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Regular Dates for Your Diary

Mon	9:30-11:30am	Fun for 1s & 2s	Playgroup
Mon	9:45am	Comberton Walkers	Baptist Church
1 st 3 rd 4 th Mon	7:00pm	Carpet Bowls	VH
3 rd Mon	7:30pm	Wine Makers	VH
Tues	10:30-12noon	Village Cafe & Crafts	VH
Tues	6:30-8pm	Keep Fit	Sports Hall, CVC
2 nd Tues	7:45pm	Women's Institute	VH
4 th Tues	8pm	Antiquarian Society	VH
Wed	10-11:30am	Baby & Toddler Group	VH
Wed	12:25-1:10pm	Lunchtime Badminton	CVC
Wed	2pm	Bridge Club	VH
Wed	After School	Tang Soo Do	Meridian School
Wed	6:30-9pm	Tennis Mix-In Session	Tennis Club
Wed (term)	2-3:30pm	Bumps and Babes	Baptist Church
2 nd Wed	7:30pm	Parish Council	VH
Thurs	9:30-11:30pm	Fun for 1s & 2s	Playgroup
Thurs (term)	4-6pm	EDGE Youth Club	Baptist Church
2 nd Thurs	2:30pm	Friendship Club	VH
4 th Thurs	2:30pm	Oasis Teas (55+)	VH
Fri	6-7pm	Tae Kwon Do	Meridian School
Fri	7-8pm	Tae Kwon Do	Meridian School
2 nd Fri	8pm	Custard Comedy	CVC
3 rd Fri	7pm	Bingo Party	VH
Sat	10-11am	Park Tennis	Park
VH = Village Hall		CVC = Comberton Village College	

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Upcoming Events

June

2	Landlord's 5th Anniversary	3 Horseshoes
4	Rhymetime	Library
4	Life Matters - Prof Luigi Gioia	St Peter's, Barton
8	French Exchange	France
9	Not-So-Secret Garden	49 New Square
10	Not-So-Secret Garden	49 New Square
14	Friendship Club	
14	Life Matters - Rev Dr Malcolm Guite	St Peter's. Barton
18	Rhymetime	Library
25	Life Matters - Dr Abdelmoneim	St Peter's, Barton
28	Oasis Tea	VH
30	Bedford Gallery Quire Concert	St Mary's Church

July

2	Rhymetime	Library
6	Beer and Cider Festival	3 Horseshoes
7	Beer and Cider Festival	3 Horseshoes
	Open Gardens	Various
8	Beer and Cider Festival	3 Horseshoes
	Open Gardens	Various
14	Monday Studio Art Exhibition	VH
15	Monday Studio Art Exhibition	VH
30-3	Holiday Club	CBC

Important People for the Village

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	18 Barrons Way, CB23 7EQ	
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County Councillor	Lina Joseph	07402 351821

From the Editor

Dear Comberton,

What a truly lovely May! Such lovely weather, a plethora of bank holidays, and summer really feels just round the corner. We've been playing croquet at college non-stop in this glorious weather. Although, of course the approach of summer does mean the dreaded exams season is upon us. While you sit in your garden spare a thought for all those taking GCSE, A level and degree level exams in this sweltering heat.

There is such a wide variety of things going on this month, from celebration 5 years of the landlords being at the Three Horseshoes, to some very deep and interesting talks happening at St Peter's Church in Barton. Of course, don't forget the - what I'm sure will be excellent-concert at St Mary's at the end of this month.

Please do remember that we don't produce an August edition of the Contact, so if you have any events, announcements or articles to submit for August, make sure they are submitted by 14th June for the bumper summer edition.

Yours,

Chris

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Services and Events in June (at St Mary's Comberton unless otherwise noted)

Sunday 3 June	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 10 June	8am 9.30am	Holy Communion(BCP) Holy Communion
Sunday 17 June	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday 24 June	8 am 9.30am	Holy Communion A Service of Healing and Wholeness
Thursday 28 June	2.30pm	Oasis Tea in the Village Hall
Saturday 30 June	11am-5.30pm 6 - 7pm	Bedford Gallery Quire Workshop Bedford Gallery Quire Concert
Sunday 1 July	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 4 July	7.30 pm	Lordsbridge Team Confirmation Service (venue tbc)

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From Rev. David Newton

Time

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The beautiful quarterly hour Westminster chimes are a delight, most of the time. Occasionally of course they stress me out as I realise that yet another 15 minutes has passed and so little has been accomplished.

