

VILLAGE VOICE

NEWS FROM WEST WICKHAM & STREETLY END

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WHEELED BIN COLLECTIONS

Wednesday	3 January	Blue only
Wednesday	10 January	Black
Wednesday	17 January	Blue & green
Wednesday	24 January	Black
Wednesday	31 January	Blue only

CHURCH SERVICES

7 January	11.00. Joint service of Holy Communion at Balsham Church
14 January	9.30. Holy Communion at St Mary's Church
21 January	9.30. Holy Communion at St Mary's Church
28 January	9.30. Holy Communion at St Mary's Church

For more details visit www.grantavale.org.uk

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

AgeUK Community Warden:
Lucy Cameron. T: 07436102865
email Lucy.cameron@ageukcap.org.uk

Granta Medical Practice / Linton Health Centre:

T: 0300 234 5555 option 3, followed by option 1 for appointments, option 2 for the Pharmacy.

FOR UPDATES & USEFUL INFORMATION GO TO <https://westwickham.org>

If you aren't online the Editors are more than happy to help.

★ HUB NIGHT! ★

WEST WICKHAM VILLAGE HALL

**Will be back in
March**



DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE Sunday 14 January

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YOUR CHANCE TO SAY NO TO ANAEROBIC DIGESTION PLANT AT STREETLY HALL FARM

While the public consultation period of the first application regarding the proposed plant has closed, you can still make your objection heard by the Cambridgeshire County Council. **Add your name to the online petition** using this link <https://tinyurl.com/NoStreetlyHallAD> or the QR code. The petition will be open until May 2024. The wording of the petition is below



Residents of South Cambridgeshire call for NO Anaerobic Digestion Plant at Streetly Hall Farm.

We, the residents of villages in South Cambridgeshire demand that the proposal for an industrial plant in open farmland be rejected.

Anaerobic digestion is a waste processing and biogas production operation. We want Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) to decide against an extreme and irreversible change of use which will have multiple adverse effects on the quality of life and well-being of residents and will compromise biodiversity. We are asking CCC to recognise the deep level of concern felt by residents.

There will be significant road safety risks from frequent and unrestricted heavy goods movements; 46 journeys per day in peak months, many, if not most, on unsuitable narrow roads; peak times will stretch between May and October. We believe the transport plan is unrealistic and expect CCC to interrogate thoroughly the data and claims.

We also believe serious threats will have a high negative impact, but are being downplayed.

- Odour is a product of processes, feed material and the storage, movement and dispersal of the digestate, requiring independent validation.
- There is a pollution threat to air, land and water and heavy use of mains water.
- There will be noise nuisance from operations 24 hours a day, 6 days a week.
- There may be structural damage to listed buildings and there is acknowledged potential of damage to archeological artefacts.
- There will be intrusive disturbance to the Roman Road, a nationally renowned historic site; this is the only bridleway in the area and part of the Harcamlow Way, a long distance trail.

The application understates the implications of a long term industrial development in the midst of an unspoilt natural environment. It lacks important detail, figures are misleading, mitigations are minimal, plans for monitoring are weak and claims for carbon neutrality are unjustified.

The Duty to Cooperate requires local authorities to work effectively on strategic planning matters that cross boundaries. Residents in South Cambridgeshire villages expect CCC to ensure that accumulative adverse effects are not imposed on small rural communities by two anaerobic digestion plants sited in close proximity, one in Streetly End and another between Withersfield and Haverhill.

It is important that residents can be listened to beyond the short formal opportunity for consultation and that the voices of residents, walkers, riders and cyclists are heard and the enhancement of plant and animal life given serious consideration, with a net gain. We urge CCC to provide leadership by replacing the ageing technology of anaerobic digestion and rather supporting clean green energy solutions.

Julie Copas

THANK YOU FROM THE EDITORS

We would like to thank everybody involved with the Village Voice, especially those stalwarts who deliver it throughout the year – Linda Adams, Jean & Kit Martin, Sue Thurston & Pete Grieve; to Janet who proof reads it each month; to the Parish Council whose support allows it to be distributed free of charge to every household; to Oliver Plumridge for printing it, and of course to everybody who sends articles, news and reports.

Thank you all. Andrew and Anna

ROAD CLOSURES

Webb's Road will be closed to vehicle traffic between Streetly End Farmhouse and Streetly Hall Cottages from 8 to 11 January to facilitate water meter replacement and associated works. Diversions will be in place.

