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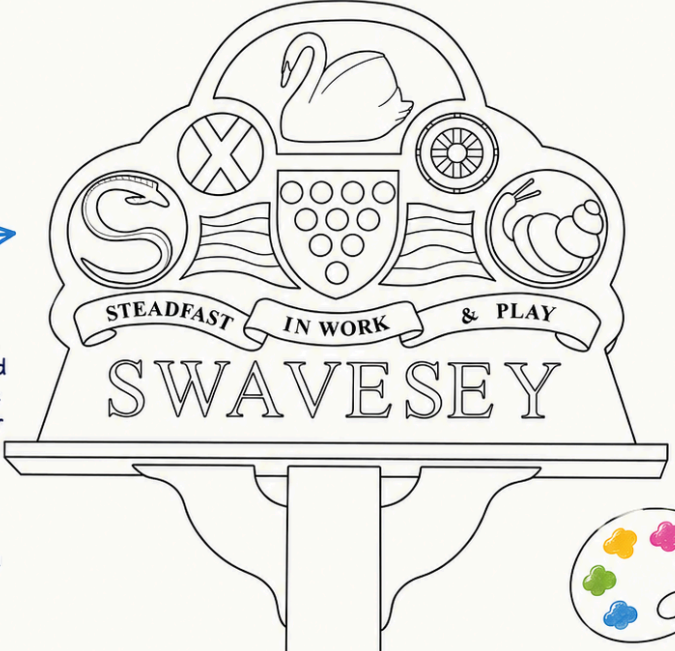
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Sam & Siobhan
Swavesey Meridian Magazine

EDITORIAL

Welcome to the latest edition of The Meridian.

You may have noticed one of the first changes we've made — the return of a full-colour front cover. We hope you enjoy this small refresh, and as we continue to make gradual improvements, we look forward to bringing more colour back to our internal pages in future editions.

As always, we'd like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who contributes to the magazine. Whether you've written an article, shared news from a local group or organisation, or submitted photographs, your time and enthusiasm are what make The Meridian such a valued part of our community.

We're equally grateful to our advertisers for their continued support. By advertising with us, they not only help make the magazine possible but also showcase the fantastic range of local businesses and services available within our community. We encourage our readers to support them whenever they can.

This magazine belongs to the whole community, and we'd love to hear your ideas. If you have suggestions for future improvements, new features, or would like to contribute an article or regular page, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

This issue also marks the launch of our very first front cover competition. We hope this will become a seasonal feature, giving local photographers and artists the opportunity to have their work showcased on the front cover, as well as winning a prize. We can't wait to see the fantastic entries and wish everyone the very best of luck.

Thank you for your continued support, and we hope you enjoy this issue of The Meridian.

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Major Events List

This list is intended to avoid major events clashing on the same day. It will only work if we are advised of all such events, so please let us know as soon as you can confirm the details.

Please send notification of your event to:-
editor@swaveseymeridian.org.uk.

We will list them in this section of the Magazine and also on our website at:- www.swaveseymeridian.org.uk

Saturday 5 September	Hale Road Allotments	Mini Market - Market St Green - 10 - 1pm
Saturday 10 October	St Andrews	Harvest Crafternoon: Saturday, October 10th, 2 – 4pm
Saturday 12 December	St Andrews	Christmas Tree Festival (more details will follow soon)
Saturday 19 December	Bethel Baptist	Market Street Carols (NOTE: Date Change from 15/12/26)

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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August		
Friday 7	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Friday 14	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Friday 21	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Monday 24	Parish Council	Full Council Meeting
Friday 28	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
September		
Friday 4	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
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Saturday 5	Hale Road Allotments	Mini Market - Market St Green - 10 - 1pm
Friday 11	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Friday 18	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Friday 25	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Monday 28	Parish Council	Full Council Meeting
October		
Saturday 3	St Andrews	Crafternoon
Saturday 10	St Andrews	Harvest Crafternoon: 2 – 4pm in the Church

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Selwyn’s Cambridgeshire Villages Quiz. Part 2.

e.g. Question: “This thread lost a “T”. Answer: “Coton”

Putrid Pool	Stone worker in court? First name.
Liz Taylor’s first of many	Was this once London’s airport
A three-legged town	Jane Austen hero in the second half
Not upon Thames	Epic writer
Nearly an American tap. Eh!	Special agent

You will find the answers to this puzzle on page 20

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CLUB REPORTS

Swavesey and District History Society

May meeting. David Oates from Impington spoke on High Treason and a Mediaeval Royal Insult in Orwell Church Chancel Roof. A teacher for most of his life, David has been interested in heraldry since his schooldays. There are 39 coats of arms on the chancel ceiling which are a remarkable and unique survival from the fourteenth century, commemorating the rise and fall of Sir Simon Birley, an important figure during the troubled reign of the young King Richard II. The purpose of these coats of arms was to emphasise the importance of the Birley family. They also include many of the local gentry and national figures of the nobility and David has identified all but two.

Birley's father fought with the Black Prince at the Battle of Crecy in 1346. Simon was born around 1336 and was brought up in court alongside descendants of the Black Prince. Birley, originally a chosen tutor to the teenage King Richard II, became his Vice-Chamberlain and close friend. His relative, Sir John Birley inherited Orwell by marriage from 1375.

As vice-chamberlain, Birley had great influence over Richard. He was accused by some of being the power behind the throne and he controlled access to the King so his was a position encouraging antagonism. Richard granted Birley several manors, from which he immediately ejected the resident canons and took possession. He also received a small income from Swavesey Priory. By 1386 there had grown two clear political factions: the court party and what was to become known as the Appellant party, controlled by Richard's uncle Thomas of Woodstock, Duke of Gloucester, and a jealous man. In due course Woodstock brought about the beheading of Birley for high treason. Surprisingly, among the arms in Orwell of Birley's supporters are included those of Woodstock but in his case, they were subtly drawn upside down as a personal insult and sign of dishonour.

The best way to view the Orwell church ceiling is to lay on your back inside with a pair of binoculars.

