

TEMPSFORD TIMES

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The village magazine of Tempsford, Bedfordshire www.tempsford.org

**Our
refurbished
village
signs are
back in**



**INSIDE!
IMPORTANT
NEWS
ABOUT THE
BLACK CAT
ROUNDAABOUT
AND THE EAST
WEST RAIL
ROUTE**

MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONSULTATIONS ARE IN PROGRESS.

Firstly, we have been waiting for 2 years to hear about decisions on the A428 and the Black Cat roundabout improvements.

A summary of the decisions and maps are on pages 12, 13 and 14, but you will find more information if you go to the website listed. If that is difficult for you, you are advised to visit local libraries and council offices to view reference hard copies of the booklet and public consultation reports, You can also email at a428blackcattocaxtongibbet@highwaysengland.co.uk for a hard copy.

Secondly the East-West Rail Consultation is in progress. It concerns the choice of route for the Oxford to Cambridge railway passing through Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire. The five options of routes are shown on pages 16 and 17. Booklets giving fuller details are being made available to Tempsford residents and are available from the Parish Clerk, Linda Collins at 69 Station Road.



Every household in the area received a card inviting people to attend a consultation in their area about these plans and options. Tempsford Parish Council is inviting you all to read these carefully and to give your considered opinions on those routes on the feedback form.

The website www.eastwestrail.co.uk has all the documents, plans and route maps options. The consultation closes on March 11th. The closest meeting to Tempsford is in Sandy Village Hall , Medusa Way, Sandy SG19 1BN on March 1st from 3.30pm to 7.30pm.

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Following the Maker's instructions!

Having moved house a number of times during recent years, it invariably involves taking things apart and re-assembling items once moved. I tend to be one of those people who does not read the instructions, especially those items that have been taken apart and re-assembled on a regular basis. I guess its familiarity that prompts me not to follow the instructions. We have done something so often we think we know how it goes together, how it works and should have no problems in piecing it together to perform its function. It is only when we cannot get the item to function as it should that we refer back to the maker's instructions.

The same can be said of the way we function in life. How often do we think we know best? I would say quite often! We encounter many situations through life and we think we know how to find a way through it. We fumble around in the dark trying to find solutions, when really what we ought to be doing is referring to the maker's instructions.

Where do we find the maker's instructions? In the Bible there are a continuous stream of commands and examples of how we are to live out our lives. From the Ten Commandments, to the letters of Paul in the New Testament there are many sayings and rules as to the basis of life. Ultimately we are given a pure example by the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ. Some may say that this is old fashioned, out of date, but the basics are there for us to see.

Indeed many of our current laws are based on biblical teaching. This is all underlined by one true virtue – love.

As we approach the Easter season, we have the perfect example of love, in that Jesus gave his life for all, out of the love that God has for us. There are those who do not recognise the death and resurrection of Jesus, but we do not just have the words of the Bible to give us this belief, but also of many historians of the time. They too record Jesus in their writings, and although written from a different perspective, they still provide us of proof that Jesus lived and died. Jesus taught us how to live our lives, mixing and sharing with the outcasts of society, showing compassion to the poor and the sick, standing alongside the oppressed and excluding no one. Even those who were against him, and eventually had him put to death on the cross, were loved without exception.

There is no greater example for us to follow, all to be found in the Maker's instructions!

With Christian love ,

Rev. Graham

New Service Pattern

We have now introduced our new service pattern. Each of our four churches have a service of Holy Communion, on two Sundays of the month. One of these will be at 9.30am



St Denys Little Barford
Ascension Day Service
Thursday 30th May 2019
7.00pm



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Our next meetings:

Monday 11TH March 2019

Members Night – Members take over for the night. Great Fun

Monday 8th April 2019

Talk On :- “Good Morning Lords & Ladies”

Speakers :- Barry & Gill Goodman
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**TEMPSFORD
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ARCHIVES**

**In the
Stuart
Memorial
Hall,
Church
End.**

**The Museum will be open on
Sundays 3rd March and April 7th 2019**

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RIVERSMEET BENEFICE SERVICES

