



**Cowbit
Peak Hill
Weston
Weston Hills**



Dec/Jan 2025

***We wish everyone a
Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year !***



Elloe Oracle





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Macmillan Cancer Support	0800 8080000
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Welcome to The Elloe Oracle Magazine

Dear Friends and Neighbours

*This is the **60th edition** of our magazine—hard to believe that January will mark our 10th anniversary. We would like to thank everyone for their support over the last 60 editions, the contributors, the funders, the advertisers and most importantly the volunteers who put together and deliver the Elloe Oracle.*

I hope you all find peace and happiness this Christmas and have a healthy and prosperous New Year!

*Best wishes ,
Janet*

**To submit content for Feb/Mar please email
grumpygrower@outlook.com by 15th Jan 5pm.**



Location of Defibrillators

**Cowbit Park Pavillion
Cowbit Village Hall PE12 6AL
Weston Village Hall PE12 6HU
Weston Hills Village Hall**

**Check out what's new
in this edition**



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Weds 15th Jan – 5pm

South Holland District Council



The festive season is upon us, and Andrew, Anthony and Thomas will be getting into the Christmas spirit with a wide range of events to see and visit. The first event on **Friday 29th November** from 5pm will see Spalding Town Centre transformed into a winter wonderland, where visitors can immerse themselves in the festive spirit. The evening will feature a variety of attractions, including a Christmas craft station, where attendees can create their own decorations, and seasonal craft and gift stalls offering unique items perfect for Christmas shopping. Food lovers can indulge in festive treats from the numerous street food stalls. Children and families also have the chance to meet Tinkerbell and Buddy The Elf, who will be performing on stage. The event will also showcase live music from local school choirs, bands, and singers, adding to the atmosphere. Visitors can support local charities by participating in fun games and activities. Other highlights of the evening will be the chance to visit Santa in his Grotto at Calthrops Solicitors, and a fancy dress competition taking place, with the winner earning the honour of switching on the new Christmas lights alongside Santa at 7.30pm. On **Friday 6th December** between 5 and 8pm, Santa will be in Bookmark, Spalding, giving families and children the opportunity to tell Santa what is on their Christmas lists. Two day's later, starting at 9:30am on **Sunday 8th December**, Andrew will be hosting his **Chairman's Charity Santa Fun Run**. This is the first time this has ever been done and see's up to 200 festive characters starting at the swimming pool entrance of the Castle Sports Complex, and running 4.5km around the streets of Spalding, including two laps through the Market Place. Entry is just £5, with proceeds going to Andrew's Chairman's Charities Blood Cancer UK and Spalding and surrounding areas Mencap.

Please go online to <https://bit.ly/TheChairmansSantaFunRun> to register.

Santa's final visit to the area will be at Aycoughfee Hall on **Saturday 14th December** between 11am – 2pm, where again, he will be welcoming families and children for any last minute Christmas requests. On **Saturday 4th January** between 10am and 12pm, Andrew will be hosting his Chairman's Charity Coffee Morning at All Saints Church, Moulton. Everyone is invited, so please come and have a chat over a cuppa and some delicious cake.

Andrew, Anthony and Thomas were sad to hear of the passing of British Shot Put record holder and three time Olympian, **Geoff Capes**. Geoff grew up in Holbeach, where he attended Boston Road Junior School, George Farmer School and Holbeach Athletic Club Geoff had an excellent sporting career which included two Commonwealth Games gold medals, two European indoor titles as a shot putter, and six time champion at the Highland Games along with two World Strongest Man titles. After finishing his career, Geoff became a resident in nearby Moulton resident, and could often be seen around the area, where he was always more than happy to have a chat. After a few years, Geoff moved from Moulton, but never forgot his local roots. He will be very much missed and we send our sincere condolences to his family.

