

# Wilstead April 2021 **NEWSLETTER** including Parish Council News

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#### Wilstead Neighbourhood Plan

Having your say on the future of Wilstead

## Local Consultation 1st April 2021 – 15th May

#### We Need Your Comments, Views And Opinions

Wilshamstead Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has now completed a draft **Neighbourhood Plan** for the period 2021 to 2035.

#### The objectives of the Plan are to:

- Describe the unique character and history of the Village
- Specify a shared vision for our neighbourhood
- Help prevent inappropriate or poorly placed development in the Village
- Sit within the Bedford Borough Local Plan to provide specific planning policies for Wilstead
- Comply with the Government's wider policy of sustainable development
- Ensure any development is sympathetic with the look and feel of the Village
- Identify and help protect important local green spaces or other treasured assets

All enclosed articles are subject to current Covid19 restrictions

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- Help local residents have access to new homes locally
- Establish the important aspects of the Village that need to be preserved
- Identify further actions or aspirations that the Parish Council may wish to pursue in the future to improve aspects of Village life

The Draft Plan is now out for consultation and details of how to access and comment on it are shown in the article within this Newsletter on Page 13.

Please take the time to consider it carefully – you will be contributing towards the future of Wilstead.

## CRIME RECORDED FOR WILSTEAD

Interfering with a Vehicle Sunday 21st February at 2am Furrow Close

#### Other Criminal Damage

Between 10pm Saturday 20th February and 12.50pm Sunday 21st of February **Furrow Close** 

Public Fear and Alarm or Distress Wednesday 17th February at 5.30pm Howard Close

#### Theft or Unauthorised Taking of a Motor Vehicle Saturday 13th February Between 6pm and 10.30pm Luton Road

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Your Co-ordinator is:

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**Possession of Controlled Drug - Cannabis** Wednesday 10th February at Midnight **Bedford Road** 

**Public Fear and Alarm or Distress** Monday 8th February 8.24am **Cotton End Road** 

#### **Theft from Motor Vehicle**

(1) Saturday 6th February Between 7.20pm and 7.30pm (2) Between Saturday 6th February 7pm and Sunday 7th February 10.50am **Dines** Close

(3) Between Saturday 6th February 2pm and Monday 8th February 5.45am Hampton Close

**Other Criminal Damage** (1) Tuesday 2nd February at Midnight

(2) Between Monday 1st February 4.30pm and Tuesday 2nd February 7.30am **Cotton End Road** 

**Public Fear Alarm or Distress** Thursday 28th January at Midnight **Cotton End Road** 

#### **Crime Recorded for nearby Villages**

Cardington 1, Cotton End 5, Shortstown 12 and Wixams 12.

The above Recorded Crimes, the latest available, cover the period 27th January to 28th February.

## **Cricket Is Coming Back To Elstow Cricket Club**

We are planning to return to The Warren with a full season of cricket throughout the summer. Our Adult



teams start their league campaigns on Saturday 24th April and Sunday 2nd May. We are running U9. U11, U13 & U15 age groups and are looking to start training after Easter in accordance with government guidelines.

A full season of Youth fixtures has been arranged and they are all loaded on the Elstow Play Cricket website. We also hope to run an All Stars programme from mid-May for U8's.

We also have our Elstow Belles girls and ladies team who train on a Tuesday and a mid-week team who generally play on a Wednesday with a mixture of youth and experience with plans to give everyone an opportunity.

We will be in touch with more news shortly, however If anyone is interested then please get in touch through our website http://elstow.play-cricket.com/home via our Facebook Page or the usual contacts.

We our planning our AGM on Zoom in April and again further details will be published on social media.

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## Wilstead Village Hall

I am delighted to inform you that Brian Spinks is the new Caretaker of Wilstead Village Hall and Andy Stokes is now the Relief Caretaker. I am sure as hirers gradually return to use the Hall that people will support Brian as he finds his way around the Hall and its systems.

Unfortunately the Village Hall is still closed but there is a Hall 'road map' out of lockdown! This map might change as Government guidelines change.

From **Monday 12th April** the Hall will open for 'Supervised activities for children under 18' (not parties) and a wedding, reception or commemorative event like a wake, of up to 15 guests but with restricted procedures in place for the serving of food.

From **Monday 17th May** indoor gatherings/events can be organised as long as they comply with the COVID-19 secure guidance set out by Wilstead Village Hall.

Therefore all the regular groups of not more than 35 people in the main hall and 10 in the small hall may return. Indoor table service will be required when serving food and drinks. A wedding, reception or commemorative event like a wake may now have up to 30 guests. Nearer this date I will be contacting our regular hirers about returning to the Hall.

