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Thank you to contributors to this month's edition. The deadline for the May 2024 Icene is 23rd April.

Ickleton Village Local Services and Regular Events See the back two pages.

Post Office Sadly, the Post Office is now permanently closed. Our thanks to Dilip for keeping this service open for as long as he possibly could.

Thanks to Ickletonians for the funds raised on 3 Souper Saturdays and a half marathon, and to Anne-Marie and helpers for organising and Viliami for running. See page 3

Social Club during the month. The usual openings and times, plus special events. See p 7 for all details.

Ickle-Gigs - Bands on Saturdays 6th and 27th See p 7.

Right of Way - See Parish Council request at the bottom of this page

Sewerage problems in Ickleton. See report on page 3 by Steve Heaney, Parish Council Chairman.

PARISH COUNCIL

Refuse collections during April

Tuesday	2 nd	April	Black bin
Tuesday	9 th	April	Blue and Green bins
Tuesday	16 th	April	Black bin
Tuesday	23 rd	April	Blue and Green bins
Tuesday	30 th	April	Black bin

Thriplow Household Recycling Centre is open, from April to September - summer times - between 8am and 5pm, seven days a week. Entrance gates shut 10 minutes before closing time. Booking is unnecessary. Visits of vehicles or trailers requiring e-permits will be registered by staff on arrival - no need to book in advance. For more information, please visit www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/directory/listings/thriplow-recycling-centre.

Annual Parish Meeting at the Village Hall on Wednesday **8th May starting** at 7pm (with refreshments *All parishioners are invited* and welcome to attend. This is an opportunity for you to join the meeting and hear what has happened in the village over the last year from various organisations and groups. You can also raise any issues and express any concerns you may have, or give positive feedback about aspects of life in Ickleton.

Establishment of Right of Way

The Parish Council sincerely thank all those who have completed forms concerning the public right of way through the Ickleton Lion pub car park.

However, further **respondents are needed who are willing to complete a form** stating that they have been aware of this right of way for over 20 years. Please contact Cllr Terry Sadler, for a copy of the form by email: t.sadler@ickleton-pc.org.uk, or for more information. Or, if you don't use emails, put a note through the door at Abbey Street with your contact details.

Parish Council Meeting Extracts from the Parish Council meeting held on 20th March 2024. The Parish Council wishes to draw your attention to the following:

The Parish Council have been advised that, from the 8th April, the mobile fish and chip van will visit Ickleton on Mondays.

Sawston Fun Run will take place on 12th May and road closures will be in place. For details on all upcoming Highways events please visit:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/roads-and-pathways/highway-event>

Membership and Elections

After consideration of applications for co-option to role of Parish Councillor. It was resolved, by unanimous show of hands, that **John Gidley** be co-opted as Councillor.

District development

Boro Farm appeal update. Cllr T Sadler, representing the Parish Council, will attend the adjourned appeal hearing scheduled for 25th and 26th March 2024.

Application No: ESS/111/23/UTT. Proposal: Certificate of Lawfulness for an existing use for aggregates and aggregate creation by way of screening, storage, importation and distribution. Location: Boro Farm. This application has been withdrawn.

Land and premises

Planning decisions

Reference: 23/01699/CONDB. Decision: Discharge Condition in Full. Site: 31 Frogge Street. Proposal: Submission of details required by conditions 3 (external materials), 5 (traffic management plan) and 7 (construction environmental management plan) of planning permission 23/01699/FUL

Reference: 24/00048/S7. Decision: Granted Permission. Site: 31 Frogge Street. Proposal: S73 to vary condition 2 (Approved plans) of planning permission 23/01699/FUL (Demolish the existing building and erect a new dwelling) enclosure of the open porch to the front to create a larger entrance and internal alterations.

Reference: 24/00020/FUL. Decision: Refused Permission. Site: 7 Southfield Ickleton. Proposal: Demolition of garage and erection of a new dwelling using the existing access.