Sunday March 3rd 9.30am Gt Barford HC, 11.00am Blunham MP,
11.00am Roxton HC

Sunday Mar 10TH 11.00am ST PETERS HC

Sunday March 17th 11.00am Gt Barford HC, 11.00am Blunham CC,
9.30am Roxton HC

Sunday Mar 24th 9.30am ST PETERS HC

Sunday Mar 31st 10.30am ST PETERS Benefice Service

Sunday April 7th 9.30am Gt Barford HC, 11.00am Blunham MP,
11.00am Roxton HC

Sunday April 14th 10.45am Roxton Palm Sunday Procession

Easter Sunday 11.00am ST PETERS HC

April 21st

Sunday April 28th 9.30am ST PETERS HC

Easter Week

Sunday 14th

10.45am Roxton Palm Sunday Procession

Monday 15th

7.30am ST PETERS HC

Tuesday 16th

12.30pm Blunham HC

Wednesday 17th

7.30pm Roxton

Thursday 18th

6.00pm Blunham Agape Meal

Good Friday 19th

2.00pm ST PETERS Good Friday Liturgy

Good Friday 19th

7.30pm Gt Barford Good Friday Liturgy (Ivel Group)

Saturday 20th

8.00pm Gt Barford Kindling of the first light HC

Easter Sunday

11.00am ST PETERS HC

HC = Holy Communion

MP = Morning Prayers FS = Family Service

CC = Café Church

STUART MEMORIAL HALL

This time last year, I was thanking all those who had expressed their support for the Hall regarding its future. Your support helped us to win a Big Lottery Fund grant of £10000 which paid for a fire alarm system and emergency lighting. These were installed last summer.

I'm writing this time to ask for your support again, not because the Hall is in danger of closing, but for something very much more positive. The Hall is planning a major announcement and campaign at the end of March which, if we are successful, will involve significant improvements to the Hall. I'm sorry to be so mysterious at this stage but we can't say any more until the end of March. We will, however, need your support in a big way to ensure success.

We will be leafletting the whole village when we are allowed to go live. Please don't throw these flyers straight in the bin but read them and act on them and show them to your friends and families. The leaflets will have a photo of the Hall on the front to help you differentiate them from junk mail. As well as the flyers there will be other publicity which we will inform you about in due course. Watch out also for publicity on our website www.tempsford-stuart-memorial-village-hall.co.uk and our Facebook page (see link on our website).

This will be one of the most important things to happen to the Hall since it was built in 1924. Please support us as soon as we are able to give details.

We will be holding an Open Day at the Hall on Sunday 7th April between 2 and 5pm so please come along and see what the Hall is all about and hear about our proposals. The Museum will also be open and tea, coffee and cakes will be available.

On a more mundane, but nevertheless, important level, the Hall AGM will be held on Tuesday 2nd April and a notice about this appears elsewhere in the Tempsford Times.

Brian Harrison, Chairman, Hall Committee
b.harrison46@btinternet.com

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING NOTES

The following is a summary of the main points of discussion at the Parish Council meeting held on the 21st January 2019. Full copies of the Minutes are available on the village website www.tempsdford.org or from the Clerk.

Present: - 7 Councillors, 1 CBC Councillor (Adam Zerny), Clerk and 3 members of the public.

Apologies – None were received.

Declarations of Interest – None received.

Acceptance of Minutes – Minutes of the meeting held on the 19th November 2018 and Planning meeting held on the 8th December 2018 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

Police Report – The Clerk reported there were two incidents in the village in November as reported on the UK police site. Cllr. Clark had nothing to report as there had been no meetings recently.

Public Session – The Clerk updated a member of the public on the question of waste bags not being biodegradable raised at the last meeting. CBC reported that the bags are removed before anaerobic digestion and this was the same with the previous bags.

Speed watch – a member of the public reported he was trying to get the Speed-watch going again.

Proposed Tempsford Football team – a member of the public put a proposal to the Parish Council that he would like to start up a village football team. The Parish Council is supportive of this venture and will do all they can to help. It was suggested that the resident produce a plan of what is needed for the team, then return to the Parish Council with full details.

Planning – No recent plans had been received. Councillors were updated with past planning applications.

Highways – **Salt** - This has been ordered.

CBC LTP Integrated Programme – This is a matched funded scheme. The Parish Council had some suggestions and two projects were decided on. The Clerk would send in the necessary forms.

White lines – the lines at the bottom of the slope in Church Street and elsewhere in the village still needed repainting. These had been reported several times to CBC.