From **Monday 21st June** there will be a lifting of the restrictions on social contact and type of events. Therefore, all parties, big meetings, everything may be able to take place!

Due to these dates, the Hall's AGM will now take place in June so you have a bit more time to think about supporting the Hall and volunteering to join the Committee. We desperately need people with new ideas, especially as at least 3 people will be retiring from the Committee.

If there are not enough people to put forward suggestions and make decisions about the Hall or even to have a quorum at the meetings, the Hall could close and this would be a great waste of a Village asset, much used by all ages.

#### Wilstead Village Hall Needs You

If you have any queries about this, or anything to do with the hall, please contact me.

**Angela Fosbrook** | Wilstead Village Hall Secretary. angela.fosbrook@ntlworld.com | 01234 294692



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## Wilshamstead Parish Council Parish Council Meetings

At the March Parish Council meeting it was really great to see a number of new faces joining us online. Whilst unfortunately there were some technical difficulties with the connection, it is hoped that we can return in the not-too-distant future to face to face meetings.

**Monday 19th April** is the next Parish Council meeting and this will be online. If you would like the joining details please do let Lizzie know.

This April meeting is usually the Annual Parish Electors Meeting, however, the Parish Council feels it is really important this year more than ever for this meeting to be face-to-face. The date for this year's Annual Parish Electors Meeting will be on **Monday 21st June** at 7pm, and this meeting will (hopefully) be an opportunity for the Village to look forward.

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council must be held in May, and this is planned for **Monday 17th May**, at present it is unclear whether this will be online or face to face, however, we will update residents in the next Wilstead Newsletter.

## Looking Forwards...

At the last Parish Council meeting attendees started to think of ways to draw on the brilliant community spirit shown in Wilstead over the most challenging of twelve months. It was incredible to reflect on what has been achieved even through such adversity. There was the great suggestion of a memorial wishing tree where residents could remember their loved ones which was able to be set up.

As well as the idea put forward to have a village Christmas tree, which resulted in not only a wonderfully decorated tree, but other festive lights in the Village, with plans in place to build on the success of this again for this year.

The Parish Council is also looking for the Village to put on another fine celebration to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022.

#### **Crossroads Highways Works**

Following the recent changes at the junction in the centre of the Village, a number of residents have made some suggestions and given feedback on the work that has recently been carried out.

Ever since the Parish Council was notified of the intended works, the Parish Council has maintained regular dialogue throughout with the Bedford Borough Council Officer managing and overseeing the works.

A site meeting was held on 16th March where questions were asked by the Parish Council as there were a number of outstanding safety issues the Council wanted to raise with the Borough Council Engineer leading the scheme.

#### It was agreed that:

- Warning signs alerting traffic of pedestrians crossings to be erected
- Yellow enforcement lines to be extended further along entrance to Church Road
- The gap in the yellow enforcement lines near the corner of Church Road to be completed
- The crossing points on Cotton End Road to be lined
- Enforcement notice to be issued to reduce the width of the hedge adding better visibility for traffic approaching the junction from Cotton End Road

Concern was also expressed over the lack of pedestrian refuge on the Cotton End Road crossing. The Borough Engineer has given assurance that they will provide detailed feedback as to why a refuge island was not practical in this area.

#### Planning... What To Do If You Spot Something You Are Not Sure About?

The Parish Council is often asked what can be done if it is felt that something is being built, or has been put up, that is not as expected. The Borough Council website has lots of details on planning and what applications have been approved in the Parish. These can be found at: **www.bedford. gov.uk/planning-and-building/planningapplications/search-plans-page/** 

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Finally, if you are not sure, then do contact Planning Enforcement who will be able to advise you and give you clear guidance. In order for clarity to be given they do require you complete an online form rather than emailing them direct, due to Data Protection Regulations. Go to: bedford-self.achieveservice.com/service/ Planning Enforcement Investigation

Please be assured your details are never made known if a Planning Enforcement Case is opened.

#### **Contacting The Parish Council**

Just to let you know that from immediate effect when emailing the Council send please your communication to: office@wilsteadparishcouncil.org

This is a slightly different email address, however, it will be the main way to contact the Council going forwards. Please be assured that any communications sent to the previous email address will be re-directed to the Parish Council's new email.



Wilstead We are very much looking forward to the time, hopefully in the not-too-distant future. when we can once again meet in the Village Hall. It seems to have been ages since this was possible.

> We meet in a Covid secure way in the Large Hall with doors and windows open for fresh air. We are a mixed ability group who love creating our own works of art

in different mediums and enjoy each other's company. Why don't you consider this as something for you? You can come along and see what you feel for free (first session) and if you would like to join it's only £3 a session when you come.

