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Thank you to all contributors this month - another bumper issue.

Parish Council membership There three vacancies...see below

Ickleton Village fete on 30th June (in aid of church funds). See page 7 re sponsorship. Volunteers needed – contact Anne-Marie Hoare.

District Council Elections-Thursday 3rd May. Polling station at the Village Hall from 7 am till 10 pm

Events A busy month with the Ickleton Society (see page 9), and Icklestock bringing the Norwich Puppet Theatre on Saturday 5th May (see pages 7 & 15)

Theft of church roof lead Duxford St Peters' church roof was stripped of most of its lead in nights in late March, and Ickleton church and others are clearly vulnerable. See Rev Petra Shakeshaft's letter this month (page3).

Editor

PARISH COUNCIL May 2018

Refuse Collections in May

Tuesday	1 May	Blue and Green Bins
WEDNESDAY	9 May	Black Bin
Tuesday	15 May	Blue and Green Bins
Tuesday	22 May	Black Bin
WEDNESDAY	30 May	Blue and Green Bins

Please Note:

1. As usual bins must be put out by **6 am** on the designated day of collection. Lids on the bins must be closed, or they may not be emptied
2. **Black Bins** Extra black bin material **cannot** be left by the side of the bin as it will not be collected. This applies also to extra garden waste that cannot fit into **green bins**. Surplus refuse and green waste should be taken to **Thriplow Recycling Centre** which is off the A505. Normal opening hours: Every day 8.00 - **17.00** (summer opening times). Gates shut 10 minutes before closing time. Tel: 01223 839001.
3. **Blue bins** If you often have too much waste material to fit in your blue bin, you can get an extra bin for free by emailing: waste@scams.gov.uk.
4. The spring copy of the South Cambs Magazine includes a comprehensive breakdown of what can (and can't) go into each of the bins. See website: www.scams.gov.uk/what-goes-which-bin

Ickleton Parish Council

Extracts from the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th April 2018

The Parish Council wish to draw your attention to the following

1. District and Parish Council Elections 03 May 2018

Six Parish Councillors have been re-elected unopposed as, due to their other commitments, Jess Bloomfield and Lewis Duke have stood down. The Parish Council is very grateful indeed for all the work

they have undertaken, and they leave with all good wishes for the future. A notice listing those who will remain on the Parish Council will be posted shortly on the Village Notice Board.

However there are now three vacancies on the Parish Council. We would encourage anyone, whether interested in the work of the Parish Council generally, or with a particular interest they would like to champion, to consider becoming a Parish Councillor. Anyone interested in following up on this, please contact the present Chairman Terry Sadler, any other Parish Councillor you may know, or myself.

By law we are required to publicly notify the vacancies and if 10 electors claim a poll within 14 days of the date the notice went up on the Notice Board a by-election will be held. If there is no such claim, the vacancies will be filled by co-opting volunteers at a Parish Council meeting.

The election of a **District Councillor** for the much enlarged Duxford Ward is a contested election, and the **Polling Station in the Village Hall** will be open from **7 am to 10 pm on Thursday May 3rd**.

2. Uttlesford Planning Policy Working Group and the proposed "Garden Community" by Great Chesterford.

We are approaching the final stages in the formulation of Uttlesford's Local Plan. The crucial Working Group meeting is scheduled for 23 May. Uttlesford Council may be voting on 13 June to approve the draft Plan after which it will go out for public consultation prior to submission to the Planning Inspectorate. Very little is in the public domain yet. The Parish Council will keep a close watch on this preliminary meeting and will follow up on options open to us if it appears that the proposed North Uttlesford Garden Community is likely to receive the go-ahead.

3. Wellcome Genome Campus Expansion Plans. There has been no further news from Wellcome since they held their community engagement sessions earlier this year. We presume that the Wellcome Trust still plans to submit an outline planning application towards the end of this year.

4. Plans for a motorway service area off Junction 10 of the M11. There is nothing new to report.

5. Conversion of Parish owned street lights to LED. The change of footway lights to LED seems to be moving very slowly. The programme is now likely to run well into May.

