

# Teversham News

## Parish Council from round the table

The council has had a very busy and productive few months. The Parish Council arranged and funded the installation of a new 5 bay bus shelter in Cherry Hinton Road and managed to secure a grant of £1,000 from the South Cambridgeshire District Council Community Chest towards the cost. We sent out and collated the Parish Questionnaire (see separate article on back page), taken part in lengthy meetings about the cuts to the bus service and participated in the District Councils new Local Plan.

The Parish Council are now working on two new exciting projects which we will consult (via the next edition of the Teversham News). Project One is to install outdoor exercise equipment near the play area on Teversham Foxgloves and Project Two is to install a skate park in Teversham village. These projects are only in the very early stages and funding/planning/local consultation needs to take place first.



### Vacancy

Sadly, Nick Tucker has left the Council and there is now a vacancy. The Parish Council Plan to co-opt a new member at their September 2012 meeting. Can you spare a few hours a month? Are you interested and keen to take an active part in your community? Are you over 18? Do you live in the Parish of Teversham? If YES, then please do get in touch with the Clerk for more information.

We look forward to hearing from you!

### Mr Pettit's Christmas Lights

Mr Pettit has written to confirm that the 2011 collection raised an amazing £190.34! The money has been sent to SHINE.

Thank you  
who

to everyone  
contributed.



Cambridgeshire District Council in conjunction with its Tenant Participation Group (TPG) is running 3 tenant led Open Days in the Autumn of 2012.

If you are a TENANT or LEASEHOLDER of SOUTH CAMBS DISTRICT COUNCIL please come along and meet your local housing team, local Councillors, and get advice on Housing, Benefits, Employment, young people's initiatives, ageing well initiatives, plus enjoy stands from contractors such as MEARS, Morrisons and Mitie.

Get involved in your housing service and help us to help you.

After all it's **Your Home – Your Service** so come along and share your views with your fellow tenants and your landlord

FREE RAFFLE entry to all attendees. Juggling and circus skills and bouncy castle for the youngsters amongst us!

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September: 12 noon – 4pm at Impington Village College

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September: 12 noon – 4pm at Melbourn Village College

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October: 12 noon – 4pm at Sawston Village College

### Grass Cutting/Tree Maintenance

There is still a lot of confusion about who is responsible for which pieces of land and trees in the Parish.



South Cambridgeshire District Council are responsible for **ALL** grass cutting and tree maintenance on Teversham Foxgloves. The Parish Council are working hard to try and improve the service received, especially when people call SCDC to complain.

We are aware that SCDC try and pass callers onto the Parish or the County Council. Let us re-iterate - South Cambridgeshire District Council **ARE RESPONSIBLE for ALL** of the grass and tree within the estate. Please contact SCDC switchboard 0345 0450500 and ask to speak with Geoff Clark.

### Gillson Family in Teversham Can you help??

This is an appeal to all residents of Teversham.

Recently I started tracing my ancestry through the Cambridge archives and managed to find records of two births in Teversham, either of which could potentially be my great, great, great, great grandfather. One was in 1782, a William Gillson, born to William and Mary Gillson; the other in 1783, also a William Gillson, born to Edward and Frances Gillson. In an attempt to find out which, if either, were part of my family line I visited Teversham church to look at graves for potential clues. To my delight, and great emotion I discovered three Gillson graves although none seem to match the records I have. There are Edward and Mary Gillson, husband and wife, who died 1839 and 1822, respectively. There was also a Robert Gillson who passed away in 1838 although the date for his wife Elizabeth is unreadable on the gravestone.

Edward Gillson's grave states that he was Clerk of the Parish for 30 years and I was hoping that someone may have a lead I could chase up to discover further details about him, or indeed any information relating to the Gillson surname. Thank you for your kind consideration.

If anyone is able help me I would be most grateful if you could please contact me at [twitch44@btinternet.com](mailto:twitch44@btinternet.com) or call me on 01929421249.

Very best regards.

Richard Gillson  
Swanage, Dorset.

### Teversham CE Primary School News Summer 2012

Yet again, we have had an extremely busy term. Like everyone else, we have also had a very wet few months, and are really grateful that we chose the sunniest weekend of the term for our Diamond Jubilee Fayre, which was a great success. The maypole was pressed into service, and the ribbons remained untangled, much to our relief. The younger children staged a Coronation in school, which was very moving. Afterwards we celebrated with a 'street' party on the playground and Marshalls kindly sent a helicopter to photograph us making a giant 60 on the playground.

Olympic fever has gripped us, and we were privileged to have a visit from a torchbearer, giving us all the opportunity to see and touch a torch close up. Our Running Club ran halfway to Fulbourn, where we exchanged torches with the children from Fulbourn School Running Club. We have held our own School Games, and spent a lot of time exploring the Olympic and Paralympic values.

This will be the last time I will write to you, as I will be retiring at the end of this term. Thank you to all who have welcomed me into Teversham village community.

Elizabeth Jenkin  
Headteacher



Dear Neighbours,

Just to let you all know that I have received a 'Thank you' card from Robert the postman. The card is for the whole village and he says thanks for the support he has been given and that he has enjoyed delivering in Teversham. I have not yet had a reply from Royal Mail.

