



Around Little Shelford Autumn 2026

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Contributions for the Winter edition should be emailed to the address above (or delivered by hand to the Church Office in the North Building of the Churchyard) by **Friday 20th November 2026**. As space is limited, articles should be less than 340 words and adverts should fit within half an A5 page.

The photo on this edition's cover is a collage. Please send photos for the front cover of the next edition, ideally of a Little Shelford scene in winter, to *newsletter@allsaintslittleshelford.org*

What's on at All Saints

All Saints is a friendly, informal church family in the village of Little Shelford. We're always glad to have visitors, so whether you're investigating Christianity, looking for a church to settle into or just visiting the area, you are welcome to join us at a Sunday service.

Details of services and other activities may be found on the All Saints website. Go to www.allsaintslittleshelford.org or scan this code:



There is a new pattern to our Sunday services.
There is now only one morning service.

10.00 am – A service for all ages where adults and children join together for the first half hour before children leave for their own teaching groups:

Minis and Crèche (0-Reception), Kids (Year 1-4), Pathfinders (Year 5-8) and Deeper (Year 9+).

6.00 pm – A relaxed and informal service with contemporary songs.

During school holidays and at special times of the year (e.g. Christmas and Easter) the pattern of services and activities may change.

Regular Mid-week Activities

Home Groups meet for Bible study, prayer and fellowship on Monday and Wednesday evenings and Wednesday afternoon.

A **Church Prayer Meeting** replaces Home Groups once a month.

A **Women's Group** meets on Thursday mornings.

All Saints Tots meets on Wednesday mornings in the Village Hall.

To find out more contact the **Church Office:** 01223 847815, office@allsaintslittleshelford.org

Dear friends,

Apparently there is an old Chinese curse which goes like this: may you live in interesting times. Which implies that to live in interesting times can be thought of as a curse! And a healthy dose of predictable normality could be considered a blessing.

We probably all agree that the times we live in are 'interesting'. I sometimes feel that when I think about the small changes we have to navigate as a village church. We have new Sunday service times this autumn – 10am and 6pm – and some new full-time staff, welcoming Bea Bennett (please get to know her and her lovely dog Gus) and saying good bye already to Rich Carding and shortly to our curate, Gideon, and his family. What a contribution they have all made to life in Little Shelford in the last few years!

But those changes are as nothing compared to the macro-scale interesting times. I am writing my letter on the 25th Anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attack in New York which brought in its wake smaller localised attacks and some drawn-out international conflicts.

Never a dull moment for our world – however much we might want one. Lurching from one unexpected crisis to another, Woody Allen put it in his own wonderful way – 'More than any other time in history, mankind faces a crossroads. One path leads to despair and utter hopelessness, the other to total extinction. Let us pray we have the wisdom to choose correctly'. Sorry to be so gloomy – but that is sometimes how it feels – and that is the world which our children and grandchildren are growing up in.

Coincidentally, on the same day in this calendar year the House of Commons is voting again on the assisted dying bill. Whichever way you lean on that discussion, I think we can all agree that the outcome will affect huge numbers of people.

We will often hear physical climate change talked about but what about cultural climate change. How can we secure a caring society and a peaceful global community?

Am I allowed to share one Bible verse – which comes from the reading that the Prince and Princess of Wales had at their wedding? 'If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.' (Romans 12:18)

You probably expect the rector to say this: but I am so thankful that Jesus, true to his title as the Prince of Peace, laid down his rights and privileges and life itself, shedding his own blood to secure peace for us with God.

I am realistic enough to know that a Christian community doesn't always manage to live that way – but because Jesus Christ is the Prince of Peace, his church can give a real taster of that peace and harmony which so often eludes us. Maybe your involvement with All Saints could have a part to play in promoting the positive cultural climate change our world needs.

Why not come, meet some new people and find out...

With love from,

Simon Scott.

Smartie, the Rectory dog, a friend for Gus

(See next page.)



Bea Bennett

Bea is the new **Children's, Youth and Families' Minister** at All Saints.

