

# GRAPEVINE

## Capel-le-Ferne Village Newsletter

JULY 2023 - ISSUE NO: 327

IT IS EDITOR'S DECISION ON FINAL CONTENT.

### "WHAT'S ON" IN CAPEL-LE-FERNE

Please check with organisation direct to clarify events & meetings.

If you know details of your event, please let Editor know so organisations avoid booking same date

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21 <sup>st</sup> November	Gardeners' Annual General Meeting
12 <sup>th</sup> December	WI - Christmas Meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Gardeners' Christmas Party

### CAPEL-LE-FERNE PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk to the Council  
Maureen Leppard



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At the Parish Council meeting on  
Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2023  
Chris Norris was  
co-opted back as Councillor.

**WE STILL HAVE  
ONE (1) CASUAL VACANCY  
TO FILL**

ANYONE INTERESTED IN  
APPLYING

SHOULD EMAIL  
THE PARISH CLERK AT

[clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com)

BY FRIDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023.

*Applicants will be invited to address  
elected members at their meeting on  
Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023, from 7.30pm.*

CAPEL VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



EVENING

including Fun Game of Scattergories



**SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2023**

Doors Open 6:45pm

Eyes Down 7:00pm

Capel Village Hall, Lancaster Avenue.

ALL WELCOME

Bring your own refreshments.

£6.00 for 6 games



## NGS OPEN GARDEN DOVER TRAIL

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 11am– 4pm  
69 Capel Street, CT18 7LY

**£5 per person - all are welcome!**  
(includes admission to two other gardens on  
Queens Ave, Elms Vale)

Tea, Cakes and Plant sales

Proceeds will be donated  
to nursing charities



**CAPEL-LE-FERNE VILLAGE HALL**  
 providing services to the local community

<http://www.capelvillagehall.com>

**REGISTERED CHARITY No.281786**

Something to celebrate? Want to hold a party?

Need to organise a meeting or training session?

Want to start a teatime chat group or a new sports club?

Licensed for most things (except hypnosis and boxing)

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To view the hall, or make a booking contact

the letting secretary Sue Leaning on 07939 095880

Email preferred: [sue.lettingscvh@gmail.com](mailto:sue.lettingscvh@gmail.com)

I hope you have been enjoying the recent hot weather. After weeks of moaning about the cold wind blowing through Capel, I find I am complaining now about the heat – the hall luckily remains cool regardless.

We are entering upon a time when we are busy organising events at the hall. Our standing remit to provide a community centre where people can gather continues so clubs and organisations such as judo, bowls, car club, bridge, quilting, children's dance, twirlers, yoga, Pilates not to mention the WI and the Farmers Market all use the hall whether main or small. We obviously also let the hall for private parties such as birthdays, anniversaries and the occasional wedding. But on top of this we are organising free of charge community lunches for which we now have outside funding, a bingo evening and of course the Garage Safari which takes place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September. For anyone wishing to book a table and get put on the village event map, please put your name and address on an envelope marked with Garage Safari with a fiver inside and put through the door at 29 Albany Road. Or leave with Sally Cook at the Farmers Market on a Tuesday morning. We are investing in new Garage Safari Road banners for the event and will be advertising across the net. Our indoor boot fairs will start again in November with the second one taking place in February next year. Hard to believe that we are already looking ahead to 2024.

The saga of the village hall roof goes on. As part of the work, the skylight, which has been causing all of the problems, was to have been lifted out, the surrounding area renewed and then the skylight replaced. We now find that the skylight has been glued over sealing the bolts

which are needed to undo the window. So, we now have to spend another £3000 on a new skylight. This has further delayed the fitting until the new skylight has been constructed. We apologise for any inconvenience this is causing and assure you that both ourselves and the roofers are doing their best to finish the roof as soon as possible. On the plus side, the temporary tarpaulin held during recent thunder storms although the reverse of that is that the drains couldn't cope with the downpour and we had a flood through the main doors. We have called out the drain company and hope to have had it fixed by the time you read this. Thus, the life of a village hall; community lunches, village Safaris, recalcitrant roofs and overflowing drains.

#### **RECYCLING - INSIDE THE HALL**

Boxes are provided for: Used Stamps for Donkey Sanctuary and McMillan Cancer. Bottle Tops are also being collected again. Please place the above in the relevant boxes. A big thank you to everyone who puts their used stamps in the box in the Village Hall. Please carry on for these good causes.