Neighbourhood Plan – A committee member of the group gave a summary of what had been happening over the last few months. A lot of work had been

done on two topics, reporting on local green spaces and writing a description and character of the village which included lots of research and photographs. They wanted to look at the village as visitors might see it asking themselves 'what do we see and how does it make you feel.' The Plan had been submitted to the Consultant for review. The Green Infrastructure plan is separate and has not yet been done. It has a set fee regardless of the size of the village and the group may have to come to the Parish Council for funding if they want to include it. The Group hopes the main plan will be finished this year.

Central Beds Councillors - Adam Zerny had little to report on but said that the Local Plan would be CBC's priority over the next few months. East West Rail is very much on the agenda now with 5 routes proposed. No decision yet on the route of the A428.

Finance – The Clerk reported that the Precept application had been sent in and acknowledged. The Council approved payment of invoices. Cllr. Bettles had made a replacement gate for the Church wall in the cemetery, as his gift to the Church. Council expressed thanks to him and asked for it to be recorded in the Minutes. Cashflow and Bank Reconciliation explained by Clerk. **Tempsford Signs** – Council accepted a quote for the erection of the two village name signs.

Play Area – The clerk had contacted the insurance company regarding damage to the springer in Church St. play area. She had also contacted the manufacturer for a quote and was awaiting a reply. Cllr. Bettles is in the process of repairing the fort.

Cemetery/Churchyard – Council agreed that a cherry tree should be taken down as it is encroaching a grave nearby. A replacement tree would be put in another suitable place. A quote was awaiting from the contractor regarding dealing with the lime trees overhanging the grave stones. A suggestion was made to reduce the yew trees around the Stuarts' graves to allow more light in. The Council agreed and the Clerk would contact the Church. It was suggested that a work party is organised to tidy the graveyard.

Communications – Facebook. Cllr. Fraser and Goddard had put together a "Facebook" page which was shown to the other Councillors. They consider this to be a good way of informing a larger part of the community. All Councillors agreed for it to go forward. It would be launched at the Annual Parish Meeting.

**AT LAST.... THE APPROVED ROUTE FOR
A428 BLACK CAT TO CAXTON GIBBET SCHEME IS
ANNOUNCED.**

Between 6 March and 23 April 2017, we held a consultation to invite comments on three route (orange, pink and purple) and three roundabout (A,B and C) options for the A428 Black Cat to Caxton Gibbet scheme.

I am pleased to announce that after careful consideration of more than 4000 responses and extensive technical design work, which included environmental analysis and traffic growth forecasting, we will be taking forward the development of the Orange route and Option C for the Black Cat roundabout. Both of these options were widely supported in our consultation and our assessment shows that these offer the best benefits for road users, significantly reducing congestion and rat running through local communities and providing the best value for money.

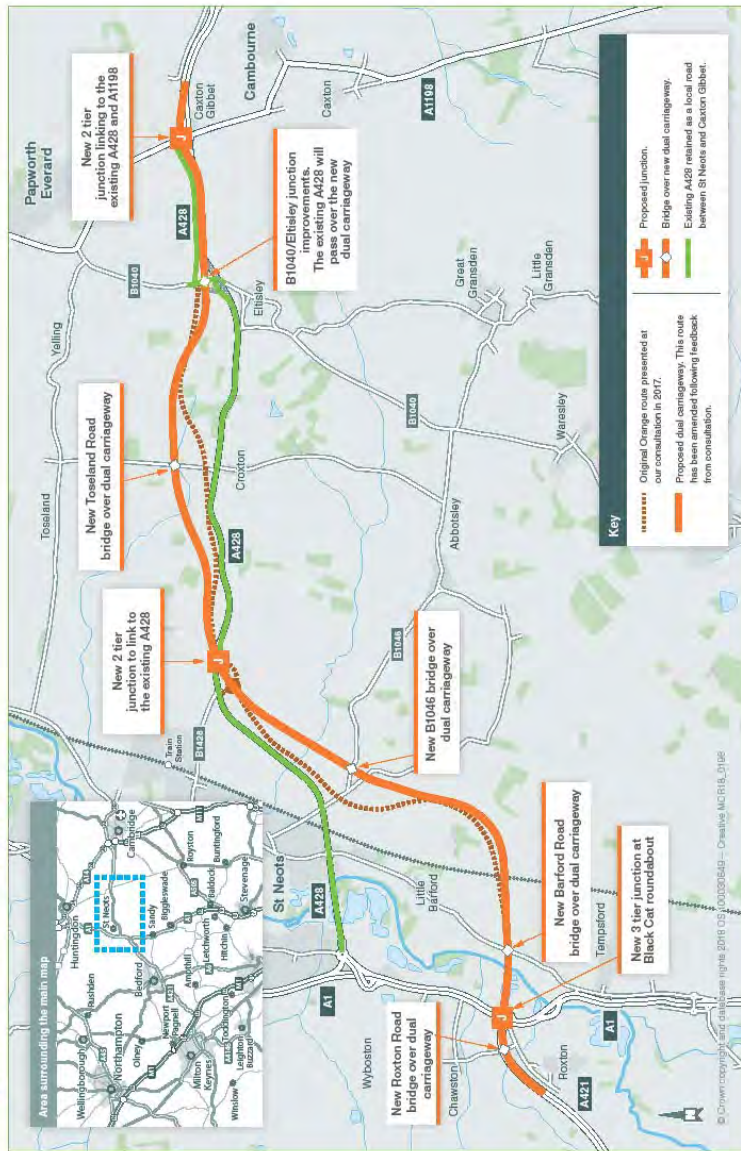
The preferred route was carefully selected as the one that minimises environmental impacts as far as possible whilst providing transport and economic benefits in the region, and ensuring the road is built to cope with future growth. The new road will be built to high safety standards incorporating the most up-to-date engineering. You can find out more in our Preferred Route Announcement booklet on our web page at: www.highwaysengland.co.uk/a428 where you will also find a copy of the Public Consultation Report.