Try it out at home because you can draw and paint and it's very relaxing. When we eventually meet it will be on Mondays, Bank Holidays excepted, from 2pm until 4pm.

Enquiries: Michael Bradley | Mobile: 07526 939164.

## **Wilstead Bowls Club**

# As we are still in lockdown, I have been asked to write a little more about Wilstead Bowls Club.

We were in our old Club House for approximately ten years and realised we were outgrowing the facilities. The time had come to expand. It was going to be a costly project so money had to be raised. We started off by covering the inside of the Club walls with painted bricks to sell to each and everyone that entered. It was a great money spinner. We also rented a couple of allotments and planted seed potatoes to sell when the time was right. These were only a couple of the fund raisers that we did. It was on-going for quite some time.

We were sorry to leave the old Club House as we had had some excellent times. Dances, parties, bingo, fancy dress, card games and lots of drinking! The bowling had also improved and our Ladies Rink of four were successful at County level. This entitled them to go on to the Nationals at Leamington. We had a coach load of supporters and it was a great experience.

The plans for the new project were now near completion and the Committee at the time worked extremely hard to put everything in place. Two of the organisers were Eric Forman and Roger Hopkins. We had a super opening day for members and family. The Club proved to be a popular venue and we have had weddings, christenings, parties, dances, wakes and fashion shows to name but a few functions.

In the winter months we have indoor Short Mat and this has proved to be very popular. We open two or three afternoons and evenings and have a league for several village clubs who join us.

If you haven't already enjoyed our facilities you would be very welcome to join us when we open up again for the summer season. We hope, this will be sometime in May, if all goes well!

Looking forward to it.

**Dot Baker** 

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## Village P3 Footpath Group

#### Meetings

The next meeting was planned for **Saturday 8th May** starting at 10.00am. We will try a virtual Zoom meeting so if you would be interested in getting involved in helping to monitor the state of the paths which surround and radiate from the Village then contact the number below and an invitation can be sent to you.

Group members will again be reporting on the footpaths and bridleways in the Parish which they will have recently surveyed, identifying any problems/issues with their path.

Hopefully by the time of the following meeting on **Saturday 10th July** we will be able to resume our normal meetings in the Village Hall.

If you fancy joining the group and help with these bi-monthly path surveys then maps and forms for a path can be sent to you, which you can then fill in identifying the state of the path and the furniture (eg gates, waymark posts etc along it. You are welcome to try this path surveying out to see if you fancy continuing to do it. Contact the number below and a form and map can be sent to you electronically or put through your door.

We change paths every four months so in time people get to report on all the 11 miles of footpaths and bridleways in the parish.

#### **Footpath Diversion**

The latest update on this diversion is on page 11.

#### **State of the Paths**

The statement that the paths were drying out, made in last month's Newsletter, was it seems a little premature. Whilst all of the paths are still passable some need a slight detour to get round a 'lake' on the path or a short really muddy bit. There is not a lot the Group can do about the wet weather but once the paths have dried out a bit we can look to ensure they are all easy to use again.

#### **Footpath Work**

Again the weather and Covid have combined to restrict any large work on the paths. However some waymarking tasks have been ongoing with some new plastic caps and new waymark discs paths put on posts on the paths to Elstow and Cotton End.

In addition a waymark post has been revamped and reinstated on the A6 bund on the path to Houghton Conquest. It is a bit shorter now but serves its purpose of indicating where to go.

There is another way mark post to reinstate on the path to Cotton End. We just need to get it out of the nearby ditch some 5 metres or more from where it used to be and where it has been for a few weeks. It is surprising how mobile these posts can be.

If you spot any problems with the path surface or overgrowth or stiles/way mark posts etc then please contact the number below and the group will try and address it.

#### Walks

The monthly walks are still suspended until the ok is given for people to mix in the open. It will probably be June before we can walk together as a group. The June walk was scheduled for Friday 18th June, three days before, according to the 'Roadmap', restrictions will be lifted sufficiently for a group larger than six to meet, wander through the countryside and seek refreshment at the end. So we will provisionally move the date a week to **Friday 25th June** and wait and see if there are any changes to the Covid restriction dates announced in the next few weeks.

Keep an eye out for posters on the village notice boards at the Village Hall and at the Crossroads for information.

If you would like to be put on the Group's emailing list regarding these walks then please contact the number below.

Below are provisional dates for rest of the walks in 2021:

Friday 25th June Evening, Friday 16th July Evening, Friday 6th August Evening, Sunday 5th September Afternoon, Sunday 10th October Morning, Sunday 21st November Morning.