#### **100+ Club JUNE Winners:**

***Congratulations!***

**1st Sarah Clarke**

**2nd Maureen Leppard**

**3rd Sylvia Ovenden.**

**Thank you to all who have supported the 100+ Club this year.**

**It is never too late to participate.**

**Take care and stay safe.**

**Contact Caroline Bunting**

**[c.bunting@btconnect.com](mailto:c.bunting@btconnect.com)**





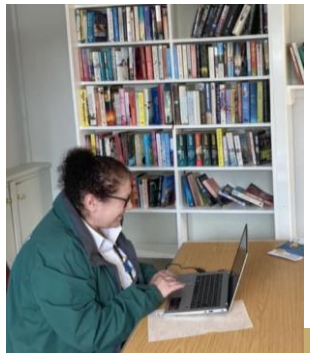
**FARMERS' MARKET**  
 CAPEL-LE-FERNE VILLAGE HALL,  
 LANCASTER AVENUE, CT18 7LX.  
 EVERY TUESDAY, 10AM - 12NOON



**Community event run by and for the community.**

Come to the Farmers Market, check out the stalls and stay for a cup of tea or coffee.

- > Our bakery, supplied by Vanes of Dover. Selling different breads, rolls, Danish pastries, various cakes, sausage rolls, pasties and home-made quiche. Plus, place orders.
- > Rotherwood Butchers.
- > Julie selling her much-praised cakes.
- > Eco friendling cleaning products.
- > Cheese stall on 1st Tuesday of month.
- > Eggs and Jam are available and our craft stalls.
- > Collection of cash donations for the Ukraine Refugees.
- > Parish Council surgery, 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of month.
- > Community computer access point available, free of charge, if need help with on-line activities.
- > Also available, library/jigsaw loans.
- > Postal advice/service.








## CHURCH SERVICES, JULY 2023

*The times of our services have changed: Please check before you leave for church!*

Date	Alkham	Capel	Hougham
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	Evening Prayer 5.00 pm	Sung Eucharist 9.30 am	Worshipping Together 11.00 am
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> <i>Activities and stories at Messy Church, followed by tea.</i>		 3.00 – 5.00 pm	
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	Sung Eucharist 9.30 am	Worshipping Together 11.00 am	Eucharist (said) 11.00 am
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	Worshipping Together 9.30 am	Eucharist (said) 9.30 am	Sung Eucharist 11.00 am
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity	Eucharist (said) 9.30 am	Evensong 6.00 pm	Sung Eucharist 11.00 am
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity		<u>St Mary's</u> <u>(Capel Old Church)</u> Sung Eucharist 9.30 am	Morning Prayer 11.00 am

There is usually a Eucharist at St Radigund's, Capel at 11.00 on Thursday mornings.

Visit us online at: [www.church-alkham-capel-hougham.org.uk](http://www.church-alkham-capel-hougham.org.uk)  
and on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BeneficeofACH>

### From the vicarage

It was evening. I was working in my office when it happened. From just the other side of the door came a startling, banshee-like wail. I opened the door. A mysterious black cat ran down the stairs and out through the cat flap, pursued by a recent addition to our household. We tried using Facebook to find out who our visitor was, and three possible candidates were suggested - but he hasn't been back.

I should explain that last November we adopted two rescue cats from the RSPCA. One is a little boy – what he lacks in size he makes up for in character. The other is his rather larger mum, who spent her first month with us in whatever hiding places she could find. But now she has commandeered a spot on the upstairs landing where she sleeps, and where she cries for goodnight strokes at bedtime. That's where she was when our mysterious feline visitor called, and hostilities broke out.

Now, before our cats were allowed to come home with us, we had to complete a questionnaire and provide photographs of the garden and where they would sleep - but there was no discussion of how they would cope with life in a Vicarage, where hospitality and generosity are usually the rule. Finding clumps of our visitor's fur scattered across the lawn showed that teaching them to welcome strangers and share their cat food willingly was going to need some work.

*Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it,* says the Letter to the Hebrews. Wise words, probably well worth remembering when strangers call unexpectedly. Especially if you happen to be a cat... **Brian**

### PLEASE NOTE ... ST RADIGUND'S CHURCH IS AVAILABLE FOR LETTING PURPOSES

· Rates £10 per hour (Negotiable for block bookings, local residents).

· PA/Sound system available · WiFi available. Booking Policy available from Audrey Goaten, 32 Albany Road, Capel-le-Ferne. CT18 7LA. Tel: 01303 244735. Email: [tryke@audrey47.plus.com](mailto:tryke@audrey47.plus.com)

President Jan welcomed 28 members, including 2 new members, Jo & Sue, plus speaker Vanessa, to the, very hot, June meeting. Members stood to sing Jerusalem.

