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3rd Friday evening 7.00 Bingo Party, VH
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8, morning	10.30	11.00	Rhymetime, Library
9, evening,	7.45		Women's Institute: Resolutions, VH
13, morning	10.00		CAGA Spring Plant Sale
13, evening	7.30		Bedford Gallery Quire at St Mary's Church
14, daytime			Sawston Fun Run
17, evening	7.30		Comberton Cinema: Sully: Miracle on the Hudson
18, 19, 20	7.45		Haslingfield Little Theatre: Bride Before A Fall
19, evening	6.00	11.00	Pop up Pub in Harlton
20, afternoon	2.00	4.00	St Mary's Spring Sale, VH
21, morning	10.30	12.00	Refill at Comberton Baptist Church
22, morning	10.30	11.00	Rhymetime, Library
23, evening	8.00		Comberton Antiquarian Society: Richard III: The
			King under the car park, Mathew Morris.
25, afternoon	2.30		Oasis tea, VH
26			Closing date for applications to Dosoco Foundation
June diary dates	;		
1, daytime			AngliEAR Hearing Information Day, Gt Shelford
16, evening,	7.45		Quiz for 'Combat Stress' at CVC

VH = Village Hall, CVC = Comberton Village College

The Village Café at the Village Hall is open every Tuesday from 10.30 - 12 noon

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Meet up with old friends and make new ones - families welcome!

We hope to see you there soon...

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Sunday Worship

8.00am Holy Communion. This is held at St Mary's in the first and third

Sunday. This is a quieter service and is based on the Book of

Common Prayer

9.30am Holy Communion (1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays) This is an easy

to follow service using printed orders of service and lasting about an hour. We seek to combine the best of favourite traditional hymns and modern worship music to provide something for all tastes. Our Ministers are present at the services and occasionally we welcome a variety of visiting

Local Preachers to join with us.

The third Sunday is Morning Prayer using printed orders

of service based on Anglican Common Worship.

Worship singing group

This small group meets monthly to learn new songs, practice unfamiliar ones and ultimately to worship. We often have a short reflection and prayer time. Light refreshments are available to help us hit the right notes! New people always welcome.

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Sunday Vigil Mass on Saturday evening:-

5.00 pm Cambourne (In the new church)

6.00 pm Bar Hill

6.00 pm OLEM

Sunday Masses at OLEM

8.00 am

9.30 am

11.00 am (Sung)

12.45 pm (Polish)

4.30 pm (Five Alive Mass))

6.30 pm (Latin)

Ascension Day is celebrated on Sunday 28th May

Further details of these and all other services for May for the entire parish may be found on the parish website which also has the weekly newssheet and other parish information. www.olem.org.uk



Oasis Tea 25 May - 2.30pm

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We are delighted to announce that the Norris Museum at St Ives is going to run a family activity session at Comberton Library on **Thursday 1**st **June**, entitled 'Toys from the Past'. This will be a drop-in event running from 2.00 – 4.00pm, so do put the date in your diaries now. There will be toys to handle and play with and a chance for the children to make their own thaumatropes. It promises to be a fun afternoon for families during the half-term holiday.

The Library will be closed on Bank Holiday Mondays 1 and 29 May.

Upcoming Rhymetime sessions: 8 and 22 May and 5 and 19 June (10.30 - 11.00 am). The session on 5 June will be linked to National Bookstart Week, which this year has the theme 'Let's Go Outdoors'. Please note that although these sessions are aimed at very young children we welcome older siblings and pre-schoolers who enjoy singing too!

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As a guideline, we're really keen to hear from music projects in four areas outlined below – please note that these are just examples and the musical world is your oyster!

- music education e.g. looking to launch a novel programme in your school to teach music differently to students that struggle with conventional music teaching, or working with an exceptionally talented music student with either physical, social or learning disabilities looking to develop their talent in new ways
- music access how about setting up a music club for groups that might struggle to start something themselves
- **music innovation** i.e. got any bright ideas using a Raspberry Pi that could help disabled people make music, or ideas for how sound could be used to help people interact with music in a different way
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So, organisations, families and individual young people, be encouraged to take part and applications can be as creative as possible.

