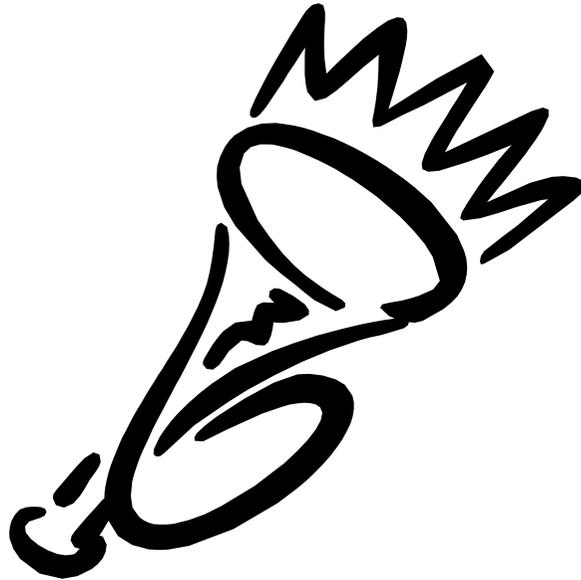
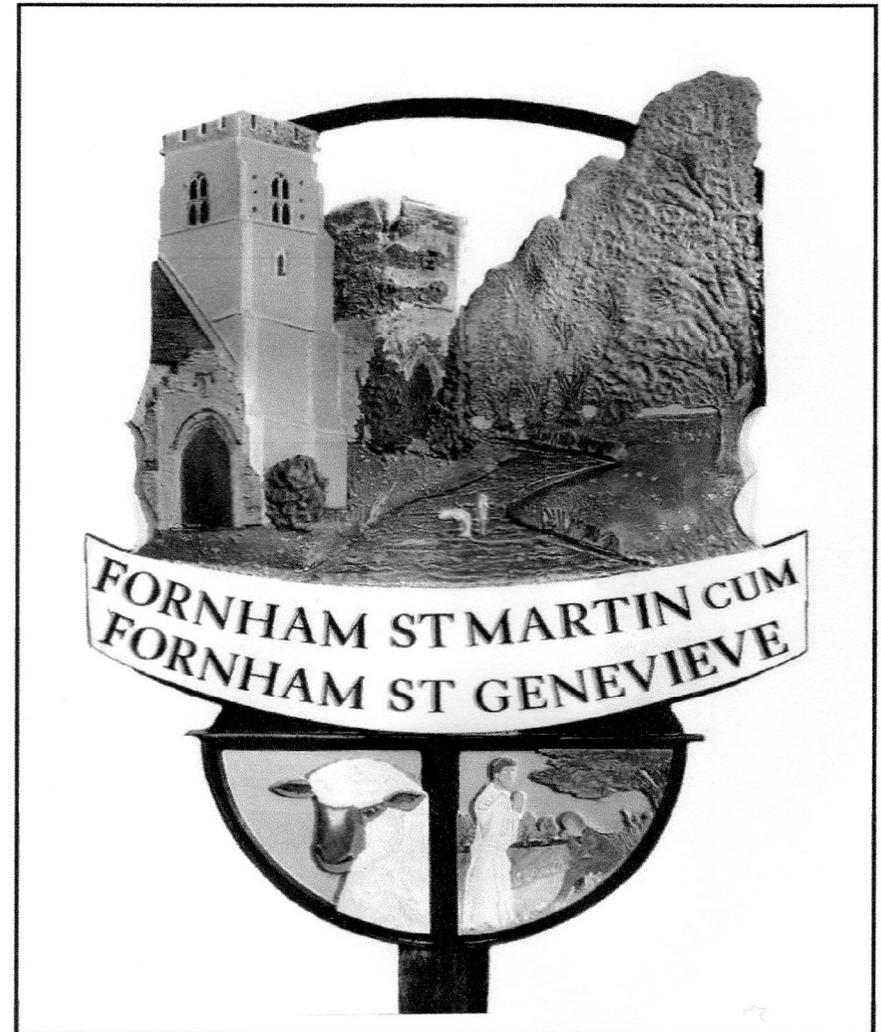


