be the last one for Stapleford History Society. **Miranda Fyfe**



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The Magog Down Vista

THIS is the second part of the article (the first part appeared in the September Messenger) describing the views from the Direction Finder on Magog Down.



RETURNING to our Direction Finder and west of Heydon can be seen a very conspicuous aerial mast that was erected at the former Barkway RAF station, reputed to be the smallest RAF station in the country! You may also spot a smaller mast to the right.

Royston is marked on the Finder but is not visible from here. The town was an important junction of the Icknield Way and Ermine Street. Royston is famous for having a Royal Palace, a mysterious Cave and the Greenwich meridian line passing through it.

Royston is in Hertfordshire but until 1896 the town was partly in Hertfordshire and partly in Cambridgeshire.

With binoculars it is just possible to see a hill beyond Royston called Whiting Hill, a source of a particularly pure form of chalk. Another Roman Road, Ashwell Street, runs nearby between Ashwell and Melbourn. Ashwell is one of the sources of the River Cam or Rhee.

Nearer to home you will see The Wale monument or obelisk on Maggot's Mount off the Little Shelford to Newton Road. It is well worth a visit. In the 18th century the Wale family were local benefactors who were also associated with the recreation ground in Little Shelford.

In the foreground is the village of Stapleford and you might be able to see St Andrew's parish church. Nearer still, on the outskirts of the village there is a field of about 14 hectares called Chalk Hill Down which will be open to the public and is managed by the Magog Trust. Adjacent to Chalk Hill Down is Fox Hill, a group of early 20th century houses including one designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens.

Returning to more distant places we move a little north and see Barrington Hill. It is now only about half a hill! The remainder was extracted to provide chalk for cement production. Many of you will recall the cement works, especially the 185-foot chimney which was demolished in 2018. Fortunately, the side of the hill facing us is unspoilt. Barrington is a very picturesque village with an extensive village green. As well as

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cement making it was also famous for brick making. Behind Barrington Hill on clear days and at night we can sometimes catch sight of the red lights of the Sandy Heath Radio mast which is 18 miles away.

Sticking to radio communications, we come next to the Mullard Radio Observatory, six miles from here. The observatory is located a few miles southwest of Cambridge at Harlton a former ordnance storage site, next to the disused Oxford to Cambridge Varsity Railway Line. A portion of the track bed of the railway was used to carry the characteristic saucer-shaped aerials for the radio telescopes.

Madingley Hill, marked by a communication mast, lies just beyond the Cambridge American Cemetery and Memorial and not far from Madingley Hall, a 16th century Manor House, now owned by the University of Cambridge. At one time the Hall was rented by Queen Victoria for her son, the future King Edward VII, while he studied as an undergraduate at Cambridge.

Views of Cambridge

We now approach the city of Cambridge, and many landmarks can be identified. The Direction Finder can only accommodate a few so the first is the Biomedical Campus, generally known as the Addenbrooke's Hospital site. Until the 1960s the site was unoccupied but witness its growth in the



*A view across Cambridge, looking roughly NNW from Little Trees Hill
Clockwise from the left: the University Library, King's College Chapel and the green roof of the University Department of Chemistry in the background and the tower of the Cambridge Assessment headquarters in the middle distance.*

intervening 70 years. The site now hosts more than 20 medical organisations, including hospitals and research groups.

Further North we can see the Cambridge University Library building designed by Giles Gilbert Scott and completed in 1934. Slightly to the right you can just make out the top of King's College Chapel, founded by Henry VI in 1441. It is the jewel in Cambridge's architectural crown and is a 'must' for visitors. You may also see

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the spires of the Catholic Church on Hills Road, All Saints' Church in Jesus Lane and St Luke's church in Victoria Road. The City, University and Colleges of Cambridge contain many interesting and historically important places to explore.