Reports from District and County Council - extracts

Half Term Vouchers

The current round of Government funding will end on 31 March, but the county council agreed at its meeting on 13 February to invest £3m of its own money to continue the holiday supermarket vouchers for those children most in need

Free data SIM cards for low-income households

Cambridgeshire Libraries are part of Good Things Foundation's National Databank, O2 and Vodaphone scheme, which makes free data SIM cards or vouchers available to anyone aged 18+ from a low-income household. Recipients can self-declare as eligible, and the support is available for a maximum period of twelve months. The data can be used with any SIM-enabled device.

The Busway

Safety works are under way on the Guided Busway to allow the busway to return to full, two-way operation. The busway and maintenance track are currently programmed to re-open on Saturday 30 March.

Please visit <https://www.ickletonparishcouncil.org.uk/> where you will find the full meeting minutes (draft) and information on the following:

A11 planned closures.

A1301 highway works.

M11 planned closures junctions 7 to 8.

Details of a Healthy Places survey for residents run by Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council's joint public health team.

Information on Volunteer Cambs opportunities.

Funded Easter holiday scheme for children.

Local Nature Recovery Scheme (LNRS) Survey for members of public – deadline 5pm, Friday 5th April

SEWERAGE ISSUES IN ICKLETON

Starting in late February, a number of households have noticed significant issues with our sewerage system.

For some, this has just been toilets and drains emptying very slowly. However, for an unfortunate few it has been far more distressing, with raw sewage flowing into gardens at the bottom of Coploe Road, onto the meadow at the corner of Duxford Road and Abbey Street, and onto Brookhampton Street near the entrance to Ickleton Place.

Despite many individual reports being filed and engineers being sent to investigate, it appears that it was only when the issue became news in the local paper and on the local radio that Anglian Water started to take the problem seriously.

In response to requests for support from villagers, and recognising the value of a coordinated approach to engaging Anglian Water, the Parish Council became involved in early March. We have since been in regular communication with the Anglian Water public relations team and also the Anglian Water lead engineer assigned.

On the 14th March parish councillors met with Anglian Water engineers on site, to talk with villagers impacted and to see for themselves the severity of the situation. It was agreed that pumping out of the sewers with tankers was urgently needed. This started the following day and has continued to date (23rd March at time of writing).

We will continue to insist that Anglian Water maintain this tankering: firstly to ensure no return of the overflows we have experienced; secondly to drop water levels sufficiently to allow investigation of their pipes; and ultimately to ensure underlying causes are properly diagnosed and fixed. Anglian Water continue to maintain that our issues are down to “prolonged or extreme wet weather” and by implication outside of their control. Our view is that they cannot ignore foreseeable variations in rainfall, they need to identify weaknesses in the system they own and operate, and they need to make the necessary repairs and upgrades to avoid this happening again.

Anglian Water will be sending a Network Manager to meet with us in Ickleton on the 2nd April. It will give us an opportunity to make clear our concerns with the performance of Anglian Water and our expectations going forwards.

For those individuals directly impacted, Anglian Water have confirmed that they will undertake to repair any damage to property caused, that any costs already incurred by those impacted are reimbursed, and also that requests for compensation are considered. We would encourage anybody affected to contact Anglian Water directly but also to let the Parish Clerk know so that we have an overview of all requests submitted.

Please feel free to email our Parish Clerk at clerk@ickleton-pc.org.uk if you have questions or information to share in relation to this article.

Thanks, **Steve Heaney**

On behalf of Ickleton Parish Council

SOUPER SATURDAYS - THANK YOU for your support

Two Souper Saturdays: **£800** for the Arthur Rank Hospice.

Viliami Mila's Half Marathon and another Souper Saturday:

£1,337 for the charity 'Something to Look Forward To', which is Cambridge based and helps people and families who are affected by cancer and financial difficulties

Anne-Marie Hoare

PUB LUNCH Tuesday 9th April 12 noon Red Lion, Hinxton

The Pub Lunch Club is running on every second Tuesday in the month at the Red Lion, Hinxton.