June meeting. The several members on holiday were made up for by first-timers so about 40 people heard Selwyn from Swavesey end the 2025/26 season with a talk about Houghton watermill on the Great Ouse, where he is a tour guide. There is a document in the archives of Lincoln Museum which records that in the year 974 Ailwyn, a wealthy Bedfordshire landowner, purchased the manor of Houghton plus the watermill and the large meadow to the south and gave the whole package to Ramsey Abbey. This was a new

Benedictine abbey started only 5 years earlier in 969 on a low gravel island in the Fens. 6,000 watermills are recorded in the Domesday book of 1086 when Houghton mill was valued at only 20 shillings which was a low value for a mill so it must have been disappointing.

In the village square at Houghton there is a large bronze statue of an outstanding man, Potto Brown, placed on a large granite plinth. Potto was the 4th child of twelve and his maternal grandmother was named Sarah Potto, hence his silly name. He managed the watermill for 42 years from 1821 to 1863 during the time when the mill was at its most productive. In Potto's time there were 120 watermills along a 70-mile stretch from Earith to Buckingham but today Houghton mill is the only one which still grinds wheat into flour. Watermills were introduced into England by the Romans because they had to supply their army with large quantities of bread. There was a Roman camp 2½ miles across the valley at Godmanchester on Ermine Street where it came up from London to cross The Great Ouse and continued north to Lincoln, then on to its terminus at York.

The mill has three working floors with two more grain storage floors in the loft. The St Ives end is brick built after a serious fire in an unknown year in the 1600s. The Huntingdon end is mainly built of wood after another serious fire in 1754. It was powered by the river which turned 3 waterwheels, two running 3 pairs of millstones each and the biggest upright shaft, an impressive elm tree felled in 1750, turned 4 pairs of millstones.

The mill closed in 1929 mainly because of strong competition from imported foreign wheat, especially from Canada, which could be moved by rail from the ports to large industrial towns such as Manchester, Birmingham and Sheffield where it was milled using steam power instead of less-reliable river power. Most of the machinery was left idle and is still inside today, including the large elm tree trunk. The building was used by the Youth Hostel Association from 1935 to 1982 with accommodation for up to 50 youngsters who walked or cycled along the Ouse Valley Way.

Historic England has graded around 350,000 sites across England for architectural and historic interest, with grading affording them much legal protection. Only 2% are in Grade 1, including Ely cathedral and Kings College Chapel. Houghton mill is one grade lower at Grade 2-star which covers 6% of listed buildings so it is in the top 8%

Tours led by experts are bookable on Wednesdays with walk-in, self-guided tours on Saturdays, assisted by helpful room guides and with flour also being milled on Saturdays.

Next meeting: - 15 September when the 2026/27 season starts. Horsepower, Ploughs and Frogs. Mike Muncaster



Swavesey Spartans Football Club

Whilst writing this in the stifling late June heatwave, we reflect on the previous season and our celebration of Spartans day.

Firstly, congratulations to England for ending 60 years of hurt!!!! (Hope this comment ages well!!!!)

Last season we entered 12 teams from Under 8 through to our adult Ladies team. More than 260 players all proudly pulling on the Spartans colours throughout the season. All teams fared well in their respective leagues, and we pay tribute to our U15 girls who followed last season's table topping exploits with a very close runners up spot, finishing just one point behind the eventual winners. Even more galling was the winners being awarded their last two games without having to play!

Football eh?!?

Going one better were our U16 boys who won their league. A fantastic achievement and well deserved. Though we celebrate their achievements, we are also sad that after 11 years together, the team have decided to call it a day. We thank the players for their commitment but also recognise the incredible effort of coaches Rob Sayward and Elliot Saunders. Well done and good luck in the future to all. Going out at the top!

We also say goodbye to our U17 girls team who have decided not to enter a team into the U18 league. However, we are delighted that the majority of the squad with coaches Dan, Rob and Gavin will be moving to our Ladies team. The Ladies have consistently struggled for players and this move should secure the longer term future of the team.

Change often sees friends move on and we say goodbye and thanks to Erika Pryne for all her hard work and persistence to keep the team as competitive as possible. Whilst we're sad to see Erika go, she will now be able to spend much more time in her beloved homeland of Wales. Hwyl fawr a phob lwc!

Other highlights of the day included seeing the U6 team receiving their participation trophies. They seem so tiny when compared to our older

teams, but before you know it some of them will be proudly receiving the 10 year tankards in the same way five of our U16 boys did this year!

It was also the first time our newly formed U7 team (U8 in the new season) participated in the day. The success in pulling this team together so quickly is testament to coaches Anna, Karen, Sadek and Chris and we all wish them well with their first competitive fixtures.

The day was also a baptism of fire for our new Treasurer Glesny Sheppard. We say a very fond farewell to outgoing Treasurer Amanada Foreman and thank her for her help and support over the last few years.

Finally, I remind the more mature members of our community that our walking football section is actively seeking more players. Thought your football days were behind you? Why not give it a go in a friendly atmosphere on Wednesday nights? For more info or to express and interest, please visit our website.

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Meetings Coming Up

August 10th	Talk by Dr. Larry Amure.
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October 12th	"Oh God, what next". Talk by Pastor Bob Adams.

Our meetings are on the second Monday of the month in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm. For further information about our meetings please ring Glesny Sheppard 01954 201731/ Deirdre Burgess 01954 230897.

In May, we welcomed a Community Volunteer from Magpas. He gave us an excellent insight into this vital service that Magpas provides. £6,000,000 a year is needed to enable the charity to run. Magpas does not receive any regular government funding.

On September 5th our WI will be running a Cake Stall in Market Street and the proceeds from this event will go to the Arthur Rank Hospice, the charity Swavesey WI is supporting in 2026/27.

Please come along and support this very valuable charity. Together with our Cake Stall we will be selling Hats, Bags and Scarves.....so come along and find yourself a bargain while supporting Arthur Rank Hospice.

