### VILLAGE VOICE

#### BRINKLEY.....BURROUGH GREEN.....CARLTON.....WESTLEY WATERLESS

#### **AUGUST 2024**

#### KNIT & NATTER

Every Monday from 1:30 to 3.30pm In the Community Room at Sheriff's Court Burrough Green. All knitters or potential knitters are welcome,



Bring your own knitting or we can teach you to make squares for the local neonatal unit or knit for other charities. We have odd bits of wool, patterns and needles etc. There will be a small charge for refreshments.

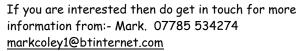
Any donations of wool would be greatly appreciated.

ALL WELCOME

#### BRINKLEY ALLOTMENTS.

Would you like to take on an allotment?

There are allotments of all sizes available for a keen gardener.



#### RED LION BRINKLEY



Opening times: 11:30 - 23:00 Monday - Saturday 11:30 - 18:00 Sunday

Our all-day snacks are available from 12pm - 9pm, and we have some new dishes coming on to our main menu available at lunch and dinner.

Better weather is now hopefully with us, so a little reminder we have a lovely garden and view to the back of the pub where you can enjoy drinks. We don't offer food at the rear of the pub, but the tables at the front are available on a first come, first served basis and the full menu is available here.

Come and check out the new dishes as they come on! - or enjoy a bottle of rose in the sun!

Best

#### George

#### BRINKLEY CHURCH FLOWERS

Volunteers are much needed to help provide a simple flower arrangement once or twice a year in St Mary's Church Brinkley.



Please contact Julie Coley for details.

07979 330595. Thank you.

#### **AUCTION SALE**

# SATURDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2024 at 2pm



BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL

An opportunity to create more space, and release items of quality and interest to help raise funds for Brinkley Church. We are asking residents and friends of Brinkley to donate items of household or garden interest, the more unusual or antique the better. However, we can do 50/50 on interesting items of higher value. Quality items can cover smaller items of furniture, china, metalware, etc. Help is at hand if carriage/storage is required. (No books. DVDs or Videos please)

Enquiries please to Ros - 07860 128270 or Louise - 07885 709665

IN AID OF ST MARY'S CHURCH, BRINKLEY

#### THE BULL BURROUGH GREEN

Thanks for the support you have given us for the last number of months. We are aware we are not getting a great summer at the moment but let's hope it will happen.

We apologise for all the upheaval we may have caused recently regarding the new driveway and car park. We hope to bring the pub into the 21 st century. With your support we will continue to keep rocking.

Check out Facebook for what's on

Tina & Danny

01638 476424

#### BRINKLEY COFFEE AND CAKES

MONDAY 12<sup>th</sup> August 2024 10.30 am to 12.00 noon



Brinkley Memorial Hall



Please join us for Tea, Coffee and Cake and an opportunity to catch up with old friends and meet new ones.

ANY QUERIES: Caroline Egar - 01638 507418 07976 250961

## OPEN GARDEN TEAS AT BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL

On Sunday  $21^{\text{ST}}$  July Brinkley PCC and helpers sold refreshments and ran a tombola stall to raise money for Brinkley Church. Helen was also there with her wonderful homemade ice-cream. We raised a total of £367.85. Thank you to all who provided cakes and prizes, and to all who came along to enjoy the afternoon.

Brinkley PCC

#### **GAMES EVENINGS**

Sheriff's Court in Burrough Green are hosting Games Evenings every Tuesday evening from 7pm.

Come along and play Scrabble, Rummikub, Upwords, Boggle or Mahjong for example. No expertise required. Tea & biscuits included. £2

ALL WELCOME

#### MOBILE LIBRARY



The Mobile Library will be at BURROUGH GREEN by the BUS STOP on 3<sup>rd</sup> THURSDAY of each month at 3.50 - 4.10pm

BRINKLEY Memorial Hall on the  $4^{th}$  THURSDAY of each month between 1.10pm - 1.50pm.

They stock a great selection of books for all ages, plus NHS hearing aid batteries. They can even check and replace the ferrules on



walking sticks. Make use of this wonderful resource.

#### RECYCLING

Carlton & Willingham Green - WEDNESDAYS : Black bin -  $7^{th}$  &  $21^{st}$  August. Blue & Green -  $14^{th}$  &  $28^{th}$  August

Brinkley, Burrough Green, Westley Waterless - MONDAYS

Black sacks weekly.

Blue Lid -12<sup>th</sup> & **Tuesday** 27<sup>th</sup> August.

Green Lid - 5th & 19th August.

#### BOOK AND JIGSAW EXCHANGE - BRINKLEY



Please pop into the church porch to use the book and jigsaw exchange.