Pre orders to jonsmith@supanet.com or by the Sunday before please. Menu at the pub's website:

<https://redlionhinxton.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/RLH-Menu-Autumn-2023-2.pdf>

Jon Smith



Thank you very much to all the wonderful folk who came on The Ickleton Society's Annual Village Litter Pick this morning. Sorry not everyone who participated managed to get in the photo as they were still hard at work in the hedgerows! Special thanks to the children. We collected 22 bags plus an assortment of a doormat, hosepipe, baskets & crutch (being returned to Addenbrooks!) Thank you to the Parish Council, Village Hall Committee, CPRE, Wellcome Trust, all the volunteers & most of all Clare Driver for her hard work in organising the event.

Fiona Rose

CONCERT

Don't forget to book your tickets for the following on Saturday 13th April...

CONCERT
+ Mediterranean platter
Saturday 13th April - 7:30pm
Ickleton Village Hall

LIVE light-music - Flutes and Strings
Delicious interval mezze-platter
Cabaret-style seating - Bring your own drinks!
Tickets only £10 (must be purchased in advance) - from mollyouhtb@gmail.com

The Magic of the Musicals with the Fabulous 4 Villages Orchestra

Saturday 11th May: 7.30pm Duxford Primary School

You Can't Stop the Beat when the Fabulous 4 Villages Orchestra takes on the West End in their latest sell-out concert: The Magic of the Musicals.

Take the Starlight Express from the plains of Africa, with music from the Lion King, to downtown Baltimore for a squirt of Hairspray. But take care – The Phantom of the Opera is around and he's considering a Slaughter on 10th Avenue. So put on your gladrags and get down to Duxford for the very best music from the musicals at Duxford Primary School on Saturday 11th May at 7.30pm.

Tickets cost £12 and £8 (concessions) and you can book them from John Statham on .

4VO is a local orchestra with members drawn mainly from the four villages of Ickleton, Duxford, Whittlesford and Hinxtton.

Nigel Bennett

The **Ickleton Talks** continue to educate, and inspire with March's lecture, "Public Opinion and Gender" presented by Professor Jacqueline Scott of the University of Cambridge, proving to be no exception.

The British Social Attitudes survey (BSA), an annual statistical questionnaire sent to random postcode addresses, has monitored how attitudes have altered over the last 40 years. The lecture covered changing attitudes: to gender roles; towards abortion; to premarital and same-sex relations; and, since 2016, to individuals identifying as transgender.

These attitudinal changes are then broken down into: period effects, which might occur regardless of birth, as a result of war, legal mandates, pandemics and so on; life cycle effects, which would encompass marriage, parenthood, divorce; and finally, birth cohort effects, in essence a generational shift

Interesting for many women in Ickleton is the BSA finding that attitudes to traditional gender roles in the home have changed dramatically from 1987, when 48% believed a man's role should be to earn money, to 9% in 2022. The question of pre-marital sex has also seen a shift from 42% believing it acceptable to 78% in the same time period.

The lines on the graph with regard abortion have remained similar. Liberal viewpoints to same-sex unions took a dive in the mid-1980s due to the HIV-Aids epidemic but have since swung back. More data is needed on both inequality and discrimination to analyse attitudinal changes to transgender issues.

Professor Scott left the audience with two questions: Is there a great liberalisation in Britain? Or, are we seeing a culture war that divides generations?

Apple Gidley

The next **Ickleton Talk** on **Thursday, 9th May at 7:30** for another thought-provoking lecture, when Dr Sean Lang of Anglia Ruskin University will ask, "**What is Britain's Monarchy for?**"

GREAT CHESTERFORD & DISTRICT GARDENING SOCIETY

(Affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society) Chair - Pauline Gale

The Society, covering villages including the Chesterfords, Ickleton and Hinxton, organises meetings, talks, outings and events for those interested in gardens & gardening.

New members and visitors always welcome. For further information contact the Chair.