Next on our Direction Finder, and much further away is another radio mast at Over with a functioning windmill hiding behind it. Over is one of the villages that bordered the Fens, prior to their drainage. Some of the buildings in Over reflect the influence of Dutch engineers who were draining the nearby Fens. North of Over and sixteen miles away are two water towers at Bluntisham and almost due North you might see another one at Haddenham. Bluntisham and Haddenham are two of the many Fen 'Islands' that stood above the water prior to the drainage of the Fens.

To the North, the Fenlands represent one of the most remarkable areas in our region. The reclamation of the marshy areas began in Roman times, but it was not until the 17th and 18th centuries that major reclamation works were undertaken. It is an interesting story to follow up.

Nearer home there is a tall chimney belonging to the Victorian Cambridge sewage pumping station, now home to the Cambridge Museum of Technology. The museum helps people to learn about their industrial heritage by celebrating the achievements of local industries and the people who worked in them.

Our Neighbours

One of our neighbours is the Gog Magog Golf Club which boasts two 18-hole courses; both courses are designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) on account of their ecological significance. The chalkland flora includes some rare and unusual plants. It is only open to Golf Club Members.



Wandlebury Country Park

Our final place marked on the Direction Finder is our neighbour, Wandlebury Country Park (cambridgeppf.org/wandlebury-country-park/), championing many of the same principles as our own Magog Trust and providing many walks. Wandlebury Ring is an ancient fort which lies within Stapleford parish boundary, originally built in the 3rd century BC, but rebuilt with a double bank in the 1st century AD. **Bill French**

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Distance Of Walk

Just over 4 3/4 miles. It does go up and down a bit but it makes for some excellent views. Parts can get muddy in winter, especially the Bridleway beyond Ashdon Street Farm.

OS Map

Explorer map 209. You may well prefer to use your smart phone but, if not, the-hug.net offers free map extracts to print off.

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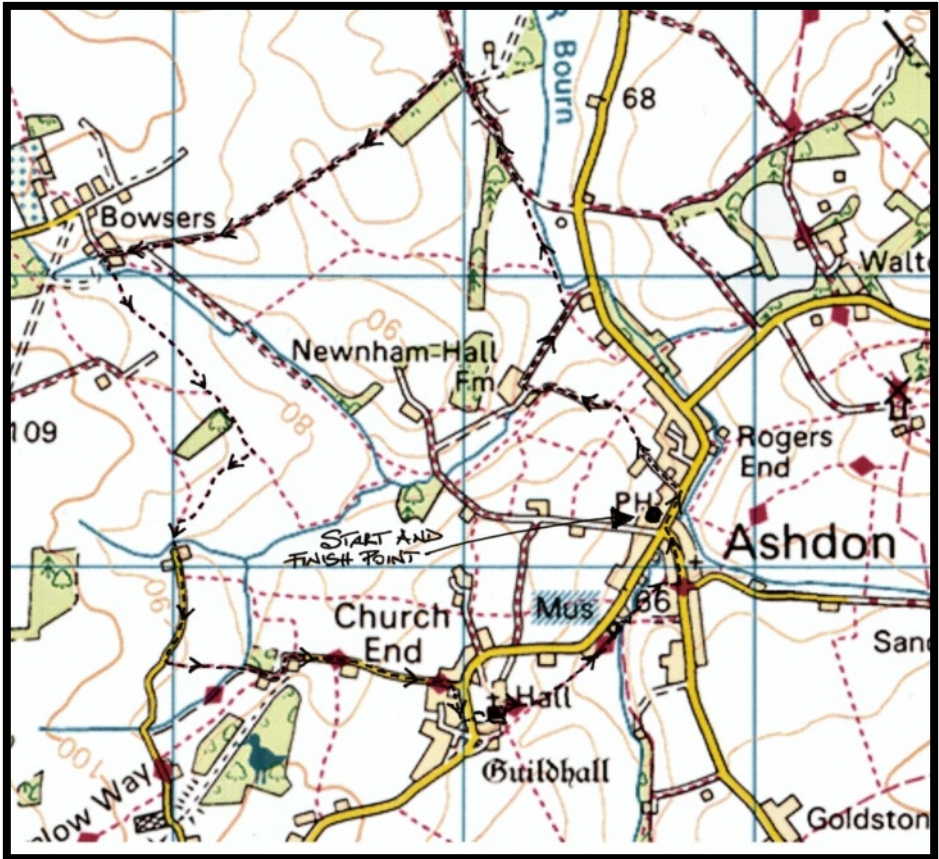
The Rose and Crown lunchtime opening is just from Thursday to Sunday inclusive. It may be a few miles away but The Old Red Lion at Horseheath has the same day-to-day management and is open every day. The food is excellent in both establishments.