As a child, she lived in lots of different places around the world, including Boston and Tokyo, before moving to Scotland to study for her undergraduate degree in Art History & Biblical Studies at the University of St Andrews.

Prior to moving to Little Shelford, she trained as a children's counsellor, worked in a variety of different schools as a chaplain's assistant, philosophy and theology teacher, and a primary school teacher, before transitioning to full-time children's ministry at her church in London.

As part of her role at All Saints, you'll see her at Tots on Wednesday mornings and the Lighthouse Club at Shelford Primary School on Thursdays, and at any of the children's church events throughout the year — all of which bring her much joy!

Outside work, Bea loves long distance open water swimming, drinking copious cups of tea with friends, stitching, cryptic cross-wording, and spending time with her gorgeous golden retriever puppy, Gus.

She is super excited to get stuck into all aspects of village life and to meet fellow dogs (and their owners) as she explores the vast array of dog walking spots nearby.

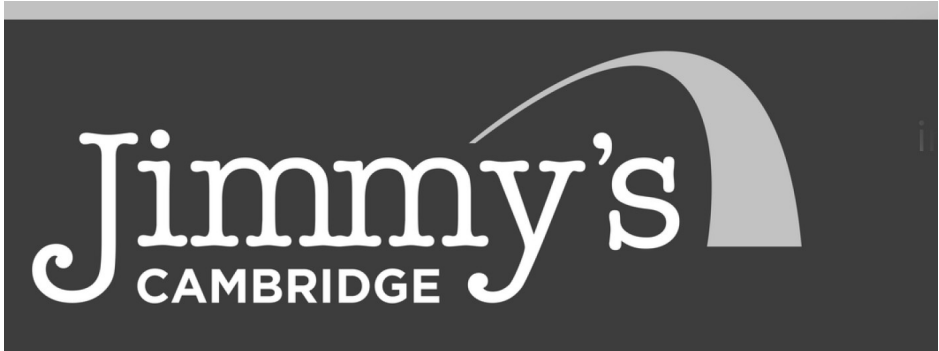
Do say hello if you ever see Bea and Gus out and about in the village!



All Saints Harvest Thanks Giving Service

Sunday, 4th October at 10am

Harvest gifts will be collected during the service and will be donated to **Jimmy's Cambridge**.



Jimmy's say, "As we approach winter, every donation this Harvest helps us stock our shelves and enables us to provide warm meals to the people we support."

See: <https://www.jimmyscambridge.org.uk/support-us/harvest-festival-2026/>

Why support Jimmy's?

Their guests give the answer:

'Without Jimmy's I do not know where I would be now. They took me from street to shelter to house to home'

'Once I moved into Jimmy's I could get in touch with the benefits system and apply for housing. Jimmy's helped me get my photo ID and bank accounts. Without Jimmy's I'd still be walking the street in a mess, probably'

Rainbow Pre-school

Last term, we bid a very fond farewell to Allison Tomlin who had been part of Rainbow Preschool for nearly 29 years, many of which she served as the preschool manager.



Photo of Allison and Sarah Bullock holding the rainbow fingerprint canvas made by all the children of Rainbow Preschool and Great and Little Shelford (C of E) Primary School.

Sarah Bullock will be taking over the role of Preschool leader in September. Sarah has been a familiar face at Rainbow for the past 9 years, working as SENCO and deputy manager. Sarah has recently completed her Early Years Teacher qualification and is very excited to work with the rest of the Rainbow team to continue to provide a caring, happy and stimulating environment for 2 to 4 year olds.

Fran Dreezer will be taking over the role of Sunbeam Leader. Fran is an experienced early years practitioner and takes a particular interest in outdoor learning and forest school. The Rainbow team have been busy over the holidays preparing for a wonderful year ahead.

Rainbow preschool takes children from the term after they turn 2 years old. If you would like to arrange a tour of Rainbow Preschool or to find out more about registering your child for a place in either our Sunbeam (2 to 3 year olds) or Rainbow (3 to 4 year olds) room, please contact us at:

rainbow@shelford.cambs.sch.uk .