Next meetings 8 pm at Ickleton Village Hall

Wednesday 3rd April AGM and PLANT SALE with Tea and Cake
Membership Renewal (£15 pp)

Wednesday 1st May Talk: HYDRANGEAS CULTIVATION and BEAUTY
Speaker: **Barry Gayton**

Garden writer and adviser, and owner of Desert World Gardens in Santon Downham, Barry has 305 varieties of hydrangea, in addition to thousands of containerised plants

Competition Subject: Spring Flower

Recent meeting

The meeting in *March* saw a very good turnout – so competition at the Quiz Night was particularly strong! Cheese and wine were liberally provided during the interval, and the winning team was *The Papillons*.

Thank you to Pauline for the interesting and ingenious questions, and Steve who kept count of the Score.

WETLANDS WALKS on Wednesday 10th April 12 noon

The next Wetlands Wildlife Walk will be led, as ever, by Iain Webb from the Wildlife Trust.

By then the wildflower meadow to the south of the wetlands should be covered in cowslips, and be a sea of yellow loveliness. Meet on the wooden bridge between the wetlands and main campus at 12:00.

April, May and June are peak nesting season for waterfowl. In our case this normally means coots, moorhen, and little grebes, occasionally joined by ducks and geese. The Genome Campus kindly ask you to keep dogs on leads, and away from the ponds, to allow these birds to breed successfully.

The fishing club have also said that local veterinary surgeries are aggressively promoting flea treatments for dogs, that are incredibly toxic to all aquatic life. Your dog probably doesn't need these treatments, and if your dog has had these treatments please keep it out of rivers and ponds. The upper Cam has enough problems without us adding to it.

David Keating

CHURCH NOTICES

Vicar Rev Lydia Smith revlydiasmith@gmail.com
Churchwarden Jenny Duke jenny@jennyduke.co.uk
Lay Minister Derek Munday ilm.munday@btinternet.com

For details of joining for prayer, worship, study, and community life, see: www.hinkledux.com
In emergency please telephone Jenny Duke.

Church Services for APRIL

Sunday	7 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion		WHITTLESFORD
		10.00 am	Parish Communion with Sunday Club		ICKLETON
Sunday	14 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion		HINXTON
		10.00 am	All-age service		ICKLETON
Sunday	21 st	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St.Peter's, Duxford	DUXFORD
		10.00 am	Parish Communion		HINXTON
		5.00 pm	Taize	The Rectory, Duxford	DUXFORD
Sunday	28 th	8.00 am	Holy Communion		ICKLETON
		10.00 am	Parish Communion	St.Peter's, Duxford	DUXFORD

Full programme and further details available on www.hinkledux.com

YOUTHINC at Abbey Farm, Ickleton Sunday 14th April 5 - 6.30pm

Complines 7 pm at Duxford St Peters on Tuesdays and Hinxtton on Thursdays

Prayers for peace at Hinxtton on Fridays at noon

Bible study Thursdays at 7.30pm. Contact Derek Munday Email: bodowen@icloud.com

CHURCH BELLRINGING and visiting Bellringers

Saturday 13th April 10.30 - 11.30 am - for Monica and David Lilley's Golden Wedding Anniversary!

Saturday 27th April 11 - 11.45 am

David Lilley

From Rev Lydia Smith - *History book*

It is an amazing 50 years since Waterloo - no, not the 1815 battle - the Abba hit that on 6 April 1974 won the Eurovision song contest in Brighton. It was the band's second try at the Euro-pop crown, after *Ring, Ring* was rejected as Sweden's entry in 1973. Produced following the wall of sound principle and with a rename for the group, their next attempt made music history (though, famously, the UK awarded them *nul points*).

Last year, as a birthday treat, I was taken to see ABBA Voyage. Surrounded by a glorious array of hen parties, we lip-synced along to all the hits, *Waterloo* included. What stuck with me wasn't the frothy pop, however, but the seriousness of their work. Bleak heartbreak runs through *Knowing me, knowing you* and *The winner takes it all*. Even *Waterloo*, despite its jaunty tune and glitzy costuming, is deadly serious:

The history book on the shelf is always repeating itself.

The song reminds us (albeit cheerily) that things go in cycles, from romantic attachments to geopolitical events. War, especially, produces the same results again and again. Massive civilian casualties, population displacement and destruction of cities and countryside have been features of wars from the Napoleonic period to the present.