Route Of Walk

With your back to The Rose and Crown, go left and, after a short time, turn left up Dorvis Lane. Where the lane swings left the footpath goes straight ahead (signed), up a driveway to the right of a house. It exits the garden via a gate into a field.

Keep ahead on the left hand side of the field, ignoring paths to left and right. The farm premises of Newnham Hall Farm will be reached in under 1/2 mile. They are not particularly scenic, but walk to the right of the large barns and turn right along the farm entrance road. Turn left off the road when a path to the left is seen (1/4 mile) and follow this alongside the River Bourn. Keep going with the river to the immediate right until meeting a narrow tarmac road. Turn left along it, and keep walking until the tarmac gives out and the route becomes a track. Shortly after this, turn left on a path (signed) that cuts back diagonally left immediately after a tree plantation.

Follow this new path across a headland until some buildings are encountered (just under one mile). This is Little Bowsers. Ignore the signed track to the left and carry on ahead; the route is solid surfaced here. Keep



on and, as a right turn is passed, a footpath sign will be seen on the left. Take this path which, shortly, crosses part of a field, and carries on along a grassy field edge strip. Keep ahead, ignoring a track and then a cross-field path, both coming in from the right. Walk with the field boundary to the left, towards a wood ahead.

The path enters the wood and winds along the edge of it and through the tree-line beyond. A path from the right will be met and this should be taken (1/2 mile from Little Bowzers). It continues through the tree-line and emerges at a set of steps to meet a cross path. Go left and, soon, cross a small field. Turn left along the field edge and pass a barn and house (Ashdon Street Farm). Keep on the road ahead, ignoring a path to the left, straight after the farm, and carry on for 1/4 mile. A Bridleway sign will be seen pointing left. Take this path, which heads downslope, through a narrow line of trees. It emerges into a large pasture and the route goes left with the pasture to the right.

Pass to the side of a house and swing right to pass Halt Cottage. Immediately after it, on the right is the former Ashdon Halt railway station (a request stop), with the remains of the platform and an old railway carriage which formed the waiting room still visible. Keep ahead up the now tarmac road (Fallowden Lane) and keep on for 1/4 mile until houses are reached. This is Church End. Opposite a house on the left called The Croft, cross a parking area and walk ahead past a number of houses. The pavement then meets the main Ashdon Road. Cross over, carefully, and go left. Turn right into the churchyard via a gate after a few paces.

Walk to the right of the church (All Saints) and then swing left round the building. Take the path that goes right just beyond the end of the church, with the hedge-line to the left (signed Harcamlow Way). When the impressive garden of Ashdon Hall, on the left, ends the path emerges into a large field. Head downhill, on the right of the field. Stay on the right hand side and leave the field next to the footbridge over the River Bourn.

Cross the bridge and, at a multiple-path junction under trees, take the left hand one that heads away from the trees. It crosses a pasture and, at the far side, squeezes through a narrow gap to the right of a car park (Baptist Church). Then a road is met; turn left on the pavement and walk downhill to return to The Rose and Crown. **David Barnes**

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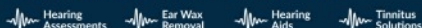
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tins will be distributed to shops throughout the area alongside Poppy boxes containing poppies and pins. All we ask is a donation that you can afford. We will also have a presence outside the Co-op on the High Street in Sawston, so if you visit the shops in Sawston, come and have a word with us – or better still, offer to assist us on our stall by calling me on 07898 732307. It is a small but significant way to honour those who gave their service and their lives to defend our nation in times of great need.