Having the clock going again has got me pondering how I relate to 'time'. It is something I usually feel I am 'running out of' or that 'I have never have enough of' or that somehow I should even learn to 'make'. (If anyone learns how to 'make time' do let me know). I went to a training day recently all about Time Wisdom. It began with a critique of the whole field of Time Management.

Merlin Mann, who was the pioneer of many time management techniques, came to realise that all they enabled was an illusion of control and a ceaseless drive for efficiency where 'more' gets done, but with little thought to priorities or purpose. And so he began to change his message to encourage people to focus more on vision and values; on what really matters.

The key point of the session was that there is never time to do everything, and that hard choices will have to be made. Only then can we begin to live lives that are less frenetic.

It seems this kind of message is crucial in our society. We cram more and more in, we long to be busy so as to appear important, and in all the rushing can miss the important things in life - taking joy in relationships and the little blessings of each day. Time is not made, but comes to us as a gift - a 'present' if you like double entendre. It is a gift from beyond ourselves, in Christian terms - from God. It is not a scarce resource, but the basic gift for living well.

Rev. David Newton

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From the Newly Elected Councillors

It's a great honour to have been elected as District Councillors for Harston & Comberton ward.

Following the change to a larger ward of nine parishes represented by three councillors, we would like to take this opportunity to talk about how the three of us will organise our work as your district councillors.

But first, we'd like to pay tribute to our predecessor in Comberton, Tim Scott. Tim has worked really hard on behalf of Comberton residents over his time as district councillor and we know we have big shoes to fill.

Tim is rightly particularly proud of his role as Environmental Champion of South Cambridgeshire District Council and we hope to show the same consideration of the environment as we take on our new roles. We know who we will hear about it from if we don't! Tim is continuing to work for residents as a Parish Councillor, and we look forward to working with him in that role.

So, how is it going to work across the new ward? Our plan is to work as a team on issues in the ward: we will report to the parish councils as a team, as well as in village magazines.

We want you to feel comfortable that you can contact any one of us on any issue (you should be able to find all our contact details in this edition of the magazine).

That said, we know that it's useful for the Parish Council in particular to have a single point of contact, and we have split that responsibility for each parish between us.

In Comberton, Ian will be taking the lead, and that role should mean he's more familiar Comberton issues if you need talk to one of us, but he won't be offended if you contact Phil or Tony! We hope this puts you at ease with the new arrangement, but if you do still have any worries feel free to get in touch.

As you probably saw, the overall political balance of South Cambridgeshire District Council was reversed in the recent elections. Previously, the Conservative group had a large majority, but now the Liberal Democrat group has 30 of the 45 seats. The new administration will officially take over at the Council AGM on 23 May – after the deadline for writing this.

The Liberal Democrat group leader, Bridget Smith, will become



Dance Classes for Kids

Wednesday at Bourn Village Hall

5.00-5.30pm Street Dance 6yrs+
5.30-6.15pm Ballroom & Latin 6yrs+

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4.00-4.30pm Street Dance 4-6yrs
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From the Newly Elected Councillors Cont.

the Leader of the Council and also sit on the board of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority. It has also been announced that Councillor Aidan Van de Weyer will sit on the Greater Cambridge Partnership Executive Board, but the other

responsibilities will only be announced at the AGM. So more on that in our next report.

Ian Sollom
Philip Allen
Tony Mason

Comberton WI

Mental Health matters as much as physical health.

The NFWI urges all members to recognise the importance of parity between mental and physical health and to take action to make it as acceptable to talk about mental health issues as much as physical health issues, and to lobby government for better support for mental illness.

This resolution led to a lively and wide ranging discussion on mental health matters. The discussion led us to recognise that not just health professionals can be of real help to those with mental health problems, such as anxiety, depression and the often ensuing loneliness it brings. Often a kind word, an invitation to join in something or a listening ear can make such a difference.