Yet, although we may be tempted to see the world's life as stuck in an endlessly repeating pattern, faith perspectives look at things another way. Christianity offers a bigger story of love, that has a beginning, a middle and an end. The story of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, that tells us suffering and death are defeated at last. Or, in the words of Abba, *I believe in angels, something good in everything I see...*

Best wishes and enjoy Eurovision, when it comes!

Lydia

SOCIAL CLUB APRIL DATES

SUNDAY 'LUNCHEs' – 12 to 2 pm

7th and 21st April

SUNDAY EVENINGS - 7.30 to 10.30pm - when volunteers allow

For updates, see Whatsapp: Ickleton Social Club News and Ickleinfo
and also the board outside the club

MONDAY FIVE O'CLOCK CLUB - 5 to 7pm

Drinks with friends and neighbours

WEDNESDAY FIVE THIRTY CLUB - 5.30 to 7.30pm

Mid week drinks with friends and neighbours

FRIDAY & SATURDAY from 6 pm

Members £10 - £5 for those in their golden years [65 +] – Guests £1

**The Social Club is a wonderful village asset and is entirely run by hard working volunteers
We warmly welcome all, and we thank you for supporting our efforts**

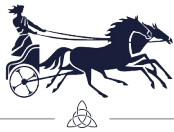
UPCOMING EVENTS

Supper Club – Thursday 25th April – 7.30 pm

A delicious two-course meal with wine - £20 per person

General Knowledge Quiz – Saturday 4th May – 7.30 pm

Teams of 4 - £3 per person including buffet



ICKLE - GIGS

Ickle-Gigs present - live music at the Ickleton Social Club

Saturday 6th April, 7.30pm - Bilge Rats + Three Phase.

Bilge Rats play rocking sea shanties disguised as pirate metal. Their debut gig, not to be missed!
Three Phase play high energy classic rock songs you know and love from across the decades.

Saturday 27th April, 7.30pm - The Silverbacks Blues Band

The Silverbacks are a Cambridge based Rhythm and Blues Band who have been playing in and around Cambridge since 2002.

Tim and Liz

Ickleton Society

Easter Egg Hunt and Picnic at the Easter Bunny Patch, Rectory Farm - **Easter Saturday 30 March**, 12 noon

A reminder, if this reaches you before Easter Saturday, that our popular children's egg hunt and picnic will be at the Easter Bunny Patch (Pumpkin Jim's), Rectory Farm on Grange Road this year with kind permission and help from Peter, Sian and James Wombwell. If the weather is not so kind, we'll have the use of the pumpkin barn. Parking will be available. Please bring an Easter basket or bag, in which your child can collect eggs! Allergies – please note that the eggs contain milk powder and may have come into contact with nuts. Easter bonnets welcome!!

Visit to the Old Sun Inn, Saffron Walden - Saturday 20 April, 2.30pm

Booking for the limited number of remaining places is now open to non-members of the Society. If you would like to be added to the list please contact our Secretary, Sarah, at icksocsec@gmail.com by **Thursday 4 April**.

The Old Sun Inn is an enchanting Grade I-listed historic building displaying some of the best pargeting – external decorative plasterwork – in England. Originally medieval houses, then later an inn, it has subsequently been in mixed commercial and domestic use. Douglas Kent is now the owner of the whole building, both the cottages that we visited in 201. That part is now undergoing conservation work.

Our tour will include an introductory talk by Douglas about the building, its history and the present work. It will last about 1½ hours and, best of all, include tea, coffee, homemade cakes and biscuits! Numbers are limited and the price will be between £14 and £17 depending on how many are on the tour and whether you're a member of the Society or not (the cost will be finalised shortly).

Bluebell walk, Howe Wood - Thursday evening 25 April (or when the bluebells are out and the weather good!)

We're very privileged to have the opportunity of a guided walk through the wood led by Tom White of the Audley End Estate. Numbers are limited and priority has been given to members but remaining places are now available to non-members. If you would like to reserve a place, please contact our Secretary, Sarah, at icksocsec@gmail.com.

