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The Reach website has now been updated and can be visited at;
www.reach-village.co.uk

There is information on the HISTORY of the village as well as current day issues and opportunities.

In the PARISH COUNCIL area you can download the Minutes of previous meetings and see the Agenda for the next one.

Older issues of this magazine can also be downloaded from the MAGAZINE page.

The NEWS page is constantly updated to show happenings in the village.

If you have any comments or items to be included on the website then just let me know.

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Out of Reach

Sports Day Special



The Ladies of Reach out on the Pull ?

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Surgery Hours
 Mon 8.40 - 11.30 am, 3.00 - 5.30 pm
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 Wed 8.40 - 11.30 am, 3.00 - 5.30 pm
 Thu 8.40 - 11.30 am, 3.00 - 5.30 pm
 Fri 8.40 - 11.30 am, 3.00 - 5.30 pm

Community Nurses 742382 11 - 11.30 am, 1.00 - 1.30 pm & 4 - 4.30 pm
Ante Natal Wed. 4.30 - 5.30 pm, Run by Midwife
Child Health Surveillance 2nd & 4th Tuesdays. 2.00 - 4.00 pm

Emergencies

Eastern Electric 0800 783 8838.
Anglian Water 08457 145 145.
Police 999 Non Emergencies 0345 4564564

Church Services



Services at Burwell and Reach

Sept 09	<i>St Mary's Burwell</i>	<i>St Etheldreda & The Holy Trinity Reach</i>
6th Trinity 13 Patronal Fest in Burwell	<u>Patronal Festival</u> 9.30am Parish Communion With the Bishop of Huntingdon Rt Revd Dr D Thomson	
13th Trinity 14	9.30am Family Service	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 7.00pm "Sunday @ 7" Informal Contemporary Worship
20th Trinity 15	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Family Service	
27th Trinity 16	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Parish Communion	<u>Reach Harvest Festival</u> 6.00 pm Songs of Praise - For all the family Please bring donations of non-perishable produce for local charities

Church Services



Services at Burwell and Reach		
Aug 09	<i>St Mary's Burwell</i>	<i>St Etheldreda & The Holy Trinity Reach</i>
2nd Trinity 8	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Family Service with young people from Germany and Hungary (followed by bring & share lunch in Guild-hall...)	(...then walk to Reach for tea at 3.30 pm and return to Burwell)
9th Trinity 9	9.30am Parish Communion	8.00am Holy Communion (said) (No "Sunday @ 7" this month)
16 th Trinity 10	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Parish Communion	
23rd Trinity 11	8.00am Holy Communion (said) 9.30am Parish Communion	
30th Trinity 12	38	9.30 am United (5th Sunday) Parish Communion

Editor's Notes



The purpose of Out of Reach is to serve the whole village by circulating information and interesting articles free to every household in Reach. Issues are published bi-monthly with cover dates of Dec/Jan, Feb/Mar, Apr/May, Jun/Jul, Aug/Sep and Oct/Nov.

Items for inclusion should reach the editor two weeks before the 1st day of the first month on the cover. Inclusion date for Oct/Nov issue will be 16th September.

From the Editor

The summer is upon us now with a mixed bag of weather. Hopefully, some of you will be away to exciting places this holiday and I would like to hear from you for later editions with any interesting news.

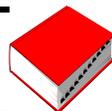
The peacock situation seems to have finally been resolved and we now have a manageable number around the village.

At the local elections in June we lost our long standing County Council representative, Hazel Williams, and now have David Brown from Burwell. We wish David well in his new role and look forward to seeing him in and around Reach.

Grahame Radford

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Village Centre



To help raise money to run the Village Centre we have a 100 club. Tickets are just £10.00 each.

The 100 club has 10 draws a year.
8 draws of £20.00 on the 3rd Wednesday of the month
2 draws of £50.00
July and December

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Please contact Joyce Harrison 742405

Forthcoming Events

August

- Sun 2nd** **9.30 am** St Mary's. Family Service 'The Local Shepherd' with real sheep and shepherd
- Sun 23rd** **4.00pm** At Ness Court. Summer Songs of Praise (Churches Together at Burwell)

September

- Thurs 3rd** **7.30 pm** Deanery Mothers Union Service at St Margaret's, Chippenham.
- Sun 6th** **9.30 am** Patronal Festival at St Mary's with the Bishop of Huntingdon.
- Sun 13th** **9.30 am** Family Service (2nd Sunday this Month)
- Sat 26th** **7.00pm** Harvest Supper (with entertainment) in aid of St Etheldreda's at Reach Village Centre
- Sun 27th** **6.00pm** Harvest Festival : Songs of Praise At St Etheldreda's, Reach.

REACH CHURCH NEWS

The Church Barbecue on Saturday July 11th seemed to have been a roaring success. Over 90 people bought tickets, and the Green was full of happy young families having a wonderful time. The weather, mercifully, stayed dry until the end of the evening as well. We are very grateful to all the people who helped to make this evening such a success: the organisers, the expert barbecue cooks, those who provided delicious salads and deserts, the people from the Village Hall Committee who put up the marquee and provided the two barbecues, all who manhandled chairs and tables before and after the event, and all who helped set up or clear away afterwards. We could not have done it without your help. Thank you very much indeed. We were able to pay £380 in to Church funds as well, though this was primarily a social event, which I hope you all enjoyed. It looks as though we may be required to do the same thing again next year, as it was obviously so popular!

The next Church event we are planning will be the

HARVEST SUPPER

on the evening of **Saturday, September 26th in the Village Centre.** We also need lots of help from you to make this a success, whether it is setting or clearing up, cooking casseroles and pies, providing entertainment or buying tickets and coming along.

We have decided to make this a Harvest Festival weekend, and there will be a

Harvest Songs of Praise

at **6.00 p.m. in the Church of St Etheldreda on Sunday September 27th.**

We hope you will enjoy this and come and sing and worship with us to celebrate the Harvest. If you have a favourite Harvest Hymn you would like to be included, please give your choice to Jenny Moseley as soon as possible, so the Vicar can plan the service to suit you. We hope to include seasonal poems or other writings, so please let us know of any of your own preferences and also if you would like to read them. We would like you also to bring along to this service non-perishable produce for distribution to the needy. We do hope that you will come and be with us on both of these joyous occasions.