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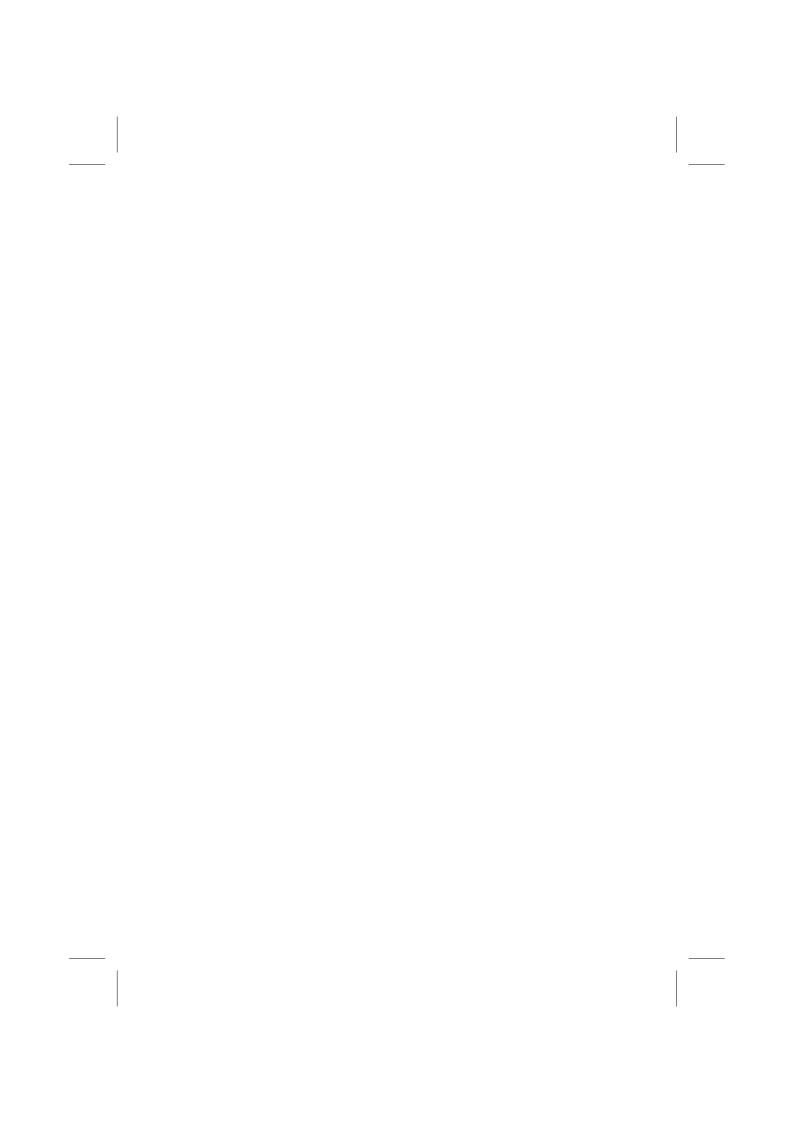
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