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For further info and to see some of our members photos check out our website - <https://swaveseycameraclub.co.uk/>

The new season's programme is available on the website to view - <https://swaveseycameraclub.co.uk/programme>

If you would like more information about the club or you are thinking about joining us please get in touch by using the club email -

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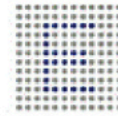
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Liz Taylor's first of many	Hilton
A three-legged town	Ramsey
Not upon Thames	Kingston
Nearly an American tap. Eh!	Farcet
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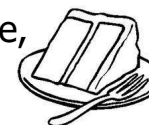
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Swavesey 100 years ago (August & September 1926)

From the Cambridge Chronicle

FOR ADDENBROOKE'S. 6th Aug. 1926

The house-to-house collection, which has recently been made in Swavesey in aid of Addenbrooke's Hospital by Mesdames Aldred, Beaumont, Cooksey, C. Dean, F. Hemington, W. Thorp and Miss Gaunt, resulted in £16 11s. 3d., being raised, about the same amount as last year.

A MUCH-APPRECIATED TREAT. 6th Aug. 1926

Miss Gertrude Thoday, assistant teacher at Swavesey National School, gave the children in her class, about thirty in number, a picnic at Overcote on Wednesday. The youngsters, who had a sumptuous tea, spent a thoroughly happy time by the river, and before they left for home were further regaled with tarts, milk and sweets.

STACK FIRE. 13th Aug. 1926

About 12.55 a.m. on Sunday last P.C. Breed, whilst on duty, saw a fire along the Fen Drayton road, Swavesey. Upon going to the spot, he found that a rather large hay-stack, belonging to Mr. Frank Norman, was all ablaze. The fire had got such a complete hold that nothing could be done to save the stack, which was completely destroyed. The cause of the outbreak is unknown, but is being investigated by the County Police. The stack contained about 40 tons of hay.

STRANGE NESTING PLACE. 13th Aug. 1926

When near a row of ancient Dod trees at the back of his premises, Mr. James Prior, of Stanton Vue, Swavesey, heard the call of chickens, and, on investigating whence it came, saw the head of a chick peeping through a small hole in the trunk of one of the trees. On enlarging the hole with a hatchet, Mr. Prior, to his surprise, discovered about half-a-dozen little birds. He surmises that the hen laid her eggs over a hole in an arm at the top of the tree through which the chicks fell down the hollow trunk.

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A FREAK. 20th Aug. 1926

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THE EARTHQUAKE. 20th Aug. 1926

Numerous Swavesey people were roused from their sleep by the earth tremor early on Sunday morning. They report that their houses were shaken, that bedsteads oscillated, and that window frames, crockery, etc., rattled.

SUCSESSES AT SANDY SHOW. 3rd Sept. 1926

Two Swavesey bakers and confectioners, Mr. W. D. Isgrove, of High-street, and Mr. A. J. Freestone, of Middle Watch, were successful exhibitors at Sandy Show last week, the former being awarded third prize (bronze medal) for slab fruit cake in the open class, and the latter third prize (bronze medal) for commercial bread in the county class.

FOR THE BLIND. 24th Sept. 1926

Last Saturday was Geranium Day in Swavesey, and the following girls of the upper division at the school, each of whom was allotted a district in the village, sold flowers for the benefit of the National Institute for the Blind: Yvonne Lee, Nancy Prime, Grace Whybrow, Marguerite Nightingale, Winnie Wood, Olive Wilderspin, Joyce Melbourne, Hilda Culpin, Vida Parish and Winifred Payne. The sum of £2 8s was realised.

A PERTINENT QUESTION. 24th Sept. 1926

A correspondent writes: - The Swavesey by-roads, which have long been sadly neglected, are rapidly getting worse and worse. The last "appointed" road-man ceased to function some nine or ten months ago. He was succeeded during the winter by a man who apparently was employed temporarily. Since March there has been no roadman, appointed or casual, yet I am given to understand that a by-way rate is still being levied by the District Council. Perhaps our two local district councillors will explain why they have appointed no roadman, and why they have levied the rate?

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SWAVESEY PARISH

Parish Council News June/July 2026

County Council Business

Highways maintenance continues. The PC is pressing for a decision on when repair work on Fen Drayton Rd will take place, it is becoming more and more dangerous. All highways defects can be reported by anyone via the County Council's online [Report It](#) form linked from Cambridgeshire County Council. - www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/top-tasks/report

As well as pothole reporting, this online form can also be used to report overgrown vegetation, blocking access along pavements. This time of year this can often cause issues along pavements in residential areas. If you have shrubs and trees on your garden boundary, please do check that they are not overhanging the pavement and cut them back.

The PC continues to liaise with our County Councillor to discuss all the outstanding issues. A [monthly report](#) from Cllr Chris Poulton is also published on our website. - www.swavesey-pc.gov.uk/the-council/county-district-councillors/

Guided Busway fencing project – thank you for everyone who returned forms regarding the request to keep Moore Brooke crossing in the Nature Reserve open. The forms have now been submitted and will be considered, along with the requests to keep other crossings in Histon open. More information on our [website](#). - <https://www.swavesey-pc.gov.uk/>

District Council

Local Government Reorganisation proposals – we are still awaiting a decision from Government on how they will split up the County into new Unitary Authorities. A decision is expected in July.

A [monthly report](#) from District Cllr Vivien Biggs is published on our website. - www.swavesey-pc.gov.uk/the-council/county-district-councillors/

Combined Authority/Mayor's Office

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority has launched a public engagement on proposed changes to local bus services, and we wish to highlight this to those of you who use the 5A and T1 buses.

The engagement launched **Tuesday 16th June** and will run until **5pm on 28th July** - <https://cpca-yourvoice.co.uk/bus-network-review-engagement/>

There are changes to proposed to both the 5A and T1 services so please so put your comments into the survey.

COUNCIL NEWS

Planning

Details of any planning applications which the PC comments on, can be found in the Minutes of the meetings, published on the Parish Council's website.

The PC continues to talk to planners and developers about the issues around the proposed logistics parks alongside the A14. We are expecting the first planning applications to be submitted to Gtr Camb Planning in the next couple of months.

Drainage

The Parish Council continues to work alongside the Swavesey IDB around the many drainage concerns for the parish. This past month that has included discussions with Northstowe 3B developers and with the logistics sites developers.