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Jenny Moseley

Diary Dates



DATES for your DIARY

Aug

Weds 5	Parish Council Meeting	Village Centre	7.30 pm
Tues 11	Mobile Library	Village Green	1.10 pm
Fri 14	Recycling Day		
Weds 19	Village Centre Committee	Village Centre	8.00 pm
Tues 25	Mobile Library	Village Green	1.10 pm
Fri 28	Recycling Day		
Sun 30	Village Quiz	Dykes End	7.30 pm

Sept

Weds 2	Parish Council Meeting	Village Centre	7.30 pm
Tues 8	Mobile Library	Fair Green	1.10 pm
Fri 11	Recycling Day		
Wed 16	Centre Committee Meeting	Village Centre	8.00 pm
Tues 22	Mobile Library	Village Green	1.10 pm
Fri 25	Recycling Day		
Sat 26	Harvest Supper	Village Centre	7.00pm
Sun 27	Pub Quiz	Dykes End	7.30 pm

Reach Village Centre 100 club

Remember to get your 100 club ticket to be in with a chance of the monthly draw. Only £10 for the year!

May £20 winner - L Fry

June £20 Winner— J Collins

July £50 winner—Mandy Manchett

REMEMBER – To win it you've got to be in it

Notices



Reach & Swaffham Prior Community Broadband

Your local internet / e-mail provider
(Before going to BT—contact us)
£20 per calendar month



Name.....

Address

.....

Tel No.....

Please fill in this form if you require Broadband and return it to
Paul Catling, 10 Adams Road, Swaffham Prior
For further details contact Paul on 07005 800 991

Village Games for Hire

Don't forget that we have a number of excellent Games for hire.

These include:-

Feed the Frog, Drop the Dice, Splat the Rat and Hoopla.

Ideal for private parties, fund raising etc.

Interested?

Then telephone Jan Tabecki on 01638 742552
(Deposit required)

By joining them on their *final Sunday, 2nd August*, for some or all of the following:
The 9.30am Family Service at St Mary's Burwell in which the young people will be taking part.

The theme will be "The Good Shepherd" – with a real shepherd, and some real sheep in church!
(Not to be missed – especially those with young children who'll love the sheep!)

Have you noticed the single stained glass window in St Etheldreda's Church in Reach is of The Good Shepherd, with words from Isaiah 40:11 "*He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms, and carries them close to his heart*" (east window in the apse)?

From 12.00pm a Bring & Share Lunch in the Guildhall beside the church – a chance to meet and chat with the young people and leaders, and to hear about the experiences of their week together in Norfolk.

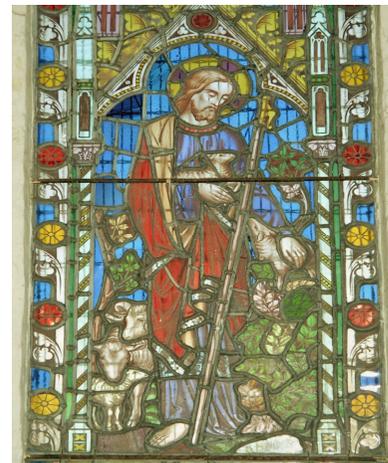
At 2.15pm, leaving from the Guildhall, joining the young people for an all-age **Parish Walk** (gentle stroll) exploring Burwell Fen and the Lodes en route to Reach, where we will stop for refreshments and see the stained-glass window of The Good Shepherd in St Etheldreda's Church.

And / or join us for a Picnic Tea on The Green by the Church at approximately **3.30-3.45pm**, before the final leg back to Burwell.

If you are walking with us feel free to join in the whole walk (approx 4½ miles), or either part... Burwell to Reach via the Lodes (approx 3 miles), or from Reach to Burwell via the Dyke (approx 1½ miles), or just join us for tea!

With every blessing

Stephen



Etheldreda & the Holy Trinity, Reach

**He tends his flock like a shepherd:
He gathers the lambs in his arms
and carries them close to his heart"**
(Isaiah 40: 11)

Church News



Dear Friends,

Hospitality & Welcome!

The warm welcome and generous hospitality we can offer others costs us very little and can make deep and lasting impressions for good. On holiday many years ago, Abi and I met a newly married couple enjoying part of their honeymoon on Lindisfarne. They had come away with fridge-full of delicious food from their wedding reception, and were delighted to find some people they could share it with – and so, after the Sunday morning service, they invited us back to their rented cottage to enjoy their food and hospitality, and made us feel so welcome! On another occasion years ago too, we moved into our first house – a terraced 2-up 2-down on a busy main road. As our furniture was being unloaded from the van, an elderly lady staggered across the road, dodging the traffic, bearing a tray with mugs of tea. Not a case of “Tea Vicar?” as this was long before that stage in our lives, it was simply a generous act of welcome and hospitality – opening up a deep friendship that lasted over many years until that dear lady passed away.

Warm welcomes and generous hospitality are not confined to Christian communities, but they are one of their hallmarks. Monasteries for example, have traditionally been places where any wayfarer can stop by and receive these acts of beneficence. Thinking back to the itinerant ministry of Jesus, the gospels remind us how he and his disciples depended on the welcome and hospitality of those they met travelling from village to village; and if ever they found there was no welcome, they didn't linger but “brushed the dust from their feet, and move on the next place”.

A sign of a happy, lively and thriving church that seeks to be of service to all, especially to newcomers and visitors, is the quality of its welcome and hospitality. It's pleasing that many have said how welcoming and hospitable they have found both of our churches in Reach and Burwell, and for many this first happy experience has caused them to come again, and again.

Whether in church or in other circles, in the course of our daily rounds let's not forget the deep and lasting impression our warm welcomes and acts of hospitality can make!

This summer we have some visitors from our link parishes in Germany and Hungary, and a chance for all of us to offer them welcomes and hospitality as best we can. About 30 young people and their leaders will be joining a group of young people from in and around ~~34~~ parish for a 12-day summer programme together, most of which will be at the Youth Activities Centre at Horstead, close to the Norfolk Broads. The welcome and hospitality I would encourage and invite you to offer is as follows...

For Hire from Reach Village Hall

Marquees - £80.00
(includes erection by
experienced personnel)

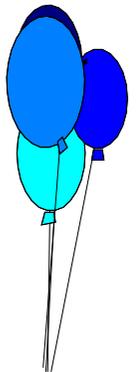
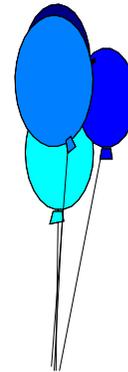
10' x 10' Gazebos - £20

Large BBQ - £20.00 deposit
(£10.00 refunded if the BBQ is returned fully cleaned)

Please contact Andrew Hall on 01638 743737

Birthdays

Congratulations to :-



Village Centre News

Annual General Meeting

The AGM took place on July 15th and although the existing Committee were voted in again unfortunately we have lost two stalwart and valuable members due to other commitments. Sue Dimmock has been associated with the Village Centre for over 25 years and although Jo Redfarn has been involved for a lot less time we will miss both of them. Their enthusiasm, dedication and hard work over the years has been enormous and the Committee wishes them well and hopes we see them again at some time in the future. Fortunately they have both agreed to continue to help with the Fair in any way they can, which we much appreciate.