With this being the Christmas and New Year edition, Andrew, Anthony and Thomas would like to wish you all a very Happy and Peaceful Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

Should you have any issues, please feel free to contact your councillors on:

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County Councillor Robert Gibson

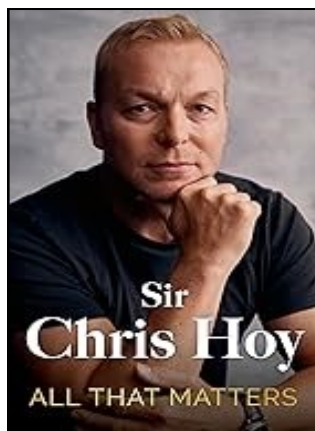
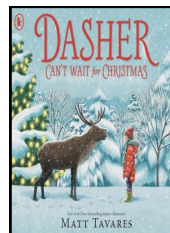
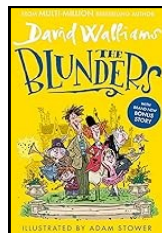
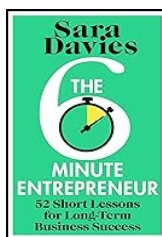
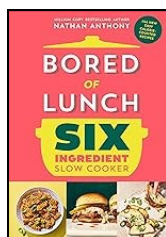
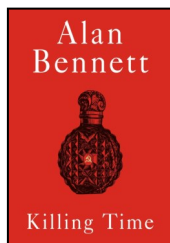
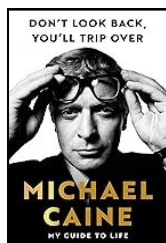
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Book Club

New releases—Dec/Jan 25



Sir Chris Hoy knows better than most how life can change in the blink of an eye.

In elite sport, the margin between victory and defeat is minuscule, and the pressure is immense. Chris has built a glittering sporting career on understanding these moments: how to feel for them, how to cope with them, how to make them count.

Last year, he faced another life-changing moment. He found out that the ache in his shoulder was in fact a tumour, and that he had Stage 4 cancer. He will be living with this disease for the rest of his life. In this memoir, Chris shares the next phase of his extraordinary life with exceptional bravery. He looks over the challenges he has faced thus far, and the ways he has taken them on. With his wife Sarra and their young children by his side, he shares how he has used these experiences to find ways to focus on the moments that matter, showing us how to do the same.

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Black Bun Traybake

Method

For the pastry (you can use shop bought)

1. Put the butter, vegetable shortening, flour and baking powder in a food processor and process until it resembles fine breadcrumbs
2. Add cold water and pulse to bring the mixture together adding a little more cold water if the mixture still seems dry.
3. Remove from the food processor. Knead only very lightly, then wrap in clingfilm and chill in the refrigerator for at least 20 minutes.

For the filling

1. Preheat the oven to 140C/160C fan
2. Roll out the pastry dough and cut out two 20cm squares
3. Place all the dry ingredients for the filling into a large bowl and mix the ingredients together to evenly combine. Add the whisky, most of the beaten egg (keep a little back for glazing), and enough milk to moisten the mixture. Stir well to combine the wet and dry ingredients. The mixture should be moist but not very wet and sloppy.
4. Line a baking tin with baking parchment and place one of the squares of pastry in the base of the tin.
5. Put the dried fruit mixture on top of the pastry and press down with the back of a spoon or a spatula.
6. Prick the second piece of pastry all over with a fork, then put it on top of the dried fruit mixture. Brush with the remaining beaten egg.
7. Bake for 45 minutes – check after 30 minutes and if the pastry is browning too much then cover top loosely with foil. Check if the bake is ready by inserting a skewer which should come out clean if cake is baked. If the skewer is wet and sticky then return to the oven and check again after 10 minutes.
8. Remove from the oven and leave to cool in the tin for 30 minutes. Remove and cool completely on a wire rack.
9. When completely cool cut into 16 squares



Black bun is a traditional Scottish cake that is said to have come to Scotland when Mary Queen of Scots returned from France in 1561 to be served on Twelfth Night – unfortunately, the Scottish Reformation had banned all Christmas and Twelfth Night celebrations other than religious services in 1560 so it was not possible to use the cake as part of this celebration! As a resourceful group, the Scots simply moved their celebrations to the 31st December, and Black Bun continues to be served at Hogmanay gatherings and given as a First Footing gift as a token of luck for the forthcoming

Ingredients

For the pastry

- 225 grams plain flour
- 50 grams butter
- 60 grams vegetable shortening
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 2 tablespoon cold water (approximately)

For the filling

- 300 grams raisins
- 150 grams currants
- 30 grams mixed peel, chopped
- 50 grams almonds, chopped
- 75 grams plain flour
- 60 grams light brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon allspice
- 1/4 teaspoon ginger
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar
- 1 1/2 teaspoon whiskey
- 1 medium egg
- 2 tablespoons milk

If you have a favourite recipe you would like to share on this page contact
grumpygrower@outlook.com

Comfort
Food

Cowbit Parish Council

Trevor Tyrrell was voted back as Chair with Eric Fragale as Vice Chairman. Chris Elliott returned to the Parish, having moved to a new address within the village, and was Co-Opted onto the vacant seat at the Annual Council meeting in May following the resignation of Carol Clark,. Cllr Tom Sneath, was newly elected onto the District Council, replacing Rodney Grocock. District Councillor Andrew Woolf thanked Cowbit for the hire of the Village Hall for his Chairman's quiz night. It was well attended and raised a lot of funds for his designated charities.