The Sawston and District Branch of the Royal British Legion will be remembering Armistice Day, which marks the agreement that ended the fighting in World War I on November 11, 1918. We look forward to welcoming your attendance at the War Memorial in Sawston or Stapleford at these events. The service in Sawston will begin at 10.45am on Remembrance Sunday. We would also be happy to offer any advice with planning suitable services at your local war memorial.

If there are any veterans living within our area which includes Stapleford, we invite you not only to join the march down to the War Memorial in Sawston from Bellbird Primary School on Remembrance Sunday but would also welcome you at our monthly meetings in Sawston, in the Community Centre in Chapelfield Way, (off Link Road). They are held on the last Wednesday of each month except during December. Our AGM will be on Saturday 17 October. We begin at 7.30pm and aim to finish at approximately 9.30pm. You will be made very welcome.

The Poppy Appeal is important to the Royal British Legion. It enables us to help our veterans and their families in a time of need because, after all, they helped us from the day they signed up to the day they left the service. If you are aware of any that may be struggling, please let us know. It is why we are here. **Ann Barton - Branch Secretary**





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Arthur Rank Hospice Charity



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Fill a bag for a fiver sale

FOLLOWING the success of Arthur Rank Hospice Charity's first 'Fill a Bag for £5.00' event, they will be hosting another sale.

Visit Arthur Rank Hospice (next to the Babraham Road Park & Ride carpark) on Friday 9 October (10am to 2pm) and Saturday 10 October (10am to 2pm). For just £5.00 you can fill a bag of pre-loved women's, men's and children's clothes! Visit arhc.org.uk/retail-sale for more information.

Shape Arthur Rank Hospice Charity's Strategy

Your opinion is very important to help shape how Arthur Rank Hospice Charity continues to provide care and support for people across our communities now and in the future, whilst they develop their next five-year strategy. They want to hear from the people who matter most. Whether you have used their services directly, supported the Charity in another way, or simply want to share your views, they would value your feedback. Please visit one of their Community Events (across various locations in Cambridgeshire), arrange for them to visit your community event or complete their online or paper survey. Visit arhc.org.uk/shape-our-strategy or telephone 675777 for more information.



Virginia Goode - Communications & Engagement Officer

Bin collection dates this month

	GREEN	BLUE	BLACK	GREY (food waste)
6 October	✓	✓		
13 October			✓	✓
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ENGAGE Talk: Dementia Friend hosted by Terri Lewis. Wednesday 21 October at 2pm. Donation of £2 appreciated. Please stay for a drink after the talk. Please pre-book in the library or via Cambourne.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Halloween Crafts: Come and make some scary crafts to decorate your home with for Halloween. Wednesday 28 October 2 to 3pm. Suitable for ages 4 to 10. Please pre-book in the library or via Cambourne.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.



Story, Rhyme & Duplo Time: Every Tuesday at 10.30am.

For children aged 0 to 4 years. Come and enjoy stories and rhymes led by our wonderful volunteers. This is a free drop-in event. Parents/carers please stay with your children.

LEGO club – Mondays 4pm to 5.30pm.

Suitable for ages 2 to 10. Parents/carers please stay with your children during all library activities.

Art club - Every Saturday 10.30am to 12pm. Suitable for ages 4 to 10. Drop in event.

Craft & chat – For Adults - every Friday morning 10.30am to 12pm. No need to book.

Reading group – 2nd Wednesday of each month, 10.30am to 12pm. We have spaces in this group. Please enquire in the library.

We look forward to welcoming you to library soon.

Mel Abbiss and Vikki Keppey - Community Librarian Assistants

Library opening hours

Monday	3pm-7pm	Friday	10am-1pm and 2-6pm
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An update from your local MP

A Summer of Extremes

THIS summer has been extraordinary – we're on course for the UK's hottest on record, with South Cambridgeshire seeing five heatwaves, the driest July on record and drought conditions that cut farmers' yields by up to half. This isn't a one-off, but a clear trend, and I've been raising the alarm on ITV Anglia, BBC Look East and in local papers.