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2nd Tues	7:30 pm to 9:30 pm	Garden Club
2nd Wed	7:30 pm to 9:30 pm	Card Making
3rd Mon	10:00 to 12 noon	Probus Ladies
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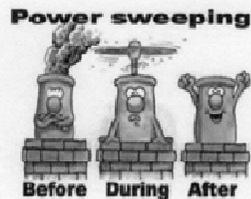
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# FORNHAM GARDEN CLUB

A Packet of Parsley, the title of the talk to be delivered by David White at our meeting on August 11th, intrigued so many members we had a record attendance, plus attracted two new members! We were not disappointed as David proved to be a very good storyteller, with humour much to the fore. As a small child his Grandfather gave him a square yard of garden which he sowed with a packet of parsley seed! This early interest in gardening led him through a career in horticulture including an apprenticeship with the Royal Parks, a year in the gardens at Buckingham Palace and time at Kew Gardens, gaining Horticulture Diplomas with the RHS and Kew along the way. Together with his wife he then took over and turned around a Garden Centre in Chatteris, which after 33 years he is currently selling to concentrate on other business interests. A side line, selling mainly unusual perennial plants and grasses at very reasonable prices, brought much interest together with a promise that he will deliver a further talk, on a different subject, at some time the future.

The Garden Club is affiliated to the Royal Horticultural Society and the main benefits we receive for our annual subscription are the official monthly magazine @Garden@ and a free visit for up to 50 members to one of the RHS Gardens, the nearest two being Hyde Hall in Essex and Wisley in Surrey. On Saturday August 22nd, with temperatures in excess of 30 degrees promised, we visited Wisley and despite the heat had a really lovely time enjoying all, or part of everything the gardens have to offer. From the colourful iconic mixed borders, the Jubilee and Bowes Lyon rose gardens in full bloom, the magnificent glasshouses, climbing Battleston Hill to see the glow of hydrangeas in the dappled shade and view the Trials Field featuring a wide range of flowers, fruit and vegetables, the large gift shop and plant centre, there was something for us all and it was voted a superb day out.

Following hot on the heels of an excellent speaker in August came an equally interesting Peter Skeggs-Gooch on September 8th to give us a talk and digital slide show 'A complete guide to Clematis'. Peter is the owner of the multi Gold medal award winning Thorncroft Clematis from near East Dereham and the son of the founders of the company. Dealing mainly in mail order, collection from the Nursery can always be arranged, with the opportunity to view many of the clematis in situ. The excellent detail of the slides was accompanied by Peter's information on the colour, size and period of flowering, habit, perfume, if evergreen, pruning requirements and crucially the planting site. With varieties available from those that will scramble over an unsightly shed to those that will provide ground cover, and some ideal for posts, there is a clematis for most gardens. Finishing with detailed information on pruning and feeding Peter was proud to mention the company's many awards and strong family bond before he problem solved for some members whose plants were not performing as expected, and sold plants to others.

A late addition to our outings is a day trip on November 15th to Chatsworth

House in Derbyshire to see their themed Christmas trees and decorations featuring 'Wind in the Willows' and shop at the many stalls outside. Some seats may still be available and Mike Clark on 750125 will take enquiries from non members.

Details of our programme for the coming months are as follows:-

- Oct 13th** John Walkers. Every Show has a story. How Walkers Bulbs prepare for Shows such as Chelsea & Harrogate. A talk illustrated with slides.
- Nov 10th** Maggie Findlay. The Flintknappers Garden, a story of Thetford. A talk illustrated with slides.
- Dec 8th** Peter Jackson. Plants for winter interest. A talk using the plants which will be for sale.