6. Traffic management. Out of 2,600 cars monitored so far by the Ickleton Community Speedwatch Team, 495 drivers were recorded as speeding and details of the vehicles forwarded to the Police. We have recently taken delivery of a moveable vehicle-activated speed sign, to be installed on lamp columns for short periods at different locations. This sign, funded by the Parish Council, will also gather data on vehicle volumes and speeds. It is intended that the data obtained will be useful in building up a case for further traffic management measures, or for enforcement action by the Police.

7. Annual Litter Pick 18 March. Our thanks to all who took part in the litter pick on 18 April and especially to Clare Driver for spearheading the event. It was pleasing to note that there was a smaller amount collected in the Village itself, although unfortunately this was not the case with the approaches to the Village. Again, thanks to Clare, we have an undertaking from Highways England that the embankments of the A11 and M11 off Frog Street will be cleared.

8. Planning Information received from SCDC

i. Application approved:

S/0363/18/FL & S/0362/18/LB Internal alterations to provide new entrance hall, boiler room, utility and cloakroom, alterations to garage and external windows and doors. 20, Church Street.

ii. Application withdrawn

S/0156/18/FL Excavation and installation of biofertiliser lagoon and 2.4m security fence in an agricultural field to the south of Rectory House, Grange Road.

iii. Appeal under Section 78 against refusal of a householder application

S/3286/17/FL Demolition of redundant garage and replacement with a two-storey extension. 30 Butchers Hill. There was no opportunity to submit comments, nor did the Parish Council wish to withdraw any of its previous remarks.

iv. Tree works in conservation area Notification of applications to carry out tree works subject to a tree preservation order or situated within a conservation area. Ascertain.

S/1389/18/TC Lychgate, 25 Abbey Street. Remove one cupressus tree.

No concerns, therefore no comments would be sent to SCDC.

9. Annual Parish Meeting Wednesday 23rd May 2018 at 7.00pm for 7.30pm in the Gordon Woolhouse Room, Village Hall.

Not a Parish Council meeting, but the Annual Parish meeting to which **all residents are invited** to hear from the Parish Council and other Ickleton organisations about what has been going on over the last year. This is in part a social occasion – doors open at 7.00 pm, from which time refreshments will be provided. You have the chance to be updated on the issues Councillors are most concerned about (usually traffic and development threats) and to put your own concerns to them. All will be welcome.

Peta Stevens (Parish Clerk) petastevens17@gmail.com

Defibrillator

The defibrillator in Ickleton is situated on the wall to the left of the main door of the Village Hall. To use it FIRST CALL 999 and inform them that you are near the Ickleton defibrillator. You will then be told a 4 figure number code to enter. Then follow the instructions you will find.

Post box collection times	Monday - Friday	Saturday
Bottom of Butchers Hill; Coploe Road at Grange road corner	9.00 am	7.00 am
Costcutter shop	11.30 am and 4.00 pm	11.30 am
Great Chesterford	latest 4.30 pm	12 midday
Saffron Walden Market Square	latest 6.00 pm	12 midday

CHURCH NOTICES

Priest-in-charge	Revd Petra Shakeshaft	petra@hinkledux.com
Associate priest	Revd Phil Sharkey	sharkey_phil@yahoo.co.uk
Churchwardens	Dr Keena McKillen	keena.mckillen1@virginmedia.com
	Frances Payne	sffsp1@gmail.com
Prayer Ministry	Judy Marshall	
Lay Ministers	Julie Baillie	
	Judith Sutcliffe	

Message from our Priest-in-charge

If you live in Hinxton, you may have noticed that the large church gate is now padlocked and if you live in Ickleton you will have noticed that the front gate there is also padlocked and that there are notices warning that the drainpipes have been painted with 'anti-theft' paint, a revolting sticky, oily substance that prevents anyone getting very far up the drainpipes! This is not the way we would like it to be. The churches are left open during the day so that people can go in as they wish to look at the building, to find some quiet space to think, reflect or pray. But, as you will no doubt have heard, sometime in the days/nights before 24th March, the majority of the lead from the roof of St Peter's church in Duxford was stolen.