The meeting voted unanimously to support that this motion goes forward to the NFWI Annual Meeting and subsequently to Government. We also resolved to do all that we can on a personal level to give help wherever we find the opportunity.

We were particularly delighted to have very positive contributions to the discussion from two visitors to our meeting who had a real interest in such matters and worked with people with conditions.

After the serious discussion we lightened up with wine and nibbles.

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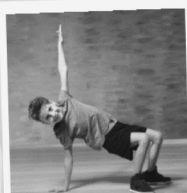
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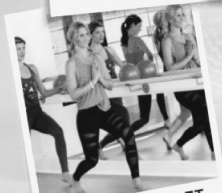
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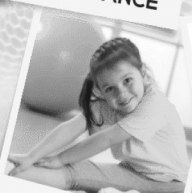
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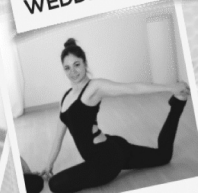
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Children and teenagers under 18 will continue to have free use for the whole of their session. Adults in receipt of certain benefits will also continue to have free access and County Council, Government and NHS websites will be free to browse for all.

All libraries will continue to offer free access to wi-fi. Please do ask the library staff if you have any queries, or need to make a payment for computer time.

We are starting to think ahead to the school summer holidays when we will again be running our highly anticipated Summer Reading Challenge for children.

This year's theme is Mischief Makers, and the challenge will be for children to read six books over the holidays, tell us about what they have been reading and collect stickers for their own collector's folder. Posters and details about registering for the Challenge will be available in the library before the end of school term in July.

We couldn't run the Summer Reading Challenge without the help of some brilliant teenage volunteers. If you are a teenager, or are the parent/carer of a teenager, who would enjoy coming into the library to help us, we would love to hear from you.

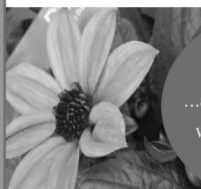
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If you haven't been to a session before, please do come along with your baby, toddler, or pre-schooler and give it a try. We have a lovely volunteer running the sessions and it is great fun for both children and adults.

Barton Guides Needs New Leaders

Following the retirement of two Leaders, the unit is being run by 2 students at Cambridge University, and a rota of parents.

Girlguiding provides training and mentoring for all Leaders, and a section-specific program for the girls.

There are currently about 20 girls in the Unit, from 10 to 14 years old, and two Young Leaders, aged 16. No previous guiding experience is necessary, the training is free, and there is plenty of support available. A sense of humour and fun is useful, and it is a very rewarding volunteering experience.

The girls' parents are extremely supportive, and help to run camps and other events. The unit attends camps and other activities in conjunction with other Guide units in our district.



In July 2017, 21 Guides camped in Belfast, and an activity camp in Brentwood, Essex, is planned for late July 2018.

Many girls and their families from Barton, Haslingfield, Comberton, Coton and surrounding villages have happy memories of their time in Barton Guides through the decades, and it would be very sad to have to close the unit.

For further information please contact Amy Bland (1stbartonguides@gmail.com) or the District Commissioner, Nadine Santus (toftdistrictguides@hotmail.co.uk)

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Parish Council Report from the Clerk

The Parish Council met on 9 May 2018.

First and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

After the elections, the following were re-elected uncontested.

Name of Candidate

BLACK Pamela Marjorie
Westview, 39 West Street

FELDMAN Jill
133 Green End

GRIFFITHS Hywel Wyn
18 Barrons Way

HOLLICK Andrew Burnside
73 Swaynes Lane

MCCABE Janet Alison
3 Westcroft

SCOTT Timothy Andrew John
Moat House, 65 Green End

WESTGARTH Christine Ann
85 Barton Road

At the meeting on 9 May, the Parish Council co-opted the following to fill the vacancies resulting from insufficient candidates at election and making arrangements for the remaining vacancies to be filled.

Name of Candidate

MARTIN Jennifer Rebecca
18, St Thomas Close

MOFFAT Simon
86 Swaynes Lane

TATNELL Lynn
89 Barrons Way

TAYLOR Nicholas Charles
200 Barton Road

URQUHART Caragh
22 South Street

This leaves two vacancies remaining on the Council. If anyone is interested in applying, please contact the Clerk. The Parish Council encourages residents to consider joining the Council and undertaking this important role.