Feel free to borrow a

book or jigsaw and return it when you have finished or replace it with another.



Donations of clean, readable modern or classic novels and auto/biographies would be greatly appreciated.

Complete jigsaws only please.

Any questions please email denisehrebeniak@yahoo.com

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#### BALSHAM PICTURE HOUSE

#### On Saturday 3rd August

we will be screening the acclaimed comedy film WICKED LITTLE LETTERS(15)

starring Olivia Coleman and Jesse Buckley set in 1920s Littlehampton.

When Edith Swan (Olivia Coleman)and fellow residents start to receive wicked letters full of unintentionally hilarious profanities, foul-mouthed Rose (Jesse Buckley) is charged with the crime. The anonymous letters prompt a national uproar, and a trial ensues. However, as the town's women, led by Police Officer Gladys Moss begin to investigate the crime themselves, they suspect that something is amiss and Rose might not be the culprit after all! Be careful what you post

Film at 7.30 Doors open 7pm and film at 7.30 in Balsham Church Institute

Dave's bar will be open for pre-show drinks and nibbles as normal.

Join the Picture House with annual membership of just £12 or come as a guest member at £3/film show

#### ELLESMERE GARDEN CLUB

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August we have our coach trip to Hyde Hall in Essex. The visit is open to Garden Club members and guests. Entrance to the gardens is free for RHS members, just £20 for the coach. Otherwise, coach and garden entry combined will be £34. To book a place please email ellesmeregc@gmail.com. The garden, although hilly in parts, is wheelchair accessible and electric scooters can be pre-booked.

Looking ahead, the first of our autumn talks is on Wednesday 10th September "Companion Planting for a Balanced Garden" by Dr Ian Bedford. We will be back in the Ellesmere Centre for a 7.30 pm start.

If you have any queries about any of our events you can contact Sandie on 07903 584676.

#### VILLAGE HALLS

Brinkley, Burrough Green and Westley Waterless have excellent village halls, all beautifully refurbished over the last few years; and all available for hire at reasonable rates.

Information on their facilities and availability can be found by contacting them on:

Brinkley Memorial Hall - Contact: Susie Shuter on 01638 508729 : 07836 656643

Burrough Green Reading Room - Please contact
Joanne Harrison on 01638 508888
E mailing bgreadingroom@yahoo.com
www.burroughgreenparishcouncil.org.uk

Westley Waterless Village Hall - For more information please go to www.westleywaterless.com/hall

#### BURROUGH GREEN CRICKET

The weather still impacts our season with one cancellation out of 3 possible fixtures since the last report. The



disappointing bit for us is the way the league is structured each cancellation impacts our points tally if others in the league manage to play. As such we still find ourselves in mid table despite only losing one game all season. Nobody said it would be easy and we still have a slight chance of finishing in the promotion spots if we continue to win.

What we have done is beat top of the League Whittlesford in a thrilling game. Chris "Cassius Clay" Palmer continued to lead the way with the bat, with notable contributions from Major Pete Bragg and Ed "Dr in the House" Riddell. Wickets were shared evenly. We then beat close rivals Little Shelford a bit more comprehensively. A good fielding performance saw wickets for Brian (who) Sewell, Ed Riddell and Toby Underwood. Then we knocked off the runs in our best batting performance of the season with Jonny "at last" Way leading the line.

Our final set of fixtures are: 3rd August - Audley End (a) 10th August - Balsham (h)

17th August - Whittlesford (h) 24th August - Saffron Walden (h)

31st August - Little Shelford (a)

We've been having some exciting games this year. Come and have a cup of tea and watch. You won't be disappointed.

#### MARSH MAIL - News form Linton Village College LVC Creativity Week 2024 - 'Footprints'

We were very honoured to welcome Michael Rosen into LVC to launch our Creativity Week. Creativity week is a week of events and lessons at LVC based around a theme. This year's theme was 'Footprints.' Michael Rosen is a British children's author, poet, presenter and academic and is now a professor of children's literature in the Department of Educational Studies at Goldsmiths, University of London. He has also served as Children's Laureate.

Michael arrived to the sound of Year 7 singing 'Nothing is Forever', a song written using lyrics from one of his poems about refugees. He gave a wonderfully engaging poetry workshop, performing



some of his funnier poems and then some more serious poems on the theme of 'Footprints.' He wrote poetry alongside the year 7s and inspired all the students to get writing to talk about themes of home, hope and togetherness.

Following Michael Rosen's launch, subjects across the curriculum interpreted this year's theme. It was great to see the range of interpretations and learning across different subjects.