Mill Road will be closed to vehicle traffic between the drive to Yen Hall and Mill House, West Wrating between 09.30 - 15.30 on 23 January to facilitate telecommunications work. Diversions will be in place

For more information visit

<https://one.network/?tmi=GB28125254>

RECYCLE YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE FOR CHARITY

Arthur Rank Hospice Charity's popular Christmas Tree Recycling Scheme is back again in January to help you take the worry out of disposing of your real festive tree. In partnership with Just Helping, teams of volunteers will be collecting trees in CB21, from 11-13 January. Registrations will open in mid-November and close 7 January. To register your tree, visit arhc.org.uk/tree-recycling

Do you think you can support the scheme this year? If you have a van or are willing to hire a van and you can spare a few hours to drive and collect trees, the Charity would love to hear from you! Please email christmastrees@arhc.org.uk or call 01223 675888.

MAKING A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION?

Why not resolve to meet some of your neighbours and make new friends, all with a little gentle exercise thrown in? The Carpet Bowls Club provides the perfect solution. We would love to see some new faces and gain some new members. Carpet bowls is easy to learn, is suitable for all abilities and all the equipment is provided. You can even come along and try it for free. It's fun, there's lots of laughter and you might even win a chocolate at the end of the evening. So, what's stopping you? We meet every Wednesday evening at 7pm in the Village Hall. You can just turn up or if you want further details contact the Secretary, Janet Morris: T: 290863, Email: jmmorris@jmmorris.plus.com

WEST WICKHAM & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Monday 15 January
My family and other irises
Talk by Lucy Skellorn of Foster Irises
7.30pm, Village Hall

Further information from Sue Boase
T: 07716 401646 . Email: wwdgc@westwickham.org

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

This is a precis of the draft minutes for the meeting held on 27 November. The full minutes can be found on the noticeboards or online at <https://westwickham.org/parish-council-meetings/parish-council-meetings-2023>

Firstly let me wish you all a very happy New Year.

Planning. CCC/23/110/FUL – Anaerobic digester & Streetly Hall farm access road: The applicant, Christopher Covey, gave a 5 minute outline of the proposal, explaining that farming has changed considerably since Brexit and this project was to diversify and to provide a living for the farm and enable them to keep their staff. He hopes West Wickham and surrounding villages will give their support.

Anita Stone who, amongst others, is opposed to the application, gave a 10 minute outline why the application should not be approved. She argued the transport figures were insufficient to show the effect it would have on the land and villages, and the bigger picture regarding sustainability. Maize and whole crop cereal would be grown which is not good for the soil. The application goes against the Neighbourhood Plan. There is no mention of the removal of the bio methane from the site, no plan for the construction management during the 62 week construction phase and the odour assessment is questionable. Noise, traffic safety and land protection was not given enough thought.

Members of the Parish Council then debated the application. The Chairman saying that there was a need for more clarity of transport figures, for example how were HGVs and heavy tractors going to get safely off and on the A1307 without changes to the road layout and causing long tail-backs. He feared that Streetly Hall Farm would end up as an industrial park not an agricultural farm as no decommissioning plan was provided.

It was agreed unanimously to object to the application and also agreed to ask that it should be referred to the full County Council Planning Committee.

Finance: The full details are shown in the draft minutes available on the noticeboards.

Traffic & Parking issues: *Local Highways Initiative application:* Cllrs McNeillie and Schuilenburg are putting together an application for new speed signs. The Chairman spoke about the need for a priority "right of way" sign for the section of road leading up from Streetly End to West Wickham, where the road narrows. He asked Cllr. Batchelor whether or not the County Council Highways Dept would be prepared to do this or will it mean submitting another LHI application. Cllr Batchelor agreed to look into this.

Maintenance:

- a) *Footpaths:* Cllr Temple said all but one field footpath had been reinstated.
- b) *High Street Wild flower area:* This has now been cleared but the hedge behind it needs some attention.
- d) *Dog fouling issues:* There have been complaints made about dog fouling (Ed. see last month's Village Voice). Cllr McNeillie said there were no bins in Streetly End. Cllr Schuilenburg said there are 3 in West Wickham High Street and one at the Village Hall. Burton End would be a suitable place for one. More signs are needed and the Chairman will request signs from SCDC to go on waste bins and be placed around the village.