James Francis of the Meridian Action Group was invited to attend the July meeting to speak regarding the 750W Solar Installation which will cover 2,500 acres of prime agricultural land affecting Crowland, Cowbit and all the way to Gedney. James advised everyone present that Ed Miliband MP had passed 3 major proposals within 6 days of being in office. Residents were advised to contact as many people as they can in the community to make them aware of what is being proposed. Also to contact their local MP, Sir John Hayes and Meridian. The Chair added that the Cowbit roads proposed to be used to transport the panels, etc, were listed as the A16, Stonegate, Barrier Bank and Back Gate. The panels would stand over 10 feet high and will be piled into the ground. Pylons, (described as lattice towers), are audible from 3.5 miles away there is a considerable amount of humming noise from them. Traffic and infrastructure is an issue. Only the villages that the panels are sited in will benefit from the proposal. 11 offshore wind turbines will produce as much electricity as this entire 2,500 acres of solar panels. It will also affect the weather with heat radiated from the panels causing more rain which in turn could lead to flooding. The panels will be purchased and transported from China which will create a huge carbon footprint. The 1.8 million solar panels will be piled into the ground with concrete, and will need to be replaced every 15 years! Cllr Woolf encouraged everyone to join the Meridian Action Group (MAG) Facebook page, as we need to join forces and there is a lot of information being shared on there. Don't wait until the diggers come! Cllr Richard Davies (Highways) also attended our July meeting and agreed to assist with issues raised at the meeting.

Sadly, James Stamp resigned from the PC ahead of the September meeting due to increased work commitments. James had been working on the village information boards and this work will now be passed on to Peter Simpson. We thank James for all his efforts and commitment to the village. The PC are currently looking to Co-Opt. Mark Noyce who has been carrying out graffiti removal around the village. It is hoped that Mr Noyce will be Co-Opted at the January meeting. Welcome gates have been erected at the entrances to the village. These have been met with mixed opinions. Currently the PC is considering whether to paint them or leave them as they are. Once the speed limit and village signs have been added from Highways, they should look better and the initial thoughts were that the signs would stand out against the natural background. Janet Barnes has been looking at whether wild Flowers can be grown in front of the lay-by where the speed watch operates. SHDC and residents will need to be advised not to cut this piece of grass, if and when it goes ahead. Cllr Casson raised the consultation regarding introducing a PSPO to encourage dog walkers to pick up after their dogs. Members were in support and encouraged everyone to take part in the consultation. A new defibrillator was purchased to replace the one on the Village Hall, which was no longer being supported by the emergency services because the pads, etc had not been replaced since it was purchased in 2016. Thanks to Cllrs Casson, Woolf and Sneath for donating £600 (£200 each) towards it. Another defibrillator has been purchased through the London Hearts initiative where only 50% of the cost was paid by the Parish. This defibrillator will be sited on The Station House, Backgate. The village will then have 3 devices; one at the Pavilion, (supplied and maintained by SUFC), one at the Village Hall and the third one at The Station House, (currently awaiting installation). The old defibrillator from the Village Hall has been retained and the PC would like to donate it to a Community Group or Club.

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 13th January, at 7.30pm at Cowbit Village Hall**. Agendas and meeting minutes can be found on the official Parish Council Website - Homepage – Cowbit Parish Council and the Cowbit Village website – www.cowbitvillage.co.uk/parish-council/. As always, all are welcome to attend!

Angela Harrison, Parish Clerk, Clerk.Cowbit@gmail.com

Cowbit Village Hall

As we run up to the Christmas period, we are hosting a variety of festive events at the Village Hall to ensure everyone has the opportunity to get into the festive spirit. In addition to the Wreath Making workshops and Christmas Fayre, we will be holding **Christmas Bingo on Friday 13th December** at 7:30pm. It is the highlight of our Bingo calendar and includes extra prizes and free mince pies... Christmas outfits are voluntary but encouraged.

