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From your Parish Church . . .

Easter Day, which comes early this year, timed as the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring Equinox, when we commemorate the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. It is described in the New Testament as having occurred on the third day of his burial following his crucifixion by the Romans at Calvary c.30 AD. As a Christian Festival it is more important than Christmas and comes after Maundy Thursday, when we commemorate the Last Supper, and Good Friday which marks the crucifixion of Jesus Christ.

Easter is also the first significant holiday period since the New Year when we can refresh ourselves from the trials and tribulations of what has seemed like a long, dark and wet winter. The Bible reading set for Easter Day tells the story of Peter preaching the Good News of Jesus's resurrection to the Gentiles: spreading the message of Jesus Christ that he is the Lord of All, out from the confines of Galilee to the rest of the World. This ultimately led to Peter's own death by crucifixion in Rome.

This is also an important time for our parish church. Interviews for the post of Vicar took place at the end of February and we are delighted to now announce that our new vicar will be The Revd Barnabas Leeke. Hence we are looking forward with a sense of expectation to when he will join us in the Summer, and lead us and the whole community to an exciting future. Please check the website for further details in the coming weeks.

Despite the absence of a Vicar, the community of our Church has continued to go from strength to strength reaching out with activities like the Memory Café, Lent Lunches and refreshments for the Half Marathon in March. We are grateful for the support we have received from everyone during this period in maintaining our momentum. During this time the Church Council has also continued progressing the plans for the Reimagining works that we started under Revd Mandy's leadership. More details of progress should be in the next issue.

Edmund Brookes & Sheila Betts, Churchwardens

Our Mothers' Union

We had fun at our March meeting decorating Easter bonnets and eating hot cross buns.

On 23 April (a week later than usual) we meet at the earlier time of 1.30pm, when Steve Mashford will tell us about his time working at Tesco.

In May we will be back to the third Thursday, which is 21 May. Della Fletcher will be coming to speak to us about the history of the Mothers' Union. It will be interesting to hear how this wonderful organisation began 150 years ago and will prepare us all for the 150th Anniversary Celebrations in June. Our branch intends to celebrate with a Picnic Party for members and friends. More information next time.

Please note our meetings for 2026 will be held at 75 Bishops Road at the new time of 1.30pm.

If you would like to find out about joining the Mothers' Union, please contact me on 01223 510256 or email mothersunion@trumpington.church

Stella Chandler





The Mum Co (formerly MoPS)

Are you a Mum, at any stage – newborn, toddler, nursery or school-aged, teenager? You are welcome to join us. Do come on

Tuesday mornings in term time for hot drinks, creative activities, space to meet and talk with other Mums (make your own friends) and eat cake. We've got a creche so you can enjoy the time, pause, reflect and breathe a little deeper. We run Stay & Play every other week for regular connection, respite and playtime.

We meet at 10am in the Community Rooms at Trumpington Meadows Primary School, Kestrel Rise. There's a monthly evening meet up if you're not around on Tuesday mornings. The next evening meet ups are on Thursdays, 16 April and 21 May, 8-9.30pm.

Mum Community with creche: 21 April, 5 & 19 May, 9 & 23 June
Stay & Play: 14 & 28 April, 12 May, 2 & 16 June

Follow us on Facebook: [facebook.com/people/Mum-CoTrumpington](https://www.facebook.com/people/Mum-CoTrumpington) or get in touch by email: TheMumCoTrumpington@gmail.com or contact Jo on WhatsApp 07979 379731. Trumpington Mum Community is supported by South Trumpington Parish & St Mary & St Michael's Parish Church



Junior Church

Junior Church meets every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month, during the 10am service. We go out during the first hymn to the Bakehouse next door and come back into church for communion. Junior Church has two groups:



Seedlings is for children of all ages from babies up to and including Key Stage 1. Seedlings group uses stories and crafts to explore the bible.

Saplings is for children of Key Stage 2 and above. In this group we explore the bible and Christian themes in a bit more depth.

We welcome new faces, even if just visiting!
Parents are welcome to stay if they wish.