We understand that a major new infrastructure project on this scale can cause worry and concern, particularly about the effect it will have on homes, communities and the environment. We are contacting those land and property owners directly affected by the route to help them understand potential impacts, their options and their rights, and have prepared a number of land and property documents for guidance. These are available to view on our website at: www.highwaysengland.co.uk/a428

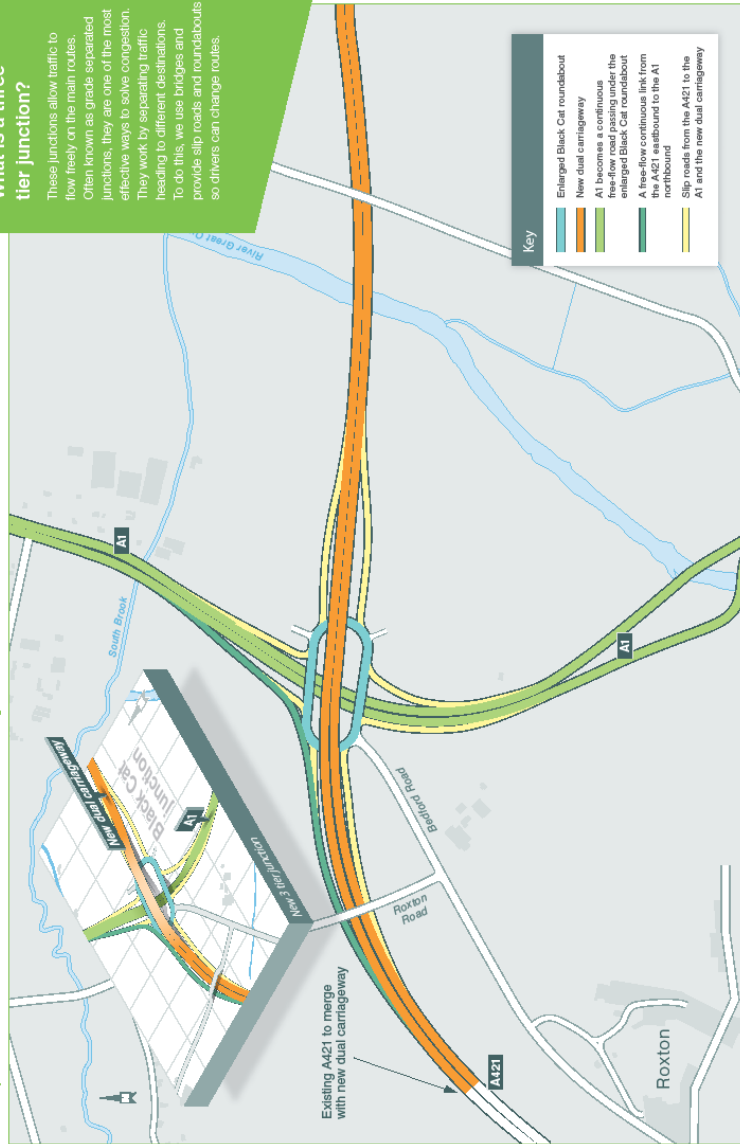
Wherever possible we will maximise opportunities for road users, our stakeholders and local communities to be part of shaping and delivering this vitally important project and will be holding a second public consultation later this year to help refine the design by providing a further opportunity for comment.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact :
Hazel Gardner, Programme Support Officer, Complex Infrastructure

The preferred route: Orange



The preferred route: Black Cat Option C



What is a three tier junction?

