

Milton Village View

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Three Roundabouts by Tesco?

The business and stakeholders across South Cambridgeshire a final chance to have their say on plans for 22,000 new jobs and 5.000 additional new homes over the next 20 years) has been extended to the 14th October.

In the long term, the Local Plan will have a big impact on the area, especially the proposals at Waterbeach with the knock on implications that has for Milton, albeit station coming on stream on a rather in the long term.

"New Waterbeach" aka "Denny St Francis" will be big: approximately 8,000 - 9,000 homes when it's completed, so a similar size to Ely. However, by 2031 it will be no

deadline for the Local Plan more than 1,400 new homes, so it will The major impacts in Milton lie in the area Consultation (which gives residents, effectively double the size of Waterbeach of transport, now

> Having a new town there is going to have impacts, both positive and negative for Milton: for example the train station will be moved north away from Milton but conversely upgrades to transport 2. infrastructure (see below) may make it easier to reach and of course we also should have the Cambridge Science Park shorter timescale which may make villagers less interested in Waterbeach station at all.A new town also brings potential for alternative retail options in easy reach of Milton (assuming they don't end up with yet another Tesco).



- 1. The A10 is marked out for "major road improvements", which may mean a dual carriageway upgrade and/or rerouting it round the Park and Ride site.
- A "new busway or high quality bus route" is proposed, possibly entering the back of the Park & Ride site before continuing south over the A14 alongside the A10.
- using **3.** The A14/A10 junction will be upgraded to give it extra capacity. Although the plans are not finalised, there are drawings (see left) within the developer documents that envisage a second roundabout straddling the A14 between the current roundabout and the Coston Bridge, and references to buses in particular using a second crossing of the A14.

It's hard to work out precisely what they're doing but it's a massive change to the junction layout with an extra roundabout on the road down into Milton pushing out over "Mrs Wilson's" field. This junction is likely to be the most significant issue for Milton.

Comments on the local plan can be made online (you will need to register if you've not already done so). You have until 5pm on the 14th October to comment.

http://tinyurl.com/scambslocalplan2013 Paul Oldham

For a longer version of this article, visit: http://news.milton.org.uk/2533



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Holiday Tea Party

The older folks of the village were invited to All Saints Such for a special afternoon tea party on the Wednesday afternoon of the holiday club week. 46 folks were served tea by the teenagers in the church, surrounded by the bunting to celebrate "Rocky's Plaice". A great afternoon was enjoyed by all.

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Do you dare to be scared?

The Halloween Twilight Walk returns to Milton, with even more spooky treats in store! Raising funds for East Anglia's Children's Hospices (EACH), the 1.5km sponsored Halloween Twilight Walk takes place on Saturday 26th October, starting at 6pm.

Come in your best spooky fancy dress and walk through the lantern-lit paths and streets as well as facing your fears in the haunted house and ghost



train at Milton Country Park if you dare - who knows what or who you may find!

There'll be lots of activities and surprises along the way, and please remember to bring a torch!

To register call 01223 205180 or go to www.each.org.uk/halloween - children £5, adults free (with donations welcome from parents, corporate and adult groups).

Rocky's Plaice

As a respected food critic for Total UK Gourmet Magazine and a long time Milton resident, I have decided to put finger to keyboard to report on my experiences at Milton's latest eaterie, Rocky's Plaice. Rocky's Plaice was open for a limited period (19th - 23rd August to be exact) and based at All Saints church. It described itself as "Chip Shop Church", surely an inadequate description for the most eclectic avantegarde fusion cuisine I have yet come across.

As well as the head chef, Mr Tagliatelle, the stars of Rocky's Plaice were Nicola, the church's Children's worker, Captain Ketchup, who was more than once found asleep on the job and two trainee chefs, Salt and Vinegar, who managed to earn five star accreditation and their own TV show by the end of the week, and who will surely find great success in those restaurants that value laughs above customer satisfaction. Now, I have to be honest, the quality of the food was not the best: on Friday my wife found a plaster in her Chef's special sandwich, and, while I can honestly say that both the Apple Crumble and the gravy were great - as good as I've had anywhere - I must say that it would have been better to have kept them apart.

The cabaret at Rocky's Plaice was amazing. It's the only restaurant I've ever been in where the cabaret comes with actions and its own special songs. "The children of the nations rock" - they certainly do!

During the week we also learned a lot about one of Jesus's disciples, Peter, who, helped found the franchise. We learned how the Holy Spirit helped him and how she can help us too.