The Garden Club meets on the second Tuesday of the month at **7:30 pm** in Fornham St Martin Village Hall. Membership is £13 per year with visitors paying £3 per visit. For further information please telephone the programme secretary **Frances Harpley** on **01284 755876**.



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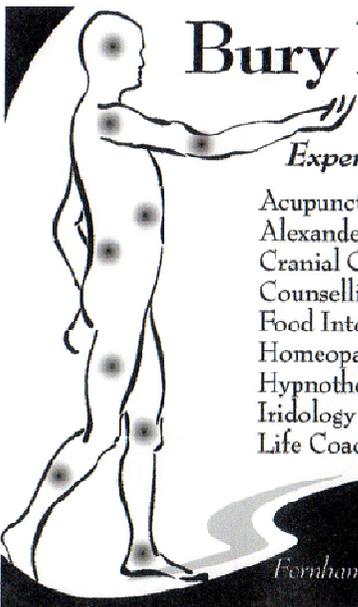
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## FORNHAM OVER 60'S CLUB

The club met on 4th August, the occasion being the annual garden party. Members brought a vast selection of food, cakes, biscuits and liquid refreshment. It was a good social gathering with lots of chat. Wally Leeks supplied the music. The tombola, with a wide range of prizes, proved very popular. All in all it was very successful.

On 8th September a group of members visited the Mechanical Music Museum at Cotton. Ray Keeble gave us a conducted tour and related the history of the exhibits, some of which were well over 100 years old. The mechanisms had been used in pubs, cinemas, theatres, churches or fairgrounds. Ray even demonstrated some of the models which are still in decent working order.

We had a tea break then Michael Bayley gave us a recital on a Wurlitzer. The introduction was quite spectacular because, as the music was played the Wurlitzer appeared from below stage level .to come into full view. That brought back memories! At the end as the music faded the Wurlitzer went out of sight. It was a very good show and the members were very impressed.

Our next activity is a pub lunch at Dulwich on 6th Oct.

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**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall,  
The Street, Fornham St Martin, IP31 1SW on Tuesday 4 August  
2015 at 6.00pm**

**Present:**

Councillors (Cllrs) Penny Borrett, Paul Butler, Michael Collier (Chair), Peter Forster, Gary Hubbard, Jayne Hubbard, Nicholas Owen

**In attendance:**

Paul MacLachlan (Clerk) and nine members of the public.

The following documents will be appended to the signed minutes:  
the Agenda;  
the following appendices:

- 1: Planning Working Group recommendations.

**1 Apologies**

No apologies were received.

**2 Declarations of Interest**

The requirement to update the Register of Interests was noted.  
No further interests were declared. No dispensations were sought.

**The meeting was adjourned for public question time**

Cllrs were advised of plans to develop a local business site.  
The Chairman welcomed the report but advised that it would be inappropriate to comment on proposals until invited to do so by the Planning Authority.

**The meeting reconvened.**

**3. Planning**

- (i) Cllrs considered recommendations made by the Planning Working Group (appendix 1) in respect of applications 15/1318 and 15/1332.

**Application 15/1318:**

Single storey office building at Fornham Business Park, The Drift  
It was proposed by Cllr Gary Hubbard, seconded by Cllr Owen and agreed that the application be **SUPPORTED**.

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### Application 15/1332:

Agricultural barn for storage at Fornham Farm, Thetford Road  
It was proposed by Cllr Gary Hubbard, seconded by Cllr Owen and agreed that the Council **OBJECT** to the application.

### (ii) Suffolk County Council consultation PL/01213/15

Rationalisation of land through the demolition and reorganisation of a number of buildings, the extension to a workshop and the change of use of land to allow the relocation of a recycling facility and the distribution of aggregates at Hollow Road Farm, Hollow Road, Fornham St Martin, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.

It was proposed by Cllr Forster, seconded by Cllr Butler and agreed that the application be **SUPPORTED CONDITIONALLY** and that the Clerk circulate revised comments prior to submitting the Council's consultation response.