This is a significant blow, not least because the insurance cover falls well below the potential cost of replacement. The lead was watermarked, but is unlikely to be traced. This was the first of a series of thefts in Cambridgeshire and Suffolk, so there are other churches in this position. This means in Duxford we will need to begin a fundraising campaign to run alongside that to reorder the interior and upgrade the heating system. There are already one or two things in the pipeline, so please look out for posters and information over the next months.

In villages up and down the country, the church community finds itself responsible for the maintenance of Grade I listed buildings, the heating and lighting and other utilities, as well as the parish share which covers ministry. (In some places meeting the building costs is assisted by a 'Friends' of the church, which is a wonderful help.)

It's very easy to separate out the cost of ministry and the activity of the church community from the building costs and I do understand that some people are happy to help maintain a beautiful historic building, but not the ministry costs - and why that might be. However, there is a close relationship between the two. The church is a church because of what happens in it and from it. The ministry of the church is for everyone who lives in the parish, and as well as for the regular worship, for those other occasions such as weddings, funerals and baptisms. The heartbeat of the church is the life of the worshipping community; the church is the people. Quite simply, if you take the community out of the church it becomes a museum. The parish share covers the cost of a parish priest to help provide and support the ministry in each place.

The discovery at Duxford was made just at the beginning of Holy Week – the week that leads up to Good Friday and the remembering of the Crucifixion and then on to Easter Sunday. The story of the Cross is a story of triumph over adversity, of good overcoming evil, the possibility of forgiveness of all wrongs. It's a story of utter transformation. At St Peter's we are determined that this sad story of theft will also become a story of triumph over adversity; that good will overcome evil and that we will forgive rather than condemn. It is sad that people feel this is the way they must live and we pray they may find a better way. And, at the same time, we *will* fix the roof. We *will* make the inside of the church beautiful, warm and welcoming and we *will* transform this story of shame into one of joy. We will also find ways to make sure that we can hand our churches on to the next generation in each parish. There will, of course, be lots of joy and community building in the doing of it, so please do come and give us a hand! If you would like to support us, have ideas for fundraising or would like to be involved in any way, please do give me a call on 01223 832137 or email me at petra@hinkledux.com or contact one of the churchwardens in your village.

Petra Shakeshaft petra@hinkledux.com

Services for MAY

Friday	4 th	2.30 pm	Women's World Day of Prayer	DUXFORD
			followed by tea	
Sunday	6 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	DUXFORD
		10.00 am	Parish Communion	ICKLETON
		6.30 pm	Evensong (BCP)	HINXTON
Sunday	13 th	10.00 am	Parish Communion	DUXFORD
		5.00 pm	Taize service	ICKLETON
		6.00 pm	Youthinc (Youth group), Hinxton V. Hall	HINXTON
Sunday	20 th	10.00 am	Joint All-Age Communion Celebration	DUXFORD
			for Pentecost, followed by lunch at the	
			Rectory in aid of St Peter's roof appeal	
Sunday	27 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	HINXTON
		10.00 am	All-Age Communion	DUXFORD
		6.30 pm	Evensong (BCP)	ICKLETON
Thursday	31 st	10 – 12	TIDDLERS – group for 0 - 5 year olds with	DUXFORD
			parents/carers – play-time, story, craft, songs and	
			coffee/tea, cake and conversation for adults	

CALLING ALL SINGERS

Philip Asher, our new organist is seeking to re-establish the Church choir at some point after Easter, now that Rosemary McKillen has retired from leading our Church's music. He would be very interested to hear from anyone else who might join the choir - practices would be flexible and not onerous.

Rosemary did a really wonderful job for the Church's music - and he hopes to continue the tradition. It would be a shame not to have a choir to continue to lead the singing in church services.

Anyone who thinks that they might like to join us should get in touch with Frances Payne.