Cedars is a new youth group for secondary school age children. It meets on 2nd and 4th Sunday afternoons from 3pm to 4.30pm in the Bakehouse.

The church families also meet up for a weekend camp in July. Everyone is welcome!



Services at St Mary & St Michael in April & May

Our 10am Sunday services are in-person and Zoomed; other services are in-person only. You can find the Zoom link here: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/2697/>

Thursday 2 April – Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Holy Communion: The Last Supper

Friday 3 April – Good Friday

9.30am Walk to Grantchester Meadows for a short service by the river with Grantchester and Newnham, coffee and hot cross buns afterwards at Grantchester Village Hall
2pm Meditations on the Cross, a reflective service of readings and prayers



Sunday 5 April – Easter Sunday

7am Sunrise Service on Grantchester Meadows
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am All Age Communion for Easter, followed by refreshments, and an egg hunt in the churchyard

Sunday 12 April

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion with Junior Church

Sunday 19 April

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Experience & Explore
6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer

Sunday 26 April

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion with Junior Church

Sunday 3 May

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am All Age Communion

Sunday 10 May

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion with Junior Church

Thursday 14 May – Ascension Day

7.30pm Holy Communion

Sunday 17 May

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Experience & Explore,
11.30am Annual Parochial Church Meeting
6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer

Sunday 24 May – Pentecost

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion with Junior Church

Sunday 31 May – Trinity Sunday

8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion

From the Parish Registers

Funeral at Cam Valley Crematorium
07/01/2026 Alice (Sally) Campbell

A guide to our services

8.30am BCP Holy Communion is from the Book of Common Prayer – a quiet, traditional communion service.

10am Holy Communion is a service using liturgy from Common Worship with hymns and music, and with Junior Church on 2nd and 4th Sundays.

10am All Age Communion is a more contemporary communion service specifically for 'all ages'. There is no Junior Church on this Sunday as the children stay for the service.

10am Third Sunday Experience and Explore is an informal service without communion; it includes a talk, a time for personal reflection, activities for all ages and refreshments.

6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer takes place on third Sundays.

Memory Café

Our January meeting began with refreshments and our welcome song. Our speakers John Martin and Irene, who had just returned from Gambia the evening before, told us how the village of Bantabe had developed in so many ways since they last came to speak to us. They showed slides of the wonderful work the locals

had done with the guidance of John. The village had certainly grown; they now have a football team with their Cambridge Blue shirts provided by John and Irene. They had taught an older boy a craft and how to run a business dividing his earnings into three – one third for himself, one third for equipment and one third as a backup. The villagers now have good clean water and their general life has been greatly improved. John thought that their visits to Gambia would now be less frequent as they had provided the village people with what guidance they could and the villagers were now progressing



well under their own steam. At the end of their talk there were beautiful fully lined bags of all sizes and woven bracelets on sale for the village funds. The boys made all the bags on their treadle sewing machines. After more singing Janet closed the meeting by inviting everyone to our next meeting when everyone would join in with our pantomime Cinderella.

Our February pantomime meeting began with the usual refreshments and welcome to members current and new. Antony led us all in a rehearsal of the songs we would sing during the panto to ensure the audience could join in. Members were given a wordsearch and a quiz to keep them busy while the cast got into their finery (or rags in the case of poor Cinders), then we started our performance of Cinderella, scripted by John. The members and cast all enjoyed themselves and joined in with singing and booing and 'oh, no, he didn't' in true panto tradition. All too soon it was over, with the Prince and his bride departing to the Morecambe and Wise song 'Bring me Sunshine', complete with their dance. Everyone had a sweet or two while the results of the quiz were announced, and the winners chose their prizes.

The meeting closed with a rendition of 'We'll meet again' and an invitation to the March meeting when Carol Cooper would present a history of medicine in 12 objects.



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Community News and Events

Trumpington Kids Clothes Hub

Just when we were beginning to think that spring would never arrive, here it is! Our volunteers are glad to be swapping winter clothes for spring and summer ones, folding and sorting our much-appreciated donations and filling up our boxes, ready for our next pop-up stalls.