### 4. Finance

The Parish Council noted that the Bank of Ireland required completion of a new mandate in order for the Clerk to be registered as the Parish Council's point of contact. It was proposed by Cllr Collier, seconded by Cllr Gary Hubbard and agreed that the resolution required by the Bank on page 8 of the mandate be adopted.

The meeting ended at 6.35pm.

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**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall, The Street, Fornham St Martin, IP31 1SW on Thursday 20 August 2015 at 7.00pm**

### Present:

Councillors (Cllrs) Penny Borrett, Paul Butler, Michael Collier (Chair), Peter Forster, Jayne Hubbard.

### In attendance:

Paul MacLachlan (Clerk) and five members of the public.

The following documents will be appended to the signed minutes:

- ◆ the Agenda;
- ◆ Appendix 1: Report of the Campaign Working Group meeting dated 23 July 2015;
- ◆ Appendix 2: Report of the Responsible Finance Officer.

**1 Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Nick Owen and Gary Hubbard.

**2 Declarations of Interest**

The requirement to update the Register of Interests was noted. No further interests were declared. No dispensations were sought.

**The meeting was adjourned for public question time**

Cllrs were advised of a forthcoming public consultation regarding proposed expansion of leisure facilities at West Stow Country Park.

**The meeting reconvened.**

**3. Planning**

Cllrs considered the Council's response to application 15/0662/VAR for (i) change of use of land to 9 hole pay and play golf course with changing room facilities and associated landscaping, (ii) erection of 26 timber lodges, manager's lodge and associated landscaping, (iii) non-compliance with condition 17 of planning permission E/89/2307/P and condition 20 of planning permission E/97/2470/P, relating to retention of existing vehicular access without compliance with condition 6 of SE/05/02293 to enable occupation of holiday lets without bringing the golf course into use.

It was proposed by Cllr Collier, seconded by Cllr Borrett and agreed that the Council **OBJECT** to the application.

The Clerk was asked to circulate a draft response for councillors' comments prior to submission.

**4. West Suffolk Operational Hub**

Notes of the meeting of the Campaign Working Group (Appendix 1) were noted.

Cllrs considered how to further improve communications with the community. It was agreed that:

- (i) each email contact be asked to ask two other to forward their email contact details to the Clerk;
- (ii) the Clerk forward details of the roads in the parish to Sarah Marshall to assist the identification of potential street representatives.



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In order to progress the campaign between meetings it was proposed by Cllr Collier, seconded by Cllr Jayne Hubbard and agreed that the Clerk be given delegated powers to implement the recommendations of the Campaign Working Group where action is required prior to the next meeting of the Parish Council.

The Clerk indicated that he would exercise the delegated powers with discretion and, where possible, would seek to consult with councillors not on the Campaign Working Group prior to taking action.

#### 5. Finance

Cllrs received the report of the Responsible Finance Officer (Appendix 2) and agreed that all outstanding payments be made.

The meeting ended at 7.50pm.

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#### Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in the Village Hall, The Street, Fornham St Martin, IP31 1SW on Thursday 17 September 2015 at 7.30pm

##### Present:

Councillors (Cllrs) Paul Butler, Michael Collier (Chair), Peter Forster, Gary Hubbard and Jayne Hubbard.

##### In attendance:

Paul MacLachlan (Clerk), Borough Councillor, Rebecca Hopfensperger (part) and six members of the public.

The following documents will be appended to the signed minutes:

- ◆ the Agenda;
- ◆ the following appendices:
  - 1: actions arising from prior meetings;
  - 2: report of the Responsible Finance Officer;
  - 3: future parish council meeting dates.

#### 1 Apologies

The apologies of Cllrs Penny Borrett and Nick Owen were received and accepted.

## 2 Declarations of Interest

The requirement to update the Register of Interests was noted. No further interests were declared. No dispensations were sought.

## 4 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council meetings dated 16 July, 4 August and 20 August 2015 were agreed a true record and signed by the Chair.