In Parliament, I'm pushing for renewable energy to secure both cheaper bills and energy security, for new homes to be built with cooling as standard, and for a genuinely powerful Clean Water Authority to replace Ofwat - one with real teeth to make water companies invest and clean up their act.

Anglian Water's Sorry Excuses

Last month, within an hour of the first significant rainfall since June, our rivers were choked with raw sewage. Anglian Water blamed 'exceptional rainfall' – but it took less than 1cm of rain to trigger it. Their own figures show discharge levels are back to 2022 levels despite far less rainfall. It's long past time they invested properly in our region's infrastructure.

Our Chalk Streams are in Peril

I toured eight local chalk streams this summer – among the rarest habitats on Earth – and saw the same story everywhere: rivers running dry or kept alive only by pumping, then polluted by sewage. That's why I've introduced a Bill calling for UNESCO World Heritage status for our chalk streams, to help galvanise the action needed before we lose them for good.



Out and About

This summer I've prioritised getting out to meet you – with 'Meet Your MP' events at Scotsdales in Shelford and on Cherry Hinton High Street, and surgeries in Quy and Barrington. Please don't hesitate to get in touch. Please do email pippa.heytings.mp@parliament.uk if you would like an appointment.

These are just a few of the things I've been working on in recent weeks that I wanted to share with you. If you would like to keep up to date with my work, you can register for my e-newsletter, available at pippaheytings.org.uk/newsletter. **Pippa Heytings**

concerts

The Charlotte Carrivick Band**Saturday 3 October | 7:45pm**

Fronted by the internationally renowned flatpicking guitarist, Charlotte Carrivick's music ranges from traditional and modern bluegrass to old-time and swing.

**Curious about Hans Christian Andersen?****Sunday 11 October | 10:30am & 1:30pm**

A dazzling alchemy of tall tales, chamber music and extraordinary illustrations set in a life size Victorian paper theatre and performed by the acclaimed Goldfield Ensemble; created for music and story-lovers of all ages (5+).

**Joe Webb Trio****Friday 16 October | 7:45pm**

A leading force on the global jazz scene, pianist Joe Webb and his trio take inspiration from 90's Brit-pop, seamlessly blending nostalgia and traditional jazz with contemporary flair.

**Mithras Trio****Saturday 17 October | 7:45pm**

Youthful Brahms, virtuosic Mozart and exquisitely crafted new music by Cheryl Frances-Hoad, performed by one of the current generation's most exciting and dynamic piano trios.

**John Kirkpatrick: Tunes from the Trenches****Sunday 25 October | 3:00pm**

A kit bag of songs from two World Wars; a heartwarming show from the veteran squeezebox maestro, celebrating the comradeship and determination that allowed previous generations to Keep Smiling Through.

District Councillors' report

Housing Developments

FIRSTLY, to be clear, we oppose all the proposed housing developments in and around the Shelfords and Stapleford. South Cambridgeshire District Council has a strategic plan which meets and will continue to meet the projected housing needs of the District and it is delivering on that plan. We have one of the best planning departments in the country as evidenced by recent national awards. We do not need additional, speculative, housing proposals. We will robustly oppose these speculative proposals and are working closely with the relevant Parish Councils.

We have written to the Bishop of Ely, co-signed by County Councillor, Laurence Damary-Homan, and Stapleford Parish Council requesting that the diocese reconsider its proposals for 400 houses around Stapleford Church.

We are aware of 'emerging proposals' for 4,000 houses south of Addenbrooke's Road. These are on a site that was considered and rejected for inclusion in the local plan. We will work with Great Shelford Parish Council on an appropriate response.

The application for 110 houses off Mingle Lane is being appealed by the developer who has also acquired additional land and will be submitting new proposals for 240 houses.

Lastly, we have not forgotten about the 100 house proposal on Davy field.

Final Consultation on the Local Plan

The consultation on the 'Proposed Submission Greater Cambridge Local Plan' is open and runs until 5pm on Friday 25 September. This is the final stage of the consultation process and it can be found at greatercambridgeplanning.org/local-plan.