Use of our UK Shared Prosperity and Lincolnshire Community Foundation funding has enabled us to recently purchase a new noticeboard to help display information in a more accessible manner. Huge thanks to Marcus, Chris and Kev for their time and expertise in installing it. Please do take a look if you walk by – there is lots of information and it looks very smart!



Cowbit Village Hall

Second Fri of the month

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**Cowbit's
Outreach Post Office
operates in Village
Hall Tues 2pm-4pm**



Cowbit does not have a war memorial as such, only names within the church and two roads in the village named after men who lost their lives in service. A few years ago the village had street lamp poppies around the village, and it seemed villagers were wanting to see them again. So the Village hall committee decided on raising funds online and in Cowbit Village Stores, £345 was raised which has enabled us to have 40 large Poppies on the street lamps. As well as helping fund towards wreaths, flag, bunting and a poppy drape. The wreaths were made by Claire Pell and Marcus Pell along with the Poppy drape which has been placed over the Queen Elizabeth II memorial stone.

The village sign area also had a wreath, bunting and a kneeling "Tommy" soldier with wreaths placed nearby, this was made by lifelong villager Gerry Pearson. Also the Cowbit Crafters group made crochet poppies which were included in the display as well as on the two village signs, Parkin Road and Clarkson Avenue.

The village hall committee would like to thank all those that generously donated money towards everything. Cowbit Parish Council for their generous donation, Mr Pearson, Cowbit Village Stores for a collection box, Cowbit crafters group and those that helped make, display and putting the poppies on lamp posts. So despite there being no war memorial our village has remembered all those that sacrificed their lives in conflict.

Marcus Pell—Vice Chair Village Hall



Cowbit St Mary's C of E Primary School
 School Office— 01406 380369
www.cowbit.lincs.sch.uk

It has been a very busy term at Cowbit St Mary's C of E Primary School. Our new Reception children have settled in really well to school life and have had a brilliant start to their school journey. They have been busy exploring the new EYFS



classroom and renewed outdoor area.

In September, our wonderful Year 5 pupils completed their Bikeability training. They practised riding their bikes in the playground before gaining proficiency to cycle on the road too. The



children had a great two days learning to ride their bikes safely. At the end of the Autumn term, parents joined us for a 'craftanoon' to launch our new vision and values. Everyone had a great time crafting to show some of our new school values and joining us for Collective Worship. In Ash Class, children and parents made a kindness stone and friendship bracelets, in Elm Class children and parents made a 'respect wreath', in Maple Class they made a 'response-a-bull' and in Oak Class the children wrote down their hopes and dreams for the future.

This term, Oak Class have been on a visit to Southwell Workhouse and Infirmary as part of their Victorian topic. The children

learnt all about what it was like to live in the workhouse. We really enjoyed seeing the privy, the school house, the dormitories and cellars. We learnt all about living conditions, day to day events such as how to unpick oakum. The staff at the workhouse were amazing and really brought history to life for the children! We particularly loved speaking to the kitchen worker who told us everything about the meals made at the workhouse. Oak Class have also started a 'Healthy Minds' workshop this week which will run for the next three weeks. Children will learn how important it is to keep their minds healthy as well as their bodies. We also have First Aid training for all pupils from Reception-Year 6 taking place on Thursday 14th November. We are really excited to have our own little first aiders.



We have also had the Lincolnshire Stay Safe Partnership in to deliver Online Safety workshops for years 1-6. We talked about how to stay safe online whilst playing games and that we **MUST NOT** share our personal information with anybody.

If you have a little one due to start school in September 2025, we are now taking applications. Visits can still be arranged by calling the school office and we look forward to welcoming you. Applications can be made from 15 November 2024 to 12 noon on the 15 January 2025. More information can be found on our school website.

CHURCH NEWS

For baptisms, weddings, or funerals at all three churches please contact
Ruth Mlunjwa: tel: 01775 725698, r.richardson613 @bt internet.com

At the time of going to print we had not received the December /January services (despite chasing) so are unable to include them again in the magazine.

For details of church services please contact the ministry team Ruth Mlunjwa: tel: 01775 725698, r.richardson613 @bt internet.com.