**The next meeting will be held on Monday 22 January at 7.30pm in the Village Hall
All are welcome to attend.**

Jenny Richards, Parish Clerk.

T: 01223665260; Email: parish.clerk@westwickham.org

CUSTOMS AND FOLKLORE FROM THE PAST

This is a new series looking at calendar customs and folklore during the year. Catherine Parsons (1870-1956), the Horseheath antiquarian, was interested in everything to do with village life. As well as publishing scholarly research papers, she initiated an archaeological excavation of Roman remains, collected oral histories and was a founder of the Cambridge & County Folk Museum (now regrettably re-named the Museum of Cambridge with no mention of County) and its first honorary curator. A later (paid) curator, Enid Porter, also collected reminiscences which were published in 1969 as *Cambridgeshire Customs and Folklore*. It is mainly from the work of these two remarkable women that most of this series will be drawn, perhaps more from Catherine Parsons as her work was specifically local to us.

Plough Monday

1st Monday after 6 January (Epiphany/Twelfth Night)

Traditionally, this was the first day back on the land for agricultural workers after the Christmas break. Customs vary from region to region, village to village but most involve pulling a plough from house to house (of the more well-off inhabitants) to collect money with some sort of 'threat' to those not very forthcoming. Theories seem to vary as to whether the custom was a delaying tactic for the return to work or whether it was a way of making some money after the enforced and unpaid holiday but customs where bad behaviour was temporarily licensed or the social order inverted were often seen as a way of allowing a 'letting off of steam' to relieve the possibility of more sustained rebellion.

There is a description of Plough Monday in West Wickham by Jonas Marshall Webb (1859-1930) in his privately printed memoir *Streetly: A Tale of Cambridgeshire By "A Native"*. Jonas was the eldest son of Henry Webb, tenant farmer at Streetly Hall, and a 'little fellow', so it would be sometime in the 1860s, when he recalled this:

I quaked when they arrived in the dark and we heard a mighty shout:-

*"A piece of bread and a piece of souse!
If you don't give us money we'll
Plough down your House;
Holloa, boys holloa!"*

Then came a furious cracking of whips like a volley of pistol shots.

Catherine Parsons recorded something very similar in Horseheath. The custom seems to have died out by the First World War but was revived in Balsham in 1972. The Balsham Ploughmen still pull their plough around the village but now the money collected is for local good causes. If you pass through Balsham on the evening of 8 January you might well see them.

If you want to know more about the sources used or about the history of the village in general just get in touch:

Janet Morris, West Wickham & District Local History Club
Tel: 290863 Email: jmmorris@jmmorris.plus.com

WEST WICKHAM & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY CLUB

Monday 8 January
7.30pm in the Village Hall
Saffron Walden: Then and Now
A talk by Malcolm White

All welcome. For further details contact: Janet Morris

COFFEE MORNINGS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Coffee Mornings on the second Thursday in the month have been taking place in the Village Hall for two years now and it is lovely to see so many friends and neighbours returning each month for the teas, coffees and assorted treats provided by our generous bakers. It would be great to see some new faces joining them in 2024; you would be assured of a warm welcome. Take-aways are on offer if you can't spare the time to sit down and enjoy the company.

There is no charge to come and join in but if you would like to make a donation, then once we have paid for the hire of the Hall, any surplus goes to a charity of our choosing. This year the following charities have received a total of over £450: *Magic Breakfast, Disasters Emergency Committee - Turkey/Syria Earthquake Appeal, Comic Relief, Arthur Rank Hospice Charity, Essex Air Ambulance, Cambridge Women's Refuge, Little Princess Trust, Action against Hunger - Libyan Flood Appeal, British Legion - Poppy Appeal and Crisis (at Christmas)*. If you would like to know any more about the charities or would like to suggest one for a future coffee morning, please let me know. If any of you would like to offer to bake a cake, biscuits, scones, etc. then do get in touch.

Our next Coffee Morning is on **Thursday, 11 January** from 10.30. If you would like a lift to or from the Hall, please give me a call and we can arrange it.

Sue Thurston, T: 897811, Email: mail@suethurston.co.uk

West Wickham Village Hall

COFFEE MORNINGS

**From 10.30 on the 2nd Thursday of
every month**

Future dates for your diaries:

**11th January, 8th February
14th March & 11th April**

**Selection of teas & coffee
Variety of homemade cakes
LIFTS AVAILABLE**

**Call Di Licence (290434) or
Sue Thurston (897811)**



BALSHAM SINGERS

The Christmas Concert was SOLD OUT! We would like to thank everyone for their support.