Coffee Mornings

Coffee Morning in aid of MS - Tuesday 1st May

The first May coffee morning will, as usual, be in aid of Multiple Sclerosis. We have been doing this for some years now and hope to improve once more on last year's total. It would be wonderful if you could support this worthy cause – why not bring a friend along. (Weekly Tuesday mornings start in June).

If transport is needed please get in touch with Rosemary McKillen to arrange a lift.

Food Bank - at the church

Please continue with the generous food bank donations – it's great to have lots of items to deliver regularly to the Cambridge collection point for the John Huntington charity.

THE GEM IN OUR MIDST

We are so lucky, in Ickleton, to have the most amazing building at the centre of our village.

The church of St Mary Magdalene dates back 1,000 years and is one of the most important in East Anglia, attracting visitors from all around the world.

Particularly striking are the magnificent nave arcades, four of whose pillars are Roman, almost certainly taken from an earlier building. Other features include a Norman West door, a 14th century rood screen and font cover, a 16th century pulpit and fine medieval oak pews. The 15th century spire dominates the surrounding landscape and was completely restored in 1992 and the fine peal of eight bells date from 1729.

There are also beautifully worked kneelers depicting the history of Ickleton from Domesday until the present.

In 1979, the church was ravaged by fire, started by an arsonist. Stonework, windows and many other features suffered grave damage but the restoration process brought to light some exceptional 12th and 14th century wall paintings which are of national importance.

The church is open every day of the year, during daylight hours, so do come and look round. There's an excellent guidebook available.

The church community is lively and outgoing, meeting villagers' needs in times of sorrow and joy. There is a fine music tradition, lovely festival services and youth work as well as informal get-togethers - notably the village coffee morning which runs every Tuesday morning in summer time and on the first Tuesday of the month in winter. There is also an annual fete and over recent years there have been art exhibitions, craft fairs, and many musical events held in the church (another one coming up on June 2nd). The space is flexible and there is a toilet and kitchen.

However, what many people don't know is that we, the church-going community, have absolutely no financial help from any source towards the upkeep of this wonderful building. Every year we have to spend thousands on heating, lighting and repairs and now we are faced with essential restoration of the wall paintings – a major undertaking.

Not only do we have the responsibility for the fabric of the church but we also have to pay the Diocese an annual 'quota' of just under £27,000 for Ministry costs – and this will rise, year on year.

This 'double whammy' has become an impossible burden for the regular churchgoers to shoulder alone so we are reaching out to the rest of the village for help. As residents of Ickleton, we are all, in effect, custodians of our beautiful church which is here for everyone, at any time – and we want this to remain the case.

During the next few months, we will be coming round to ask residents of the village to consider making an annual covenant to the church. Most churchgoers are already in the covenant scheme, but now we are asking others to think seriously about whether they, too, can give a regular amount so that we can plan for the future. Even the smallest sum will be of help and if you are a taxpayer we can claim gift aid.

If you would like your money to go exclusively towards the upkeep of the building, this can be arranged.

Here are just a few of the many recent quotes from the visitors' book in the church:

'Thank you for restoring and keeping open this wonderful church, and for the excellent guide book' (USA)

'Very impressive wall paintings as well as the tapestry work' (Germany)

'We came in search of family history. What a wonderful discovery this beautiful church has been'

'With six cycling colleagues, I dropped in to see the Roman columns'

'Fabulous and stunning church. Thank you for keeping it open' (Australia)

Thank you for reading this. If we all work together then we can ensure that Ickleton church remains open so that everyone – from near and far – can visit and enjoy it in the future.

Rosemary Hayes, on behalf of Ickleton Parochial Church Council

(Please address any queries about the covenanting scheme to **Colin Hayes** cjf.hayes@gmail.com)

Annual Church Spring Clean and Tidy Up – Thank You

A BIG thank you to everyone who turned up to participate in the annual Church Spring Clean. The work rate was formidable and the inside of the church looked very much better as a result. Several people commented on the smell of polish after vigorous cleaning of those wonderful pews! Many thanks must also go to those who did such valuable work clearing up the churchyard outside. That was much appreciated.