A few examples of learning included Design and Technology teaching Year 7 how to design the footprint of a house and garden within a footprint shape. Geography created their own innovative/sustainable farming strategies linking to footprints on the land and reducing carbon footprint. In Religious Studies Year 9 considered the concept of

the footprints 'imprints' - that religion
leaves on the lives of
believers. In English,
Year 7 collaborated
with Michael Rosen to
create a year group
poem and individual
poems with the
overarching theme of
refugees. Eco Club
have created a mural
out of plastic waste to



highlight the importance of reducing waste and linking to plastic free July. Other subjects that interpreted the theme were Maths, Dance and Drama.

Students were able to reflect and make connections relating to the central theme of 'Footprints.' The impact for students' learning was both the transferable skills which they were developing, in addition to making connections across a variety of students based upon the same theme.



LVC music, dance and poetry students who were invited to perform at the prestigious concert at the Corn Exhange, organised by Michael Rosen and HistoryWorks. (Photo © CC to HistoryWorks)

Creativity Week culminated in a celebration exhibition at the beginning of our Science and Arts evening. This work is important to us as a school to demonstrate the collaborative nature of subjects, in addition to illustrating how students can respond in different ways to a central theme.

Helen Frost Head of Dance Linton Village College

#### BRINKLEY CHRISTMAS CARD 2024

It is never too early to be thinking about Christmas. For our Christmas 2024 village card, I would like a new picture (obviously connected to our village)

This picture could be from times past, or a photo of something current.

Please submit your photos to me at rospates@yahoo.co.uk, and I will judge which is the best/most appropriate/etc to be the winning entry.

#### LOOKING FOR A GOOD HOME

A lovely high quality electronic piano with six voices. Ideal for a family. A beautiful piece of furniture apart from anything else. Complete with music stool.



Available in Brinkley; 01638 507230.

In return for a sensible donation to charity.

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#### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

ELLESMERE ARTS
Presents
Murder in the Alps
On Saturday, 5th October
7 pm for welcome drink
7.30 pm start

Tickets: £18 to include show, welcome drink and dinner

ellesmereartstickets@gmail.com

#### NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE

Outdoor Live Music night with Johnny Wright and Friends Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August 5-8pm Bar and BBQ

Just bring a chair or blanket

Date for your diary
The Two of Us (Performing songs by the
Beatles)

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm More details to follow....

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Email: office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk-alternatively call us on 01638 508212

<u>MP'S REPORT - CHARLOTTE CANE</u> Thank you for electing me as your Member of Parliament - it is an amazing honour to represent the constituency of Ely and East Cambridgeshire. I look forward to working with you and to representing our beautiful area at Westminster.

As I write this, I have been your MP for one week, and it's been busy! My first meeting was on Friday afternoon, about 10 hours after my election was

announced. After a busy weekend, I packed my bags and headed to London on Sunday evening.

Monday morning, I headed to my first in-person meeting and in the afternoon I entered Parliament and was given my pass and met my 'buddy'. Each new MP (there are about 330 of us) has a member of staff assigned to us who showed us round and has been onhand since to answer questions.

My buddy showed me the Members' cloakroom, where we really do have a pink ribbon with which to hang our swords, as well as a coat hanger for more prosaic attire! We then went to get my IT equipment and have various briefings on finances, security, standards etc. She showed me around parliament, but I still get lost all the time and am grateful to the staff who set me back in the right direction. Even the floor levels are confusing - Parliament has a ground floor, a principal floor and then first and second floors.

Tuesday was largely training sessions, with some time to use the hot desking to start reading and answering emails. We were told it will be a month or two yet before we get an office, meanwhile we have a locker and hot desk space.

On Wednesday, we had our first session in the

Chamber - to elect the Speaker. A great deal of pomp and ceremony, but also a chance for all the Party leaders to make short speeches to congratulate the Speaker. Then they started swearing in



the MPs, starting with the cabinet moving through long-standing MPs until eventually reaching the new MPs. I took my oath on Thursday afternoon. That was when it finally sunk in as I introduced myself as Charlotte Cane representing Ely and East Cambridgeshire and felt the weight of responsibility. I will do my best to represent you all.

Parliament didn't sit on Friday, so I made my way home to Reach. I recorded a television discussion and then had a zoom meeting about Sunnica Solar Farm, only to find out about an hour later that planning permission had been given by the Secretary of State.

On Saturday I was able to get to the Ely Farmers' Market, for my bread, cheese, samosas, cherries and strawberries. Then I went to the World Pea shooting Championships in Witcham. I am certainly not competition standard, but I did at least manage to hit the practice target a few times.