The evening began with Vanessa giving a brief account of the history of Belly Dancing. It seems there is no such thing as a belly dance! It may be the Western pronunciation for a dance originally from the village of Baladi. "Rachs sh ha" is probably a more correct term. It is recognised as a dance empowering women, especially when they dance together. There are even neolithic cave paintings & really ancient pottery which shows women using similar movements. It may have been used to help women in child birth, as the hip movements release tension in the pelvis. The style of dance originated within the Islam religion, & gradually spread across Europe. Of course, in time Hollywood popularised it. There are no set dances, just set moves, it is improvised to the powerful drumbeat, so many styles of music can be used, even heavy metal. Dances are performed at gatherings, weddings, parties, even funerals. By now we were keen for a demonstration.... Vanessa was almost hypnotic in her mesmerising movements, undulating arms & gently tinkling "coins" on her hip belt. Members were invited to learn a few moves.... In fact, 7 members took part, mastering (??) hip dips & sinuous arms. Great fun was had by all! Carolyn P gave the VOTE.

After refreshments, diary dates were announced – Darts, Craft, Book share, as usual, Lunch Club had changed to July 12<sup>th</sup> at The White Horse.

Home Economics 21<sup>st</sup> June would attempt vegetable carving.

Future events included – Summer Outing to Betteshanger Coalfield Museum on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June, arrangements were finalised. **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July** would be the **Garden Meeting at 2pm**, in Carolyn W's beautiful garden, when there will be a Lucky Dip. Capel Birthday meeting would be Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Christmas lunch has been provisionally booked for Dec 6<sup>th</sup> at the Bowls Club. Christmas meeting will be 12<sup>th</sup> December.

It was explained that the August meeting's speaker would be talking about the 1987 Hurricane. The competition would be for members to write their own short poem or limerick, based on "Wind". During the evening, members would be asked to describe their own memories & experiences of the hurricane.

We then held a brief discussion about future fund-raising & social events, which the Committee hope to arrange, but needed to be sure they would be supported.

After a brief game of "Heads & Tails", the competition, dancing related item, winners were announced as 1<sup>st</sup> Gillian Howey with a beautiful, Russian glass globe with a dainty ballerina inside. 2<sup>nd</sup> place was a tie: Pat S photos of her grandchildren, shoe & flamenco card from Jean, Flamenco fan from Vad & elegant dancing figurine from Suzanne.

After the raffle, Jan thanked everyone for attending & wished them all a safe journey home.

<b>July 2023</b>	<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Carolyn's Garden 2pm</b>	<b>Garden Meeting</b>
<b>August 2023</b>	<b>Tuesday 08<sup>th</sup> Village Hall, 7pm</b>	<b>1987 Hurricane</b>
<b>September 2023</b>	<b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> St Radigunds Church</b>	<b>Birthday Meeting</b>

We would love some new members to join, we have sub-groups, interesting speakers, friendships & fun, so do please get in touch with Caroline 07885 406433 or Jan 07521317343, we look forward to meeting you.

**Tai Chi - relax and get fit!**

Thur, 6-7PM - Capel-le-Ferne Village Hall

For details contact Anna Dashwood

07736 849 194

www.pfstaichi.com

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# COMMUNITY SUPPORT



## NEIGHBOURS HELPING NEIGHBOURS

A local organisation that aims to support people living in Capel

Staying independent and being part of the community is important to everyone but there are times during our lives when we could benefit from a little help from our neighbours. **CAPELCARES** is a local volunteer organisation run by residents of Capel to support those living in Capel. We can arrange to meet you in your own home to discuss any issues or challenges that you may have. Our volunteers are all local residents who have been DBS checked and have been trained in Safeguarding.

Our volunteers can help you with a variety of issues, including:

- Social visits for those living on their own.
- Home visits to support family carers.
- Assistance with shopping.
- Transport support, i.e. to & from medical appointments etc.
- Small house maintenance/gardening jobs.
- Regular phone contact.
- Helping you make contact with other services.



Referrals can be made by anyone for anyone. Our aim is to help residents in Capel remain safe, secure and independent in their own homes, as well as providing support to residents with unexpected, short term challenges that disrupt routine family life.

## NEIGHBOURS HELPING NEIGHBOURS

To find out more or to arrange a visit please contact Jan on 01303 257003

Capel Cares GOOD NEIGHBOUR coffee mornings are now held every first and third Friday of the month.

To include free tea, coffee or hot chocolate with assorted biscuits.

A regular raffle is held and drawn on the day, with a range of amazing prizes to win.


**EVERYONE WELCOME**

Do you have short term or temporary mobility challenges?  
Maybe from an accident, recent surgery,  
or just aches and pains?



**CC GOOD NEIGHBOURS**  
has a range of mobility aids  
that could assist you.

To include:

- A light weight wheel chair 
- A banana board to assist getting from wheelchair to car seat.
- Mobility walker with an integral seat.
- Light weight, 3 wheels, walking frame.
- Aluminium walking sticks with adjustable height.
- Swivel seat pad for use in a car.



These are all available for use, free of charge, on a temporary loan basis.

If any of these aids would be a benefit for you or someone in your family, please contact

Jan Milliken on 257003, or Neil Perrin on 243645.