Miguel Inglisi Tagliatelle

(Rocky's Plaice was a children's holiday club run by All Saints Church, Milton.)

Supper and Ceilidh with the Great Eastern Ceilidh Company

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Events

DIARY DATES : Sept — Nov

See p.9 for more events at the pubs.

September



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Sat 21stMessy Praise, All Saints, 3.30-5.30pm. Songs, story, crafts, games, food for all the family.Sat 28thThe Adventure Zone, Country Park, 10.30am-4.30pm. Outdoor adventurous fun for the whole family, £12 per person.
See www.xadventureactivies.co.uk for more details.

October

Tues 1st	MU Sausage Sizzle , church hall, 7.30pm, guest speaker Susan Baker (MU diocesan president)			
Sat 5th	Supper & Ceilidh, community centre, 7.30pm-late (See p.2 For details)			
Mon 7th	Are you interested in discussing life's big questions? Coffee & Questions, Milton & Landbeach Baptist church, 7.15pm			
7th/8th/29th Flu Vaccinations, Milton surgery – please book through reception.				
Weds 9th	Community Centre AGM (See below for details)			
Sat 12th	Men's Breakfast, church hall, 8.30am			
Fri 18th	WI Bring and Buy Breakfast in aid of the Phoenix Trust, Milton Golf Club			
Sat 19th	Refresh! Women's Breakfast, White Horse, 8.30-10am, £5. Email office@allsaintsmilton.org.uk to book.			
Tues 22nd	Deepening Spirituality MU Autumn Quiet Day, All Saints, 9.30am-3pm, £6. Contact Jackie Metcalfe to book (564361).			
Sat 26th	EACH Halloween Twilight Walk, Country Park, 6pm (See p.2 for details)			

November

Mobile 07941 198771

- Sat 9th MU Quiz night, church hall, 7pm. (See below for details.)
- **Sat 23rd** All Saints Night Live, live music at All Saints Church (See *p.2 for details*)
- Sat 30th MOBC Christmas Quiz Night, community centre, 6.30 for 7pm. (See p.12 for details)

See <u>www.milton.org.uk/diary.html</u> for more event details. See <u>www.miltoncountrypark.org</u> for more park events.



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News



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We have just published two books on local churches and thought that you would be interested in knowing about them.

These volumes are based on the work of a local Victorian architect called Charles Bell, working in Cambridge around the 1880s. It is his fine architectural sketches, colourful armorial drawings and informative text that make them so interesting.

We have taken his previously unpublished manuscripts making a few small additions and corrections.

We are not selling these books to make a profit: our prices to local customers are hardly more than the printing costs. To save the cost of postage we will be happy to deliver the books locally (preferably where several copies are required) at a convenient time for you.

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If you are involved with a group in the village which would like him to give a short presentation on fire safety you can email him at <u>garydew@btopenworld.com</u>

Paul Oldham

Roger Barham

Rosemary, James & Charlotte would like to express their thanks for all of the cards, messages, and kindness shown, and for the donations (totalling £980!) made in Roger's memory for the Arthur Rank Hospice.

Rosemary Barham

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Milton Surgery

As you will have noticed we have switched computer system during the end of August, we would like to thank all the patients during this difficult time and apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. The new computer system will enable us to continue to deliver excellent health care for the foreseeable future.

The surgery will be running three dedicated flu clinics in October on the 7th, 8th and 29th. In order to make an appointment please contact reception and ask for a flu clinic appointment.

A Safer Crossing for the A10

Cambridgeshire County Council is improving the junction on the A10 with Landbeach Road and Humphries Way for cyclists and pedestrians.

A new dual use path was constructed between Milton and Landbeach this spring. We would like to know what you think of our plans for the second phase of the scheme: providing a safe means of crossing the A10.

We have come up with three options and would like to hear the views of the local residents, businesses and others who will be using it. Come to an exhibition to view the plans and provide us with feedback:

- September 23rd 4-8pm, Milton Community Centre
- October 3rd 4-8pm, Landbeach
 Village Hall

Detailed plans and information are also available on our website: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/cycling

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HARVEST is upon us and we're calling on local residents to help our fight against straw stack arson.

Stack fires can quickly spread and can endanger people and livestock. Stacks burn slowly; meaning crews are committed for long periods of time, making them unavailable for other emergencies. Many of the firefighters attending incidents like these are on-call personnel and their retention at a stack fire impacts directly upon business and services in their community.

We're working with police, neighbourhood watches and farm groups to drive stack arson down, including installing cameras to bring those responsible to justice.