This means that we would welcome additional Committee members, so if anyone is interested please contact either the Chairman, Andrew Towers, on 742484 or our Secretary Rita Dunnett, on 742943.

Macmillan coffee morning

Joyce Harrison is again arranging a **Coffee morning** as part of the National **MacMillan Great Coffee Morning** event.

This will take place on Saturday 26th September at 10.30 am. Everybody is welcome and any unwanted gifts to help raise money will be very much appreciated.

There will be just time to clear away from this and prepare for the **Harvest Supper** which takes place on the evening of 26th September. Start time is 7.00pm and you will need to book your tickets (see other notice in this edition).

2009 Reach Fair

The final figure for this year's Reach Fair was announced at the AGM and amounts to a profit of £5,707.33 of which £1,426.83 is allocated for the Amenity Fund.

11. RaSP Mast

ECDC has received a complaint regarding the presence of a RaSP mast in the garden of a house in the village. The ECDC has reviewed the mast and concluded that planning permission is required. The resident concerned will be submitting planning permission documentation in May for future consideration by the Parish Council. This item was not discussed at this meeting.

12. Reach Wood Tree Stumps Update

Some tree felling took place in Reach Wood but the trees were not felled to ground level so as the grass grew, the stumps became a trip hazard. The Clerk has spoken to the Woodland Trust and they have agreed to arrange for the stumps to be reduced to ground level.

13. Track becoming Rutted off Great Lane

The track in question has become, in the opinion of the Parish Council, dangerously rutted. The Clerk has contacted the resident whose vehicles are causing the rutting and the resident has agreed to carry out remedial action when the necessary equipment is available. This item was not discussed at this meeting.

14. Trees overhanging Burwell Road

There was concern regarding the trees which overhang the Burwell Road on the left hand side as you leave the village. The Clerk has contacted the owner of the trees who believes that any remedial work is the responsibility of the Highways department. The Clerk has asked the Highways department for their opinions on this and awaits their response. This item was not discussed at this meeting.

Planning Applications

The planning applications for White Roses were approved prior to the meeting subject to one comment.

Information Items

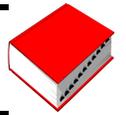
None

Payments

These were made as follows and from the Parish Council's Precept Current Account unless otherwise indicated.

100872	D. Blocksage	Cemetery Mowing	£130.00
100871	C R Contracting	Mowing	£270.00
100873	E.ON	Lighting Electricity	£331.28

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 1st July at 7.30pm. The Agenda for the meeting will be issued by the previous Wednesday – and will also be posted in the Parish Council area of the Reach website (www.reach-village.co.uk).



6. Daffodil planting in Reach

A resident had suggested that the village of Reach was somewhat lacking in daffodils compared to our neighbours and that there should be a "village planting day". This suggestion was put into the Out of Reach Magazine and onto the website. If there was support, then a team would be set up to plan the day and it was suggested that the Amenity Fund be asked to pay for the cost of the bulbs. This item was not discussed at this meeting.

7. Great Lane – Fair Green Bend Large Vehicle Access

The residents of the three houses closest to the bend had expressed their concerns regarding large vehicles trying to navigate the bend and in the process causing direct damage to their properties by way of collision or weakening the houses due to their weight and vibration. The Parish Council had asked the Clerk to work with the residents and a meeting took place with the residents and the Highways Department on the 29th April. The residents had written to the Parish Council with their proposals, asking the Parish Council to write to the Highways Department in support of these proposals. The Parish Council visited the bend on the Thursday evening following the Parish Council meeting and asked the Clerk to write to the Highways Department, supporting the proposals and asking, in addition, what might be done to protect the corner of Myster House. The Parish Council did have some concerns regarding access for legitimate refuse vehicles and similar and would reserve the right to approve whatever plans the Highways Department comes up with.

8. Great Lane Road Erosion

In the winter, Great Lane gets very muddy due to vehicles cutting into the grass bank outside 19 Great Lane – indeed that bank has been eroded significantly over recent years. The Parish Council asked the Clerk to work with the residents and a meeting took place with the Highways Department on the 29th April. The residents are now considering the response of the council and will, with the help of the Clerk, communicate their thoughts to the Highways Department in due course. The Parish Council wishes to review any finally agreed proposals prior to implementation. This item was not discussed at this meeting.

9. Land Registration

It has been established that the Hythe and the Drying Ground are not registered. The Clerk will collect further information to establish the benefits/drawbacks of the Parish Council registering and thereby taking ownership of these areas of land (plus potentially others) and will report back to the Parish Council at a subsequent meeting. This item was not discussed at this meeting.

10. Pollution in Agricultural Land

The Parish Council had been contacted by a Scientific Officer from Environmental Services at ECDC regarding a letter sent to the Parish Council in April 2006 regarding this problem. A site visit by the Scientific Officer took place in November 2008 with a representative of the Parish Council in attendance. The Scientific Officer recognized that there was a problem and in conjunction with the landowner, an action plan has been instigated. The situation continues to be closely monitored both by a Parish Councillor and the Scientific Officer, especially regarding the new aspect of rubbish coming out of the old pit and falling down into the wood. This item was not discussed at this meeting. **32**

Dear Editor

Did you see the Reach Avocets?

The National Trust land at Tubneys Fen has come up trumps with exciting and new for this area wildlife. One of the iconic birds of wetlands, the Avocet, has bred on the fen this year. At least 2 pairs attempted to breed and hatched at least three chicks. When I started to write this article there was one surviving chick.

This is a great success, the removal of a sterile irrigation reservoir, has turned the area into a breeding site that benefits these wonderful birds. The sight and sound of the parent birds hurtling up to protect their young from a passing Marsh Harrier or marauding gull is a real nature moment.

The Avocets have now left the Mere and will be moving to the West Country for the winter. The two main wintering sites are the river estuaries of the Exe and the Tamar where very large flocks of our Avocets gather.