Litter Pick, Sunday 24 March. Thanks to everyone who braved the cold and wind to help clear up our village. It always makes such a difference. See page 4.

Membership of the Society – membership subscriptions are now due for 2024/25. Subscriptions benefit our members and the village, going towards:

- maintaining the village archive, in particular, purchasing archive quality storage materials so that unique photos and documents can be kept for future generations to enjoy;
- subsidising some of our social events;
- fees to maintain our webpages which host, among other things, the digital versions of all our photos, some archive documents, and a database of Ickleton baptisms, marriages and burials;
- membership of and support for a number of like-minded charitable organisations;
- campaigning against developments that we believe would damage our community.

We hope you agree that this is very worthwhile and will renew your subscription or join the Society. Having kept our subscriptions at the same amount for the last 10 years, we have had to increase them by a small amount this year due to rising costs. Individual membership for 2024/25 is £7 and family membership is £17.

Bank transfer details are included in the form on page 11. You only need to complete it if your membership/contact details have changed or if you are becoming a member for the first time. Anyone wishing to pay by cash or cheque can do so at the AGM or drop it off at Abbey Street together with the form. We are also introducing the option to pay by standing order so we don't have to chase members for any unchanged subscriptions in future years. Please contact ickletonsocietymembership@gmail.com for this option.

Rachel Radford rachelmradford@btinternet.com

Scouts

Whittlesford & Duxford Beavers, Cubs and Scouts

Both our Beavers and Explorers are looking **for new members**. If you know anyone, please get in touch. They don't have to have been in Scouts before. Beavers are 6 - 7yrs, leaving just after they turn 8.

HELP!

We thank all of our helpers and parents for their support. We urgently need help. We continue to need help with **Publicity**. The role covers social media, the newsletter and updates for local bulletins. It does not require trustee membership and could be shared. *Our upcoming Scouts newsletter will be Michela's last one. The newsletters will pause until someone else steps forward.*

We also need help with our **Explorers** (Fri, 14-18yrs), **Javelin Cubs** (Thu 8-10½yrs) and someone to lead **Forest Beavers** (Fri, 6-8yrs). The groups may struggle to run otherwise. If you would like to help or share a skill, please get in touch...contact Marc - marcvn.scouts@gmail.com

For admissions: Email: wdsout.admissions@gmail.com. For second hand uniform, contact Carmel . And you can visit: www.wanddscouts.org.uk

News from Duxford Primary School

At Duxford Primary School, our **safeguarding** culture underpins all we do. As part of this we have been focusing on the importance of keeping ourselves safe online. The main event within the half term was our safer internet day which took place on Tuesday 6th February. The children took part in a range of different activities with the youngest children learning how to stay safe on line through a traditional tales themed story. The older children spent time learning about strategies they could use to keep themselves safe if they ever felt unsafe or unsecure when using the internet. Our eldest children participated in an AI themed live lesson which was run by the 'teach we can' charity.

Safety online

With the continuing speed and enhancement of technology, the children are growing up in an ever-changing world and must have the skills to manage and deal with all situations faced. To further support the parents and the community with keeping our children safe online, the school recently booked a training session with 'The 2 Johns'.

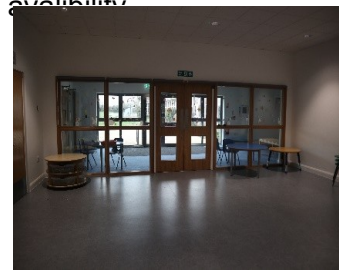
The 2 Johns are well known for delivering impactful **online safety awareness** for parents. Experts in their field, they work with hundreds of primary schools each year to support parents, pupils and teachers in guiding children how to keep themselves safe online. Online safety is something school takes very seriously and it is included in both the computing and PSHE curriculums. We always start our school year with a unit on online safety and drip feed further online safety activities and lessons throughout the year which enables our children to speak confidently about how to stay safe online.