We hope to be at Trumpington Meadows Primary School on Saturday, 18 April and at Trumpington Sport, Trumpington Community College on Saturday 16 May. We only started using Trumpington Sport as a venue in January this year and we really enjoyed it. There is lots of space for people to move about and we have had some really nice feedback, both from the venue itself and the families who visited us there. Come along and see for yourselves! Bring a friend or two!

Remember, all our clothes are free to anyone who can use them and as well as everyday clothing, we have lots of school uniform available for the three local primary schools.

Thanks so much to all our supporters and sponsors, who enable us to continue offering our services to local families. We really couldn't do it without you.

Keep an eye on our social media, for more details of when and where you can find us.

If you would like to sponsor one of our events, please do get in touch; we would be delighted to hear from you.

Remember, if you can't make it to a pop-up, we will gladly pack a box of clothes for you to collect. Just fill in a form online at www.trumpingtonkidsclotheshub.co.uk

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Trumpington Community Orchard

It is with great sadness that we have to inform you of the death of Joanna Crosby, a founder member of the Community Orchard. She was instrumental in helping to set up the Orchard and until last year maintained and updated our website. An acknowledged expert on apples and orchards, she was also an active committee member of the East of England Apples and Orchards Society. She was key to the selection of the heritage varieties to be grown in the Orchard, with her extensive knowledge of the history of local orchards and apple varieties, much of which is documented in her book 'Apples and Orchards since the Eighteenth Century'. We will miss Joanna but the Community Orchard will always be a reminder of her boundless enthusiasm for apples and orchards.



Our annual Wassail, held with Clay Farm Community Garden, was again attended by a good crowd of revellers, no doubt buoyed by the return of the Lord of Misrule with traditional music, dancing and hot mulled apple juice. The toasting of trees proved a welcome treat for the local birds as it had all disappeared by the end of the next day.

The wildflower meadow has seen snowdrops scattered all around the Orchard borders and in the Cherry thicket. We look forward to an abundance of wildflowers and hope to be able to document some of the insect life this attracts with some citizen science volunteers on Blossom Day in June.

The swift tower continues to be fully populated by the local sparrows, but we have seen the return of our delinquent grey squirrel with its continued predation of the sparrow eggs and a lot more damage to the nestboxes, which will now need to be replaced at an appropriate time. We had at least 9 pairs of nesting swifts last year, and had been doubling the number of nestboxes in the near future. However, we will for now try and squirrel-proof the tower for the return of the swifts this summer and build a bigger nesting box for the return of swifts and their new offspring in 2027.

We also hope to replace the observational beehive this year with a more versatile construction to allow more access for demonstration to local primary school visitors as the beehive is always a source of great excitement for these youngsters.

We are pleased that the Orchard remains a popular green space with many of the local mothers and their toddlers who have taken a keen interest in the herb garden and are being actively encouraged to grow more herbs for use by the local community.

The next Orchard maintenance session is scheduled for Sunday 8 March from 11am to 1pm. Please come dressed in weatherproof clothing and footwear and we will provide gloves and necessary tools.

Hope to see you soon! Contact us:
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Running with Heart: Striders Spread the Love for Fairbite Food Club

In February, South Cambridge Striders combined fitness with generosity, quite literally spreading the love, as members took part in a special food bank run in support of the Trumpington Fairbite Food Club. Held the day after Valentine's Day, runners were encouraged to bring donations to help local people in need. Before setting off, members arrived carrying bags of tins and essential supplies. In total, the club collected more than 77 cans of food and 10 jars of coffee, which were handed over to the Food Club after the run.



Patrick Brown, coordinator of the Trumpington Fairbite Food Club, thanked the club for its support, saying: 'A huge thank you to South Cambridge Striders for their generous donation. Everything will go to local people who really need it. It's great to see local runners turning their weekly run into real support for the community.' The Trumpington Fairbite Food Club offers an affordable food shop to its members in the local area.