Cowbit St Mary's Church update

We would love to extend a huge thankyou to our pals at Tyrrells Pumpkin Patch for inviting us to join them on Sunday 20th and 27th October to sell cakes and other treats in aid of Church funds. We met lots of wonderful people and made over £270.... we also dipped our toes into the modern payment world with our new contactless payment device, which worked brilliantly! Thank you also to everyone that supported and apologies if we scuppered any diets. We commemorated our fallen from the village on Sunday 10th November ahead of Remembrance Day on Monday 11th November and received some beautiful comments on our updated Facebook picture, which featured one of the war memorials that are inside the church. ***Finally, we are in the latter stages of confirming our festive services with Rev Sweeting so please keep an eye out for our Facebook posts for further information.***



WESTON PARISH COUNCIL



*It is with deep regret I have to inform the residents of the Parish of the sudden passing of **Councillor Richard Pratt**.*

Richard had been a servant of this Council for many years and served as Vice Chairman for a number of years before moving up to Chairman of the Council, before stepping down in 2019.

Richard was a quiet but effective member of the Council and was very quick to raise an issue which many of us had missed .

Richard will be missed by many, especially those from Weston Hills where he lived.

Our sincere condolences go to his wife Teresa and his three daughters

and wider family.

*My next announcement is to wish all our residents in both Weston Hills & Weston villages a vey **Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**.*

*On the Council news front, we have just lost one of our most dedicated councillors **Denise Higgins** and I personally want to thank he for the years of Commitment she has devoted to the Parish Council. Therefore we will be looking for a resident who feels they could spare the time to serve the community and if there are, then please contact the Clerk Graham French.*

The Council has now approved the cost to the new equipment for Weston Park and will request the Company with the contract to begin with the first phase as soon as possible.

All being well the CCTV should have been installed during November/December, which means we are moving forward as quickly as possible with all the upgrades promised.

*The opening times of the gates at Weston Park have now been altered in line with BST ending and will be operating between **0700 & 1700 daily**.*

*We will as of this edition be delivering to the Maples estate in Weston, **thanks to Steven & Tanya** .*

Chris Dicks

Chair

Weston Parish Council

The next Parish Council meetings will take place at 7:30pm on **Monday 2nd December** and **Monday 3rd February** at **Weston Village Hall** with the January meeting taking place on **Monday 6th January 2025** at **Weston Hills Village Hall** again starting at 7:30pm. As always the opportunity is there for members of the public to join in at these meetings as there will be the usual fifteen minute open forum at the start of the meeting for any member of the public wishing to have their say on matters which may concern them. Don't forget to visit the Parish Council website

<https://weston.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk>

for more information on Council business, meeting dates and venues etc.

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WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

WESTON PARISH COUNCIL HAS A VACANCY FOR A PARISH COUNCILLOR

WOULD YOU LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR LOCAL
COMMUNITY BY BECOMING A PARISH COUNCILLOR?



What's Involved?

Parish Councillors normally attend twelve council meetings a year. Meetings are normally held on the first Monday of the month and alternate between Weston and Weston Hills Village halls. The meetings normally take between one and three hours. Occasionally extra meetings can be called to discuss specific matters.

Recently the Parish Council installed six new Bus shelters on the High Road Weston and automated gates at Weston Playing Field. New play equipment has been installed in Weston Hills. In the next few months play equipment will be upgraded at Weston playing field and CCTV is being installed.

Eligibility to be a Councillor.

The Parish Council is able to consider any person to fill the vacancy provided that:
The person is 18 or over; and

The person is a British Citizen, a qualifying Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any other member state of the European Union.

And at least one of the following apply:

The person is an elector for the Parish and continues to be an elector; or
The Person has resided in the Parish for the past twelve months or rented/tenanted land in the Parish; or
The Person has had their principal or only place of work in the Parish for the past twelve months; or
The person has lived within three miles of the Parish for the past twelve months.

**Interested in becoming a Parish Councillor then why not
contact the Clerk for more details.**

**Graham French Clerk/RFO Telephone 01406 371231 or email
westonpc@outlook.com**

WESTON PARISH COUNCIL



VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Got sometime to spare?, want to help keep your community safe? Are you concerned with the amount of speeding cars in the area? If so, then we want you to join our local CSW group and be part of a team of volunteers that are committed to community safety.

CONTACT US
Chris Dark
P: 07709082696
Message on facebook

WESTON CONSOLIDATED CHARITY

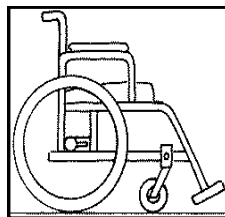
The Charity owns several wheelchairs that are available for either short or long term loan to residents of Weston Parish.