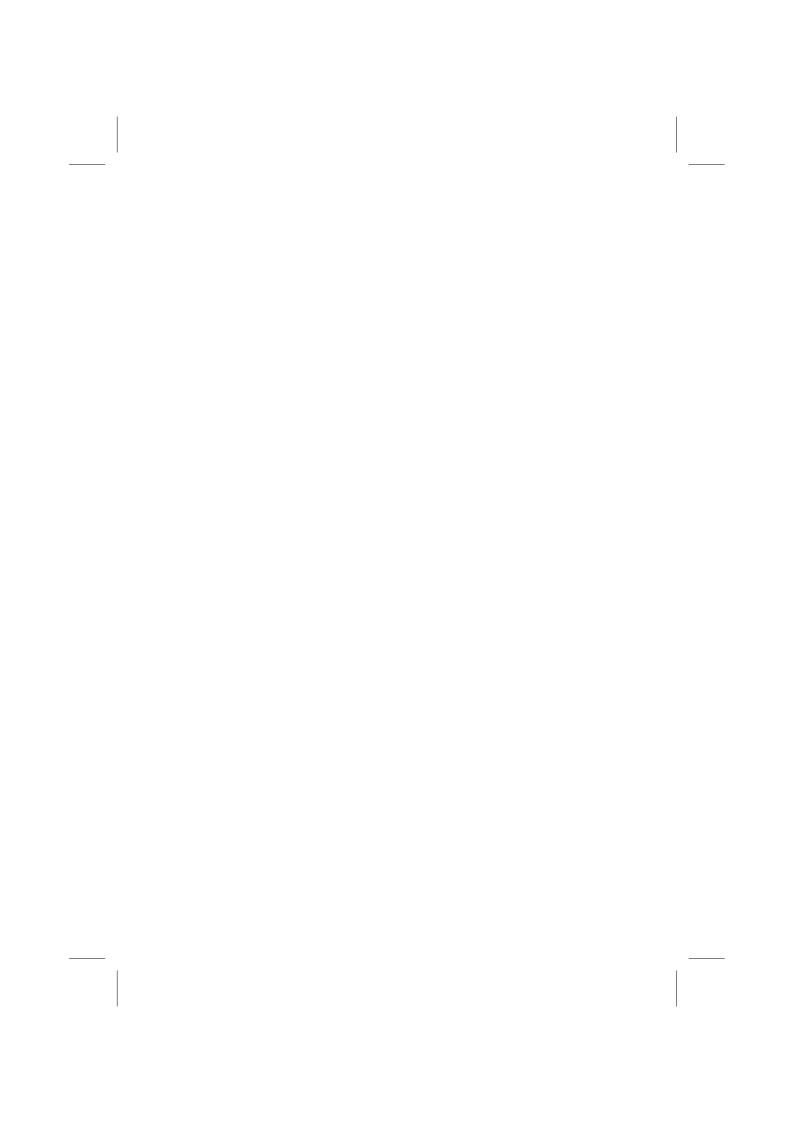
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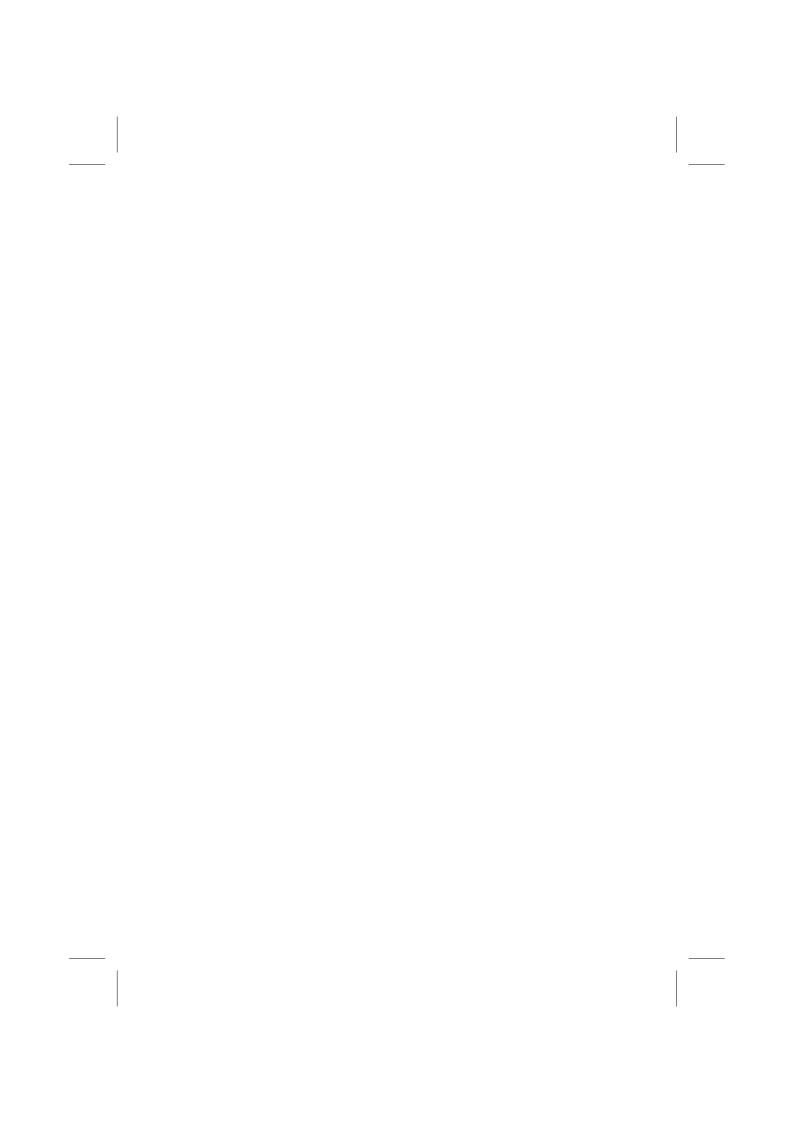
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