Jo Stinton

FROM THE VICARAGE

Let me introduce myself to your village communities, Dr. Rhona McEune; I am training to be an ordained minister and on attachment with the Granta Vale Churches until next May. It is a privilege to be working in your churches getting to know you. My husband, Patrick McEune, is the Rector of the Raddesley group of churches. We moved here from Lincolnshire.

After the celebrations of Christmas and a little rest after a lot of enjoyable events, I am already looking ahead to another special celebration. On 2 February, close to the middle of winter, we celebrate Candlemas, where the story of the presentation of Christ in the Temple is recalled. It's a story showing great trust in God because Mary and Joseph take Jesus to the Temple to give thanks for his birth. There we meet the elderly priest, Simeon, who had been told by God he wouldn't die before seeing the Messiah, and Anna the widow, who had spent her life waiting for God to reveal himself to her, which he did in Jesus the small baby.

All through life we seem to be waiting, children to be teenagers, young adults to find partners and settle down, older people for retirement, to do all the things that they promised themselves they would do whilst still working, and then some people long for their life to come to an end. Simeon proclaimed Jesus was 'A light for revelation to the Gentiles' (Luke 2:32) and through him all people and nations would see the Messiah and learn God's work for the world through following his Son.

The celebration of Candlemas, then, touches on both waiting and thanksgiving, and encourages a deep faith and trust in God. Candles are blessed and lit as a sign of hope as we give thanks for God giving his Son to be our Saviour. It's also a wonderful reminder that we can proclaim hope in the world around us in all times and seasons of our lives.

I look forward to this wonderful celebration and to meeting people both there and around our villages over the coming months.

Rhona

VILLAGE HALL SOLAR PANEL APPEAL FUND UPDATE

As of 12 December, the fund has received £15333.53 in public donations and grants, including interest. This still leaves our appeal £4,737.59 short. THANK YOU again to the donors so far, as well as the National Lottery Fund who awarded us a £9,500 grant, as well as South Cambs District Council who awarded us a £4,000 Zero Carbon Communities Grant.

If you have not already contributed, all donations are still gratefully accepted. Donations can be made by cheques payable to "West Wickham Parish Council" and posted to The Parish Clerk, West Lodge, 88 High Street, Balsham, CB21 4EP, as well as online. For online contributions to the Appeal Fund, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Please include "PV Appeal Fund" on the rear of the cheque or as the reference for online banking. Should there be any excess, this will be donated to the running of the Village Hall.

Alex Schuilenburg
Chair, West Wickham Parish Council

NATURE NOTES

Whereas when the farmers are out ploughing and harrowing we have always had visitations of various varieties of gull, they now seem to be an ever-present throughout the winter, occupying the bare fields and feasting on worms and other invertebrates which are brought to the surface by the wet weather. I rarely drive up the hill back into West Wickham without seeing gulls either side of the road, rising and landing, randomly scattered across the fields. And the same is true of the field next to our garden, which runs up alongside Hare Wood. Sometimes they are hard to distinguish in the winter but varieties include **great and lesser black-backed and herring gulls**.

Other bird news is that there have been sightings of **fieldfares and redwings** feasting on the local berries and **golden plover** in the fields. Janet & Andrew had a **mistle thrush**, which frequently associates with fieldfares, actually singing within earshot of their garden. An even happier sight and sound for those of us with yearnings for the revival of certain species were a couple of **lapwings** also possibly luxuriating in the wet weather and issuing their familiar 'pee-wit' cry. One bird that has been noticeably missing in recent years is the **bullfinch**, so I was really pleased to catch sight of one on a walk in Weston Colville the other day. That was the first I have seen this year. The finches (apart from goldfinches) have not been doing that well in recent years. This is in stark contrast to the **blue tits** which have been observed in large numbers on many bird feeders. People in Maypole Croft have been lucky, because a pair of **marsh tits** have been visiting the gardens there. Their most common call is like someone sneezing – piCHAY! There is a hierarchy on bird feeders, and usually blue tits are the most dominant. They have attitude. However if anyone is lucky enough to attract a nuthatch they may find that nuthatches do not tolerate any other bird on the feeder.