We're urging residents and those passing through rural areas to keep a careful watch. Do you see someone acting suspiciously around stores of hay or straw? Is there an unusual vehicle near farm buildings? Become a community member of Arson Watch and keep an eye on stacks in your area. Report suspicious activity to police on 101 and dial 999 if you see a stack fire.

ACT's 10th Pink Rose Appeal

Addenbrooke's Charitable Trust (ACT), the dedicated charity for Addenbrooke's and the Rosie hospitals, is this year celebrating its tenth annual Pink Rose Appeal to raise additional funds for breast cancer care and treatment. Started in 2004 by fundraiser Louise Sunderland, the Pink Rose Appeal has now raised over £450,000 for the Cambridge Breast Unit and Cambridge Breast Cancer Research Unit. Fundraising continues to help make a difference for the many women and men who suffer from the disease.

ACT is inviting people to host Pink Rose parties during October – breast cancer awareness month – and ask their guests to make a donation to the cause. Anything goes, from coffee mornings to dinner parties to cocktail soirees. This year's appeal features new and exciting initiatives to make it even easier for people to get involved:

- 'Boob Tube' collection pots: a fun and funky way to collect spare £1 coins
- 'Mayer Pink Rose Jewellery': exclusive fresh water pearl and rose quartz pieces
- Pink Rose Appeal rosebush: a specially-cultivated bespoke rosebush
- Pink Rose pin badges

Former Addenbrooke's Breast Cancer Patient, Cathie Sales, 30, from Comberton, said: "Pink Rose Appeal fundraising supports a really worthy cause. Please join me and many others to help make the patient experience even better. The little things can really make a difference such as the new Friends Quiet Room, I felt more comfortable and relaxed at that stressful time. Your help can mean that patients like me can have the best treatment possible. Thank you."

For more information about the Pink Rose Appeal or a fundraising pack, please contact Mercy Kaggwa, Community Fundraising Assistant on 01223 349805, email <u>communityfundraising@addenbrookes.nhs.uk</u> or go to <u>www.act4addenbrookes.org.uk/pinkrose</u>.

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From the Archives

We now have back copies of Village View, and its precedessor Village Voice, through to the first copy in the 80s. Therefore, we are starting a new regular column looking back at noteable events from past copies.

IO Years Ago...

At the end of June Milton Post Office underwent a major facelift. Sub Postmaster for the last seven years Anil Lakhani has been inundated with requests from villagers to sell and deliver Newspapers and Magazines.

After some financial investment, signage and fittings the Post Office and Corner Shop was born. All the original items available such as cards, stationery, sweets and photocopying but also some basic grocery items such as milk, bread etc. Reintroduced tobacco and now Newspapers and magazines with a new reliable morning and Sunday home delivery service.

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Royal Encounter for Milton Family

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A Milton family who received care and support from EACH met HRH The Duchess of Cambridge this summer at a new cruise liner naming event.

Izzie and Charlie Rowbotham handed the scissors to the Duchess before she cut the ribbon to break a bottle of champagne on the 'Royal Princess' cruise ship on June 13.

In 2003 their brother George, who had a brain tumour, was cared for at Milton hospice and passed away aged 21 months. Izzie and Charlie were accompanied by parents Alie and Mick. Izzie said: "The hospice was really important to us and helped us so much. The Duchess was lovely. It was really exciting and an honour to be there, and it was lovely of the hospice to ask us."



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Organisations

Milton WI

What a great spring and summer we have had: we have played bowls; our Strollers have strolled around Houghton Mill and visited the American Cemetery; our Munchers have munched through lunches and teas at various pubs and locations in the area; we have hosted the teas at the Hospice Fete and Village Fayre; and we have been on our annual summer outing which this year was to Aldbury near Tring (famed for *Midsomer Murders, Pie in the Sky, The Avengers* and *The Dirty Dozen*); and our two darts teams competed so well in the WI league that they reached the finals in July.

We have monthly meetings in the Church Hall (7.30 pm on the third Tuesday). New members are welcome and anyone can come along for a taster meeting before deciding whether to join. Our President Gill Offley (01223 293231) or Secretary Bridget Crow (01223 441755) will be very pleased to hear from you, or you can just come along. Our next meetings are on 17 September (speaker Arthur Brookes on 'The American Cemetery: Behind the Scenes'), 15 October (our annual Members Night when the evening is arranged by a small group of members so will be a surprise to us all) and 19 November (speaker Cheryl Brighty on 'Artistry in Cocoa' with homemade chocolates on sale).