South Cambridge Striders are always open to new members – visit our website for more information southcambridgestriders.org.uk

Trumpington Residents' Association



Our March meeting was the AGM, when the key topic of conversation was the future of the Association. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 27 May at 7.30pm in the Clay Farm Centre (in the Byron and Chaplen Rooms, upstairs on the first floor). Our guest speaker will be from the Cambridge Growth Company. The CGC was set up by the Government in 2024 as its vehicle for developing housing, jobs and infrastructure in our region. If you want to find out quite what that means, come to the meeting! If you're not a TRA member but would like to come to hear the guest speaker, please get in touch to let us know.

Anyone interested in joining the TRA is welcome to attend a meeting as a "taster". You can find out more on our website at <https://trumpingtonresidentsassociation.org/membership/> or email with any questions.

Jenny Blackhurst, finance@trumpingtonresidentsassociation.org

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Trumpington Local History Group

Our next meeting is on Thursday 7 May at 7pm, in Trumpington Parish Church, 1a Grantchester Road, CB2 9LH. David Newcombe will talk on religion in the pre-Reformation period and how this changed after the Reformation, with particular reference to the vicars of Trumpington and how their theological beliefs impacted on parishioners. Edmund Brookes will then show surviving evidence within the church of how religious practices had changed following the Reformation and also give details of the proposed renovations / alterations to the church. All welcome (no charge).

Our website trumpingtonlocalhistorygroup.org has lots of information about all kinds of aspects of the history of the parish. Just search from the home page.

If you would like to be on our email mailing list, or get involved in researching our local history, then please get in touch: Jo Sear, Chairman, tlhglst@gmail.com

Clay Farm Community Garden

Leave no trace! Did you know the Garden is entirely reliant on volunteers and donations? Active volunteers are our most precious resource. Whether you enjoy the garden by yourself, with friends, family, or animals we ask that you leave no trace behind.



As **Community Thursdays** become increasingly popular, we also ask that whatever you bring to or buy at the Garden you take home with you. By doing these things we can all enjoy the garden together.

How to get involved? We strongly encourage everyone, children and adults, to get involved. Do more than just enjoy the benefits of your

local neighbours' efforts, become an active part of the community. The days are getting longer and the sun even shines from time to time. Come and join us and enjoy gardening together. Whether for gardening or admin we need you all.

Cambridge Wind Band – Shades of Blue

Saturday 2 May at 7.30pm, West Road Concert Hall, Cambridge CB3 9DP

Cambridge Wind Band supports a different charity each year. This year we are supporting Centre 33 <https://www.centre33.org.uk/>. The charity supports young people aged up to 25 in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough in many different ways with both emotional and practical needs.

This year Cambridge Wind Band have been working hard on an interesting selection of exciting new music which we hope will provide something interesting for each person in the audience. Tickets £18, £13, £10 from <https://camwindband.com/upcoming-concerts-tickets/> or on the door.



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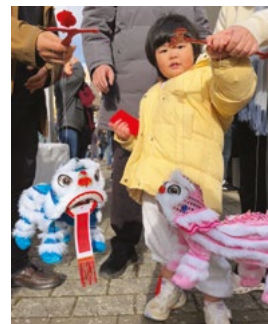
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Trumpington Meadows Community Volunteers

Trumpington Meadows was alive with colour and celebration back in February as residents came together to welcome Chinese New Year of the Fire Horse. The afternoon featured songs and stunning performances from the Cambridge Chinese Community Centre, with the traditional lion dancers. Their cheeky naughtiness delighted the large crowd gathered in the Local Community Centre. A thrilling fire-eater performance added extra excitement – with a final reminder from the organiser: *please do not try this at home!*

Families also enjoyed Chinese crafts and decorations, and delicious treats from our loyal food vans, who support Trumpington Meadows throughout the year. Our thanks go especially to the South Trumpington Parish Meeting, who this year also funded a large marquee, helping to make the event extra special; to Dreams & Wishes Events, who produced the celebration; and to the volunteers, who once again made light of the hard work involved. The beautiful spring sunshine made everything sparkle and gave the day a true sense of celebration. A joyful afternoon, and a wonderful way to welcome the beginning of the Chinese New Year together as a community.