Recreation Green

The Parish Council has agreed to enter a partnership funding arrangement with the football clubs, in order to submit a grant application to the Football Foundation for funding for grounds maintenance improvements to the pitch areas on the Green. This will be a 6-year funding agreement for long-term improvement work.

Community Orchard

At time of writing the Orchard Bioblitz Day will take place on Saturday 27th June. We very much hope it is a big success and that lots of you went along to take part.

Sustainability Hub June event

On Sat 13th June, the Sustainability Hub group held a summer event at the Memorial Hall and in Constable's Rood. As with previous events this was well attended by residents. Our thanks to the organisers of these events, which take a lot of time to arrange.

Further details on everything that is discussed at the Parish Council meetings can be found in the Minutes and on the Council's website at www.swavesey-pc.gov.uk

PARISH & COUNTY NEWS

The Thomas Galon Charity

Are you aware of this village charity which has been supporting the community, primarily elderly residents, for many hundreds of years?

In 1528 Thomas Galon left agricultural land in his Will for the benefit of the community of Swavesey. A charity was set up enabling the land to be rented out and the income used to help those in need.

Since then the charity has provided winter fuel grants to elderly residents, grants to various local charities and hospices whose services benefit residents of Swavesey and individual grants to residents for various support services (within the charity scheme).

Energy Grant

An **Energy Grant Scheme** is available for elderly residents. Under this scheme, residents who are aged 70 or over and have lived in the village for 2 years or more can apply to the Thomas Galon Charity for an energy grant, to help with rising heating costs. At the November meeting, Trustees will then consider the amount of grant, depending on funds available, to be paid in the December.

An application form is available if you wish to apply for assistance from this scheme. Please contact the Clerk to the Trustees, Linda Miller at thomasgaloncharity@swavesey.org.uk or call 01954 202982.

Grants

The charity trustees meet twice a year in April and November. Grants can be provided to residents for assistance with medical and wellbeing services or items, in particular for elderly residents. Applications can be made in confidence to the charity to be considered at either of these meetings. Please do call the Clerk or talk to any of the trustees if you would like to find out more.

Clerk: Linda Miller email: thomasgaloncharity@swavesey.org.uk
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Rob Wick	Will Wright

Further history on the charity can be found on the charity website www.swavesey-pc.gov.uk/community/the-thomas-galon-charity/

June 2026

Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

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Huntingdon rail station		0640	0735	0735	0855	1000	1110	1215	1325	1431	1543	1651	1755	1900	2000	2100
Huntingdon bus station arrive		0642	0738	0738	0858	1003	1113	1218	1328	1434	1546	1654	1757	1902	2002	2102
bay 4 depart		0645	0745	0750	0903	1008	1118	1223	1333	1437	1549	1657	1800	1904	2004	2104
Fenstanton Clock Tower		0654	0755	0759	0913	1018	1128	1233	1343	1445	1557	1706	1808	1912	2012	2111
Fenstanton Rookery Way		0657	0758	0801	0914	1019	1129	1234	1344	1447	1559	1708	1810	1913	2013	2112
Swavesey Boxworth End (opp The Farm)	0554	0703	0804	0807	0920	1025	1135	1240	1350	1453	1605	1714	1816	1919	2018	
Rose and Crown Road Boxworth End																
Ramper Road Swavesey (N)																
Whitton Close Swavesey (near)																
School Lane Swavesey (near)																
Chequers Court Church End (NE)																
Swavesey The Busway (N-bound)	0559	0711	0813	0813	0925	1030	1140	1245	1355	1458	1611	1720	1821	1924	2023	
Longstanton The Busway park&ride	0605	0717	0819	0819	0931	1036	1146	1251	1401	1504	1617	1726	1827	1930	2029	
Oakington The Busway	0611	0723	0825	0825	0937	1042	1152	1257	1407	1510	1623	1732	1833	1936	2035	
Histon & Impington The Busway	0617	0729	0831	0831	0943	1048	1158	1303	1413	1516	1629	1738	1839	1942	2041	
Camb. Regional College The Busway	0620	0732	0834	0834	0946	1051	1201	1306	1416	1519	1632	1741	1842	1945	2044	
Cambridge Science Park The Busway	0621	0733	0835	0835	0947	1052	1202	1307	1417	1520	1633	1742	1843	1946	2045	
Cambridge Drummer St bus station	0630	0747	0850	0850	1001	1106	1216	1321	1431	1531	1644	1753	1853	1955	2053	



Saturdays

Huntingdon rail station	0720	0820	0920	1020	1125	1230	1339	1447	1552	1701	1806	1910	2013	2112	2212
Huntingdon bus station arrive	0722	0822	0923	1023	1128	1233	1342	1450	1555	1704	1809	1912	2015	2114	2214
bay 4 depart	0725	0825	0925	1025	1133	1238	1345	1455	1600	1705	1810	1915	2016	2115	2215
Fenstanton Clock Tower	0734	0834	0934	1035	1143	1248	1355	1504	1609	1714	1819	1924	2025	2124	2224
Fenstanton Rookery Way	0735	0835	0935	1036	1144	1249	1356	1505	1610	1715	1820	1925	2026	2125	2225
Swavesey Boxworth End, The Farm	0646	0740	0840	0941	1042	1150	1255	1402	1511	1616	1721	1826	1931	2032	

Rose and Crown Road Boxworth End

Ramper Road Swavesey (N)

Whitton Close Swavesey (near)

School Lane Swavesey (near)

Chequers Court Church End (NE)

There are no times given for these additional Swavesey stops
Information for these stops taken from the Whippet website <https://www.whippetbus.co.uk/times/t1/>