#### Nigel Jacobs | P3 contact 01234400733

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## Flittabus Resumption Of Services

Now that there is some light at the end of the Covid tunnel, the Flittabus committee are working on getting our scheduled services restarted over the next few weeks.

We are also thinking ahead to when we can arrange some excursions, but that will depend on venues reopening and what restrictions are still in place.

The plan is to restart services 10, 6A, 6B, 7 and 8 from Monday 12th April, Routes 5 and 9 from Wednesday 5th May and Route 1 from Monday 10th May.

Route 140 will continue to run on Saturdays as it has since January. A decision is yet to be made on when to reopen our four Milton Keynes routes but we are hoping that will be sometime in June.

Details of all routes including timetables are available on our website <u>www.flittabus.co.uk</u>

For the future, we will be thinking about whether all of our existing routes still go to where our passengers want to go, and we are open to suggestions. We already have some ideas in mind, but your views are the most important so please do let us know.

#### Linda Horn | Flittabus

I have finally received some news about the Flittabus. I hope as many people as possible will take up what they have sorted out. If we don't use the service we will lose it. If you have any questions I will try and answer them.

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#### **Ann Bromley**



## **Diversion on Footpath to Haynes**

Please be aware that the route of some of Wilstead Footpath 7, which goes south from the end of Ivy Lane to the outskirts of Haynes, has now been officially diverted and furniture, eg. kissing gate and way mark posts, installed along its new route.

The line of the old route can still be seen going across the fields but please use the new route.

The diversion starts at the edge of the woods and avoids going through crops by going along the field edges firstly by the woods and then along the hedge line going east before going up and over the brow of the hill (where the sheep often are) to a large gate which has a smaller gate incorporated for walkers to use.

As well as avoiding the sometimes muddy crossfield paths this diversion gives good access to the woods via the two sleeper bridges.

The path then goes along its current route to give access to Haynes via North Lane and to Haynes Church End via a permissive path. The time extension to this permission has been funded by Haynes Parish Council.

## **All Saints Church News**

Hopefully we can see some light at the end of the tunnel. We are going to open the church for services on Easter Day **Sunday 4th April**. Obviously a very special day in the Church calendar.

The service will be at 11.00 am. All are welcome to come and join with us.

We hope then to be having regular services each week.

Looking ahead to June, we are going to have to say goodbye to the Revd Stephen Toze who is retiring . He has been with us for 19 years and has been a great support to many in the Parish.

Depending on circumstances with the Covid restrictions we are hoping to arrange a farewell for him. We ask that contributions to a retirement gift may be made payable by cheque to **Wilstead Parochial Church Council** and given to Mrs J Brooks, 138 Cotton End Road, Mr R Heley, 150 Cotton End Road or Mrs A Cockings, 17 Maple Close, Briar Bank. A cash contribution is also acceptable.

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Although we are currently not able to visit people in their homes, we are able to provide advice and information over the phone. We can also drop off items and collect paperwork in a COVID safe and contactless manner, so if you have an urgent form that you need help with, please contact Andrea.

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Help with form filling – many older people aren't claiming the benefits they are entitled to. Andrea can help identify which benefits you can claim by doing a confidential benefits check. She can also help you fill in those complicated forms such as Blue Badge, Housing Benefit and Attendance Allowance forms.

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Wilstead Neighbourhood Plan Having Your Say On The Future Of Wilstead

## We Need Your Comments, Views and Opinions

Wilshamstead Parish Council has prepared a Neighbourhood Plan covering the whole Parish. Over the past couple of years, the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has undertaken initial consultations and gathered background evidence. It has now completed a draft Neighbourhood Plan for the period 2021 - 2035.

In accordance with the 2012 Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations (Regulation 14), the Draft Neighbourhood Plan is out for formal consultation by the community for a period of six-weeks from 1 April 2021 to 15 May 2021.

Once revised to reflect your responses, it is hoped that the Neighbourhood Plan will be submitted to Bedford Borough Council this summer. An examination is likely during the autumn and it is anticipated that a local referendum will be held early 2022.

In the meantime, it is important that as many people and organisations within the Village comment on the draft plan during this consultation period. In addition to engaging local people, community organisations and businesses in the Parish, the Parish Council wishes to obtain the views of statutory bodies and other interested organisations at each stage of the Plan. Your comments are, therefore, invited.

The Draft Plan and the accompanying documents can be viewed and a Comment Sheet downloaded from the Wilstead Village website:

#### www.wilsteadvillage.org.uk

If you need to view a hard copy of the Plan, please contact the Parish Council on 01234 743152 or email: **office@wilsteadparishcouncil.org** to arrange this.