Will they come back next year? That I don't know, but we can all help by not walking on the Mere banks and just keeping to the track across the fen. This will keep the disturbance to a minimum and hopefully we will have more Avocets to see next year.

The ornithologist.

Reach Family Sports Day

It was fabulous to see 29 children, grandchildren and friends gather with their parents and grandparents on Sunday 5th July, sacrificing watching the Men's Singles Finals at Wimbledon, to join in with the annual Reach Family Sports Day.

The traditional Sports Day races were run: There had to be a re-run of the pre-school potato race as confusion ensued over whose bucket was whose! There were impressive wins in the junior/intermediate three legged race by George and Harry Hull, and in the adult race by Helen Oliver and Andrew Towers-who swore they had not practiced since they last ran it 3 years ago! Imogen Kirkpatrick (Jo Kirkpatrick's granddaughter) was very fast and hung



onto her "egg" in the junior egg and spoon race. There was a dramatic "pile-up" of Hector and Violet Kneutgen in the pre-school three legged race. Ben Snaith and Helen Oliver won the adult wheelbarrow race by miles. As we had three babies-Rosie Mitchell, Brooke Malone and William Gillard, who cannot yet walk independently, we had a babies and carers walking race. They seemed to like the excitement of the day and enjoyed their very own race.

It was fun to see the adult straw hats go flying in the sprint. It was hard to keep the children out of the buckets before the apple bobbing/obstacle race, this didn't really matter as they all got soaking wet anyway, I was impressed to see Charlotte and Emily taking the infallible technique of the Hill boys (from a few years ago) of cornering the apple at the bottom of the bucket (thank goodness we pack spare clothes for the afternoon)

The marathon was run by most children, I am always impressed by the young children who try their hardest to run the whole course, and generally make it all the way round. Ben Snaith's triathlon training paid off as he took home the boy's junior marathon cup, Charlotte Gillard won the girl's junior marathon cup. Ross Clark won the men's marathon cup-we were honoured that Ross had bought trainers with spikes for this year-previously he has raced (and won) in hob nailed boots. Juliet Vickery won the ladies marathon cup. Finally the slow bicycle race was held-won nobly by Eliza Clark with impeccable patience and technique.

Anyone owning livestock should be vigilant – the Norfolk Police number is 0845 456 4567.

Village Hall Committee Report

The Reach Fair went well and provided a total profit of £5,771.58 of which the share to the Village Hall will be £4,328.69 and the Amenity Fund £1,442.90. It was reported that on the day of the Fair the graveyard was used as a bicycle park. It was agreed that this was inappropriate and that measures would need to be taken to ensure this does not happen at subsequent Fairs.

Matters Arising

1. Clerk Annual Review

The Clerk has been in his role for one year now and therefore good practice dictates that his performance and pay level should be reviewed by the Parish Council. It was agreed that Ross Clark would look into this process and that this would be a discussion point at the next Parish Council meeting.

2. War Memorial Status

It was reported to the Parish Council that the War Memorial was looking in need of refurbishment. The Parish Council agreed to look at the War Memorial on the following evening and the result of this was that the Clerk will ask Ivett and Reed to provide details of what needs to be done and a price for carrying out the work. The Clerk will also contact the War Memorials Trust to see how they may be able to help.

3. Allotments in Reach

There had been a request for allotments to be made available in the village. An item regarding the potential need for allotments was included in Out of Reach Magazine and on the website with six people expressing an interest so far. Ross Clark will continue to try and find a suitable location for the allotments.

4. Bus Shelters being used as Noticeboards

The two bus shelters in the village are doubling up as noticeboards and a concern was raised that this made them look untidy. It was decided to consider the acquisition of two wooden noticeboards which would be properly and appropriately attached to the two shelters. The Clerk will specify exact sizing and get three quotations for further consideration. This item was not discussed at this meeting.

5. Calor Village of the Year competition

The Parish Council had received a letter from Cambridgeshire ACRE, inviting the village to enter this competition. This opportunity was added to the Reach website and publicised in Out of Reach Magazine. Since no-one came forward volunteering to lead any village entry, it was decided that this invitation would be declined.

A number of residents of Reach, Swaffham Prior and Upware receive their broadband via RaSP. The service it provides is significantly superior to that available from BT or other providers. Following a complaint from a resident near to the aerial, RaSP has had to apply for retrospective planning permission. The planners initial reaction was for refusal.

I have asked for this issue to be taken to Planning Committee and not decided by an officer's delegated powers. I feel that adequate broadband provision in rural areas is part of the Council's "Sustainable Communities Policy" and indeed ECDC's website says "access to broadband service is a key priority and we are committed to ensuring residents and businesses throughout have broadband internet facilities available to them". Officers seem more amenable to this application and hopefully it will be granted.

Financial Report

The Parish Council has received the first half of its Precept and remains in a financially sound situation and on course to finish the financial year with reserves of £2,600 – approximately 35% of gross expenditure.

Police Liaison Committee Report

Over the last few weeks a large group of youths has been congregating at weekends on the grounds of Bottisham Village College. This has been discussed with the local policing team and the school. Positive action will be taken against anyone behaving in an antisocial manner, with parents being informed of any issues caused by their children. The group comprises both current and ex-pupils of the College and live in Bottisham, The Swaffhams, Lode and Reach. Parents who think their children might be involved may speak to the police who are keen to discourage this sort of activity.

In the last two months, there has been a series of thefts in Cambridgeshire, including a horse box from Wisbech area, car trailers from the Huntingdon/St Neots area and Transit/LDV vans in the areas of Wittleford and Papworth Everard. Police are urging residents to be vigilant.

There has been a recent increase in cattle thefts in the Kings Lynn area, between the hours of 9.00 pm and 6.00am. The cattle have been ready for slaughter, but without the right paperwork legitimate abattoirs will not process them so the slaughtering would have to be done illegally. The police are asking:

Do you know of anyone trying to sell large quantities of meat?
Do you know of anyone with a large quantity of cattle they didn't have before?
Have you seen cattle without ear tags?
Have you seen any person /vehicle acting suspiciously around farm lands or fields?

IA barbecue was enjoyed by all. The points were totted up and the prizes given out. The Junior Cup (7 years and under) was won by George Hull. The Intermediate Cup (8 to 11 years) was won by Harry Hull. The Senior Cup (12 to 16 years) was won by Ben Snaith. All the children were given a certificate. Finally there was a tug of war, the male versus female match was well matched, but the east side of the village team need more support next year as they were hugely outnumbered by the west side team!