# Volunteer with us

and make a difference to  
someone's life



Could you spare a few hours a month to help your neighbour? We are looking for community minded people to join CAPELCARES as we seek to assist those in Capel le Ferne who just need a little help to lead independent lives in their own homes.

Call Jan on **01303 257003** for more details

CAPELCARES "from small acorns, mighty oaks will grow"



## 'CAPEL RESIDENTS COFFEE MORNING'

sponsored by  
**CAPEL CARES GOOD NEIGHBOURS**



Two very successful June coffee mornings,  
made even better by celebrating **FOUR**  
birthdays for some of our village residents,  
cakes, candles and the inevitable song made  
the days extra special.

Don't miss out, come and join us on the  
7th & 21st of July

Every month, twice a month  
Double the drinks, double the  
biscuits, double the raffle prizes.

The next  
**4 GOOD NEIGHBOURS SOCIAL  
COFFEE MORNINGS**

will be held on the  
7th & 21st July and 4th & 18th August  
Usual time of 10.00am.

All are welcome, you don't have to live in  
the village to enjoy good neighbours,  
so please bring friends.

Need transport? Contact Jan on 257003.  
**LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING  
YOU ON THE 7th & 21st July**  
We'll be there, will you?

**EXTRA DATES FOR YOUR 2023 DIARY**  
4th & 18th Aug and 1st & 15th Sept.





**‘CAPEL RESIDENTS COFFEE MORNING’**  
 sponsored by CAPEL CARES GOOD NEIGHBOURS  
 7th & 21st July, 4th & 18th Aug and 1st & 15th Sept.



**‘CAPEL RESIDENTS COMMUNITY LUNCHESES’**

**FREE OF CHARGE COMMUNITY LUNCHESES @ VILLAGE HALL**

A good event held Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> June, well attended by 25+ people, enjoyed by all those present. Thank you to the volunteers who made it possible. They all worked very hard presenting a lovely salad with warm new potatoes, French bread, pork pies, scotch eggs, ham and cheese, plus a dessert of strawberries and cream. Plenty for everyone!



REPORT FROM DISTRICT/WARD COUNCILLOR MARTIN HIBBERT.

LINK TO: Latest news from Gov. UK relating to the abolishing of charges for DIY waste at local tips.

Should help in the problems we have within the ward with fly tipping, the content on investigation and examination mainly DIY waste.

Although, perversely, it will not help if KCC pushes for the closure of waste recycling centres!

**LINK TO VIEW MORE  
INFORMATION**

**<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/council-diy-waste-charges-abolished>**



GOV.UK

**Council DIY waste charges abolished**

Charges to dispose of DIY waste at household waste recycling centres will be re...



**RHODES MINNIS CAT SANCTUARY  
OPEN DAY  
SUNDAY 16TH JULY 2023  
11AM - 3.30PM**

**LIVE MUSIC**  **STALLS**   
**B-B-Q**  **TOMBOLA**   
**HOMEMADE CAKES**  **MEET THE CATS**  
**HAMPER RAFFLES** **PLANTS**   
**BARROW OF BOOZE RAFFLE** 

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## CAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

### **Preachers for July**

2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Barr  
9<sup>th</sup> Rev Ruddle  
16<sup>th</sup> Richard Blackwell  
23<sup>rd</sup> David Hudson  
30<sup>th</sup> Theresa McCauley

**Messy Vintage Thursdays,  
at 2.30pm - all welcome, worship, craft  
and tea. All Welcome**

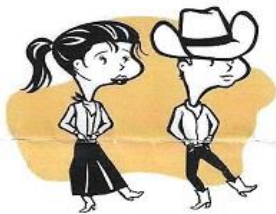
*For details of Preachers or if there are queries regarding  
these details, please call 01303 489006 - Pam Barr*  
*Please! A reminder that the public are requested not to  
park in front of the gates on Sunday mornings as this is  
a disabled access*



## SAMARITANS

Folkestone, Dover and Hythe Branch

### **BARN DANCE & PLOUGHMAN'S**



**Saturday 15 July 2023, from 7.00 p.m.**

**Capel-le-Ferne Village Hall**

**Tickets £15 – bring your own drinks**

**Callers – John & Karen Sweeney**

Contact Colin for tickets and further details

Telephone: 07840 261738 or email: [pamandcolin@hotmail.com](mailto:pamandcolin@hotmail.com)



**23 September 2023 from 7pm.**

An evening to raise funds for Ukraine  
at the Village Hall —more details to  
follow!

**Film and Food (buy and sample)**

Is anyone willing to sponsor the evening or provide a raffle  
prize?

Please contact the Clerk to the Council Maureen Leppard

Email: [clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com)





## Remembering the Few - at the National Memorial to the Few

The support that we have received from you all is something that we will always be so grateful for. It is your support and donations that help us continue our work to remember 'the Few' in these difficult times.