These junctions allow traffic to flow freely on the main routes. Often known as grade separated junctions, they are one of the most effective ways to solve congestion. They work by separating traffic heading to different destinations. To do this, we use bridges and provide slip roads and roundabouts so drivers can change routes.

What it will be like?

- A new 10 mile dual carriageway between the Black Cat and Caxton Gibbet junctions
- A three tier junction at the Black Cat roundabout will allow traffic to flow freely on the A1, A421 and the new road
- New junctions at Cambridge Road and Caxton Gibbet will connect the new dual carriageway to the existing A428
- The existing A428 will be retained for local traffic and public transport
- Close alignment to the existing A428 will help reduce environmental impacts
- New bridges will cross over the dual carriageway at Roxton Road, (Little) Barford Road, the B1046 (to Abbotsley) and Toseland Road
- New bridges over the River Great Ouse and East Coast Main Line railway
- Improvements to A428/B1040 Eltisley junction

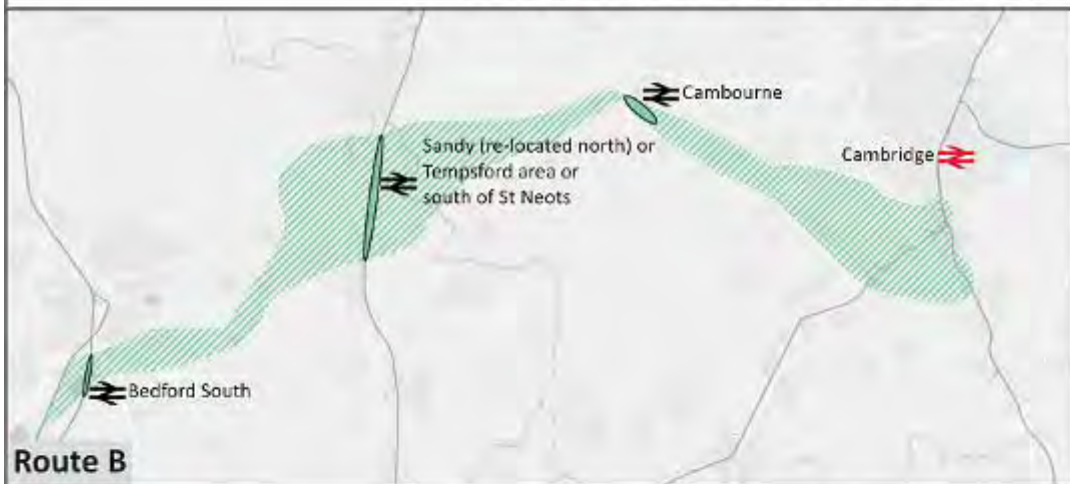
What will it involve and when will it happen?

Date	Event
2019	Preferred Route Announcement and further engagement with local community representatives and landowners
2019	Site surveys including topographical studies, traffic modelling, ecological surveys and ground investigation at key locations along the route
2019	Public consultation expected to take place on the developed route option
2019	Further develop the scheme incorporating input from all consultees
2020	Submit application for a Development Consent Order
2020 to 2025	Start subject to the necessary approvals, construction is expected to proceed in 2021/22