Hold a function at our school!

Need somewhere to hold a function or party?

Due to our re-build we now have a **brand new small hall** that would be ideal for functions or parties. The hall has a kitchen and brand new toilets, access to the main school hall and outside via double doors on to the school field.

Please contact the office office@duxford.cambs.sch.uk for more details and availability.



CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU

Volunteering

You can make a difference!

As an independent, local charity, Uttlesford Citizens Advice couldn't continue to help the people who need us without our incredible team of volunteers. We are currently recruiting for the following roles to help us support people through the cost-of-living crisis.

Giving information and advice - Helping people over the phone, by email or face to face to explore the issues they need help with. You don't need specific experience or qualifications, (although you do need to be non-judgmental, able to talk to people and confident using a computer). All our volunteers receive training and there is a paid member of staff that you can turn to for extra support whenever you feel you need it.

Trustee - Although you don't generally need specific qualifications or skills to be a trustee, we are currently looking for someone with current or recent experience in Human Resources or IT (ideally cloud based) to make sure our board is well balanced. We welcome applications from anyone who is passionate about advice services and can bring innovative ideas, unique perspectives and good judgement - we are particularly keen to increase diversity on our board.

Student interns - If you are an undergraduate or recent graduate in law, social policy or a related discipline and you would like to gain some valuable experience volunteering for us for four weeks or more during the holidays, we would love to hear from you!

Volunteering with us gives you the opportunity to help other people and build skills and confidence as part of an inclusive, friendly team and the wider local community. Here's what one of our volunteers thought about their experience with us:

"Volunteering with Citizens Advice allowed me to do something meaningful with my time whilst learning new skills that would really benefit me in the future. I was able to be a part of an amazing team that helps others every day, and was encouraged to be curious, ask questions, and absorb information. I really valued the responsibility I faced when helping people, and enjoyed the everyday challenges of the experience."

If you would like to learn more about volunteering with us, please get in touch today! You can find information and an application form on our website... www.uttlesfordca.org.uk or call us on .

Our office is open Monday to Friday from 9.30 to 3.30. For information or advice email: help@uttlesfordca.org.uk or call .



Granta Medical Update April 2024

Spring COVID-19 vaccine

NHS UK will contact you direct if your NHS medical record suggests you may be eligible for a spring COVID-19 vaccine.

You may be offered a spring COVID-19 vaccine from April 2024 if you:-

- Are aged 75 years old or over
- Live in a care home for older adults
- Are aged 6 months old or over and have a weakened immune system

When available, there will be different ways to obtain your vaccine, including:

- Booking online
- Going to a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination site
- Through your care home
- Via one of the community services

If you go to a walk-in centre please remember to take your invitation letter with you.
As and when we receive further information about the spring vaccine we will let you know.
Sandra East - Head of Patient Services cpicb.grantapatientervices@nhs.net

Note: Similar advice will doubtless apply to patients at other practices



The Ickleton Society Membership Form

Annual subscriptions are due 1 April each year, but you can join at any time:
£7 per individual or £17 per family

Payment via cash or cheque made out to *The Ickleton Society* or bank transfer payment:
Sort code: 30 97 24; Account no: 00495759, with your name as reference. We are also able to set up a Standing Order Mandate for membership – please contact us for this payment option via ickletonsocietymembership@gmail.com

Name.....

Address.....

Email.....

Phone.....

The Society takes 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 for 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:**

Your details will not be passed to third parties. You can let us know at any time if you no longer wish to receive e-mails.

Please complete this form if you are a new member or an existing member whose contacts have changed - even if you have paid via bank transfer - and post/drop it off to:

John Fowler, Treasurer

Alternatively, you can scan and send this form to: ickletonsocietymembership@gmail.com

BLOOD DONATION

Dates for Blood Donation at Ickleton Village Hall in 2024

Thursday 4th April Tuesday 16th July Friday 8th November

ICKLETON VILLAGE

Local Services

COSTCUTTER Village shop - Opening times: Mon to Sat 8 am - 7 pm. Sunday 9 am - 1 pm.