Many thanks also to all those who helped to keep us going with delicious cake and shortbread.

Frances Payne

Ickleton Litter Pick

Thank you to all the village volunteers that made the Litter pick 2018 one of the best ever. Over 30 adults and children gave an hour to collect rubbish from all locations and over 20 bags and some interesting objects were collected.

Thank you to The Ickleton Parish Council, David Whittaker, Anne Marie Hoare, Sarah Mila and all the Ickleton Society members who gave time to help, set up clear away and provide refreshments. A special thank you to Ian Lester and Ian Vincent (two Ian's!) who go out all the time and informally pick the Coploe Hill and Cemetery corner, and also Richard Herbert who stayed out long after everyone else went home. Thanks to Dilip and Sunita for putting up posters.

Anyone interested in doing some pop up litter picks please contact me for a round robin callout on clare@domesticblissappointments.co.uk

Clare Driver

Sponsorship for Ickleton Village Fete

I am writing on behalf of the organising committee for the Ickleton fete (30th June 2018), which is an annual event held **to raise funds for the church of St Mary Magdalene.**

The event is an important one in local calendars and has the reputation of being a great day out. The funds raised by the fete help us to maintain both the fabric of the impressive building and the work of the church within the village and beyond.

The fete continues to grow with an average attendance of around 500 individuals. Our fete website receives over 900 viewings during the build-up to the fete and afterwards.

The event remains a success thanks to the kind donations, support and sponsorship from our local business community and we are very grateful for the continued support from our existing sponsors. This is a **request for any new sponsors** out there – local families as well as businesses are invited to sponsor the fete this year.

We would like to suggest a minimum sponsorship fee of £30 for companies and £15 for families, although we'll be grateful to receive anything you feel you can give. If you are interested in sponsoring the fete please email me: hroyce@btinternet.com for details. *Please let us know by the end of May* so as to allow us sufficient time to arrange publicity.

What your sponsorship gets you

- Full listing on our website with your company logo and a link to your website.
- Full listing in our programme and house drop flyer.
- If you are a family sponsoring the fete you can also have your name included on the literature alternatively your sponsorship can be anonymous

The Website will be live from the beginning of June on sponsors page, >900 hits over the summer months... <https://ickletonvillagefete.wordpress.com/>

Programme/flyer - 1,000 programmes distributed locally and door-drop to all homes in Ickleton.

Posters - posters in villages within 6 mile of Ickleton.

Helen Royce (on behalf of Fete Organising Committee)

ICKLESTOCK presents... Norwich Puppet Theatre...Saturday 5th May

at Ickleton Village Hall Shows at 1.00 and 3.30 pm

We're very excited to kick off our 'Icklestock Presents' with the highly acclaimed Norwich Puppet Theatre (in association with Banyan Theatre). They'll be performing a double showing of their magical **'The Steadfast Tin Soldier', voted 'the best children's show' by Time Out.**

Alongside the shows: Pop-up cafe with delicious treats plus a tasty tippie or two.

And to top it off - all children aged 3 -12 will receive a **FREE lunch / tea with their ticket...** Nice!

Running time: 50 mins.

Cafe Opens: 12 -12.45 pre show lunch / 4.30 - 5.30 post-show kids' tea, drinks, cake and snacks

Tickets: £10 per person (plus 10% booking fee)

1pm <http://www.wegottickets.com/event/435201> **3.30pm** <http://www.wegottickets.com/event/435199>

Not suitable for under 3's. All 12s and under to be accompanied by an adult.

All accompanying adults must purchase a ticket.

All profits to the Ickleton Playground Project, in association with Ickleton Parish Council

(See also the advertisement on page 15)

ICKLETON SOCIAL CLUB

Quiz night Saturday 12th May 8.15 pm

£3 to play - includes buffet and raffle

Everyone welcome

Further quiz nights in the year: 7th July, 1st September, 13th October, 17th November **Shirley Gregory**

Mostly BAROQUE - Concert in the Church Saturday 2nd June at 7.30 pm

Including works by Bach, Vivaldi, Quantz and Honegger

Flute, oboe, cello and harpsichord
...by the Molloy's of Ickleton, and friends...