If you wish to make a donation to the Memorial Trust, please click here for more details: <http://ow.ly/EkKh50DboEb>

We understand that not everyone is financially able to donate, but there are plenty of other ways that you can help. Following us on social media and leaving us a lovely Facebook, Google or TripAdvisor review will help the Memorial Trust no end!

Leave a TripAdvisor review here: <http://ow.ly/qXU850DboEd>

Leave a Google review here: <http://ow.ly/Czku50DboEc>

Leave a Facebook review here: <http://ow.ly/o4tO50DboEa>



The balcony at The Wing has been out of action for a few weeks, but it is now open for business.

We've put a story on the website at

<https://www.battleofbritainmemorial.org/post/the-best-view-in-kent>



Home to the National Memorial to the Few and The Scramble  
New Dover Road (B2011), Capel-le-Ferne,  
CT18 7JJ. Tel: No: 01303 249292

<https://www.battleofbritainmemorial.org/>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/rememberthefew>



A classic cream tea, what more could you want? The Cockpit Café is the perfect place to stop for an afternoon snack or lunch. We have a great selection of hot and cold drinks, cream teas, sandwiches and hot snacks. Why not pop in?

We'd love to see you. Open every day between 10am and 5pm

✔ It's free entry to the Memorial and The Wing. The Scramble Experience inside is our only paid-for attraction, and there is a nominal parking charge. We always welcome donations to keep this wonderful place running, though.

If you're looking for somewhere different to hold your next meeting, then we could have the place for you.

The clifftop location and stunning surroundings of the Battle of Britain Memorial, make it an ideal venue for an away-from-it-all business meeting, sales event, product launch or small-scale conference.



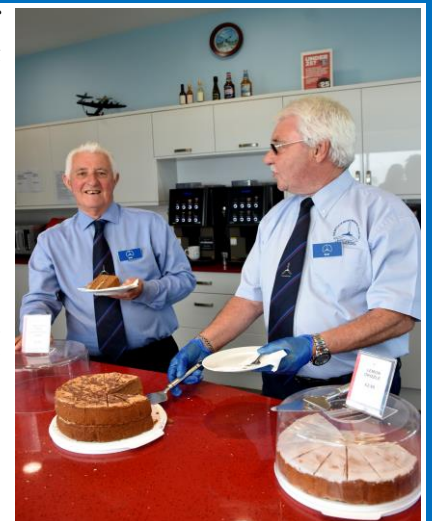
There are two dedicated meeting rooms and three spaces in total. Find out more here: <http://ow.ly/hMNi50M4iwf>

If you've ever wondered about joining the happy band of volunteers at the Battle of Britain Memorial but weren't sure what to expect, here's your chance to find out more. The Battle of Britain Memorial Trust is inviting anyone with an interest in helping out at this popular clifftop Memorial to pop in for a chat on Thursday 27 July. This will be a great opportunity to chat to staff members and other volunteers about what's involved. They're a friendly bunch! The Memorial is home to the National Memorial to the Few, a tribute to the men who fought to protect this country from invasion in the Battle of Britain.

Many of the aircrew paid the ultimate price to secure our freedom – and the Trust is now looking for people to give just a few hours a week to help run this much-loved tribute to those who served in 1940. It's no exaggeration to say that the Trust depends on its volunteers for its very survival. Since the opening of The Wing, the number of people needed to staff the shop, café and other areas has increased considerably, and as a charity with no government or local government funding, it simply can't afford to employ more staff.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of the site, greeting visitors, serving in the café and manning the tills in our well-stocked gift shop. Others help out by keeping the gardens tidy or doing other tasks.

The Memorial is open from 10am to 5pm in the summer and until 4pm in the winter, and we are particularly short of volunteers at the weekends. Full training is provided, no previous experience is needed and you certainly don't need to be a history buff. All we are looking for is a willing pair of hands and a smile!







## CAPEL-LE-FERNE PARISH COUNCIL

### Summary of some items discussed at meeting Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023



#### Requests from public and Other Feedback:

- None.

**Vacancies:** Following one candidate application received, from Chris Norris, he was duly co-opted back as Councillor.

#### Planning:

All planning applications and comments available to view on Dover District Council website:

<https://www.dover.gov.uk/Home.aspx>

- Planning>Applications>View-Applications>Planning>Simple Search>Decisions

#### Neighbourhood Watch:

- The anti-social dog owner no longer appears to be an issue.
- Noisy neighbours, criminal incidents - if no-one is prepared to make an official report either to the Police or Environmental Health, = no action.
- In February 2023, KCC agreed a planned budget for 2023-24 which included a significant reduction to the Community Warden service funding. No immediate changes to the service level you have come to expect from the community warden service at present. When the public consultation is live, stakeholders will be informed.

#### Playing Field and Equipment:

- New seats to zip-wire and junior swings installed.
- Annual RoSPA Inspection due in July.
- Football goal areas to be discussed at next meeting.

