

# Teversham News

## FROM ROUND THE TABLE

September 2014

Welcome to the Autumn edition of the Teversham News. This is slightly earlier than previous years to ensure we publicise the Age UK event below in good time.

The parish council do not meet during August, so we have only had one meeting since the last edition. One notable event, was the resignation of Lup Yau as a Parish Councillor. We would like to thank Lup for all his work since he joined the parish council in 2008 and wish him the very best for the future.

We are just waiting to find out if a by-election will be called. If not, we are able to co-opt a new Councillor at our November meeting - please keep an eye on the noticeboards and the website if you are interested in applying.



## Superfast broadband is coming to Teversham soon

Connecting Cambridgeshire is rolling out superfast broadband to over 90,000 premises across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, which would not get it otherwise.

New green cabinets in this area are going live with fibre broadband between September and December 2014 which means many homes and businesses will soon be able upgrade to faster Internet services.

You can find out about when your postcode area is expected to be connected and if your nearest fibre cabinet has gone live by visiting the 'my area' pages on the Connecting Cambridgeshire website at [www.connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk](http://www.connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk)

Click on the 'my area' button on the home page and select your parish or area from the A-Z list. Each page has links to the coverage map showing the status of new fibre cabinets serving each postcode area and useful information about how to get superfast broadband.

Meanwhile, look out for Openreach engineers installing new green cabinets in your area. Connecting Cambridgeshire 'Fibre broadband is here' stickers will be applied when they go live.

Need help using the Internet? Your local library can link you up with someone to show you how, or call Cambridge Direct Contact Centre on 0345 045 5200 to find your nearest access point.

This is why the High Street is being dug up - new cables are being put down in preparation - *ed*



## Cambridgeshire Celebrates Age in Teversham and local area

A free afternoon of entertainment has been arranged by Age UK Cambridgeshire as part of Cambridgeshire Celebrates Age.

The event for older people will be held at the Hope Community Church, High Street, Teversham on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October from 2.30 – 4pm. Easy listening musical entertainment will be followed by afternoon tea. Please do come along to support this fun afternoon. Free transport to the event can be arranged.

For more information about the afternoon or to book a place at the event, please call Age UK Cambridgeshire on 01354 696650.

*thank you!*

A huge thank you to the DG Marshall Trust for their generous donation towards the Teversham Warden Scheme.



## District Councillor's report September 2014

### Update on changes to Waste and Recycling Services

Over the next five years the council has to save £4m due to a reduction in government funding. This equates to a quarter of its annual budget. Some savings have already been found but there is still £1.1m which needs to be found before April 2015. Changes to the Waste and Recycling Service will contribute about £400,000 to these savings.

- 1) From this month the collection rounds have been changed to make them more efficient. Apart from 9 properties everyone's collection day will remain the same but the council is asking residents to put their bins out before 6am on collection day. These changes were published in the summer and autumn editions of the SC magazine.
- 2) In December, January and February collection of the green bins will take place on a monthly basis. These are the months that far less green waste is put out.
- 3) Over the Christmas period collections will be as normal until 27<sup>th</sup> December and then there will be a break until 5<sup>th</sup> January when collections will return to their normal timetable.

### Housing

Successes for 2013/14, include:

- 1) 158 new affordable homes have been built.
- 2) 10 empty homes have been purchased to be used as temporary accommodation.
- 3) There has been a 75% reduction in the use of B & Bs as temporary accommodation – the bill has gone down from £8,000 per month in the last financial year to £2,000 per month.
- 4) Over 1,000 solar panel installations have been made.
- 5) A 'Help to Downsize' scheme is now operating for tenants affected by benefit reform changes and has resulted in 28 downsize moves completed. The number of SCDC tenants under-occupying and effected by welfare reform changes continues to reduce and in September 2013 dropped to below 300, representing around a 20% reduction since the beginning of the year.
- 6) Two apprentices have been taken on in the housing service providing employment and a recognised qualification.

### August Flooding

During the flooding in August SCDC delivered over 700 sandbags to residents. The council is urging residents to assess their homes for flood risk, mitigate against flooding as much as possible and to have their own personal 'flooding action plan' in place.



Following a very quiet holiday period everything is back up and running again. The first Sunday in September saw us finally make the move to Teversham CE Primary School and on a beautiful sunny day we were grateful for the extra space for children to meet in groups during the service and to enjoy space outside afterwards. We have a real range of ages on a Sunday now from the very young to more senior end of the community so we believe whatever your age or stage you'll find a welcome with us.

We've been really pleased to see the growth in numbers at **Classic Café** (for over 60s) which runs every other Friday afternoon at the Chapel. We're looking forward to welcoming Age UK once more on the 10<sup>th</sup> October for a 'Cambridgeshire Celebrates Age' event (you'll find more details elsewhere in Teversham News of this) and we've just had a **Harvest 'Songs of Praise'** style event. Around the time of the **D-Day** commemorations earlier this year we had a great afternoon with a veteran of the invasion of Italy in 1943 who shared lots of fascinating anecdotes about his experience of WWII and how he became a Christian in the bowels of a troop ship! Following Jesus Christ has taken him to several other parts of the world over the succeeding decades and he never regretted the decision he made. He's now a sprightly 92 and made a brief appearance on the BBC's Great British Menu this year. This November we'll be meeting with others from the Parish Church and the village to on **Remembrance Sunday** at the War memorial and hope others will share in this for such a poignant year.

All the details of our other events and groups can be found on our website [www.hopcommunity.org.uk](http://www.hopcommunity.org.uk) where you can also get in touch with us if there is anything we can help you with. You'll also find details later in the autumn of all our Christmas celebrations.