The Greater Cambridge Local Plan is the 20-year plan for the Greater Cambridge area (South Cambridgeshire and Cambridge city). It shows where new homes and workplaces could be built over the next 20 years, and how essential community facilities and infrastructure would support this expected growth. Once adopted, the joint Local Plan will become the statutory development plan for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire.

Please do not hesitate to contact either, or both, of us at:

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Cllr Mark Lunn and Cllr Mr Farhan Hussain

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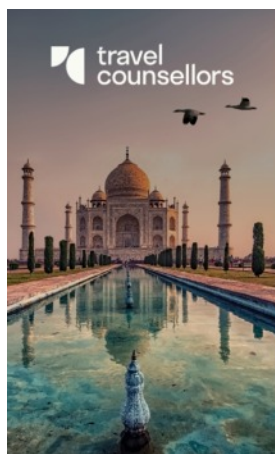
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Parish Council report



AT its meeting on 10 September, Stapleford Parish Council discussed a wide range of issues affecting village life, from planning and highways to community facilities, trees and the environment.

Road safety concerns raised by residents

A villager highlighted difficulties crossing at the Bury Road / Bar Lane junction, suggesting dropped kerbs and improved surfacing. The Council has passed these concerns to the relevant highways teams. Small changes like these can make everyday walking routes safer and more accessible.

Planning developments shaping the village

Councillors commented upon proposals for some larger speculative developments which, if planning permission were to be granted, would radically impact the village. There was unanimous agreement to oppose these proposals and take all appropriate action. A letter has been sent to our MP Pippa Heylings and County and District Councillors seeking their support.

Councillors also reviewed several local planning applications, including tree works and home extensions.

Greater Cambridge Local Plan

Councillors noted Stapleford Parish Council's earlier submission to the consultation on the Proposed Greater Cambridge Local Plan. This Plan determines where the growth that Greater Cambridge will experience over the next couple of decades will be located.

Our submission was technical and comprehensive and it was noted that Greater Cambridge Shared Planning had accepted and incorporated a number of our comments, several of which may, in the event of planning applications on Green Belt land, give some assistance to us.

Councillors considered their response to the final consultation on the Plan which is focused on whether the Plan is 'sound' – is the Plan:

- Positively prepared: it must meet the minimum local development and infrastructure needs.
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CSET busway

The Secretary of State has determined that the Public Inquiry for the CSET busway will now proceed and an actual date for the public hearing will be announced in due course. Stapleford is the lead Sponsor in Better Busways's alternative scheme to save the lower fields alongside the Magog Down, and detailed technical preparations are in hand to oppose the GCP's environmentally destructive and unnecessary route.

Cycling improvements on Mingle Lane and Church Street

County and District Councillors reported that the Greater Cambridge Partnership has approved the Greenway scheme for Mingle Lane, Church Street and the London Road crossing, to improve cyclist safety on a key village route. Work is expected to commence early next year.

Village Weekend feedback

The Stapleford Weekend Committee shared positive feedback and a financial update following this year's event. It remains one of the village's most valued community celebrations.

Pavilion improvements moving forward

The Pavilion Advisory Group is preparing the next phase of upgrades, including car park improvements and better lighting. The Council also agreed a budget for a new TV and soundbar to support community events and hirers. These enhancements continue the Pavilion's transformation into a more flexible, welcoming community space.

Grounds maintenance and environmental care

Work on a beech tree adjacent to the MUGA has been refused and will be resubmitted with amended details. A new bin will be installed and serviced at Clerk's Piece. Councillors also discussed wildfire risks and agreed to develop an Emergency Plan.

New noticeboard for Villedômer Garden / David Pepperell Orchard

A village noticeboard is ready for installation, with the final location to be chosen on site. This will provide a useful spot for community information.

Upcoming Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 8 October, followed by meetings on 5 November and 3 December (budget review).

Read the full minutes and find out more about Parish Council business at: staplefordparishcouncil.gov.uk **Howard Kettel**

Stapleford Parish Council

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