## 5 Clerk's report

(i) The Clerk reported progress on actions arising from prior meetings (see Appendix 1). The Clerk advised that a second lower quotation (£340.00) had been obtained from tree surgeon, Chris Hunter, for the trimming of the trees and hedges around the playing field and that the work would be undertaken prior to the next meeting.

(ii) The Clerk reported on correspondence from Mr D Yates and Mrs J Bridges Adams. The Clerk was asked to respond appropriately.

## 6. Borough, County and Community Reports

Cllr Hopfensperger reported that she is reluctant to support the Cabinet's recommendations in Report CAB/SE/15/050 as it was clear that, despite offering an extended consultation period, Hollow Road Farm was still highlighted as the Borough Council's preferred option.

Cllr Hopfensperger commented that she could not understand how the public could be invited to nominate further waste sites without having been advised of the selection criteria. Identification of suitable sites was the responsibility of the County and Borough Councils.

Cllr Hopfensperger advised the likely introduction of opt-in charges for the collection of organic waste.

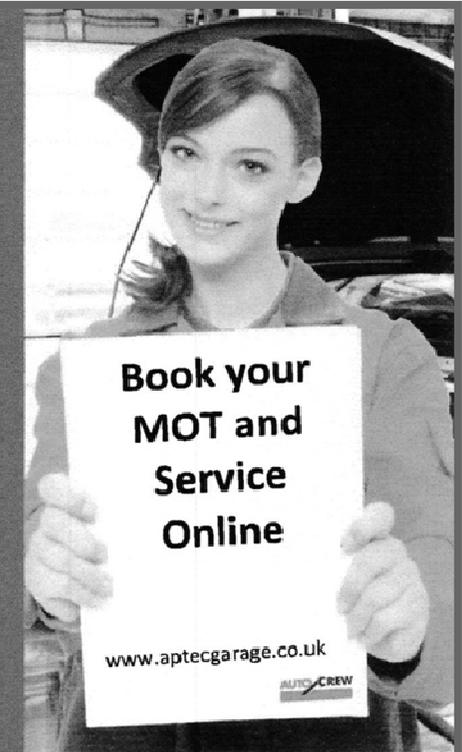
Cllr Hopfensperger reported that Suffolk County Council would be bidding to seek greater devolved powers from central government.

### The meeting was adjourned for public question time

Councillors were advised that leaflets had been distributed throughout the parish encouraging residents to attend the Borough Council meeting on Tuesday 22 September in order to register their objection to siting the proposed West Suffolk Operational Hub at Hollow Road Farm.

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Cllr Hopfensperger left the meeting.

**The meeting reconvened.**

### 7. Decisions taken since the last meeting

The Clerk reported that, following consultation with councillors, he had summoned councillors to extraordinary meeting on 4 and 20 August to deal with urgent planning applications.

The Clerk also advised that, following consultation with councillors, he had issued Waste Hub updates 1 and 2 to local residents on the contact mailing list.

### 8. West Suffolk Operational Hub (WSOH)

Cllrs agreed with the views and concerns expressed earlier by the Borough Cllr, Rebecca Hopfensperger, Cllr Collier reported on a meeting with the chairmen of Great Barton and Fornham All Saints parish councils advising that they would be meeting Borough Councillor, Peter Stevens, prior to the full council meeting on 22 September.

### 9. Planning and Environment

(i) Cllrs considered the following planning applications:

15/1576/HH: 4 Rectory Gardens, The Drift, IP31 1SU

No objection

15/1665/HH: 1-2 Rectory Gardens, The Drift, IP31 1SU

No objection

15/1521/HH: 3 Oak Green, IP31 1TH

No objection

The Clerk advised that eight applications had been received in the last three days, all relating to Lark's Pool Farm and that he was awaiting confirmation that the planning authority would extend the consultation period to permit them to be considered at the parish council meeting on 15 October.