Future activities will include walks, lunches, ten pin bowling, visits to shows and cinema and there are also Federation events and outings. Our chosen charity for next year will be the Phoenix Trust which is based in Milton, and there will be a Bring and Buy Breakfast at Milton Golf Club on 18 October to raise funds.

Anne Newman



10.30am Morning Worship with

Children's Groups The 10:30am service is designed to cater for the whole church, from ages 0-100+. Refreshments served.

Evening Services Monthly programme—see website.

Midweek groups & events

Little Rainbows Toddler Group, Parents & Under 1s, Lunch Club, Mothers' Union, Stitchers' Club, Reading Group ...

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Landbeach and Milton Baptist Church

Sunday Services10.30amFamily Service6pmEvening Worship

Midweek Home groups

Tues 7.30pm, LandbeachThurs 10.30am, 143 Waterbeach Rd.

All are welcome to our small but friendly fellowship. Further details from Maureen

Clark, tel 01954 250118

Mencap Sun room

Cambridgeshire Mencap has been a part of Milton village for many years and it runs the group of supported living houses centred on Edmund Close. This year they have been raising funds for a new sun room which will sit on the back of Rosewood: a home for elderly residents with learning disabilities.

The charity would like to thank the village of Milton for the overwhelming support that it has shown this project. Over £35,000 has been raised, with only £3,000 to go. Special thanks go to the Parish Council, All Saints Church, The Lion and Lamb, Silver Service Taxis, The Country Park, The Community Centre, The Cricket Team and Cambridge News.

This month, Cambridgeshire Vending donated £50 and Dulux offered paint and labour to paint the inside of the sun room. Sue Isaacson from The HR Department sent in £750 towards the project. Sue said, "I have lived in Milton for over 20 years and my office has been in the village for 2 years. The houses at Edmund Close are a key part of our Village community and the sun room will be such a lovely place for the residents."

In August, the Lion and Lamb Race Night raised over £350. Thank you to Sally and Lawrence, John Hughes Productions for organising all the racing, and to everyone who took part.

We have now been able to engage contractors and will start building the sun room in the early autumn. If anyone has any questions about the appeal or the work of the charity in general, please contact Emma Holbrook on 01223 883143 or email <u>emma@cambridgeshiremencap.co.uk</u>.

Emma Holbrook

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Local Interest: Around the Pubs

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Our reputation for selling quality, well-conditioned real ales has meant the addition of a 5th ale pump. Ales, ciders, lagers, wines, spirits, soft drinks and hot beverages are all available from Caroline and her team. During September, selected beers are £2.50 per pint in the public bar.

All our menus are available in the restaurant and bar areas.

REGULAR EVENTS 6рм-9рм Monday: Tapas Night Tuesday: Dining Club

25th Sep: Parisian Night

UPCOMING EVENTS

30th Oct: Tex-Mex Dining 27th Nov: Pie and Sausage Night

Our new Children's Plav Fort is now open and Christmas bookings are being taken.

A big thank you to everyone who took part in guessing the number of balloons in the Jolly Brewers van at Milton Summer Fayre: we raised £135.72 for EACH.

Lion and Lamb

Ruth Kivlin. www.jollybrewersmilton.co.uk

We've had a

great Summer at the

Lion and Lamb, culminating in our day at

the races: don't we scrub up well! We have been voted Sky Sports Ultimate Venue for North London, Central Belt & East Anglia!

Watch out for our regular speciality food events this autumn, including Gourmet Wine Tasting, Cider and Sausage Festival and Pie Week. Ladies Dinner Clubs are 17th Sep and 22nd Oct and the Christmas Wine Tasting and Dinner is 26th Nov.

Our Hallowe'en celebrations take place on 1st Nov. Hog Roast & BBQ from 6pm. FREE children's party will take place from 6:30-8pm, with the adults taking over from 9pm for the Fancy Dress Disco.

We are booking for Christmas and New Year, so join us to celebrate the festivities!

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Thank you all for the wonderful support at our 3rd Annual beer festival held on the 4th-8th September, with many ales and ciders tasted.

Adam continued to amaze us with some great Thai dishes and his hearty pies. There will be many more new meals coming up soon.

The weather has been kind to us all this year making full use of the new benches at the front and back garden.

REGULAR EVENTS UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 7:30pm: 20th Sep: Band- Jack Cash Bingo 11th Oct: Karaoke 19th Oct (8:30am): Ladies Breakfast, Thursday 9pm: Free Quiz and chips. followed by a speaker from the Church. 8th Nov: Karaoke.