Anyone interested in volunteering is warmly encouraged to pass their contact details to Robert 07585 824171 or email Karen, kdlamb64@hotmail.com

Royal British Legion

While we all look forward towards the summer and holidays, the work of the Royal British Legion continues as we review last year and look forward to the 2026 Poppy Appeal from 25 October. Readers may be interested in some useful figures on how the money raised each year is typically spent. In the last full year reported, the Legion as part of its nationwide work has made over 22,000 grants to individuals totalling £1.8 million, spent £7.25 million supporting residents in its care homes and donated £2 million to Combat Stress which provides specialist mental health support to veterans. Our local care home, Halsey House at Cromer, has 87 bedrooms and provides nursing and residential care as well as having a dementia unit. These are just some significant examples of the year-round work of the RBL as it supports veterans and their dependents from many operations, and is by no means exclusive.

As I reported in the February/March edition of The Trumpet, our 2025 Poppy Appeal in Trumpington and its environs again raised a really significant sum for which the Legion is very grateful. We shall soon be starting to plan this year's appeal. Last year we welcomed some new volunteers, primarily to staff our table in the Waitrose store. If you are new to the area and would like to help, please do contact me.

Edmund Brookes, 01223 840374



Plan of Trumpington Parish

This map has been created especially for *The Trumpet* and is updated regularly, but please contact the Editor if you can help improve it as new roads become occupied. Email: trumpet@trumpington.church

As the map becomes more complicated you may like to consult the regularly updated www.openstreetmap.org

- 1 Sole & Duck Restaurant
- 2 The Green Man
- 3 Hudson's Ale House
- 4 *The Lord Byron* (closed for redevelopment - reopening late 2026)
- 5 Farthings Trumpington Dry Cleaners, Rumbles Fish Bar, Rulo's Barber, Radhika Florist, The Bun Shop (post office/Londis convenience store)
- 6 Shell Petrol Station, Bidwells Estate Agent, Autograph Dental
- 7 Waitrose
- 8 Trumpington Food & Wine
- 9 Trumpington Village Hall
- 10 Wildlife Trust Office
- 11 Trumpington Pavilion
- 12 St Mary & St Michael Parish Church & Bakehouse (church office)
- 13 Anstey Hall
- 14 Rainbow Nursery
- 15 Trumpington Meadows Primary School
- 16 Fawcett Primary School
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Clay Farm Market returns to Hobson Square!

The Clay Farm Residents' community is proud of the various local volunteer initiatives it undertakes.

The Clay Farm Market originally launched to much fanfare in the summer of 2021, but due to various obstacles, it remained on indefinite hiatus.

Finally, the culmination of many years of negotiation and perseverance between residents, councillors, and council officers has delivered the return of the Clay Farm Market.

Operating every Saturday between 10am and 2pm, from Hobson Square, we are returning, initially at a smaller scale, whilst remedial works are ongoing to the external facade of The Clay Farm Centre. It is anticipated that these works will be completed by summer 2026 and then the market will return to its full capacity in the centre of Hobson Square.

While we are limited on the space available to us, you can find fresh and dried produce through our partnership with Westgate Market and Van Jarred Refillery. In addition to the Market, we are also hosting some of the best foodtrucks that Cambridge has to offer, initially starting with Steak & Honour and Pimp My Fish on alternating Saturdays, with Churros Bar satisfying everyone's sweet side.

As this is a voluntary community initiative, all the benefits of this venture are for the Clay Farm, wider Trumpington and Greater Cambridge communities. Therefore, we ask that as many of you come to support us as we regather ourselves in the months leading to this summer, and, like us, we hope you are excited about the opportunity of The Clay Farm Market making a full return to Hobson Square later in the year, and for many years to come! We hope that 2026 marks the year in which The Clay Farm Market creates a long-lasting legacy for the future!

The Chatty Café Scheme

The Chatty Cafe is at Waitrose Trumpington, every Monday 10-11.30am. If you would like to have a chat while you enjoy your coffee or tea at Waitrose, do come and join us on the Chatty Café table. There will be a yellow sign on the table and one of us to welcome you. The Chatty Café scheme operates across the UK and is the leading charity tackling loneliness.

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We have spaces for girls aged 7-10 years and would love to welcome some new Brownies. Please get in touch at: browniestrumpington@gmail.com for more information.