Swavesey The Busway	0650	0744	0844	0946	1047	1155	1300	1407	1516	1621	1726	1831	1936	2037	
Longstanton The Busway park&ride	0656	0750	0850	0952	1053	1201	1306	1413	1522	1627	1732	1837	1942	2043	
Oakington The Busway	0702	0756	0856	0958	1059	1207	1312	1419	1528	1633	1738	1843	1948	2049	
Histon & Impington The Busway	0708	0802	0902	1004	1105	1213	1318	1425	1534	1639	1744	1849	1954	2055	
Camb. Regional College The Busway	0711	0805	0905	1007	1108	1216	1321	1428	1537	1642	1747	1852	1957	2058	
Cambridge Science Park The Busway	0712	0806	0906	1008	1109	1217	1322	1429	1538	1643	1748	1853	1958	2059	
Cambridge Drummer St bus station	0721	0815	0916	1021	1123	1232	1337	1444	1553	1657	1801	1906	2010	2110	



Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

Cambridge Drummer St bus stn bay 12	0635	0753	0859	1009	1114	1224	1330	1440	1444	1540	1550	1650	1800	1900	2000	2100
Cambridge Science Park The Busway	0646	0805	0914	1024	1129	1239	1345	1452	1456	1554	1603	1704	1814	1911	2011	2111
Cambridge Regional College The Busway	0647	0807	0915	1025	1130	1240	1346	1457	1457	1604	1604	1705	1815	1912	2012	2112
Histon & Impington The Busway	0652	0812	0920	1030	1135	1245	1351	1502	1502	1609	1609	1710	1820	1917	2017	2117
Oakington The Busway	0657	0817	0925	1035	1140	1250	1356	1507	1507	1614	1614	1715	1825	1922	2022	2122
Longstanton The Busway park&ride	0703	0823	0931	1041	1146	1256	1402	1513	1513	1620	1620	1721	1831	1928	2028	2128
Swavesey The Busway	0709	0829	0937	1047	1152	1302	1408	1519	1519	1626	1626	1727	1837	1934	2034	2134

Chequers Court Church End (near)

Wallman's Lane Swavesey (near)

School Lane Swavesey (S)

Whitton Close Swavesey (S)

Ramper Road Swavesey (near)

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Swavesey Boxworth End, The Farm	0714	0835	0942	1052	1157	1307	1413	1525	1525	1632	1632	1733	1841	1938	2038	2138
Fenstanton Rookery Way	0628	0721	0841	0948	1058	1203	1313	1419	1531	1639	1639	1740	1847	1944	2044	2144
Fenstanton Clock Tower	0629	0722	0842	0949	1059	1204	1314	1420	1532	1640	1640	1741	1848	1945	2045	2145
Huntingdon rail station	0639	0732	0852	0959	1109	1214	1324	1430	1542	1650	1650	1750	1857	1953	2053	2153
Huntingdon bus station	0642	0738	0858	1003	1113	1218	1328	1434	1546	1654	1654	1757	1902	2002	2102	2202

Saturdays

Cambridge Drummer St bus stn bay 12	0726	0824	0921	1026	1129	1237	1345	1450	1600	1705	1810	1915	2015	2115
Cambridge Science Park The Busway	0736	0835	0934	1039	1144	1253	1401	1506	1615	1720	1825	1928	2028	2127
Cambridge Regional College The Busway	0737	0836	0935	1040	1145	1254	1402	1507	1616	1721	1826	1929	2029	2128
Histon & Impington The Busway	0742	0841	0940	1045	1150	1259	1407	1512	1621	1726	1831	1934	2034	2133
Oakington The Busway	0747	0846	0945	1050	1155	1304	1412	1517	1626	1731	1836	1939	2039	2138
Longstanton The Busway park&ride	0753	0852	0951	1056	1201	1310	1418	1523	1632	1737	1842	1945	2045	2144
Swavesey The Busway	0759	0858	0957	1102	1207	1316	1424	1529	1638	1743	1848	1951	2051	2150
Chequers Court Church End (near)														
Wallman's Lane Swavesey (near)														
School Lane Swavesey (S)														
Whitton Close Swavesey (S)														
Ramper Road Swavesey (near)														
Swavesey Boxworth End, The Farm	0803	0902	1002	1107	1212	1321	1429	1534	1643	1748	1853	1956	2055	2154
Fenstanton Rookery Way	0709	0809	0908	1008	1113	1218	1327	1435	1540	1649	1754	1859	2002	2101
Fenstanton Clock Tower	0710	0810	0909	1009	1114	1219	1328	1436	1541	1650	1755	1900	2003	2102
Huntingdon rail station	0719	0819	0919	1019	1124	1229	1338	1446	1551	1700	1805	1909	2012	2111
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News From Your New DC Cllr Vivien Biggs

I am delighted to have been elected as the Liberal Democrat district councillor for the Swavesey Ward which includes both Fen Drayton and Lolworth, as well as Swavesey.

I have lived in Fen Drayton for 17 years and have 2 adult daughters and 4 grandchildren whose ages range from 16 to 7 months.

I will be serving on the Scrutiny and Overview, Planning and Licensing committees.

On June 3rd the government announced their intention to establish a Development Corporation in Greater Cambridge. We wait to learn exactly what this will look like, but we understand that it is backed by an £800 million regional investment aiming to accelerate the planning process. There are concerns about the possibility of it being a 'power grab' and we need to try to ensure that community voices are heard.

Weekly collections of food waste began from 11th May 2026 for thousands more households in Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire.

In total over 48,000 homes across Greater Cambridge are now having weekly collections of food waste, with over 400 tonnes collected so far.

The Government's introduction of Simpler Recycling legislation makes weekly collection of household food waste mandatory for all local authorities.

The collected food waste is taken to Anaerobic Digestion (AD) plants, where the biogas given off by the decomposing food is captured and used to generate power.

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Following a nomination for the East of England 2026 Regional Energy Efficiency Awards, South Cambridgeshire District Council was awarded

“Highly Commended” at a ceremony held on Thursday 21 May. The Council was nominated in the Regional Council or Local Authority Body of the Year category, in recognition of our multifaceted approach to ensuring energy efficiency across all of our operations. This reflects the significant ongoing work across a range of projects to deliver energy efficiency improvements, including social housing retrofit, the retrofit of South Cambridgeshire Hall, and the Waterbeach Renewable Energy Network (WREN). We will ensure we carry on driving improvements through this work as we continue to embed our “Green to our Core” priority and deliver the new Climate and Nature Strategy 2026–2030.