Free admission - retiring collection for Alzheimer's Society and Church funds

GREAT CHESTERFORD & DISTRICT GARDENING SOCIETY

(Affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society)

New members always welcome. Discounts arranged for members through local and national suppliers.

Next meeting: Wednesday 2nd May 8.00 pm Ickleton Village Hall

COLIN'S CHOICE – A TALK FOR PLANTAHOLICS

Speaker: from Swines Meadow Farm Nursery -
specialists in rare and unusual plants worldwide (plants will be on sale)

April meeting

The Chair, Pauline Gale, welcomed fifty members to the Annual General Meeting of the society on Wednesday 4th April. She reported that there was a consistently high attendance at meetings during the past year, due to the excellent range and quality of speakers, plus a record number of entries in last September's Bi-Annual Flower & Produce Show.

Outings arranged for Summer 2018 will include Fullers Mill Garden, West Stow and Newnham College Garden, Cambridge.

The overall winner of the monthly Best Bloom Competition was **Ann Tozer**.

Pauline thanked members of the Committee for their consistent involvement during the year. The evening concluded with refreshments and Sally's Raffle.

Chesterfords, Ickleton & Hinxtton WI

Wednesday 16th May 7.45 pm Congregational Church, Gt Chesterford

RESOLUTION MEETING

Jenny Palmer

FOOTBALL - Ickleton FC battling hard

Cambridge Academy

After a **3 all** drawn game at home, with 2 goals from Dan Cinque, and a long shot from Mike McCarthy, and also sustaining an unfortunate bad injury, Ickleton played Cambridge Academy again at Fen Ditton a week later. This time, with 2 goals from Harry Clark, and an opponents' own goal, they took the match **3:1** with strong midfield support from Callum and Ross Laird, Warren Hackett and Dan Cinque.

Two Sunday League matches saw Ickleton (in Division 2) in the Junior Cup semi-final playing away against **Romsey** Rangers of the top division. Peter Mumford rifled in a long shot goal but Romsey's well organised side gave them a 3:1 victory.

In Ickleton's home game against **Meldreth**, potential champion side of Division 2 in the Cambridge and District Sunday League, Meldreth just took the match **2:1**. Ickleton fought well, Peter Mumford scoring the single goal, a delicate lob over the keeper's head, and in a closely fought second half the Laird brothers and Darren Wardley battled in the midfield for every ball.

Tim Pavelin / Ed

ICKLETON SOCIETY

Ickleton Social Steam Up, Sunday 6th May 11.30am to 3pm

As confirmed last month, the Ickleton Lion in partnership with the Ickleton Society will be hosting a lunchtime mini-steam up with BBQ. Engines that took part in the original rallies will be in the Ickleton Lion car park from about noon. Come and see them and talk to the people who restored them. An exhibition of photos of previous rallies and other memorabilia will be in the Village Hall meeting room from 11.30am together with a beautiful model steam engine courtesy of Martin Woodhead. Videos of earlier rallies will also be shown at regular intervals throughout the day. The Ickleton Lion will be putting on a barbeque and have refreshments available. The exhibition will be in memory of Joe Bibby and Ron Coulson and will be free entry with any donations going towards the restoration of the red telephone box. Parking in the village hall car park.

AGM and Talk 7.30pm on Wednesday 9th May

Our short AGM will be held in the Village Hall Meeting Room at 7.30pm followed by wine and nibbles. At around 8.30pm Sarah Kirkpatrick will talk about the history of Saffron Walden and on 26 May she will take us on a guided walk around Saffron Walden which will link to her talk (see below). Sarah is an experienced Blue Badge Guide and very knowledgeable about the history of Saffron Walden and the locality. She leads regular history walks and has written a number of books and pamphlets. As usual, the talk will be free of charge for Ickleton Society members, £3 for non-members, including wine and nibbles (free if you join on the night!).