Cllrs noted the following planning decisions made since the last meeting:

15/1113: 6 Gleneagles Close, IP28 6XA Approved

15/1074: Park Gate Plantation Approved

15/1332: Fornham Park, Thetford Road, IP28 6TY Approved

- (ii) The Chairman advised that the verges by the golf club and opposite Flint Cottages were overgrown. Cllrs agreed that the Chairman should contact Steve Rodwell to undertake this work.
- (iii) Cllrs considered the problems arising from Chafer bugs and moles within the playing field. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact:
  - ◆ Suffolk Golf Club for guidance regarding the mole infestation;
  - ◆ Mr M Turner for guidance on the Chafer bug infestation.

#### 10. Finance

Cllrs agreed that the report of the Responsible Finance Officer for September 2015 (Appendix 2) be received and that any outstanding payments be made.

The Clerk reported that a further invoice had been received from David Hoggett for litter duties in the sum of £191.76. Cllrs approved the payment.

The Clerk reported on insurance quotations received, via parish council brokers, Came and Company, from Aviva, Hiscox and Ecclesiastical.

Cllrs agreed that the quotation from current insurer, Aviva, be accepted as they had offered the lowest premium and were recommended by Came and Company. Cllrs further agreed that a 3-year agreement be made with Aviva and that the discounted premium of £381.24 be paid.

#### 11. Governance

Cllrs considered and agreed the meeting dates proposed in appendix 3.

#### 12. The Bugle

- (i) Cllrs agreed to enter *The Bugle* for the Newsletter of the Year;
- (ii) Cllrs noted the copy and print deadlines agreed with *The Bugle's* editors;
- (iii) Cllrs agreed to continue publishing the full minutes of parish council meetings in *The Bugle* but agreed to re-visit the issue later in 2016.

#### 13. Community

- (i) Cllrs considered the following parish boundary issues raised by the Community Governance Review:
  - ◆ Oak Lodge, IP28 6LP – parish boundary runs through the property;

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- ◆ whether the area between Fornham Lock Bridge and the Sheepwash Bridge, adjacent to the sewage works entrance should be in Fornham St Genevieve or Fornham All Saints.

It was agreed that the Chairman should liaise with the relevant parish council chairmen and make contact with the residents involved to seek their views on which parish they feel most connected to.

- (ii) Cllrs agreed that the two notice boards in Fornham St Genevieve and in Lark Valley Road are not fit for purpose and should be replaced. Cllr Forster was asked to seek quotations for appropriate replacements.
  - (iii) Cllrs considered whether to hold a village fete in 2016 but agreed that they did not wish to compete with the church fete.
- 14. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda**
- (i) Reports on meetings attended had been considered;
  - (ii) It was agreed that Cllr Jayne Hubbard attend a SALC planning training course;
  - (iii) It was agreed that Neighbourhood Planning be considered at a future meeting;
  - (iv) There were no items of further information.

The meeting ended at 9.30pm.

**NEXT MEETING Thurs 15 OCTOBER at 7:30pm**

**Any parishioners wishing to raise an issue should contact the Parish Clerk by email - [fsmsgpc@gmail.com](mailto:fsmsgpc@gmail.com)**

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**PLEASE NOTE :** *The Parish Council has decided that the deadline for articles to be included in the Bugle will be brought forward for future editions i.e. DEC/JAN edition deadline 21 Nov 2015 . This will ensure that residents receive their copy before the beginning of the month shown on the front cover.*

## FSM CHURCH NEWS

The next BIG event for us is the forthcoming **Celebration Concert on Saturday 10th October**, in church at **7:30pm**. The Tudor Rose Singers with director Christopher Moore, accompanied by some musician friends, are going to present a concert of light well known music for all tastes, together with some organ pieces, to celebrate the complete restoration of our Nelson Pipe Organ, which 'plays' such an important part in the life of our church. It is now back in full working order, thanks to Mike Osborne from Ipswich, and well tested in the last few services and a wedding, we look forward to an evening of interesting and enjoyable music, with a wine buffet after. Being now 103 years old, but maturing with age, the restoration work should give us reliable use for the next 40 - 50 years, so I will not be doing anymore fund raising for it!