You can contact me by cllr.biggs@scambs.gov.uk or 07732 340674

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Swavesey Parish Council meets on the 4 th Monday of each month for Full Council, with occasional 2 nd Thursday of each month meetings for Planning items. All meetings are held in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm. There is always a 10 minute public forum at the start of each meeting and members of the public are welcome to attend and listen to Council discussions.		

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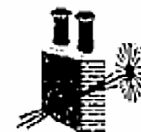


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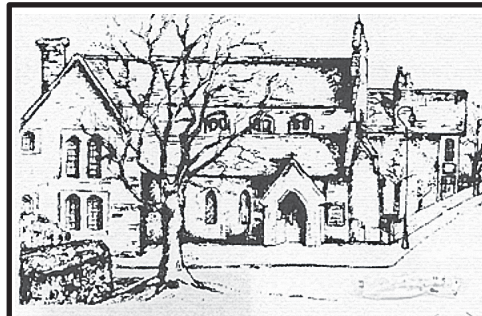
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You can find information about all our services and events on Facebook and online at A Church near You: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/2834/service-and-events/events-all/>

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Junior Church

This is our Sunday School for children under 11. We sing songs, draw and make things and, most of all, learn about Jesus. We meet every Sunday at the back of church. Do join us.

Emmaus House Group

We are a small group of people who meet every other Wednesday morning on Zoom to learn more about God through studying the Bible. We choose our own subjects and ask lots of questions but don't always find the answers! More details from Nicky Carne: nicky.carne@hotmail.com.



Compass Café

Meet us at the Compass Café - Swavesey's community café every third Thursday of the month, 10:30am - 12 noon. Enjoy our wonderful cakes and coffee.

St Andrew's Church



Craft Group

Our group meets every other Wednesday to work together on group activities; have you seen our decorations on the car park cross? You can bring your own craft activity to work on or just come to enjoy the company over a hot drink and cake. Details from Jacqui Fuller: jacqui_fuller@hotmail.com

Events at St Andrew's in 2026

Plant Sale: Saturday, May 16th

Once again, this event was a great success with over thirteen hundred good quality plants for sale. We had a queue at the gates from well before 10am and everyone seemed pleased with the plants on offer. Bacon butties and hot dogs were enjoyed and cakes were savoured in the church and taken home for afternoon tea. Thank you to all of you who came to support us; Richard is already planning for next year!

Harvest Crafternoon: Saturday, October 10th, 2 - 4pm

We will be holding our Harvest Communion Service on October 11th at 11am with donations of food and money going to the St Ives Food Bank. The Harvest Crafternoon event on Saturday afternoon will be an opportunity for you to help to decorate the church ready for this service. There will be harvest themed craft activities for children and a chance for you all to make St Andrew's look beautiful. As always, there will be refreshments available. Put the date in your diary now

Christmas Tree Festival 2026: December 12th

We are planning to hold our Christmas Tree Festival again this year; more details will follow soon. If your community group or business are interested in entering a tree, please contact Rev'd Stephen Dove: stephen@5folds.org.uk to register.





Club Vintage - Wednesdays 2-4pm

A warm welcome awaits older people and the club is dementia-friendly. There is a small £3 weekly charge. Enjoy a rotating variety of activities such as chair-based exercise, singing, bible-based crafts, quizzes, games and entertainment from others.



Compass Café - Thursdays 10:30am-12pm



You will receive a very warm welcome at our community run café. Enjoy reasonably priced coffee, tea and homemade cakes.

LITTLE LIGHTS - Fridays 10am-12pm

Baby & toddler group. All are welcome, bumps, babies, toddlers, parents and carers. Drop in at anytime for as long as you need. Only £2 per family, including drinks & snacks for all! We hope you can come along and join us!



The Hub - Youth Group - Fridays 7-9pm

Open to all year 6 and secondary aged children. Come along and meet up with friends, chat, play games, listen to music and much more! Snack bar also available. £1 entry fee. Parents must complete a permission form.

Sunday Services - Sundays 10:45am

You are warmly invited to join us for our weekly services followed by coffee in our compass room. Our services are open to all and are family friendly with children's Sunday School groups for all ages! Every first Sunday of the month is our alternative all age, café-style service which include refreshments around tables, conversation and maybe even some crafts! We have a special Communion service once a month on the 3rd Sunday. At Bethel we are brought together by our Faith, but what truly makes us family is our passion to serve God and love one another through every season.



Upcoming events for your diaries:



Change of date: Swavesey Village Carols

Now on Saturday 19th December @ Market Street - The Village Carols will be back again this year! Live brass band, Christmas stalls and the usual special guest! Further details will be published nearer the time! We hope to see you there!

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A look outside can make all the difference

It doesn't matter which way that you look, our world seems to fall short of the ideal of justice.

The headlines, '**Anger at decision not to prosecute Canadian suicide kit provider.**' '**Cuts to jury trials could have a far-reaching effect.**' '**Teenage boys avoid jail after sexual assault.**' These create in us feelings of anger, fear and desperation as we consider the well being of our family and the community in which we live. Our natural inclination is to pull up the draw bridge and keep our environment safe for those that we love. While this is understandable, we must realise that we cannot simply run away from life and lock ourselves away and in some way rise above the realities that exist.

Whether we like it or not we are a part of the community at large and therefore have a responsibility as to how the community functions or doesn't. We crave the right, the just and the good but remember...

Justice is the principle of fairness, equality, and moral responsibility, ensuring individuals receive what they are due while maintaining social order.

It is too easy to turn our back, ignore or walk away from the ills of our society but unless we engage, we doom ourselves to the witless deliberations of those who consider themselves the 'political elite' and those who revel in an aggressive response.

Take another look at your neighbour, consider that they are just as concerned and scared as you are, they just express it in a different way. As we gain more experience and knowledge interacting with others and through other learning, we can become better, wiser, more ethical and more compassionate. Now, there is a recipe for a more fulfilling life.

The kettle is on, let's have a chat about it.