Blue Badge Guide Walking Tour of Saffron Walden, Saturday 26th May at 4pm

The deadline for booking is **11th May** so get your skates on if you'd like to join us for a private guided walking tour of Saffron Walden with a Blue Badge Guide. The tour will take 1¼ - 1½ hours, start at the Tourist Information Office and take us on a trail around our picturesque, medieval market town with its rich heritage of old buildings. £6.50 for Ickleton Society members, £7.50 for non-members.

Please complete the form on page 15, attach a cheque for the necessary amount made out to The Ickleton Society and deliver to: **Fiona Rose**. For more information contact: fionarose@yahoo.co.uk

Thank you - Litter Pick on Saturday 14 April Many thanks to everyone who came along and those who are still doing ad hoc picks.

Development news

Following the latest exhibition of the **Genome Campus** plans, we remain very concerned about some aspects particularly the proposals for what amounts to a new settlement on the other side of the A1301. The number of houses has now increased to a potential 1500 which will dwarf the local villages. While we recognize the need for rental housing for low paid and short term contract workers, a significant proportion of the houses are intended for rent on the open market. Such a settlement would not only destroy open countryside, it would add considerably to traffic on our already congested roads. We are also currently sceptical about the proposal to provide space for other research and commercial enterprises in the genomics field which are not part of Wellcome.

Meanwhile Uttlesford's plans for the **North Uttlesford Garden Community** do not seem to have changed in spite of all the very sensible comments submitted in response to the last consultation. UDC are motoring on undeterred towards the final consultation (likely to be over the summer period again).

Membership of the Society 2018/19 – we hope members will renew their subscriptions and, if you're not already a member, you'll consider joining the Society. Members receive discounts on the price of some of our social events and also benefit the village as their subscription (still £6 per individual and £15 per family) goes towards acquiring items for and maintaining the village archive as well as funding any campaign costs to help preserve our village environment. A membership form can be found on page 15 of this edition of Icene.

Committee members Nominations are invited – to be elected at the AGM. If anyone would like to stand as an officer or an ordinary or non-voting member of Committee, or alternatively would like to volunteer to help out in a particular area of our activities, please get in touch with me by the end of the month.

Rachel Radford

ICKLETON CRICKET CLUB

It's that time of year again.

Fixtures lists with dates for all matches are available from the Ickleton Lion or on the website <http://ickleton.play-cricket.com/> along with all results. Check out 'Ickleton Cricket Club' Facebook

page too for more info.

We are always delighted to see people come along to support village cricket and Ickleton Cricket Club thank all who have given such excellent support over previous seasons. The club continues to thrive and develop, with many enthusiastic members, both playing and non-playing.

We continue with two teams in the T20 leagues on **Wednesday evenings, a Saturday league team and a Sunday team for occasional friendly matches.**

The Saturday league team did exceptionally well last season, winning the league unbeaten and gaining promotion. Both Wednesday teams also did well - the 1st XI finishing second in their league, and the 2nd XI coming top of their league and gaining promotion.

The popular **Youth Training** has 3 distinct age groups: 12 + on Monday evenings; 9 – 11 on Thursday evenings, and (from 17 May) ages 6 – 8 on Thursday evenings in the ECB All Stars programme. Check the ICC Facebook page for signing children up, and for the ECB programme check their website: www.ecb.co.uk/play/allstars.

We are a very friendly club and always welcome new members to play, or watch, or just enjoy some exercise at nets practice. If you'd like to become a member and help us to continue to make Ickleton an ever more successful local cricket club please contact **Membership Secretary, Peter Bates** peter@cmws.co.uk

Michael Robinson - Club Chairman on behalf of the ICC Committee, and **Editor.**

Note: For the benefit of spectators, the dates and times of home games at the ground will be in the Ickleton Diary on the back page of each monthly Icene. **Ed**

Around the World in Eighty Minutes - with the “Fabulous 4 Villages Orchestra”

Duxford Primary School - Saturday May 12th at 7.30 pm

Route 66 Down to Acapulco before crossing the pond to sample the Moulin Rouge, take the Night Boat to Cairo...and try to seek some much needed Glasnost...they'll pop in to meet the Girl from Ipanema before ending up back in LaLa Land.