It was a very enjoyable afternoon, revealing Reach at it's best-perfect weather, lovely facilities on the sports field and community spirit. Thank you to Helen Oliver and Juliet Vickery for all their work in organising and running the afternoon. We are grateful and say thank you to Bryan Pearson for marking out the lines. Thank you to Jonathan Gillard and David Thomas for the barbecue. Thank you to all on the day who helped set up, judge, generally run the events and clear up afterwards. Thank you for the financial support of the village amenity fund that made the afternoon possible. We were also grateful for the good deal on burgers and sausages given by Jack Hurrell Butchers.



We plan to run sports day on Saturday 12th June 2010. It would be great to hear of any suggestions you may have for future sports days.

Susan Gillard

NB. Juliet Vickery, Reach's very own triathlon Champion, has recently had two more wins, despite saying last season that she might not be as competitive! She was 13 minutes clear of her nearest rival in the Regional Triathlon series at Bedford and won the Norwich round by more than 5 minutes. Well done, Juliet.

Water Ski Racing

Jack Lynch and Harvey Robinson from Reach and formally BVC students, have been picked for the British team to race in the world championships in Belgium in July. They will be waterskiing behind powerboats at speeds in excess of 85 mph. The championships consist of 4 races, each being 1 hour and 1 lap over 7 days on the Belgium canals where the water will be very rough and unpredictable. Both boys have trained hard over the last year in the gym and on the water and will need maximum fitness to get through the week. They both ski for Hunstanton Waterski club in Norfolk and currently racing the national circuit. They are presently first and second with three more races to go!

Friends of Bottisham Village College

CHRISTMAS MARKET & CRAFT FAIR 29 NOVEMBER 2009

at
Bottisham Village College



We are now taking bookings from stall holders for our very popular Christmas Craft Fair.

Please email friends@bottishamvc.org
or telephone 07747484058 for a booking form.



ALLOTMENTS

The parish council is investigating the possibility of setting up allotments in Reach. If you would be interested in renting one, or you have some land you would be interested in renting for the purpose, please contact Ross Clark on 01638 743725 or rossjclark@aol.com

A scheme where waste cooking oil is collected at Cambridgeshire recycling sites has collected 2,000 litres of oil in its first 6 months. It is converted into clean, renewable energy which feeds into the national grid.

The Children and Young People's Plan for 2009-2012 that sets out the priorities over that time, has been agreed.

The Sustainable Communities Act has been adopted. This promotes much more of a 'bottom up' approach to government.

NHS Cambridgeshire announced that the total number of cases of swine flu in Cambridgeshire is five. The swine flu infection has been mild and the advice to the public and health care staff remains unchanged.

The government are consulting on the Concessionary Fare Scheme. They want views on whether to move the administration and responsibility to a different tier of government, either county or government level.

As Cambridge is a bicycle demonstration town there will be a number of events taking place throughout Bike Week (13-21 June) including a Bike Fair on Parkers Piece on the 13th of June.

The guideway beams for the Guided Bus are expected to reach the St. Ives Park and Ride site in early June. This site is nearing completion, as is Longstanton Park and Ride site.

Donarbon open day is on 6th June 10-4pm.

Marshalls are working with a relocation sub group to pursue options for the airport other than Mildenhall.

RECAP have secured funding to train non-waste officers in other council departments, who make regular visits to local businesses. This will enable them to gather waste related information as well as giving advice. The initiative includes all local authorities in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

The Cambridgeshire LAA target for Adapting to Climate Change is Level 1, the minimum level that local authorities should reach. This has been achieved by Cambridgeshire and Cambridge City and Fenland, South Cambs and Huntingdon having partially met level 1. East Cambs is level 0.

District Council Report

Once again there is a large amount of debris fly tipped at the far end of Headlake Drove. Council Officers have been notified.

**Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on;
Wednesday 3rd June 2009**

Attendance

Michael Aves	Vice Chairman	Present
Ross Clark	Chairman	Present
Rita Dunnett	Councillor	Present
Hilary Fielding	Councillor	Present
Joyce Harrison	Councillor	Present
Angela King	Councillor	Not Present
Helen Platt	Councillor	Present
David Parr	Clerk	Present
Allen Alderson	District Councillor	Present
Hazel Williams	County Councillor	Present

Forum for Members of the Public

No members of the public attended.

Declaration of Interests

Ross Clark declared an interest in the Amenity Fund application.

Amenity Fund Applications

A request for funding has come from Joe Acklam for a cricket net for the village. This would be sited on the playing field and taken down in the winter. There was total support for this and Ross Clark will be working with Joe to come up with a firm proposal with costings. Once this is produced the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee will review and make a decision.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 6th May 2009 were reviewed and signed.

County Council Report

A Lowry painting belonging to Cambridgeshire Schools Arts collection was sold at auction for £450,000. The proceeds will be used to support cultural activities across the county. When bought in 1935 it cost £31.50.

At the last full council meeting before the election there was disagreement about holding the discussion on the guided bus as a confidential item. Everyone agreed that information should not be released which would prejudice any case that the council might take against BAN Nuttall who are constructing the guided busway but it was felt that there was too much secrecy on the issue.

PARTY PIECE

BY RICHARD HARRIS

It is the night of a fancy dress house-warming barbecue –
AND YOU ARE INVITED.

The evening looks all set for a party until a string of hilarious disasters strike, including a distinct lack of guests, un-defrosted food, a marauding Zimmer frame and the mention of a mysterious guest arriving in a coffin! The hosts' (played by *Graham Horton and Pam Daish*) patience is further tried by the arrival of their neighbours, the indomitable Mrs Hinson (*Jane Seakins*), who brings her own brand of party entertainment in the form of the domestic squabbles of her son and daughter-in-law (*John Hartley and April Cook*). This is a fast-paced and very funny play packed with action and set in the back gardens of the feuding neighbours.

Rosemary Jolley is directing a first rate and experienced cast. We would like YOU to join 'the party' and find out who lands up in the pond and who gets stuck in their chair!

**Main Hall
Bottisham Village College
on
October 15th, 16th and 17th
at 7.30pm.**

Tickets will be available from Tina's, Burwell

Prices £7.50 and £5.50 (concessions) for all performances.

By kind permission of Samuel French Ltd.



ANYONE FOR TENNIS?

It has been suggested that Reach should have its own tennis court. The thought is that a space could be found on the playing field for a porous, painted, tarmac court which would be enclosed and accessible by key only.

It is very early stages yet but already there are a significant number of supporters of this scheme and I have been investigating funding and have brought it to the notice of both the Parish Council and the Village Hall Committee.