As this was the First and Annual meeting, a number of procedural matters had to be covered. The Parish Council approved its accounts for the year ended 31 March 2018, and the dates for public inspection of these are between 4 June and 13 July 2018. If you wish to inspect these, please contact the Clerk to make mutually convenient arrangements.

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Parish Council Cont

During the public session, one resident complained regarding parking on the verges in Hillfield Road and requested more bollards and signage. Another resident complained about dogs on the Recreation Ground. Both of these matters have been referred to Working Groups to bring a recommendation to a future meeting.

The Parish Council agreed to work with Comberton United Football Club to upgrade the Pavilion.

Anglian Water have responded to the Parish Council's recent letter as follows:

"Thank you for your query regarding frequency of tankers attending Comberton Village in the period starting 13th March 2017 until present.

I have checked with the relevant department, there has been work on-going at Comberton Bush Close throughout the period identified. Unfortunately the database records the tankers work in are in an hourly format and will not specifically identify the number of loads or visits made. As a consequence I have spoken to the contractors who have attended sites to identify an approximate number of

movements per day, totalling 272 vehicle movements. I would stress that this figure is an estimate based upon the information that I was able to gather."

The Parish Council agreed to use some of the Leach Homes funds to clear some of the ditches/ watercourses on Thornbury.

The Parish Council will be appointing a solicitor to take forward its complaint to South Cambridgeshire District Council regarding the Bennell Farm S106 agreement.

The Parish Council thanks all residents who attended the Annual Parish Meeting. The meeting gave residents the opportunity to hear about the work of various organisations in the village and the meeting asked that the Police and Crime Commissioner for Cambridgeshire be invited to attend next year's Annual Parish Meeting. This meeting will be held in April next year, should you wish to attend.

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Luigi Gioia is the Research Associate and Development Officer at the Von Hügel Institute, based at St Edmund's College, Cambridge. At 18 he joined the monastery in Italy, then spent 19 years in France, during which time he completed his doctorate in Oxford, became an abbot in Rome, and Professor of Systematic Theology at the Pontifical University of Sant'Anselmo, Rome. He is the author of *Say it to God*, the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book for 2018.

Thursday 14th June – Revd Dr Malcolm Guite 'Song and Sonnets'

Malcolm Guite is a poet-priest, Chaplain of Girton College, Cambridge, and travels round the UK and to the US and Canada to give lectures, concerts and poetry readings. He was born in Nigeria, earned degrees from Cambridge and Durham Universities, and was ordained in the Church of England in 1991.

He teaches in the Cambridge Theological Federation and also plays in the rock band, Mystery Train.

Monday 25th June - Dr Javid Abdelmoneim President of Médecins Sans Frontières UK

Javid Abdelmoneim was born in the UK, trained at University College London and from 2008 he worked overseas with Médecins Sans Frontières in Iraq, Haiti and other countries. His work during the Ebola epidemic in Sierra Leone led him to being featured in a Panorama documentary, and last year he presented the BBC series *No More Boys and Girls*, in which a primary school, under his guidance, experimented with gender-neutral language and activities.

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Samples of some of their meals were given to members to try and a thumbs up was given, very tasty indeed. Catalogues were handed out with details on how to order.

Thursday 14th June at 2.30pm will be our annual "Strawberry Tea". A raffle will be held.
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The Bank Pub along with a small committee of volunteers have lent their expertise to the organisation of this event. It is being run as a community event and based on previous experience (they organised their first beer festival last year) they anticipate to attract upwards of 1500 people through the gates.

The main sponsor of the event is Uttridge Accounting Ltd with additional sponsorship coming from Cambridge Medical Communication Ltd (both Willingham based businesses). Because of the generosity of its sponsors, the event expects to raise a significant sum from entrance tickets that can be donated to local charities.

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Centre and Willingham Youth Trust from these proceeds. They see that Over Day Centre is an important community service that supports many Willingham residents and Willingham Youth Trust provides much-needed activities and events for a more youthful age group.

Willingham Craft Beer Festival will be held from 28th June to 1st July at the Ploughman Hall. See the website <http://willingham.beer/> or @WillinghamBeer on Twitter for more information

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Heidi Allen MP for South Cambs Newsletter

It's been another busy month, so I'll try and give you a flavour of what I've been up to!