Pastor Bob
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Community Groups & Charities

Swavesey Sustainability Hub	The Sustainability Hub is a community group that offers space and support for people to realise their ideas for a more sustainable way of life. Contact: rvollerthun@gmail.com Website: www.thesustainabilityhub.biz
Sheddit!	Sheddit! is the community shed for Swavesey and surrounding areas. The group works on a range of projects and welcome new members who enjoy making things from wood and metal. Contact: Phil Cohen 07957 422292 Website: https://shareborrowconnect.org/
Cam Sight	Cam Sight is a local charity which offers support to anyone with a visual impairment, along with their family and carers. We meet on the 4th Wednesday afternoon of each month in Bar Hill. For more information please telephone Joan in Bar Hill on 01954 200622 or Alison at Cam Sight on 01223 420033 or email alison@camsight.org.uk . For more info see:- www.camsight.org.uk
Cambridgeshire Hearing Help	CHH is a charity that helps people with hearing loss. Volunteers service NHS hearing aids and provide batteries and they attend Swavesey quarterly at Thistle Green. Advice on any aspects of hearing loss is available at a hearing help session or by calling the office on 01223 416141, E-mail: enquiries@cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk Website: cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk
Care Network	Care Network supports volunteers, encourages independence and develops good neighbour projects. We provide the Welcome Home from Hospital service across Cambridgeshire. Contact:- Care Network, 5 Broadway House, 149-151 St Neots Rd, Hardwick, Cambridge, CB23 7QJ (tel: 01954 211919). Website: care-network.org.uk/
Compass Cafe	Meets every Thursday morning from 10.30 until 12.00 at Bethel Baptist Church. Contact Sue Ellington on 01954 202923 or sue.ellington@virgin.net
Dog Lovers of Swavesey	Dog Lovers of Swavesey is a friendly group where anyone with a love for dogs is welcome with or without dog. Meetings are on the Recreation Green organised through the Facebook group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/dogloversofswavesey where we also exchange tips, ask for advice or have a laugh. Resources are gathered at https://dogloversofswavesey.co.uk/ . Contact: Matt at matthewyoung1@btinternet.com or Anita at anita.faul@outlook.com Tel 01954 232791
Swavesey Library	A volunteer run community library based in Swavesey Village College. We are able to providing a full range of library facilities being directly linked to the Cambridgeshire County Council library service. For more info see:- https://www.swavesey-pc.gov.uk/community/swavesey-your-library/
East Anglia's Children's Hospice (EACH)	Put your free time to good use and volunteer at East Anglia's Children's Hospice (EACH) in Milton. Volunteering at a children's hospice doesn't always mean care work and fundraising as there are also tasks such as admin and maintenance of the grounds. Contact:- Clare Bates on 01223 815134, Email: clare.bates@each.org.uk
OWLS Community Car Scheme	Run by DBS checked volunteers the scheme offers a door-to-door service, for medical or some social journeys, to people who are unable to access other forms of transport. Ring 07505 254363 to book a journey, find out more, or to volunteer as a driver Website: https://www.swavesey-pc.gov.uk/community/owls-community-car-scheme/

CLUB INFORMATION

Army Cadets UK	Swavesey Detachment, No 2 (Cromwell) Company, Cambridgeshire Army Cadet Force meets each Tuesday evening at the Swavesey Village College from 7 pm. New recruits are welcomed from ages 12 years (year 8) to 18 years. www.armycadets.com/county/cambridgeshire-acf/		
Swavesey Five-a-Side Football Club	Currently seeking new members for this long-established club. We play each Wednesday evening from 6:30 to 7:30pm in the new sports hall at Swavesey Village College. Enquiries to Stewart Smith (07803 050234).		
Swavesey Girlguiding	Unit	Evening	Contact
	1st Swavesey Rainbows	Thursdays	caroline@overroad.co.uk
	1st Swavesey Brownies	Mondays	swaveseybrownies@outlook.com
	2nd Swavesey Brownies	Wednesdays	secondswaveseybrownies@outlook.com
	1st Swavesey Guides	Thursdays	swaveseyguides@gmail.com
	1st Swavesey Rangers	Thursdays	swaveseyrangers@gmail.com
Swavesey Spartans	Swavesey Spartans (swaveseyspartans.co.uk) is a Chartered Standard Football Club affiliated to Cambridgeshire Football Association. The club delivers football for children aged 6 and above. The club helps with the transition to open age football. Colts football ceases at the end of a player's Under 18 season. Open age football for men in Swavesey is available through Swavesey Institute FC (separate entry in this section of the Meridian). Swavesey Spartans FC have an open age football team for ladies playing league games on a Sunday. For more information about Spartans please contact Paul Clarke (swavesey.chairperson@gmail.com) or Mrs Paula Land (swavesey.secretary@gmail.com)		
1 st Swavesey Scout Group	All sections meet at the Scout Hut on the SVC site Beavers Day: Thursday 18:00 to 19:00 Contact: John Pawson - Beaver Leader john.pawson@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk Cubs Day: Tuesday 18:15 to 19:30 Contact: Steven Wilson - Cub Leader steven.wilson@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk Scouts Day: Wednesday 19:00 to 20:30 Contact : Ally Parker - Scouts ally.parker@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk For any other enquiries please email info@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk		
Swavesey Early Years and Playwork Centre	Swavesey Early Years and Playwork Centre are based in their own purpose-built unit on the primary school site. It comprises Early Years children (aged from 2 years and 6 Months) between 9am and 3pm (formerly Swavesey Pre School) and we provide activities and care for primary school aged children before and after school. Breakfast Club runs from 7.30 am to 9am and After School Club from 3.15pm to 6pm. For information please contact Carol Panther (Early Years and Playwork Manager) by email: eyandp@swavesey.cambs.sch.uk or by phone (01954) 273312 Ext 2 or 07803 812221.		
Swavesey Community Choir	If you enjoy singing and having fun then come and join Swavesey Community Choir. We meet every Wednesday evening in term time at Fenstanton Church Centre, School Lane, Fenstanton from 7.30pm - 9pm. You don't need to be able to read music and no auditions needed, tenor and bass voices particularly welcome. For further details contact Julie Holmes julieholmes78@gmail.com Website: www.swaveseycommunitychoir.co.uk		