Regards Caroline Hunt

### District Councillor's Report

#### South Cambridgeshire Local Plan

This will set out the planning policies and proposals to guide development and use of land in the district for the period up to 2031.

The local plan will include;

The spatial vision and strategic approach to development in the district, including the levels of new employment and housing;

Detailed policies relating to a range of topics including design and development principles, green belt, housing, employment and tourism, services and facilities, natural environment, cultural heritage and travel that will be used for deciding planning applications.

Allocations for housing, development and use of specific sites;

Planning policies included in the adopted Area Action Plans may also be reviewed, **in particular new policies for Cambridge East will need to be considered in light of Marshall's decision to remain at Cambridge Airport.** This is obviously of great interest to our parish. The Parish Council and residents will have a chance to comment on it.

Of the three sites which were put forward last summer by landowners and developers as suggestions for future development in our Parish only one site, land off Gazelle Way, has passed the basic assessment and will be taken forward to the next stage.

The preparation for the Local Plan will take just over three years.

These are the main stages in the preparation for the plan.

Local Plan Issues and Options public consultation	13th July - 28th September 2012
Second Local Plan Issues and Options public consultation - for site options on the edge of Cambridge (NEW STAGE)	Winter 2012/2013
Draft Local Plan public consultation	June - July 2013
Submission of Local Plan to Secretary of State	December 2013
Public Examination of Local Plan by independent planning inspector	June - October 2014
Receipt of Inspectors Report to the Local Plan	May 2015
Consider the recommendations included in the Inspectors Report and adopt the Local Plan	October 2015

#### SCDC Faster Broadband Campaign

SCDC are encouraging residents and local businesses to support their campaign to secure superfast broadband for the district. To back the campaign visit [www.connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk](http://www.connectingcambridgeshire.co.uk). The more support we receive the more chance there is of getting it!

If you wish to be put on my email newsletter please let me have your email address.

Caroline Hunt District Councillor 07891 465 658

[Cllr.Hunt@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:Cllr.Hunt@scambs.gov.uk).

### Dates for your Diary

#### 3rd September 2012

Parish Council Meeting at Bewick Bridge Community Primary School (formally Cherry Hinton Community Junior School)

#### 1st October 2012

Parish Council Meeting at Teversham Primary School

#### 5th November 2012

Parish Council Meeting at Bewick Bridge Community Primary School

#### 3rd December 2012

Parish Council Meeting at Teversham Primary School

All meetings commence at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated.

Meetings may be subject to change. Please check the notice boards and notices section of the website for up to date details and information regarding Committee Meetings.

### Highways - Footpaths

Just a note to thank those Parishioners who have been in touch to comment on the work to re-surface the High Street footpaths. This work was commissioned following a long campaign of complaints and pressure from many people. This has been an expensive (no cost to the Parish Council) and time consuming project, but so very well worth it. We urge you to look after the new footpaths by not driving or parking on them as they are meant to take the weight of people not vehicles, otherwise they will quickly deteriorate back to their previous state!

Questionnaire Results Now In.

A big thank you to every one who took the time to complete a questionnaire, and every one who helped to deliver them, collect them and then crunch the data. We are still working on the comments that people took the time to write. Thank you everyone !!



We are planning to put the full analysis report on the Parish Council web site soon so keep looking out for that. The survey showed that not many of you are using this valuable resource, that is completely run by volunteers and has loads of useful parish information, including the newsletter in colour, however we were pleased to see that most of you receive and read the Parish Newsletter. Plenty of you had ideas of how it might be improved, including writing more articles - so come on, join in !!

The questionnaire showed that without a car many people in Teversham, would struggle to get to basic amenities such as shops, health care and leisure activities. Many of you would like to see more buses, more bus services and routes and so on. In a time when green agendas are meant to be in all our minds there are just too many car journeys. The Parish Council will be able to use the data collected to demonstrate to the bus providers that there is a real need to keep our busses !

About 10% of the questionnaires were returned. Whilst this response could have been better, there is plenty of data that can be extrapolated from this size of sample.

Highlights of the questionnaire are that the majority of people are happy living in the parish with no plans to move. However a majority of people would like to see local shops, businesses and cafes within the parish. A post office/corner shop was top of what people would like to see in the parish closely followed by a village hall.

The majority of households in the Parish would like to see their local environment improved with the most popular desires being :Wildlife area, Allotments, Rec/football field.

People were also keen to see tree planting and improved landscape maintenance.

Many people perceive there is a speeding problem in the Parish, although there was a distinct correlation with where people live and the area they highlighted, as it was mostly close to where they lived. A majority of people thought that the speed limits, road signs and street lights in the Parish were appropriate.

There is much more detail that can be gathered from the questionnaire than there is room for here. The Parish Council are certain that this has been a very worthwhile undertaking that will enable a Plan For Teversham to be formed using empirical up to date data. Thanks again to everyone who has contributed.



**Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Picnic**

Councillors were delighted to be given the opportunity to nominate two people to attend the picnic at Burghley House in June. It was unanimously agreed to nominate Mrs Christine Hinch and Mrs Brigid Malone for their hard work and commitment to the Youth Group. Both nominees were able to take a guest and by all accounts they had a fabulous day!



**How to Contact Teversham Parish Council**

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