#### Traffic Management and Highways:

- Drop kerbs in Alexandra Road, Lancaster Avenue and Beatrice Road junctions. Works now ordered with Kent Highways and waiting installation.
- Double yellow lines on junctions waiting KCC designs.

#### Pubic Rights of Way:

- London House obstruction of bridleway ER252 still ongoing. Parish Councillor Lake met with members of George Close Resident Association to discuss long-term solutions. Diversion issues with Landowners to be resolved by KCC PROW Officer.
- Blocked PROW at Satmar, Landowner to undo what's been done. Long-term and ongoing.
- Removal of tree struck by lightning, side Village Hall, agreed. More details page 16.

**Speed Watch:** All results of sessions are available on Parish Council Website. If you could spare 1-2 hours a week to help educate drivers, join the Capel-le-Ferne Team. More details on page 17.

**Capel Cares:** Coffee mornings continue to be well supported. Pick-up system now in place. Birthdays of members celebrated with cake and song.

**Ukraine:** Donation being made from funding agreed to be direct to Folkestone organisation. Event on 23<sup>rd</sup> September booked with a film and food buy and sample. See page 8.

#### Grapevine Newsletter/social media:

Thanks, expressed to those volunteers taking on extra deliveries due to holidays.

#### Village Hall:

- See full report on other items on page 2.
- Community Cost of Living Support Grant approved by Kent County Council, via Parish Council, for use towards providing the regular organised Community Lunches.

#### Annual Audit 2022-2023

Internal Auditor (Young's Accountancy Services) was approved. Accounts were received by Councillors and agreed. Now with External Auditor for Certified Completion.

#### Training/workshops/seminars:

Members circulated with available courses.

#### Matters Concerning the Parish:

- Reminder on volunteers required at Battle of Britain Memorial Trust Site. More details on page 9.
- Coronation Mugs and Coasters remaining – investigations to be made on donating to local residential homes.

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON**  
**TUESDAY, 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023, FROM 7.30PM.**  
**MINUTES/DECISIONS/AGENDAS ARE**  
**AVAILABLE ON THE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**WEBSITE: <https://www.cappellefernepc.org.uk/>**  
**PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS OPEN TO**  
**PUBLIC. IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND AND**  
**ADDRESS THE COUNCILLORS,**  
**PLEASE INFORM CLERK.**  
**Further information on any of the above**  
**or to contact Parish Council, please write to**  
**Parish Clerk, 39 Victoria Road, Capel-le-Ferne**  
**or Tel: 01303 259564.**  
**Email: [clerkcappellefernepc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerkcappellefernepc@btinternet.com)**

**PARISH COUNCIL SURGERY**  
**Is there an issue you wish to discuss with**  
**your Parish Council?**  
**A Councillor and Parish Clerk will be available**  
**on 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday, of each month,**  
**10am to 12:00noon at Farmers' Market,**  
**Village Hall, in Room adjacent to Entrance.**  
**NEXT SESSION ON TUESDAY, 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

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**Page and join in for continuous up-to-date daily**  
**information and notifications.**  
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**If you know someone that does not do Facebook, but**  
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**the Grapevine Newsletters, please email**  
**[clerkcappellefernepc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerkcappellefernepc@btinternet.com)**  
**to be added to Parish Council email database.**





**More Neighbourhood Watch/Kent Police Information on Parish Council Facebook Page**  
**BE AWARE and STAY ALERT**

**REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY**

Call 999 if:

- \* a serious offence is in progress or has just been committed.
- \* someone is in immediate danger or harm.
- \* property is in danger of being damaged.
- \* a serious disruption to the public is likely.

Call 101 for non-emergency enquiries.

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**Report to Crimestoppers**



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**Report to Citizens Advice**

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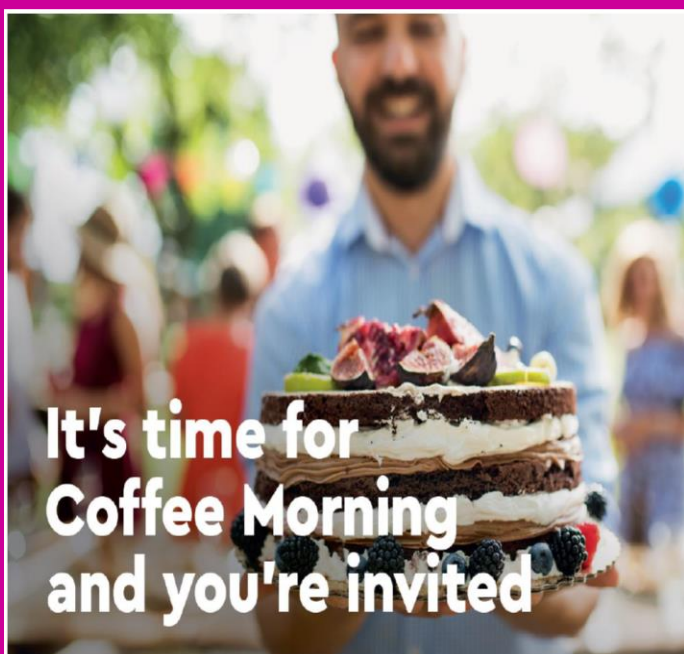
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Let's do whatever it takes  
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**Date:** FRIDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER 2023