The Post Office at the shop is now closed permanently

Post boxes - collection times	Monday to Friday	Saturday
Bottom Butchers Hill; Coploe Rd/Grange road corner	9.00 am	7.00 am
Costcutter shop	11.30 am and 4.00 pm	11.30 am
Saffron Walden Market Square	latest 6.00 pm	12 midday

HELP for dealing with Covid 19

The service is continuing for the time being. The names of helpers for any streets is available from me if you need.

Anne-Marie Hoare

Village Hall Bookings Email: bookingsecivh@gmail.com

Police [reporting a crime, non emergency] Call 101

Neighbourhood Watch – Glynis Hammond glynis.hammond@gmail.com

District & County Councillor – Peter McDonald – Cllr.mcdonald@scamb.gov.uk

Community Warden Scheme – - Anita Gilchrist@ageukcap.co.uk

Speedwatch Team – Terry Sadler – terrywsadler@btinternet.com
and Penny Fletcher – penny@penelopeannefletcher.co.uk

Cambridge Mobile Library

The **third Wednesday** in each month (17th April) 12.45 - 1.15 pm. In Frogge Street by the bus stop. Books may still be PRE-SELECTED IN ADVANCE from the whole of Cambridge Libraries collection, and available to collect. To reserve, contact <https://cambridgeshire.spydus.co.uk> (free of charge).

Food Bank

Ickleton foodbank is given to John Huntingdon Centre <https://johnhuntingdon.org.uk> in Sawston who arrange deliveries and collections for those who need it.

The usual emphasis is on hot drinks, soups, tuna, precooked rice, macaroni cheese, spaghetti hoops. Also cereals, (soft easy to eat) baby products, dog or cat food, toiletries.

Please leave at the church in or next to the Food Bank box or call me for collection – thank you for your generosity.

The number of local clients being helped is now 500. Thank you to the village for their generosity.

Clare Driver clare@domesticblissappointments.co.uk

Food Aid For anyone in Ickleton who wants to ask for food or other groceries (*in complete privacy*) please call Clare who will endeavour to fulfil your shopping list needs **Clare Driver**

FOOD DELIVERIES

Generally - **Costcutter village shop** - ☎ 531181 and ask for a delivery.

Milk Fresh milk (bottles) – Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Martin of Plumb's Dairy (Linton)
Tel: info@plumbs-dairy.co.uk

Meat delivery – Thursdays – Clark & Son [Sudbury] sales@clarkandsonmeats.com.

Fresh fish van delivery - Monday afternoon - call or text Andy

Fruit and Veg delivery

Fisher and Woods ☎ 581620 sales@fisherandwoods.co.uk

Walden Organics (Rob) waldenorganics@btinternet.com

Fish and Chips Mobile van on Mondays 4.30 - 8 pm Village Hall car park
Pre-orders only. Tel: info@oceantree.co.uk

Regular Meetings and Events

Coffee Mornings Tuesdays 2nd and 16th April 10.30 - 12 at the church All welcome

We are currently sharing coffee morning proceeds between the church and various charities.

The Coffee Morning Team

Bowls Thursdays 11 am - 1 pm and 2 - 4 pm in the Village Hall

Martin Waters

Social Club (bar open) Fridays and Saturdays from 6 pm
Sunday evenings 7.30 to 10.30 – when volunteers allow
Mondays 5 – 7 pm and Wednesdays 5.30 - 7.30
Sundays 7th and 21st 12 – 2 pm

As well as these regular openings – see page 7 for other openings and events.

Ickle-Gigs at the Social Club	Saturday 6h April 7.30 pm	The Bilge Rats and Three Phase	See page 7
	Saturday 27th April 7.30 pm	The Silverbacks Blues Band	“

Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 17th April 7.30 pm Village Hall

Pub Lunch Club - Tuesday 9th April 12 noon at the Hinxtion Red Lion See p.3 **Jon Smith**

Pre Orders by the Sunday before the lunch

Froglets Mondays 9.30 - 11.30 am Village Hall **Anne-Marie Hoare**

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