Guest vocalist Tony Lee – singing classics including Come Fly With Me.

The 4VO orchestra members are drawn mainly from Ickleton, Duxford, Whittlesford and Hinxton.

Tickets: £7 and £5 (concessions)...from **John Statham**

WELLCOME Events in May

Exhibition – Genomic Expressions - Saturday 19 May, 1 - 2.30 pm bit.ly/WGC-Open-Saturdays
Free, but booking essential

Café Sci Cambridge: The Origami of Proteins and DNA - Wednesday 9 May, 7 - 8.30 pm
www.cafescicambridge.org A free, non ticketed event in Cambridge

Wetland Walks

Staff from the Wildlife Trust will be leading guided walks on the Wetlands in May. Free. All you have to do is turn up! No booking required, meet at the Wetlands. Learn new skills and discover exciting creatures.

Tuesday 8 th May	12 - 1 pm	General Wildlife
Tuesday 15 th May	12 - 1 pm	Butterflies
Tuesday 22 nd May	12 - 1 pm	Birds
Tuesday 29 th May	12 - 1 pm	Reptiles

ICKLETON SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Subscription payable for 2018/2019 is £6 per person or £15 per family

Name.....

Address.....

Email.....

The Society takes the protection of your personal data seriously and takes care to keep it safe. We will only use your data in connection with, or to let you know about, the activities of the Society or organisations or events which the Society supports. We will only keep your data as long as needed for your membership of the Society.

I am happy for the Society to contact me by e-mail. Please tick to confirm.
You can let us know at any time if you no longer wish to receive e-mails.

Please complete this form and post it or drop it in to John Fowler at
83 Abbey Street Ickleton, Saffron Walden, Essex CB10 1SS along with a cheque made out to The Ickleton Society. Alternatively contact us for details of how to pay online but please also complete and send us this slip as it is important for Data Protection purposes and so we can contact you.

ICKLETON DIARY for May 2018 (and later)

Tuesday	1 st	Coffee morning for MS.charity	10.00 - 12.00	Church
Wednesday	2 nd	Great Chesterford and District Garden Society Talk	8.00 pm	Ickleton Village Hall
Thursday	3 rd	District Council Elections	7 am – 10 pm	
		Polling station at the Village Hall		
Saturday	5 th	Icklestock presents Norwich Puppet Theatre		
		Shows at 1 pm and 3.30 pm		Village Hall
Sunday	6 th	Ickleton Society "Social Steam Up" – exhibition in the Village Hall and barbeque at the Ickleton Lion	11.30 am - 3 pm	
Wednesday	9 th	Ickleton Society AGM and talk	7.30 pm	Village Hall
Saturday	12 th	Social Club Quiz Night	8.15 pm	
Wednesday	16 th	Parish Council meeting	7.30 pm	Village Hall
"	"	W.I. Carmel Street, Great Chesterford	7.45 pm	
"	"	Mobile Library	12.45 pm	bottom of Butchers Hill
Wednesday	23 rd	Annual Parish meeting	7 for 7.30 pm	Village Hall
Sunday	26 th	Ickleton Society walking tour of Saffron Walden	4 pm	
JUNE				
Saturday	2 nd	Mostly Baroque Concert	7.30 pm	Parish Church
Wednesday	20 th	Parish Council meeting	7.30 pm	Village Hall
Saturday	30 th	Ickleton Village Fete	1 - 5 pm	

Regular events in May

Froglets Mondays 9.30 - 11.30 am Village Hall

Badminton Tuesdays 8 pm Village Hall

Indoor Bowls Thursdays 2 - 4 pm Village Hall

Cricket home games (all at the rec). See website for details, and of away matches.

Every Wednesday 6 pm Midweek 1st or 2nd XI

Saturday 12th 1.30 pm 1st XI

Sunday 27th 2 pm 1st XI

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