**Time:** 10AM to 12.30PM

**Contact:** Gillian Howey

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## **AMENDED**

**Park Caravan Residents - Difficulties in obtaining Energy Bills Support Scheme (EBSS) Alternative Funding**  
During my campaigning I came across quite a few residents that were experiencing difficulties in obtaining the above support. Subsequently, I contacted the DDC Community Development Team to seek their help and support. I am pleased to report that after some emails and calls on their part, they have finally got a straight answer from the EBSS office.

>> The right course of action is to apply on the following link:

**Apply for energy bill support if you do not get it automatically – Gov.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk))**

Once applications are accepted, they are passed onto the Local Council, which is confirmed as DDC. *(There has been raised concerns from residents that when they have reached DDC they were told it was not their responsibility)*

Sharon Harvey (Council Tax Manager mob. 07738 321761) is happy to take calls on this. Residents are also reminded that the £400 EBSS payment only relates to a main residence and that as a main residence, there should also be a current Council Tax account at the property.

>> Residents should be informed about the progress of their application directly via email or letter by the EBSS scheme. They should get a response within 6 weeks.

>> Residents can use the details below to chase any progress:

**Email: [alternativefunding@ebss.beis.gov.uk](mailto:alternativefunding@ebss.beis.gov.uk) Telephone: 0808 175 3287. Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm**

**If residents still experience any continuing problems,  
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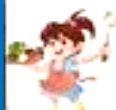
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## Capel Youth Club Fund Raiser Party



Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
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(This is a Capel community family ticketed event, not a Youth Club children's party - open to all residents families and friends)  
Contact Simon for tickets - 07860803767



## Capel Short Mat Bowls News (CSMBC)

Contacts

Wendy (Chairperson) .....259120  
Ros.....255862 Rachel..... 07853 193935



Anyone in the village wishing to try the sport of short mat bowls, please contact above members.





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**Tree removal, for safety reasons, following lightning strike, completed. Location - side of Village Hall Car Park, adjacent to Public Right of Way ER242, which was temporary closed, whilst the tree was felled. Several large branches also removed, from tree rear of Village Hall (by back door), also split from trunk and could have fallen.**

**Thanks are expressed to all involved from B Youngs Grounds Maintenance for their prompt and efficient services. Much appreciate their very hard work!**







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## Public Transport Briefing Note:

### Ashford – Stagecoach Local Bus Network Review

13<sup>th</sup> August 2023



[Live Bus Times & Timetables | Stagecoach \(stagecoachbus.com\)](https://www.stagecoachbus.com)



#### Stagecoach Ashford Commercial Bus Network Changes (13<sup>th</sup> August 2023)

I write to make you aware of changes to the Folkestone bus network, which are due to be implemented by Stagecoach from 13<sup>th</sup> August 2023. Please note these are commercial changes being implemented by Stagecoach, without involvement from KCC, as such enquiries from the public should be directed to Stagecoach initially.



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## Volunteers wanted

Would you like to help protect our residents from speeding vehicles?

Could you spare 1 – 2 hours a week?

If so, we would love you to join our enthusiastic Speed Watch Team.

Community Speed Watch is an educational scheme to help reduce speeding traffic through our village.

The scheme enables volunteers to work within our village to raise awareness of the dangers of speeding and to help control the problem locally.

If you are interested and would like to talk to someone about becoming a team member, contact the Parish Clerk on 01303 259564,

Email: [clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com)



## Introducing your new Ward Police Constable

I just wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself to you all, as the newly appointed dedicated Ward Beat Officer for your area. I have a lot of ground to cover including Capel, Hougham, Alkham, Denton and Wooton, Lydden, Temple Ewell, River, Maxton and Elms Vale whilst also retaining responsibility for the policing of Dover town centre for the immediate future, so I may not be as visible as your dedicated PCSO's perhaps were. That said, I will endeavour to provide you with the service and support that you and your community require. The best means of contacting me will be via email or this platform. I will endeavour to respond to any such communications within 48 hours. If a problem or issue is more pressing it might be advisable to report it online through the Kent Police Website. I will be looking to visit all the parishes in the coming weeks to make myself available to anyone who wants to speak to me in person. This will start tomorrow morning in the Maxton and Elms Vale ward where I will be holding a surgery at the recreation ground in Elms Vale Road between 0930 and 1030. It's likely that I will have to make use of an unmarked "Wellbeing" support van which is on loan to us for a short period of time!