It is hoped that as many people as possible will view the draft Plan via the website and submit their comments, views and opinions, A dropin session may also be organised when Covid restrictions allow - if there is a demand. Comment Sheets along with other views and opinions can be returned via the post box outside the Village Hall, or by e-mail: to: **office@ wilsteadparishcouncil.org** or by letter to Wilshamstead Parish Council, PO Box 1548, Bedford, MK44 5AX.

The Steering Group looks forward to hearing from you by the close of the consultation.

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## Signs of Spring and Warmer Days

The enthusiasm of the birds during their dawn chorus is a sure sign that nature thinks we are heading for longer, warmer days and opportunities to enjoy our gardens once again. The Garden Club is in a positive mood too and ready to restart meetings as soon as possible.

April is still uncertain but we will definitely hold our plant swap in May. Garden Club members bring surplus plants and seeds to the swap and take away anything they need. Plants and seeds are a mixture or annual and perennial flowers and also vegetable crops.

We are trying to think if we have ever had fruit, although technically tomatoes are. Although this swap is primarily for members of the Garden Club, all residents of the Village, and further, are very welcome to join in. So if you are new to gardening or have excess plants and seeds, look out for more information next month.

We may be spending more time entertaining in our gardens this year. There are a number of plants that are at their best in the evenings for both scent and flowers. Some even open in the evenings. Usually they are white or very pale and attract moths. There are actually more moth species than butterflies, so there is a chance to see some interesting ones outside, rather than trapped inside in your rooms. Additionally the pale flowers will add interest to your borders and pots.

The birds will be busy nest building. To give them a helping hand leave thin stalks, old hanging basket liners, pet grooming hairs and even your own hairbrush hair, short pieces of natural string, feathers and twigs and these will be happily taken for nesting. If you have bird boxes position them on north or east facing walls to prevent them overheating.

The National Garden Scheme brochure is now available online to book visits. As well as visiting different gardens and getting inspiration, the scheme contributes to a number of nursing and health charities. Obviously 2020 was a difficult time for all charities so have a look and see what is on offer.

We wish you all a very happy Easter and look forward to seeing you all soon.

Maralyn, Viv, Mary and Lynda Wilstead Garden Club Committee

## **Bedford Borough Councillor Report** Coronavirus in Bedford Borough

As of early March rates of Coronavirus in Bedford Borough continued to decline and were then similar to rates seen in early October 2020. Cases fell in all age groups except 11-18 year olds. (this data is for w/e 5th March, so preceding the return to school on 8th March). The number of positive inpatients at Bedford Hospital also decreased.

Wilshamstead ward registered 7 cases of COVID during the week 1-7 March.

#### Vaccine rollout

The CCG reported vaccination data on 11th March that showed high rates of vaccination in the priority groups. The Borough figures broadly matched the vaccination figures for England as a whole.

There was a small amount of 'vaccine hesitancy' across the Borough but the CCG were working with community groups to encourage uptake.

#### **COVID Test Centres In Bedford**

There are test centres in Bedford at Borough Hall and Prebend Street car parks, and University of Bedfordshire's Polhill Campus. Test results from these sites should come back with 24-72 hours.

There are two walk through testing centres in Bedford. Drive-through testing is available 6 days a week at Gilbert Hitchcock House, Bedford Hospital and 5 days a week at Borough Hall. They can be booked through the national testing website.

Further details on testing are available on the government webpages.

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronaviruscovid-19-getting-tested

More information on testing in Bedford Borough is available here: <u>https://www.</u> <u>bedford.gov.uk/social-care-health-and-</u> <u>community/public-health/coronavirus/</u> <u>covid-19-testing/</u> Continued on Page 16>>> Newsletter DEADLINE For any copy, new advertisements or changes to existing advertisements

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#### **Average Speed Cameras – Wilstead**

A report to the Borough Council's Environment Committee on 4th March confirmed the actual cost of installation is £85k.

The Council has installed these in parts of the Borough where it has paid the entire cost. Officers review the sites and make decisions based on various criteria.

It has still not been made clear what the decision making process is with regard to the Borough paying in full or making request to Parishes for financial contributions.

**Clir. Graeme Coombes** 

## Wilstead Jubilee Centre AGM Tuesday 25th May at 8pm

Subject to COVID restrictions, this face-to-face meeting will take place at The Jubilee Centre, Jubilee Way, when there will reports from the Chairperson, The Treasurer and the Chairperson of Wilstead Football Club.

The election of new Committee Members will also take place, and any nominations should be sent by email or telephone to the Secretary at **jackielloyd@me.com** or **01234 742757**.

The meeting will be held in accordance with current Government COVID guidelines.