On the 10th April, I was honoured to join the Prime Minister when she visited Addenbrooke's Hospital. Theresa May spoke to staff, learnt about our pioneering cancer research and treatment work and also launched a £75 million nationwide fund to improve research into innovative ways of combatting prostate cancer. I am so proud of the hard-working, dedicated commitment of our NHS staff and the Prime Minister's visit showed how important Addenbrooke's is, not only to us locally, but also at a national level.

The Prime Minister was briefed on the hospital's wish to build a cancer hospital on the campus. This would both develop our world leading reputation for cancer diagnosis and treatment and also free up valuable space for more general hospital work. The Prime Minister grasped the potential of the proposals and I am pleased to report suggested I discuss the proposals in more detail with her special advisor. I'll keep you posted!

April also saw the Health Minister Lord O'Shaughnessy visit Royal Papworth Hospital. I invited him so he could hear from the world-leading experts there and see the innovative work that they undertake. Papworth are seeking sustainable funding for their DCD (donation after circulatory death) transplant programme – that's essentially the use of hearts which would not traditionally make the grade. Lord O'Shaughnessy left impressed and promised to follow up to see what might be possible.

And now for something completely different and less welcome!

In the last few weeks, we have seen a large number of travellers take up residence on land on the A505 at Thriplow. Although increased powers are now available to local authorities to deal with unauthorised caravan sites, the Government is reviewing the powers available and looking at what more needs to be done. Unauthorised encampments continue to be an issue locally and I hope that you can spare a few minutes to take part in the consultation -

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Heidi Allen MP for South Cambs Newsletter Cont

Supporting local communities is an important part of my role in South Cambridgeshire and in the last month, I have been pleased to support a number of local events and campaigns, including prize giving at the Cambourne 10k run (thank goodness they didn't make me do it, I'd be hopeless!) and meeting with residents in Stapleford who are campaigning to see The Tree public house turned into a community asset (I have more skill here!)

This month sees a new timetable for Great Northern trains and I know that many of you contributed to the train timetable consultation last year. The result is a new timetable from 20th May onwards which affects all Great Northern routes. Every train, from every station has been changed with the intention of providing a more reliable service for passengers and increasing capacity. Details of the changes are available here - <https://www.railplan2020.com/>

Although I am pleased the operator listened to the majority of concerns raised by residents (and the original proposed timetable generated a lot!), there are still some services from

Royston and Ashwell and Morden which require further attention. I will continue pushing for these amendments and will keep my website updated with progress.

Keeping with the theme of transport, I have been coordinating efforts with stakeholders to ensure a viable future for the Whippet X3 service which serves Cambourne, Papworth and the surrounding area. Working with Whippet, Royal Papworth, Astra Zeneca, Addenbrooke's, the County Council and Greater Cambridge Partnership, I am very hopeful that some kind of sustainable service to benefit everyone can be preserved. Again, I will keep you updated.

If there is anything you would like to talk to me about, I will be holding a "by appointment" surgery at my Sawston constituency office on the 18th May between 1pm and 3pm. If you would like an appointment, please give my office a call on 01223 830087.

I will be holding my next "drop in" surgery on the 9th June between 11.30am and 1.30pm at The Plough Public House, St Peters Street, Duxford, CB22 4RP where no appointment will be necessary. Details of all upcoming surgeries



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Heidi Allen MP for South Cambs Newsletter Cont

can be found on my website - www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk. Looking ahead, my diary is already filling up fast. I have a further meeting with the Prime Minister soon to discuss modern slavery. Locally, I have meetings about local education provision, transport and visits to local schools and businesses.

I'll be sure to share details in my next newsletter but in the meantime, if you would like to contact me, please email heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk. You can also phone my Westminster office on 020 7219 5091 about national issues or my constituency office on 01223 830037 for local concerns. See you next month!

Cambridge Open Studios

Cambridge Open Studios has announced the 2018 dates for its month-long summer art event, which will feature an exciting range of exhibitions by 350 artists at 221 locations in the city and surrounding areas.