Further information is available at:

www.shelfordschool.org.uk/web/welcome/685385.

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DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT

Cambridge Road Resurfaced

As many of you will have noticed, Cambridge Road has now been resurfaced. We are delighted that this work has been completed before the winter sets in.

Mingle Lane Housing Developments

In early July, the South Cambridgeshire planning committee met and voted unanimously to reject an application for up to 110 houses on land off Mingle Lane. However, the developer has acquired additional land and is preparing a new application for 240 houses. Additionally, a separate proposal for 400 houses is being prepared for adjoining land by a different developer.

We are working closely with the Great Shelford and Stapleford Parish Councils.

Local Government Reorganisation

In mid-July the government announced the boundaries for the new Unitary Authorities for all areas *except for* two: Cambridgeshire & Peterborough and West Sussex. The government stated that "further time is required". We now expect a decision "by October". The delay is incredibly frustrating, to say the least, not only for councillors, but also the staff at councils in Cambridgeshire who were expecting to gain certainty as to where their future lay.

Ministers also stated that the timeline for these changes remains the same: elections for the new authorities in May 2027 and a "Go Live" on 1 April 2028. The various councils will now have even less time, once the decision is made by government, to prepare for what will be a challenging set of mergers.

Climate Action

Following the recent record breaking temperatures, we thought it would be good to draw attention to the council's Climate and

Nature Strategy. We're taking action, small though it may be in the global order, to do what we can - from solar panels over the car park at the council offices to new electric bin lorries.

You can read more about what we are doing as a council and the full strategy document at www.scambs.gov.uk/climate-and-environment/climate-and-nature-strategy.

Please do not hesitate to contact either, or both of us.



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Weekly food waste collections

Food waste caddies are now being delivered and soon every household in South Cambridgeshire and Cambridge will receive a new weekly food waste collection service.

For more information go to:

greatercambridgewaste.org/foodwaste

Shelford School News

As the new academic year begins, we hope everyone in the school community has had the chance to rest and recharge. School life is always busy, and the summer break is richly deserved. The governors would like to thank the teachers and staff of Great and Little Shelford School for their hard work, care and commitment to our children: not least the three members of staff who retired or moved on to other posts at the end of term. We warmly welcome the new children and families joining the school and Rainbows this September, and wish every success to our Year 6 leavers, now heading to secondary school.

The school may have been quieter over the summer, but politics has not. July brought a change of Prime Minister, while the Government is considering proposals to reorganise local government across Cambridgeshire.

Education is shaped by decisions at several levels. National government sets much of the legal and policy framework for schools, including the National Curriculum, accountability and funding. Locally, Cambridgeshire County Council has important responsibilities including admissions and statutory duties towards children with special educational needs and disabilities.

Those responsibilities directly affect pupils, families and schools. Earlier this year, the High Court found that Cambridgeshire County Council had unlawfully missed statutory Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) deadlines, referring to wider failures as 'systemic illegality'. For schools, those delays can mean providing the support a child needs for longer before the associated funding is in place.

School governance is not party-political. But governors engage with councillors and MPs to keep them aware of issues affecting the school. Our local MP, Pippa Heylings, has raised education issues in Parliament, including leading a House of Commons debate earlier this year on education funding and Cambridgeshire's relatively low funding per pupil. In the year ahead, politicians may come knocking on your door. Whatever their party or your own views, please consider asking them about education: how schools and pupils should be funded and supported into the future.

Education matters to the whole community, and decisions made far beyond the school gates have consequences for children, families and our local area.

We are looking forward to the year ahead, with opportunities for learning and development for children across the school. If you would like to support the school and its staff, please consider making a one-off or regular gift to the Shelford School Support Fund.

See: <https://www.shelfordschool.org.uk/web/sssfdonations/> or scan the QR code.



Jonathan Nye, School Governor

Year 5 visit Burwell House for a residential trip each year.