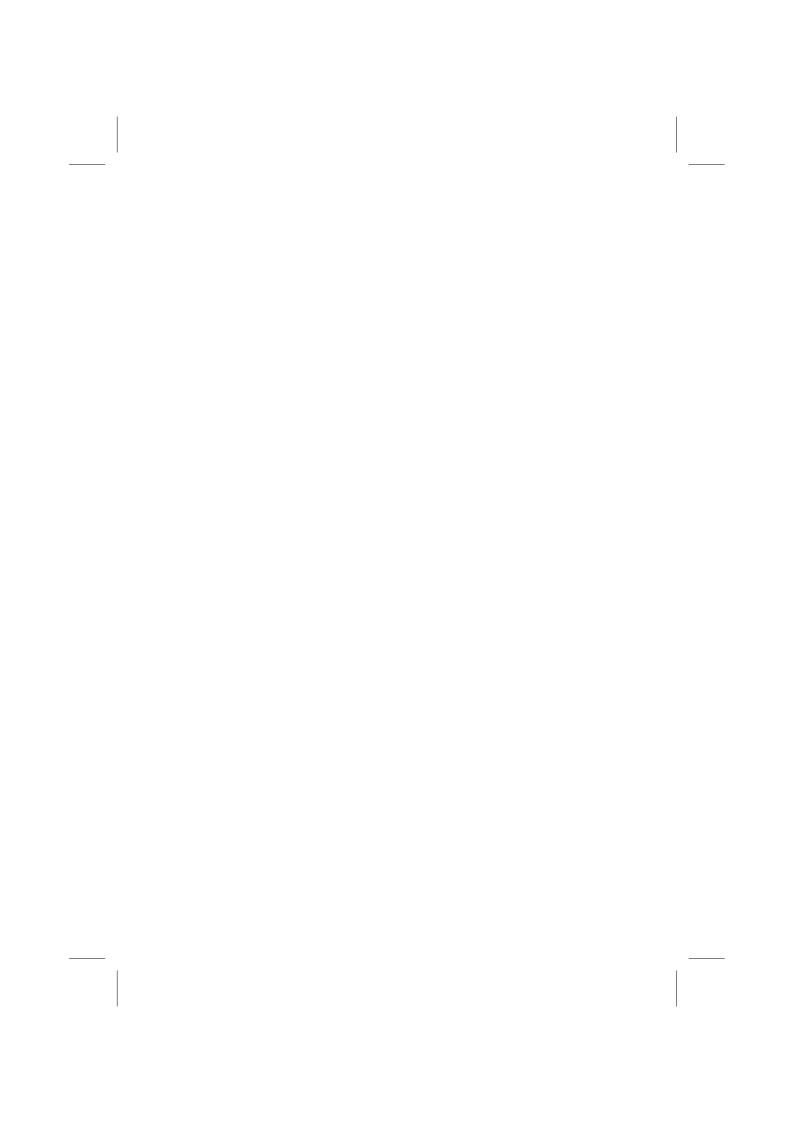
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Heidi Allen, MP: March/April newsletter