Lisa MacGregor



Trumpington Scouts

1st Trumpington Scout Group

We are your local Scout Group providing Scouting to around 125 young people every week during term time. We have one Beaver Colony, two Cub Packs and two Scout Troops and offer volunteering opportunities for the Duke of Edinburgh award.


We run a full programme of activities including bowling, camps, campfires, creative activities, engineering challenges, first aid, hiking, kayaking, sewing, and lots of badges. Around 90 young people went on camp for at least one night last year, and some up to 10 nights! Planning is in full swing for this year's camps.

Our waiting list is currently shorter than it has been, so please be in touch if you would like to add your child. We give priority places to young people whose parents volunteer with us.

We are currently looking for new leaders, particularly for Cubs, and for a new co-Treasurer. Please contact Deb Thomas, Group Lead Volunteer at deb@1sttrumpingtonscouts.org.uk if you can help. Previous Scouting experience is not needed, nor is having a child in the Group. Volunteers aged 18 or over are subject to a DBS check.

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In May half term we'll be running an active fun and games session on Wednesday 27 May at 10.30am, followed by a holiday lunch. Hopefully the sun will be shining and everyone can have lots of fun on the grass outside the Pavilion.

Check online or on our noticeboard outside the Pavilion to see what's happening throughout the month. You can find us at www.cambridge.gov.uk/trumpington-pavilion or on Facebook. The Pavilion is a lovely space to hire for parties or other private events. If you'd like more information, please contact TrumpingtonPavilion@cambridge.gov.uk.

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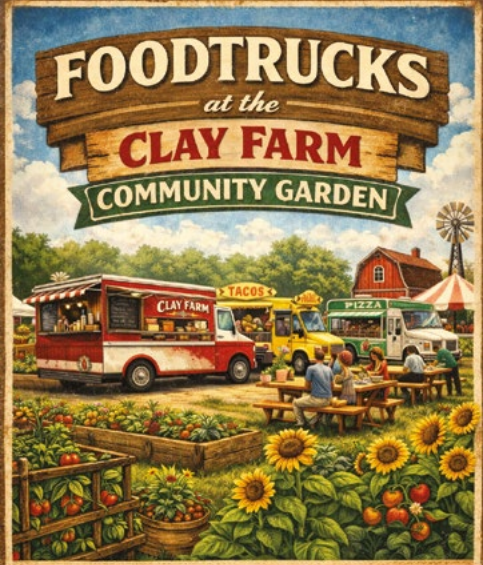



Clay Farm Food – March to October

As our thoughts turn toward summer, we welcome the return of ClayFarmFood (a local community volunteer initiative) that brings the best foodtrucks that Greater Cambridge has to offer to the Clay Farm Community Garden. With it, we invite residents from across Trumpington and wider Cambridge to enjoy great food in the community garden to bring about greater cohesion, connection and collective community amongst citizens.

These evenings, which have been running for over five years now, kicked off on 5 March and will continue every Thursday through to the end of October. We look forward to helping to continue bringing people together to ever improve the sense of community.

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Last term we skipped workshops in favour of giving people individual support to learn or improve their knitting and crochet skills. We are going to continue this alongside our usual Workshop programme, and details of how to book for both are on the latest flyer.

For now, we are still taking bookings by email, but please note the address has changed. We will soon be moving to an online booking and payment system but will ensure that those unable to easily use online systems can book off-line.

We are still looking for a volunteer to become our Workshops Coordinator. If you would like to know more, please contact our Chair, Dana, on trumpingtonstitchers@gmail.com. It's not onerous and it's quite fun to plan with tutors what we can offer next. We are very pleased to welcome a new Treasurer, Lizzie, who joins us via the Volunteer Cambs website. Worth trying if you need volunteers or are looking for opportunities.

Our Monday evening meetings continue from 7-9pm at the Pavilion (charge £3.50) and the Stitching for Charity group is ever expanding at the Clay Farm library on Tuesdays 10.30-12 noon (no charge). Feel free to drop in to either, you will be warmly welcomed.