One of the activities is film making in a professional studio.



Good Neighbours Village Tea Parties

These take place on the second Wednesday of the month, from 2:30 - 4:30pm.

Please come along for a cup of tea, good company and delicious homemade sandwiches and cakes. Please note the different venues.

Wednesday 9 September

2:30 - 4:30pm in the Sports Pavilion

Wednesday 14 October

2:30 - 4:30pm in the Sports Pavilion

Wednesday 11 November

2:30 - 4:30pm in the Memorial Hall

Wednesday 9 December

A Christmas Special 2:30 - 4:30 pm in the Memorial Hall.

Little Shelford Badminton Club

The 2026 season starts 10th September.

We play Thursday evenings at the Little Shelford Memorial Hall; start time is 7:30 pm.

First session is free so come along and try us out.

We currently can't take juniors, but hope to and are looking into it (insurance/safeguarding etc.) so if you would be interested, please let us know.

Also as there is only the one court, we cannot handle beginners, but that said we have a range of abilities.

Contact: James@JamesNewman.org
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The oldest secular building in Little Shelford – Farming from the 15th century to the present day

This is the introduction to a longer article by **David Jones**.

The full article may be found in the Village News section of the All Saints website: [All Saints : Village Newsletters](#)

See:

<https://www.allsaintslittleshelford.org/Publisher/File.aspx?ID=407810>

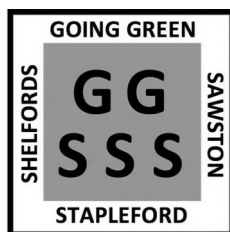
At the southern end of Little Shelford High Street stands a building that most villagers will have passed hundreds of times without appreciating quite how extraordinary it is. **Hall Farm** and its barns are grade II listed and the Farm House is probably the oldest surviving secular building in the village. Its story provides a remarkable window into more than five centuries of farming, changing land ownership and village life.

The details from the Historic England listing information tell us that at the heart of today's Hall Farmhouse is a late-15th-century open hall — a great timber-framed room that was once open to the roof and heated by an open fire. Its smoke-blackened roof timbers survive today, providing a rare glimpse of what life was like in a substantial medieval farming household. The farmhouse around it was subsequently rebuilt, extended and modernised, particularly in the



17th century, but the medieval hall remains at its core and is where its 500 year history began.

There is also a separate listing for the substantial timber-framed barn behind the farm house which dates from the early 16th century, so probably built around the same period as major changes to the farmhouse open hall were being made. The barn is a substantial four-bay building.



2G3S Report

Hopefully it's a bit cooler now it's October. If you were thinking in the heatwaves of buying new fans, shutters, or other ways to keep your house cool, now's the time to do it, don't wait till next May when the suppliers sell out. Even simple things help - we certainly found hanging white sheets on the outside of sunny windows reduced the temperature in the room a few degrees.

People's Emergency Briefing – you will recall I have written in previous articles about the National Emergency Briefing on Climate and Nature that was held last November, to which many politicians, business people, civil servants, representatives from churches and civil groups and others were invited. A number of expert speakers talked about the risk of climate change to national security, health, food security, agriculture, the economy, and other aspects of life in the UK. The Government has suggested we all stock up on a few days' worth of tinned food and bottled water in case of wildfires, floods, or cyberattacks.

There is now a film made covering the points in the briefings, and there have been several local showings. We are holding one at Great Shelford Free Church on Tuesday 17 November at 7.30 pm, with a panel to answer your questions afterwards. Free to attend but you need to book a seat in advance.

Here's the booking link:

tickettailor.com/events/shelfordcommunityevent/2370719

Repair Café – if you missed the one in September, the next one of these will be on Saturday 21 November in St Mary's Church Hall in Sawston from 2pm to 5pm. To book a slot go on the CCF (Cambridge Carbon Footprint) website and click on Repair Cafes. Our repairers can mend all sorts of things, or at least will be able to tell you if an item can be repaired or not. And there's always tea and cake! And all for a small donation.