I'd like to start by thanking the hundreds of you who contributed to the Fairer Funding Schools Consultation and submitted your thoughts to me. I handed the letters and petitions over to Justine Greening and continue to push for fairer funding for our South Cambridgeshire schools.



In my opinion, our schools are the best in the country and I was delighted to visit Coton Primary School to observe the Primary Life Education Unit teach pupils about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. This two-classroom mobile unit was part-funded by the Rotary Club and provides early education about healthy living and drug awareness to school children. The unit needs to access additional funding to survive, so if you're a local business and would like to help, please contact my office who can put you in touch with the relevant people.

The importance of early intervention was even more obvious after I took part in Alcohol Health Alliance's 'Day of Action' by visiting the liver ward at Addenbrooke's, which demonstrated the devastating effects of cheap alcohol on individuals and communities and reinforced the need for a community wide approach to tackling this problem. I signed up with https://www.organdonation.nhs.uk/register-to-donate/register-your-details/, please look at their website and have a think about whether you'd like to register to donate your organs too.

I'm a big advocate for community action, so am pleased to support Tesco's new Community Food Connection programme to offer surplus food to local charities through a dedicated app. If you're a local charity that could make use of some free produce please take a look at https://www.tesco.com/community-food-connection/. I think it's a brilliant scheme.

I was asked to talk to Hills Road Sixth Form College and separately, Duxford Explorer Scouts in mid-March about the job of being an MP. I am always encouraged when young people are interested in democracy and politics. There has never been a better time to get involved. If you have ever considered a career in local or national politics, do get in touch and I'd be happy to share my experiences.

I spent a productive morning with local councillors and Highways Officers assessing the issues that many of you have raised about the Flint Cross junction on the A505. This road is firmly on the County Council's radar and I'm working with them and local Parish Councils to make this road safer. We're in the early stages of discussions but the consensus is there – improvements need to be made.

Work on the City Deal continues and I attended the Local Liaison Forum to support the launch of Option 6 – the Cambourne to Cambridge Better Busway. This proposal intends to utilise existing road structures to develop a fast yet cost-effective bus route into Cambridge, thus minimising the need for a costly busway development. I'm pleased that the City Deal have agreed to go back to the drawing board and assess all possible routes and P&R locations.

Many of you took the time to write to me after the devastating attack on Parliament last month. As I wrote at the time, we are all indebted to PC Palmer for making the ultimate sacrifice in defending our democracy. I thank all of you who took the time to share these sentiments.

As always, if you have anything you'd like to share with me, you can find details of my upcoming surgeries here - www.heidisouthcambs.co.uk/residents-drop-surgeries. I'll be in Cambourne in Bassingbourn in May. You can also phone my Westminster Office on 020 7219 5091 about national issues or you can call my constituency office on 01954 212707 to raise local concerns. You can also email me at heidi.allen.mp@parliament.uk.

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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT from the Clerk

The Council met on 12 April 2017.

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April meeting

As information was awaited by Planning Officers from South Cambridgeshire District Council the Officers did not attend the meeting. The Council appointed Cllrs Griffith and Westgarth to speak with the Officers.

Proposal for a Youth Club in the village

The Parish Council agreed to grant fund up to £2500 using funds in its general reserves towards the new youth club to be held between 4-6pm on Thursdays at the Comberton Baptist Church.

Flooding concerns

Anglian Water provided a list of dates in the last three years when its tankers have visited. The Parish council felt that some dates had been omitted and will go back to them about this. The Council will also request further information on the number of tankers on the dates given by Anglian Water. The Environmental Health department is also speaking to Anglian Water about the situation, If residents witness spillage getting into ditches and the village water course it should report this to the Environment Agency on 0800 807060. Residents, if affected by flooding, should keep details of the date and if possible keep photographic evidence.

Replacement posts in Hillfield Road

It has been noted that two or three wooden posts have been removed in Hillfield Road. The Parish Council will arrange for these to be replaced to prevent parking on the verges.

Play Equipment Project sign and offer of picnic table

Permission was granted for a sign detailing the grant awarding bodies for the new play equipment and also the installation of a picnic table on the recreation ground.

Tree survey

All the Parish Council's trees are to be surveyed and a schedule of works draft up. The Parish Council will consider this further at a future meeting when the report is received.

Children climbing on recreation ground bunker

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The Parish Council meets on the second Wednesday in the month (except August) at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. If an extra-ordinary meeting is needed this will be advertised on the notice board in South Street. The Planning Committee meets once or twice a month depending on applications received and its meetings are also advertised on the notice board.

All parishioners are invited to attend the meeting and the first ten minutes or so are open to residents to ask questions or make comments and observations on Comberton matters or on items on the agenda. If the matter is on the agenda or has already been under discussion a response may be given at the meeting otherwise the matter might be tabled for fuller discussion at the next or a future meeting.

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