British Tang Soo Do Institute	British Tang Soo Do Institute practices the Korean martial art of Tang Soo Do. Our club training covers self defence techniques and many aspects of fitness including flexibility, coordination, conditioning, balance and discipline helping to promote a healthy lifestyle. For further information please contact Master Jeff Cockram on 07863 345681 or jeff@btsdi.co.uk Or see our website: www.btsdi.com
Swavesey Tang Soo Do Club	Swavesey Tang Soo Do have classes on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Classes are in the primary school main hall at 6pm. The contact details are Master Louise Morton on 07919 050261 or email enquiries@swaveseytsd.co.uk . The website is www.swaveseytsd.co.uk
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Swavesey Badminton Club	Located at the Swavesey Village College Sports Centre. The Club offers a high standard of play at club nights on Tuesdays 7pm to 8pm and on Fridays from 6.30pm to 9.30pm. We play competitive badminton in the Cambridge leagues and run men's, women's and mixed teams. Contact Helen Taylor on (01954) 230997 Email: enquiries@swaveseybadminton.net Website: www.swaveseybadminton.net
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Swavesey & Over Cycling Club	We meet regularly throughout the year, with rides most weekends and also weekdays on spring and summer evenings. As a Cycling UK affiliated club our goal is to explore a joint passion for cycling in a safe, inclusive and social way. We aim to organise events throughout the year from day & weekend rides in the UK and long weekend trips in Europe. Contact: John Craven Email: socccommittee@gmail.com Facebook: https://bit.ly/3GJCKsZ SOCC or Website: https://swaveseyovercc.wixsite.com/socc

Fireflies Netball Club	Friendly local club, everyone welcome, from back-to-netballers to seasoned players. We have teams playing in CDNL and Fenland Netball leagues. Training is on Tuesdays 7-8:30pm at Northstowe Secondary School. First month is free. £15 per month thereafter. Contact firefliesnetballclub@gmail.com for more information.
Over & Willingham Cricket Club	We have 2 open age (adult) cricket teams in the Cambridgeshire Saturday afternoon league playing 40 over cricket between the start of May and the end of August. If you are interested in joining our club, please get in touch with one of the club officials, come along to one of our training sessions or approach any club member on our matchdays (Saturday's). Contact Jane Reeson if you are interested. email - reesonhcx46k@aol.com ; Telephone 07768 540146; or Facebook - Over and Willingham CC, or Website - overandwillingham.play-cricket.com
Swavesey Music School	Meets every Saturday of term time at Swavesey Village College. For further details see: www.swaveseymusic.co.uk/
Swavesey District Bridleway Association	A liaison group representing local horse riders whose main aim is to protect existing and create safe new horse riding links between all local villages. New members welcome. Regular Newsletter/ Social events calendar. Please contact Sue Rogers (01954) 232758
Swavesey & District History Society	Meet every third Tuesday in the month, 7.30pm, Carole Shaw room, SVC. Contact Carolyn Redmayne, Secretary (01954) 230037
Swavesey Institute Football Club	Swavesey Institute FC have 2 teams in the Cambs County Saturday afternoon leagues. For information about the club or if you are interested in playing open age (adult) football for the village please contact Martin Pickering on 07737 391445
Linedance	Linedance classes held on Wednesday mornings at the Bethel Baptist Church 9-30 to 11-30 am. Beginners always welcome. Contact Deborah Walker (01954) 231382 Email: deborahwalker105@talktalk.net
Swavesey & Over Conservation Society	At the moment we organise interesting walks If you need a lift: Phone: Trevor Grange - 01954 230119 or Pat Miles - (01954) 780485. Guests Are Always Welcome!
Swavesey & Over Tennis Club	Swavesey & Over Tennis Club: Club nights are Mondays and Fridays, 6.30-8.30pm. We welcome new members - further information our website https://swaveseyovertennis.wixsite.com/sotc , or you can email us on SwaveseyOverTennis@gmail.com , or call Steve 07393 825027 or Melanie 07453 523999.
Swavesey RADsOc	Friendly local drama group staging two or three productions a year. New members always welcome. Contact: Nathalie Balzano: nathaliewoodward@hotmail.com Visit our website at www.swaveseyradsoc.org.uk
Swavesey W.I.	We meet every second Monday of the month at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. New members are always welcome to enjoy a variety of invited speakers and have a chat and cup of tea/coffee afterwards. For further information contact Margaret Guest tel (01954) 202757
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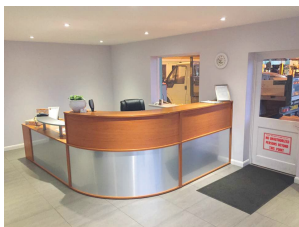
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We will endeavour to include it in our next issue.

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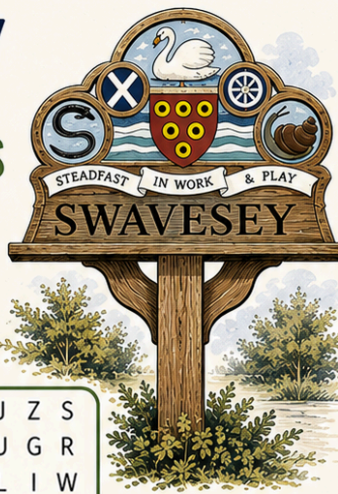


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DID YOU KNOW?

- Swavesey sits on the Prime Meridian (0° longitude).
- The village is recorded in the Domesday Book of 1086.
- In medieval times, Swavesey had a castle, priory, market and river port, making it one of the most important settlements in Cambridgeshire.
- The Guided Busway now follows much of the route of the former railway through the village.





THREE TUNS

Hello from your neighbours at The Three Tuns!

We've nabbed this spot in Meridian so you get the inside scoop — fresh menus, live music, garden events and whatever mischief we're cooking up next. Delivered to your doorstep before anyone else hears it at the bar..



Gather in Comfort at the Hunters Lodge

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