To arrange for the free loan of a chair please contact either

Anthony Casson
01775 723965

or

Julian Bellamy
07831 212976




UPDATE ON WORKS FOR :

Weston Playing Field

- **CCTV is currently being installed** with delays around equipment supply now back on track. Work is expected to be completed on the install by end of Nov with connection early Dec. This will cover the play areas, gates and car park.
- ***Phase 1 has been approved and levelling ground will be the first stage of the works*** which is weather dependent.

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6 editions ½ page £ 260

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Contact

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Weston Hills Community News

WESTON HILLS VILLAGE HALL

Our next fund raising will be our annual 500 club of 10 weekly draws, starting the first week of January. Anyone wanting to get a ticket can contact Hall Committee members.

Our Race night is on Friday March 7th 2025

Hall hire charges

Small mtg room £6.00 hr
Local organisations and Charity Organisations.

Main Hall £9.00 hr

Non Residents £10.00 hr

Mrs Surman on

01406 380717

The Hall is license for 100 people,

Can people please leave the Hall in the same condition as it was when they went in, and please take all their rubbish home with them.

Wild Bush Fitness

For 8 -15 yrs olds

Friday 7pm—8pm

0753 5780054



Post Office
open in the Hall
on **Mon** from
2pm—4pm

Short Mat Bowls

every Tues 7pm—9pm and
Sun 6.30pm—8.30pm

Contact Eileen Richardson

01406 370181

Thurs 2pm—4pm

Contact Zelda Pearson

01406 380828



Coffee Morning

Weston Hills
Village Hall

11th Dec, 8th Jan

10.30am

All welcome! Please ring

Sally 07501 665495

or 01775 760352 if you need a lift.

The school council have joined us for a couple of coffee mornings and these visit have been enjoyed by all. We look forward to seeing them again after the summer break.



Vivien Prescott— A very big thank you to Vivien Prescott who has recently stepped down as our Secretary here at the Elloe Oracle. She has kept us well minuted over the last 10 years and everyone here would like to send our best wishes and thanks for all your hard work!



VOLUNTEER EDITOR REQUIRED FOR THE VILLAGE VOICE PARISH MAGAZINE

The Village Voice Parish magazine covers the Elloe Stone Parishes - Moulton, Moulton Chapel, Moulton Seas End, Holbeach St Johns, Saracens Head, Whaplode and Whaplode St Catherine.

The current editor of the Village Voice will be stepping down in May 2025, so we are now seeking a volunteer editor:



- The editor's role is voluntary and unpaid but offers a great deal of satisfaction through supporting your local community.
- The current editor will provide training on how to produce the magazine and you will have ongoing support from the magazine's steering committee.
- The magazine requires approximately 20 hours work every 2 months (6 magazines per year)
- The editor currently co-ordinates advertising - requiring approx. 6 hours work in April each year.
- You must have your own PC or laptop and WiFi, and will need to be familiar with publishing software such as MS Publisher (or similar).
- You will also use MS Excel, MS Word, Adobe Acrobat, Gmail & Google Drive (or equivalents)

If you are interested please email the current editor, Sue McWhinnie: villagevoicecm@gmail.com or Text/Phone: 07999 881055



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2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month
14:00 - 16:00

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"Christmas Fayre" Saturday 30th November. 10am to 1pm. Stalls & Tombola.

Seasonal Gifts & Cards. Turkey Rolls, Sausage Rolls, cakes, tea & coffee.

Annual Carol Service.

Sunday 15th December 10.30am. An opportunity for the community to enjoy singing traditional Carols together. Come and hear our new organ.

Christmas Eve Children's Service. 4pm. Children, please bring a favourite toy.

Annual Plough Service. Sunday 12th January. Lunch after the service.

LUNCH CLUBS.

Christmas Lunch Club Mon 2nd Dec. 12.30pm. Ring Karen. 07936997002.

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Weds. Dec 4th & 18th. Jan 8th & 22nd 2025. 10 am. to 12 Noon.

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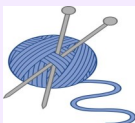
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Mrs Pope



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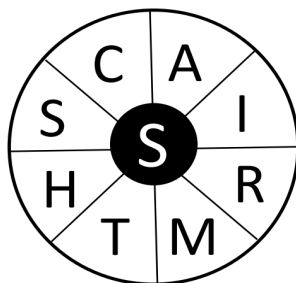
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