The December weather was alternately wet, freezing and extremely windy, which brought to mind Kipling's poem 'The Way Through the Woods'. In the poem the road was shut seventy years beforehand and 'weather and rain had undone it again,' so that people would now never know there was once a path through the woods. It doesn't take much imagination to picture how nature can quickly cover up the evidence of human activity once it is left to its own devices. Although the paths we regularly walk through woodland are not being taken over, some of the trees are already showing signs of new life. **Willow** trees have very small tufts of silky hair on their buds. This is the soft coating which protects the new buds in the cold temperatures. It acts as an insulation, as does the 'sticky' bit of the sticky buds now also visible on the **horse chestnut** trees. The **hazel** trees have stiff catkins ready to unfurl in the spring.

At Christmas time perhaps we should be talking about the trees associated with this time of year – like pine, spruce and holly. It is a very good year for **holly** berries, which is good for birds, florists and people decorating their houses so we will conclude with an Edward Lear limerick which has a sad ending.

*There was an old lady, whose folly
induced her to sit in the holly
whereupon, by a thorn
her dress became torn
and she quickly became melancholy*

Please send your nature sightings to:
Peter Grieve. T: 01223 897811, E: mail@petergrieve.co.uk
Di Licence. T: 290434, E: dianarubylicence@gmail.com

LINTON LIBRARY NEWS

Have you decided to take up a new hobby? Come and see if we've got a book to help you on your way!

Visit a warm Linton library this January:

- To see the art work from the recent Linton Mapping Project (a collaboration with Arts and Minds) displayed in the library and elsewhere in Linton.
- The first of our Monthly talks, Gardening and Climate Change, on Wednesday 10 January, 2 – 3.30pm. Help your garden thrive and become a haven for wildlife. Refreshments available. A free talk but please book your place by contacting the library or email: cambourne.referral@cambridgeshire.gov.uk
- Our monthly drop-in Beano Comic Club starts Saturday 13 January, 10-12pm. Each month there will be a different pile of Beano's for you to sit and read here in the library. You could even try drawing one of the characters.
- Our friendly group for 0-4-year olds, Storytime. Rhyme-time. Duplo-time, 10am – 11am, every Tuesday (in term time). Stories, songs and Duplo play.
- Games Afternoon. Tuesday 2, 16 and 30 January, 2pm – 4pm, meet new people and try new games (you can even bring your favourite with you).
- Knit and Natter. Bring along any craft project you're working on, 2pm – 3pm on Tuesday 9 and 23 January.
- Daylight Readers. Our Book Groups meet on Friday 19 January, one at 10.30am and the other at 2.30pm and always welcome new members!

This year you could always become a Library at Home volunteer! This is a free Library at Home service for readers of any age who find it difficult to get to the library. We need a local volunteer who can visit monthly. For more information please ask.

Ann King and Melanie Symonds, Community Library Assistants, Linton Library.

Opening hours: Tuesday 10am-5pm; Wednesday 4-7pm; Thursday 2-5pm; Friday 10am-5pm; Saturday 10am-1pm.
Customer Services (regular office hours): 0345 045 5225
www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library_

SOLAR FARM APPLICATION

There is a potential planning application coming forward in our area for a solar farm. The size being considered is fairly significant, some 900 hectares. It's worth pointing out that this is the total area being looked at for planning merit. It is likely that a much smaller area will come forward as part of a formal planning application.

The geographic area is from the north of Linton/Abington up to Balsham and west, roughly following the route of the Roman Road, across the A11 to the edge of Fulbourn.

The promoters of this idea, Kingsway Solar Farm Ltd, intended going public with their plans on 14 December, so please do take a look when possible.

District Councillor Geoff Harvey

Email: geoff.harvey@gmail.com

County Councillor Henry Batchelor

Email: henrybatchelor89@gmail.com

(Ed. Kingsway Solar Farm Ltd seems to be a very newly established company that has changed its name twice since May. I can find no details about the company, not even a website!)

LINTON VILLAGE COLLEGE NEWS

It was lovely to welcome back the Class of 2023 at our Presentation Evening at the end of November to collect their GCSE exam certificates as well as awards nominated by their teachers for academic achievements.



Tutors gave some humorous and heartfelt speeches recounting their years with their tutor groups, many of whom had taken them through from years seven to eleven. After the speeches and presentations, guests were treated to an amazing spread kindly put on by the Friends of LVC.