Email our Chair Dana at trumpingtonstitchers@gmail.com
More information is on our website www.trumpingtonstitchers.net

Trumpington Parochial Charity – small grants available

The trustees' will be meeting in May to award grants, mainly to Trumpington-based community organisations, schools and the surgery. During the last year grants have been made to the Memory Café, the Fairbite Food Club, Trumpington Community Orchard and the three primary schools. Investment returns in recent years have not been great and the trustees would welcome donations to help increase the amount they can give to the community. If you wish to apply for a grant please submit your application form by 1 May. Download an application form here:

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South Trumpington Parish Meeting (STPM)

The next meeting is on Thursday 30 April at 7pm at Trumpington Meadows Primary School (TMP). All are welcome to attend. The meeting is held 4 times a year (January, April, July and October).

South Trumpington Parish was established in 2017 and includes all the homes in Trumpington Meadows located in South Cambridgeshire. Household pay a precept to the Parish as part of their council tax with the money collected being used for community-based projects. Registered electors living in the Parish can vote for how this money is spent by attending the meeting.

The budget for 2026/27 is now set and includes funding for a summer event to celebrate 10 years of Trumpington Meadows and the popular Christmas and Chinese New Year events. There is also money for free after school clubs at TMP and funding for the Romsey Mill youth club at Trumpington Pavilion. There is also some grant funding available for local good causes. The grant policy and application form can be found on the website.

Everyone aged 18 and over living in South Trumpington Parish is welcome to come along to the meeting. If you have ideas for something that will benefit the wider community, please let us know and we will see if we can help. For more details contact clerk@southtrumpington.co.uk or chair@southtrumpington.co.uk

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The Clay Farm Centre

It's a busy time at Clay Farm and we're open as usual whilst work is underway to the exterior of our building. We are pleased to say that this project is on track and is expected to be completed around June.

In the Easter holidays we're putting on two different events: on Wednesday 1 April we're showing *Wonka* and on Tuesday 7 April it's a free holiday lunch event. Crafts, Lego and soft play will be available in the hall from 10.30am and at 12pm Cambridge Sustainable Food will be providing a nutritious lunch.

We're also getting ready for the Summer Reading Challenge – this year's theme is *Read to the Beat!* and will combine the power of music with the joy of reading. Our team is making plans to visit local schools to share how children can take part; information will also be available in the library. We're

also looking for young volunteers aged 12 and over who'd like to help us out with the Challenge – signing up children and listening to them talk about the books they've been reading. You can pick up volunteer info packs from the Clay Farm Centre reception desk soon.

For more information about the Centre and our regular events visit our social media pages. You can find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/clayfarmcentre or on our City Council website:

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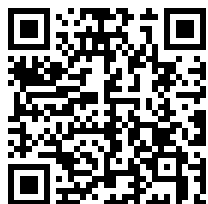
The Trumpington Repair Café started when a few local residents met at an online training course provided by Cambridge Carbon Footprint. This course, commissioned by the County Council, encouraged us to try setting one up in our village as it gave us access to a pool of experienced repairers and we soon found some enthusiastic local helpers through social media. We applied for a City Council grant to cover renting a venue, and held our first event in April 2023. Since then, we have gone from strength to strength and on 18 January we celebrated holding our 10th Repair Café.

This time our volunteers mended lots of lamps, trouser pockets, a Nintendo Switch, a suitcase, a sewing machine, a hedge trimmer, a bike light, sunglasses, a necklace, two dehumidifiers, and a small shredder.

We have established a 'home' at Trumpington Meadows Primary School where the facilities have proved ideal, and probably contribute to the fact that the Trumpington Repair Café is a favourite with repairers and customers alike. We are now financially self-supporting, thanks to generous donations from delighted customers, but we could not continue without the technical support of Cambridge Carbon Footprint.

The next Repair Café will be on Sunday 17 May, 2-5pm. Online bookings are now open here: <https://Linktr.ee/trurepcf>

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Other community groups in Trumpington

1st Trumpington Scout Group

Beavers (age 6-8) Wednesday Trumpington Meadows School (TMP)

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Scouts (age 10.5-14) Tuesday, TMP; Thursday, Fawcett School

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