The total cost will be £25,000 to £30,000 so this is not something that the Amenity Fund would be asked to pay for but it may feel it could contribute a small proportion.

I should highlight that my role as Project Manager for this is just as a Reach resident, not as the Clerk, but I'm going to need help.

Gaining funding will not be easy but certainly not impossible. I need to have the names and contact details of all Reach residents who are supportive of this venture. I have a number already but would ask others to send me an email to let me know of their interest - the bigger the number, the better the chance we have.

Tennis is a lovely game which all age groups can play so let us do all that we can to make this project successful.

David Parr
20 Fair Green
Reach
CB25 0JD
Tel: 01638 744081
Email: davidmparr@btinternet.com

Information Items

- a. The Parish Council continues to try and assist Snakehall Farm in their construction of a bus shelter.
- b. The resident who was parking cars wholly on the pavement has ceased to do so.
- c. The possibility of appointing a "Play Spaces" Officer was discussed. This person would oversee the play spaces in the village and champion the cause for improvements to them. The Play Spaces officer would work with the Clerk to get grant funding for these improvements. It was agreed that this suggestion would be put into the Out of Reach Magazine and onto the website.
- d. All Parish Councillors have to sign a document stating that they undertake to observe the Code of Conduct. The Clerk will print off the Code of Conduct, a training presentation for the Code and the Guide to the Code and ensure that all Parish Councillors have copies and have read and understand the Code.
- e. It was noted that the trees cut down in Reach Wood have had significant stumps left which provide a health and safety issue. The Clerk will contact the Woodland Trust and ask them to remediate the problem.

Payments

These were made as follows and from the Parish Council's Precept Current Account unless otherwise indicated.

100870	D. Blocksage	Cemetery Mowing	£130.00
100869	C R Contracting	Mowing	£270.00

The date of the next meeting will be Wednesday 3rd June at 7.00pm, to be followed at 7.30pm by the Parish Meeting. The Agendas for both meetings will be issued by the previous Wednesday – and will also be posted in the Parish Council area of the Reach website (www.reach-village.co.uk).

14. National Trust Bridge Plans

The National Trust is planning to put in a bridge across Reach Lode for the use of walkers, cyclists and horse riders. The intention is that the bridge will link Burwell Fen Farm with Split Drove. A programme of showing the plans to interested groups has been completed. During the middle 3 Saturdays in May there will be a public road show to show these plans and other projects to the community. The plans for the bridge will be finalized and ready for planning in May. The Parish Council will then receive the application for comment from ECDC in the normal fashion.

15. Peacocks Nuisance

The Parish Council has received a complaint regarding the presence of a number of peacocks in the village. The issue has been discussed with ECDC and some action taken to overcome the problem. It was reported that unless the birds were a noise nuisance there was little that can be done. It was also felt that the problem had significantly reduced and that no further action should be taken.

16. Pollution in Agricultural Land

The Parish Council has been contacted by a Scientific Officer from Environmental Services at ECDC regarding a letter sent to the Parish Council in April 2006 regarding this problem. A site visit by the Scientific Officer took place in November 2008 with a representative of the Parish Council in attendance. The Scientific Officer recognized that there was a problem and in conjunction with the landowner, an action plan has been instigated. The situation continues to be closely monitored both by a Parish Councillor and the Scientific Officer, especially regarding the new aspect of rubbish coming out of the old pit and falling down into the wood.

17. RaSP Mast

ECDC has received a complaint regarding the presence of a RaSP mast in the garden of a house in the village. The ECDC has reviewed the mast and concluded that planning permission is required. The resident concerned will be submitting planning permission documentation in May for future consideration by the Parish Council.

Planning Applications

The planning application for the Old Granary Springhall Farm was discussed and there were no objections raised. The planning applications for White Roses were discussed and a visit will be made by Parish Councillors prior to any comment.

Ladies of Reach Association (LORA)

Annual Festive Dinner

**The proposed date is
Friday November 27th 2009**

**At
The DYKES END**

8.00p.m. for 8.30p.m.

Numbers will again be limited to 24, so early booking is advised. Contact Hilary or Karen.

It is intended to use the same system as last year. The menu and cost will be printed in the next edition and payment and choices will be required by Friday 6th November 2009

**Karen Carpenter
742814
gnk@btinternet.com**

**Hilary Fielding
741853
hilary@reach-village.co.uk**

Bus Timetable



We are indebted to **Ian Massini** who has kindly volunteered to provide and maintain an up-to-date timetable in "Out of Reach" for the residents.

Mondays to Fridays

Newmarket Rookery	Reach	Swaffham Prior	Cambridge Drummer St	Bus
06.22	06.54	06.57	07.38	10
—	07.39	07.42	08.36	10
09.22	09.54	09.57	10.35	10
Then .52 & .22 past each hour	Walk	Then .27 & .57 past each hour	Then .05 & .35 past each hour	10/10A
12.22	12.54	12.57	13.35	10
Then .52 & .22 past each hour	Walk	Then .27 & .57 past each hour	Then .05 & .35 past each hour	10/10A
16.22	16.54	16.57	17.35	10
17.22	17.54	17.57	18.35	10
17.52	18.24	18.27	19.08	10A
18.52	Walk	19.27	20.05	10
—	Walk	21.52	22.30	10

Cambridge Drummer Street	Swaffham Prior	Reach	Newmarket Rookery	Bus-
07.00	07.32	07.35	08.11	10
09.00	09.32	09.35	10.08	10
09.22	09.54	09.57	10.35	10
Then .30 & .00 past each hour	Then .02 & .32 past each hour (walk)		Then .38 & .08 past each hour	10
12.00	12.32	12.35	13.08	10
Then .30 & .00 past each hour	Then .02 & .32 past each hour (walk)		Then .38 & .08 past each hour	10
16.00	16.32	16.35	17.08	10
17.00	17.32	17.35	18.08	10
18.00	18.32	18.35	19.08	10
18.30	19.08	(Walk)	19.38	10A
19.00	19.38	(Walk)	20.08	10
21.00	21.38	(walk)	—	10
23.00	23.38	(walk)	23.08 (Tesco)	10

7. Annual Parish Meeting June Agenda

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday 3rd June in the Village Hall. This is a meeting which all Reach villagers are invited to and encouraged to attend. Brief presentations will be made by members of various village organisations and the opportunity is there for debate on current issues in the community. The agenda for this meeting will be issued by the Wednesday prior to the meeting.