You may have spotted LVC students walking through the village and local countryside during our annual sponsored walk the following day. It was great to have the whole school involved on the 12-kilometre route fundraising for the Friends of LVC.

With the fancy dress theme of 'At the Movies', students and staff made an amazing effort and made the walk that bit



more colourful. Friends volunteers did a fantastic job of marshalling the route. We are very grateful for the support of this amazing group of parents/carers and community members to enhance and enrich LVC students' educational experiences.

The autumn term has seen a fantastic array of arts events and activities. Platform 23 exhibition at Michaelhouse Café in Cambridge showcased wonderful artwork from our students alongside pieces from all Trust secondary schools. We hosted a Year 2 singing festival involving our feeder primary schools, which also included a performance from our choir, Linton Voices. Students taking Dance as an option were also involved on a trip to Dance East to develop their theatre technical skills and work with professional dance companies in some intensive workshops. Lots of students across all year groups were involved in our Christmas Arts Showcase.

Helena Marsh, Principal

MEADOW SCHOOL NEWS

As the year draws to a close and the festive spirit fills the air, December brought with it a flurry of activities, heart warming performances, and opportunities for us to come together.

Spreading Festive Cheer. The school's festive spirit soared to new heights during our 'Santa Dash' event. Wearing their vibrant Christmas jumpers, our enthusiastic students embarked on a merry walk around the Balsham recreation grounds. They formed a cheerful parade, spreading warmth and cheer through their infectious songs and cheerful melodies.

Jingle All the Way. Of course, Christmas in a primary school is not Christmas without a nativity production and our youngest members of the school brought the spirit of Christmas to life through their glorious and captivating performance. The Key Stage 1 Nativity was a delightful spectacle with children taking on the roles of camels, sheep, angels and, of course, school caretakers!

Meanwhile, the Key Stage 2 Carol Concert was a celebration of talent and unity. Their harmonious voices not only filled the aisles of Balsham Church but the hearts of those listening. Both events served as a reminder of the magic of the season, leaving the audience filled with the joyous spirit of Christmas.

Sending Sleigh-Loads of Thanks. We would like to extend our sincerest appreciation to Steve Jordan for his incredible talent and dedication in bringing the magic of music to life in both of these festive events. Thank you for sharing your musical gift and helping make our celebrations truly unforgettable. Another thank you we would like to give is to Nigel Clark and the members of the Balsham Church for being so accommodating and supporting us in using their beautiful setting.

From all of us at The Meadow Primary School, a Happy New Year! We wish you peace, happiness, and an abundance of wonderful memories in the days ahead.

Faye Facer. Assistant Headteacher

CHESTNUT TREE, WEST WRATTING

As I am sure you will all know, Rachel and Pete have left the Chestnut Tree for pastures new. As new owners we hope to keep the pub's character as a traditional village pub, and by the time you read this we should have a new management team in place and will shortly be able to offer food once again.

We hope that the Pool and Darts teams will continue as before, and that we remain as a hub for the collection of prescriptions, as well as a meeting place for village clubs etc.

Happy New Year to all and look forward to seeing you soon.

Paul and Debbie Mower

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WEST WICKHAM WHATSAPP COMMUNITY

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/HKPfGfF5U3s8kq2HHtakDr>

Join our WhatsApp Community and join in one or more of the groups below or start your own to share a common interest with other community members.

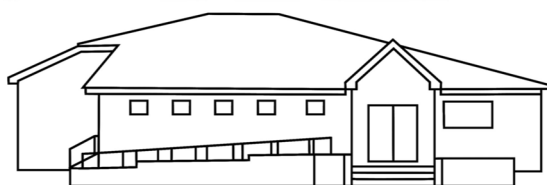


- Announcements
- Village Hall Events
- Village Shouts/Asks/Wants
- Art Club
- 🐾 Weekly Dog Walks 🐾
- Tradespeople

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If you exit Announcements, you will leave the community and its groups.

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West Wickham Village Hall

Open for hire by Residents, Local Clubs and Organisations

Suitable for family functions, childrens parties, meetings
social events and fund raising

Hiring provides the use of all facilities including the bar area, table tennis and badminton equipment and tables & chairs. The kitchen includes crockery, cutlery, a dish washer, cooker, microwave, fridge & freezer.

The Hall is licenced for music and performing arts.

Bookings can be made to:

bookings@westwickham.org or
by using the online booking/query at www.westwickham.org
Alternatively by leaving a voice message on 01223 789719

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