We cannot thank enough everyone who supported the funding of over £13,000, with donations locally and even from family connections abroad. The 'Sponsor a Pipe' scheme initiated by our old friend Len Long, never short of a good idea, was very successful, and I must also thank in particular the very generous bequest from Margaret Goodwin, and the generous grant from Suffolk County Council, obtained by our Borough Councillor Beccy Hopfensperger. Thank you one and all. Tickets are only £5 as we want the evening to be a celebration, not a 'real' fund raiser, to thank everyone.

Our last Book Sale Coffee and Cakes on 29th August went well, and we sold lots of books and cakes, with a large intake of books left over from the fete. The next one is on **Saturday 14th Nov, 11 - 3pm**, so do come along for a browse, and chat over a cuppa, savouries and cake.

As it's approaching Christmas, with Christmas things in the shops for the last few months, we will also have a Christmas Stall with seasonal cakes, decorations etc and music.

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Notices are now being placed on established graves, asking relatives to remove ornaments, solar lights, lanterns, stone animals and wind chimes, to keep the Churchyard clear and tidy, in accordance with the Churchyard Rules set by the Diocese.

Generally we are pleased with the understanding and co-operation being achieved, and we are trying to deal with these as sensitively as possible. Unfortunately the amount and type of these items has grown extensively in recent years, and some 25 graves are now affected to some extent.

Services in October and November are at 10am on Sundays:-

11th and 25th October, and 8th, 22nd and 29th November.

**8th November will be the Remembrance Day Service**, with the reading of the names of the 15 fallen from the village during The Great War of 1914 – 1918, and 2 minutes silence at the War Memorial. We hope as many as possible will join us for this important day, even if it is only to join us at the War Memorial at 11am. 29th November is Advent Sunday, the start of advent which lasts till Christmas and during which we think of the coming (or advent) of Jesus at Christmas.

The short 10:00am Tuesday services will be on 6th and 20th October and 3rd and 17th November, alternating in future on the Tuesdays in between, with Fornham All Saints Church.

In August we held a cremation service for Eddie Bray, and a funeral service with burial for Betty Stavers, Rest in Peace.

In September we were very pleased to hold a wedding for Bridget Cullyer and Anthony Fothergill, and we wish them every happiness together.

### CHURCHWARDENS

David Yates 02184 702157 and Sylvia Hilton 01284 725569

# LADIES CLUB

The evening of Wednesday 16th September was very wet but the weather did not deter Fornham Ladies Club members and guests reconvening after the Summer break.

The evening began with the AGM. Accounts were presented and approved. They are slightly up on last year which is pleasing, enabling the club to hold the annual subscriptions at £12. The new programme for 2015 - 2016 was outlined. Thanks were given to David Payne for producing it. Barbara Scarfe was welcomed onto the committee. Mary Payne thanked the committee and members for their loyal support through the year. She asked for all members to consider helping the club by reporting back with ideas for future programme topics and speakers.

The AGM was followed by an entertaining and lively presentation by Grant Elliott on the History of Jazz from 1900 to 1945. Jazz is Afro American music originating from the cotton fields of the Deep South of USA, then on into New Orleans and up the Mississippi. Grant played some very early recordings, the music was very rough around the edges, but very evocative of the times. As recording techniques improved and a wider selection of instruments became available Jazz evolved but always maintained strong rhythms. We heard music from, among other, King Oliver and Louis Armstrong and later from the Big Bands up in the north around Chicago. Much foot tapping accompanied these tracks. Grant's knowledge of Jazz was great and his enthusiasm infectious. We had enjoyed an evening of vibrant music and an unexpected opportunity to exercise our feet!