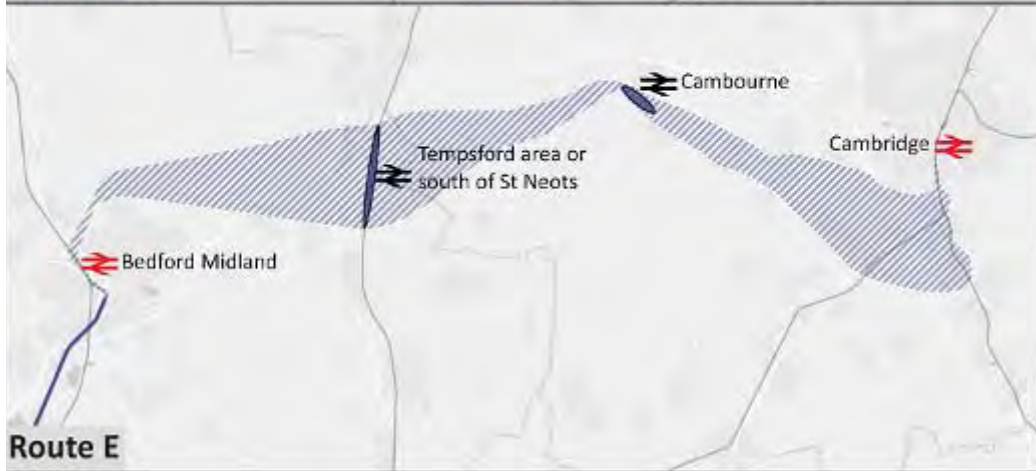
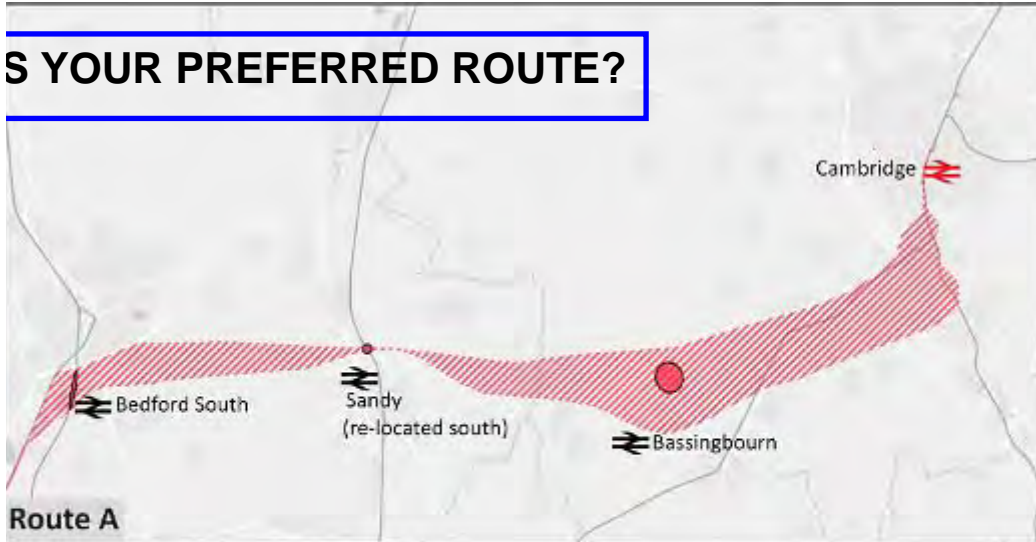
EAST– WEST RAIL : WHICH IS

-  Potential Railway Stations
-  Existing Railway Stations
-  Indicative Station Area
-  Potential Route Alignment Area
-  Existing Railway

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IS YOUR PREFERRED ROUTE?



EAST-WEST RAIL CONSULTATION

East West Rail is creating a new rail connection between Oxford and Cambridge. This will connect communities, making it faster, easier and cheaper to travel in the local area, as well as opening up job opportunities, supporting local business and helping the economy to grow. You can read more about the scheme at eastwestrail.co.uk

While the Western Section between Oxford and Bedford can be built by reinstating and upgrading old rail lines, the Central Section between Bedford and Cambridge will need an entirely new rail line to be built.

The completion of the Western Section, and the first services running is expected by the end of 2023. This new rail line between Bedford and Cambridge is expected to be built by the mid 2020s. These dates have been agreed between the East West Railway Company and the Department for Transport, but everything is being done to safely accelerate planning and construction

Please give your views by filling out the online [feedback form](#) by **11:45pm, Monday 11 March 2019**

Alternatively, you can:

Download and print a copy of our [feedback form \(PDF, 70KB\)](#) and send to Freepost EASTWEST RAIL, or scan and send a copy to contact@eastwestrail.co.uk

Attend an [event](#) and submit a form to a member of the team

You can also request paper copies of all the consultation materials and a response form by emailing contact@eastwestrail.co.uk, or writing to Freepost EAST WEST RAIL.

Please also contact us if you require copies of the consultation plans in Braille, large text or another language, using the contact information above.



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SUNDAY 3rd MARCH**



TEMPSFORD HALL

Central Beds Council to pilot high-tech roads

CBC has been chosen to trial the latest innovative road and pavement surfaces, after securing £1.05m of funding from the Department of Transport and the Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport (ADEPT).