Don't forget **Dr Bike** continues to hold its volunteer-run weekly bike repair sessions at the Old Slaughterhouse in Stapleford, 3pm-5.30pm every Tuesday. It is also running one on Saturday 31 October, subject to demand. Please let us know if you are intending to bring a bike to the Saturday workshop. For more information and to book a slot, contact **drbikestapleford@gmail.com**.

You can donate by card as well as by cash. Bring your children with their bikes, they can learn simple necessary maintenance jobs from the volunteers.

In fact, as we always plan to have at least two adults on duty at every session, older children can bring their bike along without needing an accompanying adult.

You might wonder why environmentalists put such store on protecting endangered species, or looking after green spaces – people might say “it’s just a little bird in South America”, “it’s just a bit of scrubland”. Species are interlinked and balanced in a web, take out the top predator and you get a surge of herbivores. Take out birds and you get a glut of insects eating your crops. If there is nowhere for species to live they will die out. Besides, being in nature is very restorative to our mental health and reduces stress. Peat and trees hold carbon, saving it from adding to climate change. Vegetation soaks up pollution. Wetlands reduce flooding from rivers and rain by holding the water in the ground. Natural spaces support a rural economy. Thus in an uncertain future, nature isn’t an obstacle to development, but helps to build a more resilient future.

If you are interested in green matters and the environment, send an email to mail2G3S@gmail.com to sign up for our monthly newsletter, or to get more information about our meetings. We welcome anyone who wants to come along to one of our events or to find out more about how we can live sustainably.

Also see our Facebook page and our website:

2g3s.staplefordvillage.org.uk/.

Helen Hale

People's Emergency Briefing Details

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People's Emergency Briefing

On the climate and nature crisis

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An update from your local MP, Pippa Heylings

A Summer of Extremes

This summer has been extraordinary — we're on course for the UK's hottest on record, with South Cambridgeshire seeing five heatwaves, the driest July on record and drought conditions that cut farmers' yields by up to half. This isn't a one-off, but a clear trend, and I've been raising the alarm on ITV Anglia, BBC Look East and in local papers.

In Parliament, I'm pushing for renewable energy to secure both cheaper bills and energy security, for new homes to be built with cooling as standard, and for a genuinely powerful Clean Water Authority to replace Ofwat — one with real teeth to make water companies invest and clean up their act.

Anglian Water's Sorry Excuses

Last month, within an hour of the first significant rainfall since June, our rivers were choked with raw sewage. Anglian Water blamed "exceptional rainfall" — but it took less than 1cm of rain to trigger it. Their own figures show discharge levels are back to 2022 levels despite far less rainfall. It's long past time they invested properly in our region's infrastructure.

Our Chalk Streams Are in Peril

I toured eight local chalk streams this summer — among the rarest habitats on Earth — and saw the same story everywhere: rivers running dry or kept alive only by pumping, then polluted by sewage. That's why I've introduced a Bill calling for UNESCO World Heritage status for our chalk streams, to help galvanise the action needed before we lose them for good.

Out and About

This summer I've prioritised getting out to meet you — with "Meet Your MP" events at Scotsdales in Shelford and on Cherry Hinton High Street, and surgeries in Quy and Barrington. Please don't hesitate to get in touch. If you would like an appointment, please do email pippa.heytings.mp@parliament.uk.

These are just a few of the things I've been working on in recent weeks that I wanted to share with you. If you would like to keep up to date with my work, you can register for my e-newsletter, available at: www.pippaheytings.org.uk/newsletter

Great Shelford Library News

Activities during October.

Engage Talk: – Dementia Friend hosted by Terri Lewis. Wednesday 21st October at 2pm. Donation of £2 appreciated. Please stay for a drink after the talk. Please pre-book in the library or via Cambourne.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Halloween Crafts – Come and make some scary crafts to decorate your home with for Halloween. Wednesday 28th October 2-3pm. Suitable for ages 4-10. Please pre-book in the library or via Cambourne.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

Story, Rhyme & Duplo Time – Every Tuesday at 10.30am.