**Future Programme:**

- Wed 21 Oct**            The Red Cross - local and international.
- Wed 18 Nov**            A demonstration of 'Christmas Wreaths & Table Decorations by Vinnie Carnaby. Member participation will be encouraged!
- Either 2 or 9 Dec**      Christmas Dinner - venue to be arranged.
- Wed 20 Jan 2016**    Water Aid with Kyra Turner.

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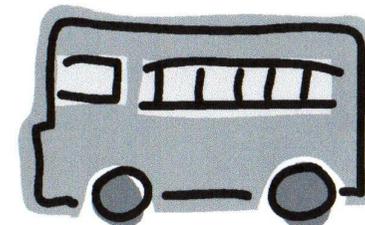
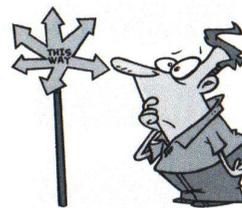
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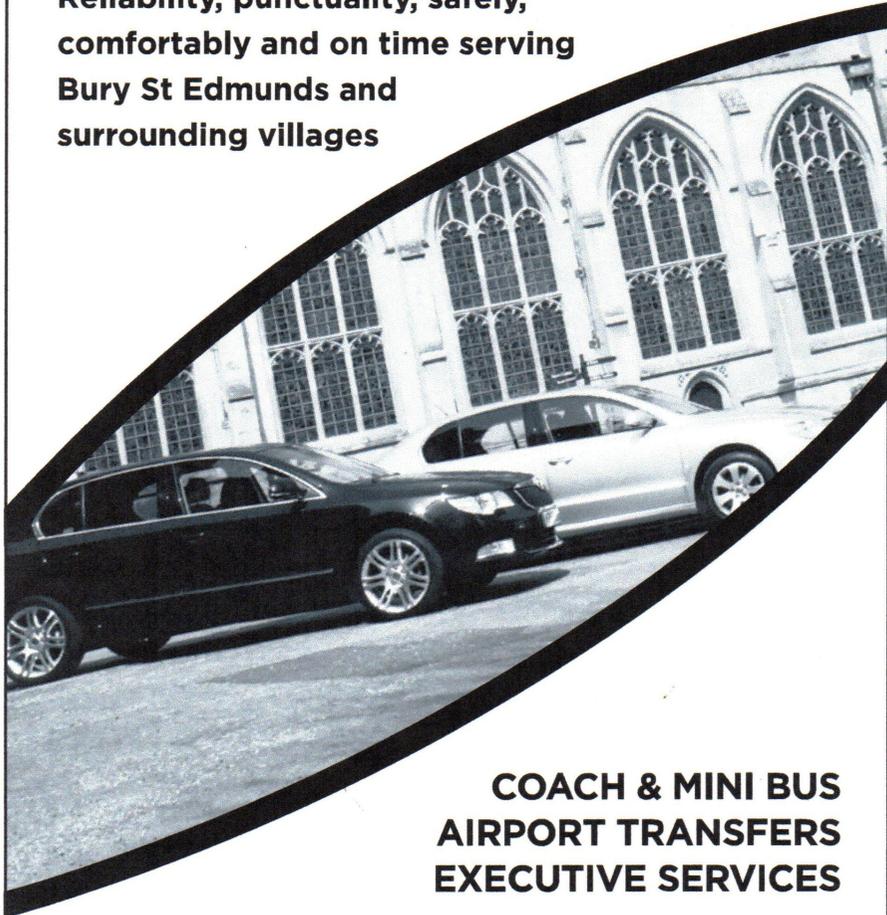
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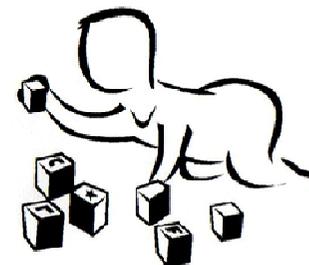
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