Open all day every day. Kitchen is open lunch and evening.

We look forward to seeing you all over the Autumn and will be pleased to take group bookings with Christmas coming.

Alan, Ava, Adam, Emma, Shaun, Kimberly.

Waggon & Horses

01223 860313

Our garden at the rear of the pub has seen a lot of improvement over the past few months and the garden bar has been an added bonus. Our family-friendly garden has also seen some marked improvements and the water features are coming together. We hope to have the

refurbishment of the inside completed before our plans go through for the restaurant extension at the rear of the building which we hope will be early 2014.

Our takeaway service has proved to be very popular with cod (sourced from a family fishing company) and chips now available every day and fresh homemade pizza now being available on Thursday evenings instead of Tuesday. The Miltonian is proving to be very popular and our new challenge pizza. The Big Toni, is for anyone who thinks they can manage that bit more.

We are taking bookings for Christmas dinners for parties up to about twenty people. For anyone interested in booking, or enquiries, please call or email general us Dave@waggonandhorsesmilton.co.uk.

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From the Desk of the Parish Council Chairman

I would like to welcome Anna Bradnam as a new parish councillor. Anna, who has lived in the village for many years, was coopted onto the council at September's meeting. There are still two vacancies on the parish council and I urge you to consider becoming a councillor yourself. It is very interesting work and you would have a chance to contribute to the village in a unique and rewarding manner.

I am sad to report that Peter Kiddle, a former Milton resident and parish councillor, passed away on 16th July aged 80. Peter was a councillor from 1970 to 1982 and was also president of the Football Club. He was awarded an OBE in 1991. We offer our condolences to Peter's family and friends.



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I would like to draw your attention to two articles in this month's issue. You may remember that Parish and County Councillors met earlier this year with representatives of the County Council's Transport Team

to discuss the dangerous Humphries Way/Landbeach Road junction with the A10. A public consultation has been set up to present options for improving this junction. Please see the article in this issue for dates and times of the exhibitions in Milton and Landbeach. The Parish Council has also updated the policy for Milton Cemetery (off Landbeach Road). We welcome your views on the updated policy.

Thanks to Milton resident Paul Capitain for his work in refurbishing the village sign and wooden seats by the war memorial.

Finally, our Assistant Parish Clerk David Geasor has resigned. I would like to thank David for his work over the past four years, particularly for the parish council's Land Group. If you are interested in applying for the part-time position of Assistant Clerk, please see the advert in this issue.

Richard Summerfield, Chairman Milton Parish Council

Below please find an updated list of your councillor contact details (for email addresses, please visit the website at miltonvillage.org.uk and click on 'Meet Your Parish Councillors'):

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Updated Cemetery Policy

The Parish Council has updated the policy for Milton Cemetery (off Landbeach Road). As you may be aware, many cemeteries in and around Cambridge are full and the parish council frequently receives requests for burials from nonresidents; there are concerns that space will not be available for Milton residents. There are also maintenance issues with kerbs and brick edging. Numerous residents and those who have loved ones buried in Milton cemetery have also expressed concerns about unauthorised memorials. The updated policy seeks to address these issues. As you enter the cemetery, the right side will be a lawn design cemetery. Furthermore, there are restrictions on what will be allowed on graves on the left side (other than pre-existing graves). To the complete updated policy, please visit see www.miltonvillage.org.uk and click on 'cemetery' from the left-hand menu. The Parish Council welcomes your views on the updated policy which you can send by email to clerk@miltonvillage.org.uk or by letter to Parish Office, Coles Road, Milton CB24 6BL.

Assistant Parish Clerk Vacancy

County Councillor

Maurice Leeke

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Full details and an information pack are available from: Sue Humphreys, Parish Clerk, Parish Council Office, Coles Road, Milton, Cambridge CB24 6BL or call 01223 861447 or email: clerk@miltonvillage.org.uk

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Wildlife Notes

In my last column, I was bemoaning not having heard a cuckoo. It's rather pleasing to note that the day the Village View came through my door, I heard one early in the morning. Now I need to try not to sound terribly gloomy as Summer is almost over.

I'm not sure the swallows under the A14 ever made it to full numbers as I've seen far fewer than other summers. However, it looks as if those that did make it to Milton bred successfully from the sharp increase in numbers I saw from about mid-July. Since then, I've actually seen an adult feeding a fledged youngster at Baits Bite Lock.