For children aged 0-4 years. Come and enjoy stories and rhymes led by our wonderful volunteers. This is a free drop-in event.

Parents/carers please stay with your children.

LEGO CLUB – Mondays 4.00-5.30pm. Suitable for ages 2-10.

Parents/carers please stay with your children during all library activities

ART CLUB- Every Saturday 10.30am-12noon. Suitable for ages 4-10.

Drop in event.

CRAFT & CHAT – For Adults — Every Friday morning 10.30am -12pm. No need to book.

READING GROUP – 2nd Wednesday of each month, 1030am-12pm.

We have spaces in this group. Please enquire in the library.

We look forward to welcoming you to library soon.

Mel Abbiss and Vikki Keppey
Community Librarian Assistants

Great Shelford Library opening hours			
Monday	3-7pm	Friday	10am-1pm and 2-6pm
Tuesday	10am-1pm and 2-5pm	Saturday	10am-1pm
Wednesday	10am-1pm	Sunday	Closed
Thursday	Closed		

A Message from our Librarians

Well done to all the children who signed up and completed the Summer Reading Challenge.

It has been a wonderfully busy summer in the library and we have enjoyed hearing about all the books the children have read. The Summer Reading Challenge awards ceremony will be held on **Monday 21st September at 4.15pm.**

Please come along if you can. We will keep certificates and medals safe for children who cannot attend the ceremony.

All the library staff would also like to thank the Friends of Great Shelford Library who kindly bought extra badges and collectors' cards to give the children during the challenge.

Contact details: Telephone: 0345 045 5225.

Email: Cambourne.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Web: www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk

From Shelford Twinning Association

On Sunday 16 August 2026 members of the association spent an afternoon out plum picking at Bloomfield Fruit Farm (in Ongar).

Many thanks to the roughly 20 people that came out for some (we hope) lovely Victoria plums. The farm has donated nearly £50 to the Association as half of the price of the plums you picked. Every little helps.

Thanks too for joining in with the cream teas, coffees and cakes, which seemed to go down well.

Bloomfield Fruit Farm has 8 varieties of plums from mid July to mid September. They are good for chutney, jam and the gin.

Too late for this year but they can be contacted on 01992 522725 next July.

Penny Pearl

LITTLE SHELFORD CRICKET CLUB

2026 SEASON REVIEW

A season of achievement, resilience and a very promising future



Our victorious U15 XI – 2026 County Vitality T20 Cup champions

As the 2026 cricket season comes to a close, there is plenty for Little Shelford Cricket Club to celebrate. From our senior teams to the youngest members of our junior section, the Club has enjoyed a season of competitive cricket, great team spirit and, most importantly, plenty of enjoyment.

U15 XI – County Cup champions!

The headline achievement was undoubtedly our U15 XI becoming County Vitality T20 Cup champions. Having reached the final against Audley Wenden at Spicers Sports Ground, Sawston, on 28 June, the team won by 16 runs, scoring 150/5 and restricting Audley Wenden to 134/5. They also finished runners-up in the Under 15 Premier League, with six wins from seven matches.

U13 – league champions

Our U13 XI enjoyed another outstanding season, winning their league with 26 points from eight matches. Along the way they recorded impressive victories, including beating Histon by 82 runs and Great Shelford by 126 runs. The progress and enthusiasm of our youngest players has been one of the most encouraging aspects of the season.

U15 B – developing for the future

The U15 B XI had a more challenging season, finishing fifth, but there were several close matches and an excellent 46-run victory over Royston to finish the campaign. For a development side, these games provide invaluable experience and help prepare players for the next step in their cricketing journey.

Senior cricket

The 1st XI had a difficult season, finishing 10th in Senior League Division 3 and facing relegation. Player losses made the season particularly challenging, but there were excellent individual performances: Avinash Mehta scored 401 runs, Sanketh Kesarla made an unbeaten 105, while Gemunu Kulasekara took 20 wickets. Relegation gives us an opportunity to rebuild, bring through younger players and rediscover the winning feeling in 2027.