Over the next few weeks I need to learn my way around and recruit a team of staff so that I can properly respond to all your queries and concerns. But I do, at least have an email address so you can contact me - charlotte.cane.mp@parliament.uk

#### DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Not much significant business was transacted this month, due to the General Election. As you might be aware, Charlotte Cane was elected as our MP, but she will continue to be a District Councillor. We don't know yet how Charlotte will be able to juggle the two workloads, but the surgeries will continue, and one of us shall be coming to the Parish Councils. John Trapp may have to take a greater share of the work. Charlotte in her MP's report will outline how she will be making herself available to her constituents once arrangements are in place.

At Operational Services Committee these issues or actions arose:

- There was a small annual overspend
- There was a large underspend on capital, due to purchases held in abeyance
- The reformation and streamlining of the planning pre-application process to make it more realistic and efficient
- To note that the performance of ECSS in collecting waste and street cleansing had improved
- To note the interim report of the working group on waste management and to anticipate the completion of the report for the next committee meeting

At Finance & Assets Committee these issues or actions arose:

- The considerable reserves that the Council has and the current high interest rate has generated a significant capital gain of almost £1.3m
- There was an underspend of almost £0.7m on other budget lines, mostly because the spending was deferred or not used (e.g. Strategic Housing)
- That there is a significant capital underspend, some of it due to slippage of expenditure.
- The Climate and Nature Strategy 2024-28 and Climate and Nature Monitoring Report and Action Plan 2024 was presented, and accepted although there were significant adverse comments made.
- The report from the Bus, Cycling and Walking working group was presented; this contained proposals for cycle ways that could be created were there to be funds for doing so.

There won't be a surgery in August, but we shall be having one in September. You are, of course, welcome to contact us via email or telephone.

Cllrs Charlotte Cane - 07976 607512, <u>charlotte.cane@eastcambs.gov.uk</u> - and John Trapp - 01223 812120, <u>john.trapp@eastcambs.gov.uk</u>

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#### **SERVICES**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August**10th Sunday after Trinity
9.00 am Holy Communion
Brinkley

Rev'd Dr. Lynne Broughton

10.30 am Family service Burrough Green

2 Samuel 11: 26 - 12: 13a Ephesians 4: 1-16 John 6: 24-35

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August 11th Sunday after Trinity
9.00 am Family Communion Stetchworth
10.30 am Morning Prayer Dullingham
Rev'd Robert Van de Weyer

2 Samuel 18: 5-9 Ephesians 4: 25-5:2 John 6: 35, 41-51

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 12th Sunday after Trinity
9.00 am Family Communion Burrough Green
10.30 am Morning Prayer Brinkley
Rev'd Dr. Colin McCarty

1 Kings 2: 10-12; 3: 3-14 Ephesians 5: 15-20 John 6: 51-58

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August 13th Sunday after Trinity 10.30 am Family Communion Dullingham

6.00 pm Evensong Stetchworth

1 Kings 8 (1,6, 10-11) 22-30, 41-43 Ephesians 6: 10-20 John 6: 56-69

#### Water

All of us think of water in connection with Summer Holidays, children and young people want to go in the sea. Families may go to Lakeland areas for sailing, and water sports, older people may be wanting to go on cruises to far away places. Whichever type of holiday you may be thinking of, do you stop to think about water?

I suspect not. Throughout the Bible water is an essential element. Moses was found in the bulrushes by Pharaoh's daughter, floating in a basket, (Exodus 2:1-9), John baptised Jesus in the River Jordan, (Matthew 3:13-17), Jesus taught from the boat on the Sea of Galilee (Mark 4:1-9) and He also calmed the storm which frightened the disciples (Matthew 8:23-27).

All these stories feature water in different ways - to hide, to be dedicated to God, to teach and to learn not to be afraid of water.

How are you going to react to water, the sea, rivers, lakes and think about God being present in these everyday locations?

Go well Patrick

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#### RADDESLEY BENEFICE WEBSITE

On the website you can find out more about our churches, services, what's on and useful information about baptisms, funerals and weddings; www.raddesley.com

#### RECTOR

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#### **VILLAGE WEBSITES**

www.westleywaterless.com www.burroughgreenparishcouncil.org.uk www.brinkleyparishcouncil.org.uk carltoncumwillinghampc.org.uk

Information on the facilities of each village and also back issues of Village Voice newsletter and the adverts.

#### CATHOLIC PARISH SERVICES:

Newmarket: Saturdays 6pm & Sundays 11am

Kirtling: Sunday 9am.

For a full list of weekday services, the newsletter & other information please visit the website. http://www.olise.co.uk/wordpress/

### ARTICLES FOR SEPTEMBER VILLAGE VOICE

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