Following an intense bidding round, including a 'Dragon's Den' style pitch, we've won the funding to trial three types of renewable energy generation ideas. We will be testing three different new high-tech techniques for using roads, cycleways and pavements to capture, store and re-use solar, kinetic and thermal energy. These trials will see how new technologies work in the real world, and will help influence how future roads are built in the 21st century.

We are currently upgrading a 3km stretch of the A421 road into Milton Keynes. The new dual carriageway will have a pavement and cycleway running alongside it with a special surface that will capture solar energy. In the summer, this heat can be stored and used to power streetlights and electronic road signs, or even heat nearby buildings. In cold weather, this technology will be used in combination with water pipes laid just below the surface that use geothermal energy from the earth. Together, they can also be used to warm the road surface, to prevent icy conditions and reduce the reliance on gritting lorries.

In another trial, we'll test kinetic pavement panels in Flitwick. These will capture the energy created by pedestrian footfall, which can again be used to power streetlights and electronic road signs. So, as people step on the pavement tiles, their weight will cause electromagnetic induction generators to generate off-grid electricity. The trials will help test innovative solutions that are currently very much in their infancy, but which could be rolled out to other local authorities in the future. And they will also help to ensure our communities' energy requirements rely on sustainable, eco-friendly sources.

FIND OUT MORE OF HOW YOUR VILLAGE IS CARED FOR AND HOW YOU CAN PLAY YOUR PART IN THE VILLAGE WE ARE PROUD OF.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

WEDNESDAY APRIL 24th

7.30pm

Stuart Memorial Hall

- JOIN IN THE DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE A428 AND EAST-WEST RAIL
- LEARN ABOUT THE VILLAGE FACEBOOK GROUP
- HEAR ABOUT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS
- ADD TO THE INFORMATION THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

WASTE FOOD BAGS

We have received the following from **Marie Bedborough**, Environmental Services Compliance Officer, Community Services, for CBC, in answer to a parishioner's question about which bags are best.:

We changed the food bags from cornstarch, which is biodegradable, to polythene in 2014/2015. This was trialled with a number of residents before the change was made. The bags are stronger, and do not 'sweat', when they're used. The equipment used at the anaerobic digestion plant that composts the food waste is able to remove bags at the beginning of the process. The biodegradable bags do not compost in this process, and so these were also removed at the beginning of the process when they were being used. Residents may choose not to use the liners and can use newspaper or nothing at all to line their food caddies, if they prefer.

**Stuart Memorial Hall
Annual General Meeting
7:30pm
on Tuesday 2nd April 2019
Venue – Main Hall, Stuart Memorial Hall**

Nominations for new committee members are to be received in writing or by e-mail by the Secretary (address below) before 19th March 2019 (N.B. Nominees must include with their application the names and addresses of two proposers, who must be inhabitants of the Parish of Tempsford.)

Anne Francis, 13 Church Street, Tempsford,
Beds

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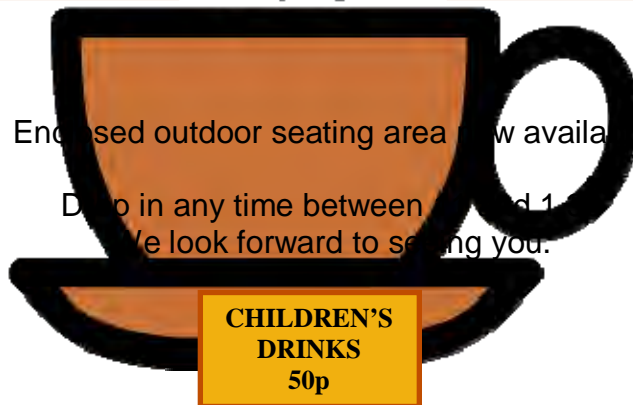
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<p>Tempsford Methodist Church</p> <p>‘MEET & EAT’ LUNCH</p> <p>Wednesday, 13 March 2019 12.30 to 2.00 p.m.</p> <p>MENU Beef Casserole Seasonal Vegetables</p> <p>Fruit Crumble Cream/Custard Tea/Coffee</p> <p>£5.00 per person</p>	<p>Tempsford Methodist Church</p> <p>‘MEET & EAT’ LUNCH</p> <p>Wednesday, 10 April 2019 12.30 to 2.00 p.m.</p> <p>MENU Sausages Creamed Potatoes Baked Beans-Tinned Tomatoes</p> <p>Trifle Tea/Coffee</p> <p>£5.00 per person</p>
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TEMPSFORD METHODIST CHAPEL
215th ANNIVERSARY