There have been many swifts over Milton, possibly helped by at least two houses I know of in the older part of the village that have swift nesting boxes installed. Apart from the lonesome swift I saw the other day, I've not seen any since mid-August. They are always the first, bar the cuckoos, to leave and head south.

With all the summer migrants leaving, I mustn't be downhearted. We took a Bank Holiday trip to the RSPB at Titchwell Marsh on the North Norfolk coast, and, as well as evidence of some winter visitors starting to arrive from the north, we picked up a tide table, so we can plan a trip to see one of the "waders spectaculars" at RSPB Snettisham once the birds that overwinter on The Wash have fully arrived. And I must make the time for a weekly trip around Milton Country Park with my new binoculars, as it's always really interesting once Autumn comes. But of course the most important job is to keep the bird feeders in the garden clean and topped up. That way, I'll get a good view whatever the weather, and the birds will get vital food to keep them going through the lean times.

Heather Coleman

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Mission Aid at Christmas

I am so grateful for all the contributions from Milton and beyond for The Leprosy Mission and Mission to Europe. But I still need more used postage stamps and items for Christmas shoeboxes for children and adults, including haberdashery.



You may like to support these charities by buying their Christmas cards this year: the Mission to Europe cards show where our shoeboxes from Milton were sent last Email missiontoeurope1@gmail.com (£3.50 for 10 cards), or visit vear! www.tlmtrading.com for The Leprosy Mission cards.

> Paul Mutimer. 54b Fen Road (440674) or via Post Office or All Saints' church.

The Pong

The sewage works "pong" has been back with a vengeance recently and we need some concerted action to remind Anglian Water that they have a problem. The parish council web site

has a page explaining how to complain and Mark on the miltonchat mailing list also suggested phoning the Environment Agency Incident Hotline.

So if you do smell it then please make the effort to complain (and remember: you're complaining about the Cambridge Sewage Treatment Works not the Milton Sewage Works - the former is its name and that's the only name Anglian Water know it by).

A post by Cllr Hazel Smith on Wednesday suggests that the causes of the current pong are being addressed but it's always worth keeping the pressure up, both now and in the future.

Paul Oldham

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Sport & Leisure Mums often worry about getting back their strength and shape back after their baby is born. Getting to the gym is difficult; finding the time and the childcare is almost impossible. This is where BuggyBootcamp comes in. It is a postnatal fitness class for

mums with their babies and toddlers set up by Miltonian, Nicola Ostler. This class removes the two main obstacles to getting fit again, as the class is during the morning and the babies are in their buggies right alongside their mummies during the workout.

BuggyBootcamp is unlike other buggy fitness classes, as it is so much more than a walk in the park. The classes are carefully prepared to encourage absolute beginners, while at the same time challenging the most advanced. The programme is designed to increase and



improve fitness and has proven results in helping mums to lose weight and to tone up and lose inches. The classes are different every time, with new combinations of exercises and new routines to keep mummies motivated and challenged.

However, BuggyBootcamp is more than just a fitness class. Mums' nights out give members an opportunity to get together and share a meal, drink or a movie. During and after class, mums can exchange advice and share stories about their experiences as a parent, safe in the knowledge that someone else in the group will understand

Classes are in Waterbeach on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am -11am and Saturdays 9-10am. We meet on the Green or the Rec and use the village as our gym. Your first class is free if you mention this article, so you can try it out for yourself. There is no need to book, just turn up and join the fun! For more information, please visit www.buggy-bootcamp.co.uk, or email Nicola at info@buggy-bootcamp.co.uk.

Nicola Ostler

To Bob Waters from

I wish to enter a team of persons at cost of £5 each.

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Milton Outdoor Bowls Club **Christmas Quiz Night**

We are holding a Christmas guiz night on Saturday 30th November in the Milton Community Centre, 6.30pm for a 7pm If you wish to enter a team, please start.

You are invited to enter a team of not more than eight and no less than six persons. Each team please provide one If you have any queries, ring 860620 or raffle prize. Bring your own refreshments/ drinks, which will be taken in the interval.



The Cambridgeshire College Riding for the Disabled Group are looking for volunteers to join their group based at the farm college.

If you would like to help young people fulfil their dreams and learn to ride, and are free on Thursday afternoons between 4:00 and 6:00pm, then please contact Lulu Boscawen on 01954 789 628 for further details.

Whist Drives

Whist drives are continuing at the Community Centre, fourth Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm. Entrance £2.50. Xmas whist drive Tuesday December 17th, entrance £3.50.



The cost is £5 per person, which includes:

- Prizes for each member of the winning team.
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