Artists will open their doors to the public over four weekends in July. Among the huge range of specialisms will be: fine art, photography, pottery, glass making, sculpture, illustration, textiles, jewellery and furniture making, and more besides.

The weekends are: July 7/8, 14/15, 21/22 and 28/29. Studios are open to visit between 11am and 6pm.

However, as not all artists will exhibit every weekend it is important to check the website, or refer to the famous yellow guide. These guides will be widely available in local outlets including libraries, tourist information sites, galleries and selected shops.

Getting around

New for 2018 is a partnership between Cambridge Open Studios and ofo bikes. The partnership came about to help visitors hop between studios in central Cambridge without any traffic and parking problems using the handy bicycles for hire. With a code printed in the COS yellow guidebook, visitors will be able to claim five free one hour ofo bike rides – just the ticket for travelling between city centre locations.

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Cambridge Open Studios Cont

There's an app for that

Cambridge Open Studios now has an app to help visitors find exactly what they are looking for and plan their days out. You can search by the artist's name, medium (painting, pottery, glass etc.), and location.

There's also a button that suggests studios to visit nearby. So it's easy to find exactly the kinds of work you want to see and to work out a route around a particular area. The app will be available to download by mid-June for Apple and Android.

This year there are 87 venues to visit in central Cambridge and Grantchester and a further 134 venues in the wider Cambridgeshire area – including a large cluster of studios in Ely.

Marion Curtis, board member of Cambridge Open Studios, said: "This is a fantastic opportunity for members of the public to see artists at work, discuss their inspirations and techniques, and to browse, purchase or even commission their work.

"It's wonderful that this year we have the ingenious phone app that allows visitors to find any workshops to suit their tastes and location.

It couldn't be easier to make a day of visiting a selection of studios. And now you don't even have to bring the car to see city centre venues because our visitors can use the ofo bikes for free.

"As always, visitors are guaranteed a warm and friendly welcome at all the studios - and no pressure whatsoever to buy anything. All Cambridge Open Studios are completely free to visitors of all ages."

Find out more online
The studios are spread throughout the whole region, not just in the city centre. As usual, the distinctive yellow COS flags will be out to identify participating studios.

In the months leading up to the open studio event, many artists will be running workshops, courses and exhibitions. Members of the public can keep up to date on their activities via the COS website (www.camopenstudios.co.uk) or by following them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram using @CamOpenStudios, where they can also follow specific artists.



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BEAN/BAN, REED/RED, BEAT/BAT, PEAT/PAT,
PAIN/PAN, JOUST/JUST, PAIR/PAR, LEAP/LAP,
CAUSE/CASE, MEAN/MAN, STOOP/STOP, BOULDER /BOLDER.

Please note that the 21st item should not have been there. It was from a secondary list and not solvable under the rules as laid out. Also , there were no A's but 8 E's. Why ? I'm an idiot. Sincere apologies to all of you who wasted time on this puzzle.

Winner to be announced next month.

The Challenge - Sponsored by Budgens of Comberton

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Main Hall

Private (except evening social events)	£15
Affiliated Group (except evening social events)	£12.50
Weekday evening social events (M-T)	£30
Weekend evening social events (F/S/S)	£60
Wedding reception (all day - midnight)	£200
Meeting Room or Community Room	£10
Committee meetings in Meeting/Community Room	£5

Non-Village and Non-Affiliated Community Group Use

Main Hall

Private (except evening social events)	£25
Non-Affiliated Group (except evening social events)	£20
Weekday evening social events (M-T)	£40
Weekend evening social events (F/S/S)	£90
Wedding reception (all day - midnight)	£300
Meeting Room or Community Room	£15

Community Commercial and Commercial Letting charge on application to the Lettings Secretary.

Sessions run from 9am-1pm, 2pm-5:30pm and 6pm-10:30pm.
Midnight for Friday/Saturday/Sunday. Premises to be vacated by end of session,

Annual affiliation fee of £10 is due on 1st January

Community Group Use means local groups operating on a non-commercial basis

Groups working with children or vulnerable adults will need to have Child Protection and Vulnerable Adult policies in place

Booking should be made with the Lettings Secretary, Mrs Stephanie Young on 01223 971006 or 07773 085479 between 9am-9pm.

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