The 2nd XI did a very good job, finishing seventh and securing a solid middle-table position. Their 145-run victory over Linton Village was a particular highlight. The 2nd XI also provides an important pathway for our developing junior players as they progress into senior cricket – something that gives us plenty of optimism for 2027.

More than results

As Chairman, I remain particularly proud of the spirit in which all our teams play their cricket, and of the diversity and inclusiveness of our Club. Our junior section is thriving, our young players are progressing and there is a clear pathway into senior cricket.

We look forward to celebrating the season at our Festival of Cricket on Saturday 5 September, including the Player Awards.

The award winners will be revealed in the next edition!

Thank you to all our players, coaches, managers, volunteers, parents, supporters and sponsors for another memorable season. Here's to 2027 – and hopefully a few more trophies!

David Jones — Chairman, Little Shelford Cricket Club

News from your Parish Council



Little Shelford Parish Council

Allotment Bonfire Plot

Please note that the spare bonfire plot on the allotments **has become dangerous** and is therefore being monitored.

The bonfire plot is **strictly for waste generated from the allotments only**. Please do not use it for any other type of waste.

The Parish Council is considering the installation of security cameras to help monitor the site and ensure that the bonfire plot is used appropriately.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Your Local Public Footpaths

You may know that in Little Shelford we have only two footpaths. One is 'The Terrace' between Whittlesford Road and High Street. The other is 'Bradmere Lane' on the right just after the right turn out of High Street on to Whittlesford Road.

That's a short wooded walk at the end of which a group, supported by your Parish Council, put in a small loop through the woods more than ten years ago.

The good news is that your Parish Council has just borrowed the scythe (thanks to Mike Darsley from the Orchard Group) to chop down the nettles there so you can get round it again.

Enjoy





THE BIG BREAKFAST IS BACK

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER 2026

8.30–11.30am • Little Shelford Memorial Hall

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The Big Breakfast is back!

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SSYI is a community-based charity formed by local Christians over 27 years ago. It provides youth activities and clubs open to all local 11–18-year-olds, as well as one-to-one support for young people facing particularly challenging issues. SSYI works across Great and Little Shelford, Stapleford, Duxford, Sawston, Harston and Hauxton, supporting more than 300 teenagers each month.

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SSYI Charity Registration No. 1201381

Little Shelford Groups

Activity groups in grey. To include a group in this list or to change the contact details, please email newsletter@allsaintslittleshelford.org.

Group name	Contact details
All Saints Tots	Polly Stanton 722509 www.allsaintslittleshelford.org
Badminton Club	James Newman 07717 394176 james@jamesnewman.org www.littleshelfordbadmintonclub.co.uk
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Little Shelford Defibrillator

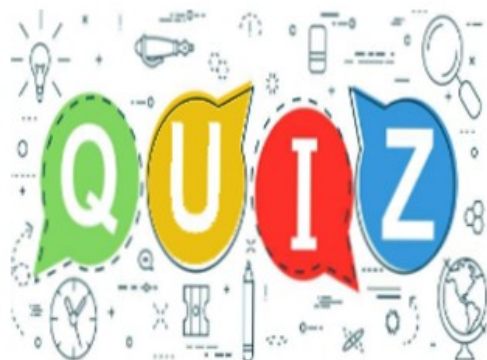
The Little Shelford defibrillator can be found attached to the wall of the rear kitchen extension at the **Side Quest Public House, 63 High Street**. When you open the defibrillator, the machine will talk to you and guide you through how to use

Waste and Recycling Bins Reminder

Tuesday	22 September	Green & blue bins
Tuesday	29 September	Black bin
Tuesday	6 October	Green & blue bins
Tuesday	13 October	Black bin
Tuesday	20 October	Green & blue bins
Tuesday	27 October	Black bin
Tuesday	3 November	Green & blue bins
Tuesday	10 November	Black bin`

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SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER 2026
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