My email address is [james.chenery@kent.police.uk](mailto:james.chenery@kent.police.uk).

I very much look forward to meeting you all soon.



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**We have interesting speakers, quiz evenings, a Rose show in June,  
and three open shows, and our enthusiastic members are always  
happy to share the benefit of their knowledge and experience.**

**The society holds Spring, Summer and Autumn Shows  
at the Village Hall, see What's On front page for dates.**

**The group meets on the third Tuesday of each month  
at 7:00pm in St Radigund's Church for  
informative presentations and quiz evenings.**

**We look forward to seeing you at the show, or any of our events.**

**Brian Castle - 01303 259105 or 07598371984.**

**Jean Tanton - 01303 255982. Bob Parsons on 07484 275551.**



**The Gardeners Association's Summer Garden Show will be held in the  
Village Hall on Saturday, 8th July. The show is open to the public at 2:30pm  
for a minimal entry fee. There will also be refreshments, home-made cakes,  
and the ever-popular Tombola stall.**

**This is an open show and anyone who has flowers, produce, crafts, etc. that  
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**Staging your exhibits on the day is from 9:45 to 11:45am, Judging from 12:15  
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<b>USEFUL CONTACTS INCLUDING ACTIVITIES &amp; CLUBS</b>	<b>CONTACT NAMES</b>	<b>TELEPHONE NUMBER</b>
Police Community Safety Officer	Sarah Mcguinness	Kent Police 101
Community Warden	Jan Henry	07811271303 Email: <a href="mailto:jan.henry@kent.gov.uk">jan.henry@kent.gov.uk</a>
Parish Council Chair	Philippa Seager	01303 245254
Parish Council Clerk	Maureen Leppard	01303 259564 Email: <a href="mailto:clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com">clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com</a>
Dover District Ward Councillor	Martin Hibbert	<a href="mailto:Cllr-Martin.Hibbert@dover.gov.uk">Cllr-Martin.Hibbert@dover.gov.uk</a>
Village Hall Webmaster/Chairperson	Sally Cook	253838 / 07730475838
Village Hall Committee Lettings	Sue Leaning (Email preferred)	07939 095880 Email: <a href="mailto:sue.lettingscvh@gmail.com">sue.lettingscvh@gmail.com</a>
Village Hall Farmers' Market	Sally Cook	253838 / 07730475838
Village Hall Committee Treasurer	Sarah Leonard	<a href="mailto:sarahbridgeland74@hotmail.co.uk">sarahbridgeland74@hotmail.co.uk</a>
Village Hall Committee Trustee	Roy Mann	07725943261
Village Hall Committee Trustee	Jerry Watson	07811987254
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Remote Control Car Club	Derek Jeffrey	01303 259842
Short Mat Bowls	Ros Chandler	01303 255862
St Radigunds Church	Rev Brian Williams	01303 243784
St Radigunds Church Events	John Oliver	01303 251403
St Radigunds Church Bookings	Audrey Goaten	01303 244735
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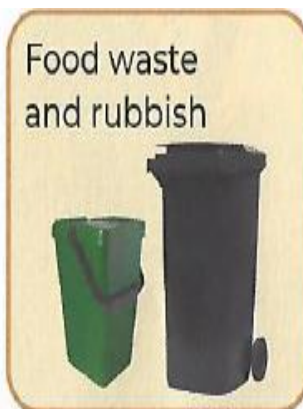
information contact  
Maggie 01303 245046.

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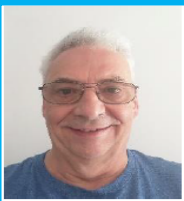
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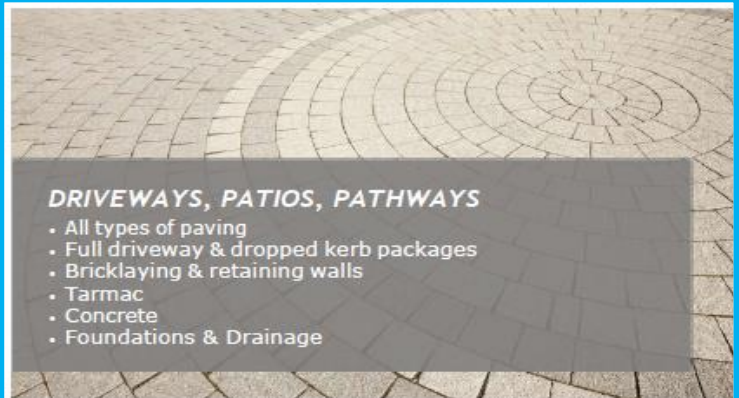
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(Tel: 01303 259564) or Email: [clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com](mailto:clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com)

by 6pm, Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023.

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