### **Stickers for your Bin!!**

We have a limited number of stickers to be applied to wheelie bins to help reduce speeding. If you would like a set for your wheelie bins, please contact the Clerk!



## Teversham Church of England Primary School

### Inspire Believe Achieve

from Louisa Kenzie, Headteacher

We are starting the new academic year with great excitement and enthusiasm! We had a wonderful end to the year in July, with very good end of Key Stage Two SATs results showing very good progress for our Year 6 pupils who did us proud, especially in Maths and Reading, with the best results for several years. (This year's data can be found on our website.)

We are also very proud of the success of the children in Early Years. Our percentage of children who have achieved the Good Level of Development this year was up from last year, and well above national, and our Key Stage 1 children also performed exceptionally well. We are delighted that achievement and progress



throughout the school is very good and this reflects the skill and hard work of the children, the teachers and the teaching assistants. We were also thrilled this week to receive a letter of congratulations from the Local Authority on our excellent results and the hard work of the children, staff and governors.

We are passionate about our children achieving the very best but we also believe that school is about much more than results. Our Year 6s enjoyed some exciting end of term events, including our new Graduation Ceremony, where they were presented with their Bibles and special new Teversham School Hoodies. Their Leavers' Party which included a disco, a barbeque and water fight on our back field, was thoroughly enjoyed by all and was a fantastic way to mark the end of their time with us.

Other successful events last year included our Key Stage 2 performance of Shakespeare Rocks! The year 6s were an especially talented group of singers and the singing was exceptional this year.

#### Teversham School Pride Day

Our first ever School Pride Day Assembly took place in July, where we thought about all that we have achieved and enjoyed over the year. Videos

were played of each child in the school saying what they were individually proud of. The children also sang the song, "What have you done today to make you feel proud?" by Heather Small, and we have asked the children to think about this question at the end of each day as they go forward this year.

#### Outdoor Learning Area

We are thrilled that, following lots of different fund raising events, a generous donation from Marshall of Cambridge and funding from the National Lottery, we are now able to go ahead with the construction of our Outdoor Learning Area (see picture left). There will be an opening ceremony in October - so please look out for news of this event. We would love to invite members of the community to join us to celebrate this new addition to our facilities.



Our Assistant Headteacher, Mrs Coulson, moved on to pastures new at the end of last year, taking on the headship of Barton Primary School. We were thrilled for her but will miss her exceptional drive, energy and enthusiasm. We are delighted that Miss Godfrey has stepped up as our new Assistant Headteacher and we also welcome two new teachers, Miss Savill and Mr Dennis, to our community.

We are committed to building on our successes and fulfilling our mission statement of "Inspire, Believe, Achieve". We introduced our new logo in the Spring term (see above) which includes the traditional lapwing symbol of the school along with a small image of a plane to represent our links with The Marshall Group and a small cross to represent our church school status. The gold colour band represents our commitment to excellence.

We are keen to communicate as widely and effectively as we can with our community. We launched our new website in July this year, which also has links to our twitter feed and our Facebook pages which are updated regularly. Please do visit our new website for more information at [www.tevershamschool.co.uk](http://www.tevershamschool.co.uk).

## ALL SAINTS CHURCH TEVERSHAM from Ian Hunt

A warm welcome is extended to you all from the church and particularly to any people new to the village.

The life of our church is totally dependent on our congregation and you will find us a friendly bunch and will be well received at any of our services or functions.

Our service times have to vary due to clergy commitments, and for each month on the 1st and 3rd Sunday the service time is 11 am ,and on the 2nd and 4th Sunday at 9 am and the last Sunday in the month is a joint service at 10 am, with Fen Ditton and Horningsea, on a rota between the churches .

Plans are afoot to design the usage of the new consecrated land to the rear of the church and this is a beautiful quiet area well worth a visit. We are also still investigating the addition of an extension to the church with toilet facilities and a meeting room.

On Aug 8th we held a delicious outdoor supper under canvas as guests of Christine and Melvin Butress, and the rain held off until 10pm when it absolutely poured ! This did not dampen our spirits and a sum of £476 was raised for the church.

Summer now coming to a close our harvest supper will be held on 3rd Oct , with our harvest festival on the 5th Oct and all are cordially invited.

On Nov 1st we are fortunate that the Bishop of Ely will be taking our service making this a special occasion.

We are also planning a series of concerts in the church to raise funds, and the first of these will be a big band event with Blue Skies Big Band with vocalists and we hope this will be held on Oct 25th. This will be a fun event and will be well publicised around the village once confirmed.

# THANK YOU

The Macmillan coffee morning held at Lynn Hayes house on 13th September raised £350.00 for this very worthwhile charity. A big 'thank you' to all who came and\or made donations!!

### Dates for your Diary

Monthly Parish Council Meetings - 7.30pm

Members of the public are welcome to attend

**6th October 2014**

Hope Community Church, High Street,  
Teversham

**3rd November 2014**

Bewick Bridge Community Primary School,  
Fulbourn Old Drift, Cherry Hinton

All meetings commence at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated.

### How to Contact Teversham Parish Council

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This newsletter is available with live links on our website at [www.teversham.info](http://www.teversham.info)

## Speedwatch



Creating a safer  
Cambridgeshire

Are you concerned about the speeding traffic through our parish? Would you like to help do something about it?

We hope to be able to team up with Fen Ditton to train volunteers how to use speed indicator devices which displays vehicle speeds. The registered owner of any vehicle seen exceeding the speed limit is sent an advisory letter from their local neighbourhood policing team.

To find out more about becoming a volunteer, please contact our local PCSO John Coppard email [john.coppard@cambs.pnn.police.uk](mailto:john.coppard@cambs.pnn.police.uk)

or visit the website below for more information.

<https://www.cambs.police.uk/roadsafety/speedwatch/>