8. Parish Mower Future

It was decided that this will be kept at least until the end of 2009 when the situation will be reviewed.

9. Playground Inspection 2009

This will be carried out over the next four weeks.

10. Track becoming Rutted off Great lane

The track in question has become, in the opinion of the Parish Council, dangerously rutted. The Clerk has contacted the resident whose vehicles are causing the rutting and the resident has agreed to carry out remedial action when the necessary equipment is available.

11. Trees overhanging Burwell Road

There was concern regarding the trees which overhang the Burwell Road on the left hand side as you leave the village. The Clerk has contacted the owner of the trees who believes that any remedial work is the responsibility of the Highways department. The Clerk has asked the Highways department for their opinions on this and awaits their response.

12. Bus Shelters being used as Noticeboards

The two bus shelters in the village are doubling up as noticeboards and a concern was raised that this made them look untidy. It was decided to consider the acquisition of two wooden noticeboards which would be properly and appropriately attached to the two shelters. The Clerk will specify exact sizing and get 3 quotations for further consideration.

13. Land Registration

It has been established that the Hythe and the Drying Ground are not registered. The Clerk will collect further information to establish the benefits/drawbacks of the Parish Council registering and thereby taking ownership of these areas of land (plus potentially others) and will report back to the Parish Council at a subsequent meeting.

2. Calor Village of the Year competition

The Parish Council has received a letter from Cambridgeshire ACRE, inviting the village to enter this competition. This opportunity will be added to the Reach website and publicised in Out of Reach magazine. Entries need to be in by 15th June 2009. Further details can be found at www.cambsacre.org.uk.

3. Cow Parsley Strimming

There had been a request that the amount of strimming be limited. This was discussed with varying thoughts from the Parish Councillors. It was decided that a map of where the strimming is carried out be acquired by the Clerk for further discussion.

4. Daffodil planting in Reach

A resident has suggested that the village of Reach is somewhat lacking in daffodils compared to our neighbours and that there should be a "village planting day". The Parish Council asked that this suggestion be put into the Out of Reach Magazine and onto the website to see what support there was for the suggestion. If there was support, then a team would be set up to plan the day and it was suggested that the Amenity Fund be asked to pay for the cost of the bulbs.

5. Great Lane – Fair Green Bend Large Vehicle Access

The residents of the three houses closest to the bend expressed their concerns regarding large vehicles trying to navigate the bend and in the process causing direct damage to their properties by way of collision or weakening the houses due to their weight and vibration. The Parish Council asked the Clerk to work with the residents and a meeting took place with the residents and the Highways Department on the 29th April. The residents are now considering the options available and will, with the help of the Clerk, communicate their thoughts to the Highways Department in due course. The Parish Council wishes to review any finally agreed proposals prior to implementation.

6. Great Lane Road Erosion

In the winter, Great Lane gets very muddy due to vehicles cutting into the grass bank outside 19 Great Lane – indeed that bank has been eroded significantly over recent years. The Parish Council asked the Clerk to work with the residents and a meeting took place with the Highways Department on the 29th April. The residents are now considering the response of the council and will, with the help of the Clerk, communicate their thoughts to the Highways Department in due course. The Parish Council wishes to review any finally agreed proposals prior to implementation.

Saturdays

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18.52	Walk	19.27	20.05	10
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Cambridge Drummer Street	Swaffham	Reach Prior	Newmarket Rookery	Bus
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09.0	09.32	09.35	10.08	10
Then .30 & .00 past each hour	Then .02 & .32 past each hour (walk)		Then .38 & .08 past each hour	10
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19.00	19.38	(Walk)	20.08	10
21.00	21.38	(walk)	—	10
23.00	23.38	(walk)	23.08 (Tesco)	10

Sundays and Bank Holidays

Newmarket Rookery	Reach	Swaffham Prior	Cambridge Drummer St	Bus
—	(walk)	09.09	09.39	10
—	(walk)	11.09	11.39	10
—	(walk)	13.09	13.39	10
—	(walk)	16.09	16.39	10

Cambridge Drummer Street	Swaffham	Reach Prior	Newmarket Rookery	Bus
10.25	10.52	(walk)	—	10
12.25	12.52	(walk)	—	10
15.25	15.52	(walk)	—	10
17.55	18.22	(walk)	—	10



LET'S DANCE

Come and join us dancing on Saturday evenings in the Main Hall at Bottisham Village College.

We will have music for Ballroom, Latin American and popular Sequence Dancing.

Dates: 5th September, 3th October, 7st November and 5th December.
Time: 7.30pm to 10.30pm.

The cost is £5 per person which includes interval tea/coffee.
You are welcome to bring along your own refreshments.

For further information please contact:
Frank and Sue Hancocks on 01638 741159

Date for the Diary

HARVEST SUPPER

SATURDAY 26th SEPTEMBER

7pm at Reach Village Centre

This event will take the usual format with good food and entertainment - all provided by volunteers! Tickets will be available closer to the time from

Sue Gillard (tel: 742576 or Helen Oliver
(helenoliver01@btinternet.com) or tel: 742484)

District Council Report

There was an unauthorised travellers encampment at Headlake Drove - they have now moved on but remain close by and action will be taken to properly move them on.

From May 5th ECDC will be unable to provide a pest control treatment service for a period of up to two weeks. Any queries on this matter should be made to Karen See or Liz Knox at ECDC Environmental Services.

There is an ECDC initiative of funding Newmarket Citizens Advice Bureau with £10,000 over the next two years on the condition that it was matched by Forest Heath District Council and Cambridgeshire County Council. Suffolk County Council has now agreed to provide £10,000 over the next two years.

Free swimming for the under 16's and the over 60's, already in place in Ely, has now started in Bottisham.

Financial Report

The Parish Council remains in a financially sound situation and on course to finish the financial year with reserves of £2,600 – approximately 35% of gross expenditure.

Police Liaison Committee Report

There have been bogus calls being made by someone claiming to be a Police officer. If such a call is received and there is concern over its validity, residents should not give out any personal details. The callers name should be asked for and an extension number and then the resident should call back using the 0845 456 4564 number. If the call is bogus, it should be reported to the police using this number.

Village Hall Committee Report

The Reach Fair went well although financial information is not yet available. The Parish Council thanked the Village Hall Committee and the villagers who contributed so much to making the Reach Fair 2009 such a success.