Special Celebratory Service
Sunday, 14th April 2019 at 6.00 p.m.
led by
Rev. Pam Siddall

**Refreshments will be served in the
Chapel Schoolroom from 5.00 o'clock onwards
prior to the Service commencing
at 6.00 o'clock**

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Minister: Rev Paul Beard : 01480 473444
Church Steward: Stephen Gosling,

March April Services

Everybody is assured of a warm welcome at all our services.

March Services all at 3.00 p.m.

3 rd March	NO SERVICE
10 th March	Preacher: Rev. Paul Beard
17 th March	NO SERVICE
24 th March	Preacher: Rev. James Bamber
31 st March	NO SERVICE

April Services all at 6.00 p.m.

7 th April	NO SERVICE
14 th April	Preacher: Rev. Pam Siddall Chapel Anniversary
21 st April	NO SERVICE
28 th April	Preacher: Mr. Colin Webber

Chapel Anniversary

Do come along and join with us as we celebrate 215 years since the Chapel was built in our village. The Chapel Anniversary Service will take place on Sunday, 14th April at 6.00 p.m. and will be led by Rev. Pam Siddall

CHAT CLUB

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Wednesday, 27th March and Wednesday, 24th April
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BLUNHAM COMMUNITY CINEMA

Friday 29th March 'Philomena' (Cert 12A)

starring Judi Dench and Steve Coogan.

A world-weary political journalist picks up the story of a woman's search for her son, who was taken away from her decades ago after she became pregnant and was forced to live in a convent.

Friday 26th April 'Finding your feet' (Cert PG)

starring Imelda Staunton, Celia Imrie and Timothy Spall.

On the eve of retirement, a middle class, judgmental snob discovers her husband has been having an affair with her best friend and is forced into exile with her bohemian sister who lives on an impoverished inner-city council estate.

Both films start promptly 7.30 pm doors open 7 pm. Adults £5.00. Children £2.50. Family (2A + 2C) £12.00. Sweets, Drinks, Ice cream and pop-corn are available. For tickets or any further information contact Sue 640572 or Pamela



St Peter's Flood Lights

If you would like the flood lights put on for any occasion, the cost will be £10per night. Please contact Gloria 01767 640050

ROXTON & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

March 7th Electronic Family History

Talk by – Robert Parker An over view of how to research your family history on line, this is suitable for beginners and more experienced researchers.

April 4th Wallis Simpson & the 1936 Abdication Crisis

Talk by — Roy Smart

All talks at Roxton Village Hall, 7.30 pm.

All welcome. Members free, visitors £3.

The Local History Group meets at Roxton Village Hall on the first Thursday of each month

ROAD CLOSED!

Little Barford Road will be closed from the A1 slip road to the county boundary for presurface-dressing patching.

The closure will be in place from

Wednesday 13th to Thursday 14th March
from 8.00am to 6.00pm

Diversionary route: A428, A1 and vice versa.

BLUNHAM & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Tuesday 5th March Peter Jackson will give a talk on 'Scented Plants'. The meetings are held in Blunham village hall and start at 7:30.

Last month Caroline Bowdler gave an interesting and informative talk about the history of gardens in Bedfordshire.

JULIE WAKE, of Clematis Cottage, Station Road seeks your support.

She writes: I will be running the London Landmarks half marathon at the end of March in aid of **Tommy's**. This will be my first half marathon so quite a challenge. I started running last year as a way to keep fit after the birth of my boy. You've probably seen me running along with the buggy :) **Tommy's** funds life saving research into still birth and miscarriage and helps parents in need of support. Any donations would be very gratefully received at

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/julie-wake2

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TEMPSFORD WILL HAVE ITS VERY OWN MENS FOOTBALL TEAM, COMPETING IN THE BEDFORD & DISTRICT SUNDAY LEAGUE FOR SEASON 2019/2020. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN TURNING OUT FOR YOUR VILLAGE SIDE, PLEASE ATTEND OUR ONGOING TRAINING SESSIONS AT CHURCH END REC (GANNOCKS CASTLE) ON SUNDAYS AT 1PM. ALTERNATIVELY,

www.tempsford.org

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