Matters Arising

1. Allotments in Reach

There has been a request for allotments to be made available in the village. An item regarding the potential need for allotments was included in Out of Reach Magazine and six people have expressed an interest so far. The opportunity will also be added to the Reach website and following the analysis of responses the Parish Council will review the matter further.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 1st April 2009 were reviewed and signed.

County Council Report

Following the restructuring of senior staff at the county council, Mike Davey (who has been attending our Neighbourhood Panel meetings) has been promoted to Service Director for Community Engagement and Rod Craig has been appointed as Executive Director, Community and Adult Services. Three directors will be retiring.

The Older People's Strategy was approved by Cabinet before coming to the Council meeting.

Funding has been secured from the Regional Funding Allocation for a new station at Chesterton, as well as funding for the guided bus to continue to the station from Milton Road. At present 70% of travellers for the present railway station come from the north of the city.

Cambridgeshire Archives gave an update to the Scrutiny Committee on the difficulties of storing the archive materials (most of which is in the Shire Hall basement) and their search for a new venue.

Horizons gave an update on the implications of the economic downturn on the development of new communities.

County Council Farms Estate is celebrating its first century. The estate, the largest of its kind in the country, has 250 tenant farmers working 13,500 hectares (30,000 acres) of land. The first plot was bought in Milton in 1909. The Guided Bus is being tested and members of the public and press have had the opportunity to ride on a short section of it before the opening. The northern section of the guided bus project should be open in late summer but no date has been set for the southern section. The contractor BAM Nutalls and the County Council are still in dispute over the contract and the Cabinet has met in closed session to discuss the situation.

The contract with the builders responsible for the Central Library has been terminated and Coulson Building Group has taken on the project. Completion date is now expected to be September 2009, over 18 months later than expected.

According to figures just released, the East of England has had the lowest level of public spending per head of any region in England for four of the last six years. Councils and public services in the area receive just £6,555 per person from the Government compared with an average of £7,353 for England as a whole. Cambridgeshire will run a pilot 20mph scheme in Cambridge to see how well it works.

The four year term of the County Council is almost finished and County Council elections, together with those for the European Union, take place on June 4th 2009.

BRIDGE THE GAP

4.5 MILE CHARITY WALK AROUND THE COLLEGES

Sign up now for the annual Bridge the Gap Charity Walk! Taking place on Sunday 13th September and one of the most popular charity walks in the region, Bridge the Gap is a lovely opportunity to meander through the sites of Cambridge and its colleges. And at just 4.5 miles, it's something the whole family can enjoy together.

Set to raise thousands, this year's walk will be in aid of Arthur Rank Hospice Charity and Press Relief: The News Community Fund, as well as being partnered by the University of Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, the Cambridge News and Headline Sponsor -Cambridge Building Society.

As well as seeing the Colleges and bridges, walkers also have the opportunity to visit the Zoology Museum and The Pitt Building. There will also be Tourist guides on hand to talk about the history of the colleges and other local sites.

Entry Forms are already being received following our launch on 18th June. To make sure you don't miss out, download an entry form from www.bridgethegapwalk.org or call 01223 723 115. Registration costs £8 in advance (£14 from 1st September) for adults; entry is free for children 16 and under.

People of any age or ability can take part and the route is wheelchair and push-chair friendly, so it really is open to all. It is also a non-competitive event, so participants are welcome to stop off at a café or restaurant en route! Plus the highest fundraisers will receive some fantastic prizes.

The walk starts at 9.30 a.m. from Jesus Green.

Notes

The Arthur Rank Hospice Charity works in partnership with the NHS to support patients, their families, staff and volunteers at Arthur Rank House and in the community. They are solely responsible for funding the vital Day Therapy and Hospice at Home nurses and work in partnership with the NHS to support the In-Patient Unit. Each year they must raise over £1 million to meet commitments at Arthur Rank House.

<http://www.arthurrankhospicecharity.co.uk/>

Press Relief, the News Community Fund, was founded in 2003. It uses the influence of the Cambridge News and all the other publications within the Cambridge Newspapers Limited group to raise cash for local organisations and individuals in need.

So far, it has raised £400,000 and has awarded money to a whole range of groups and individuals within the greater Cambridge area.

www.pressrelief.org

KNOW YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

The council has 7 Councillors;

Ross Clark	Chairman	743725
Michael Aves	Vice Chairman	742800
Rita Dunnett	Councillor	742943
Hilary Fielding	Councillor	741853
Joyce Harrison	Councillor	742405
Angela King	Councillor	742266
Helen Platt	Councillor	742331

The 2009 council meetings will be held on the following Wednesdays:

January	7th	July	1st
February	4th	August	5th
March	4th	September	2nd
April	1st	October	7th
May	6th	November	4th
June	3rd	December	2nd

in Reach **Village Centre**, starting at 7.30pm.

There is a Forum for Members of the Public at the beginning of the Meeting.

Proposed agenda items should be sent to any of the Councillors or to the Clerk;

David Parr - 20 Fair Green, Reach, CB25 0JD
Tel: 01638 744081, **Email:** reachparishcouncil@live.co.uk

Minutes of previous meetings and the agenda for the next meeting can be found on the PARISH COUNCIL page of the new Reach website at;

www.reach-village.co.uk

Other useful contacts;

Village Hall Officers	Joyce Harrison	742405
	Rita Dunnett	742943
Police Liaison Officer	Hilary Fielding	741853
Tree Officer	John Reed	742140
Swaffham Prior Parochial Charities Officer	John Robinson	743563

Parish Council Meetings



Minutes of Reach Parish Council meeting held on; Wednesday 6th May 2009

Attendance

Michael Aves	Chairman	Present
Ross Clark	Vice Chairman	Present
Rita Dunnett	Councillor	Present
Hilary Fielding	Councillor	Present
Joyce Harrison	Councillor	Present
Angela King	Councillor	Present
Helen Platt	Councillor	Present

David Parr Clerk Present

Allen Alderson District Councillor Present
Hazel Williams County Councillor Present

Election of Officers

The following officers were elected for the next twelve months.

Chairman	Ross Clark
Vice Chairman	Michael Aves
Police Liaison Officer	Hilary Fielding
Swaffham Prior Parochial Charities Officer	John Robinson
Tree Officer	John Reed
Village Hall Representative	Rita Dunnett
Village Hall Representative	Joyce Harrison

Ross Clark took over as Chairman for the meeting immediately after his election.

Forum for Members of the Public

Two members of the public attended but made no contribution.

Declaration of Interests

Ross Clark declared his interest in the planning applications submitted by White Roses.

Amenity Fund Applications

See the Matters Arising "Daffodil Planting in Reach".