

THE PARISH POST

Covering the areas of Guyhirn, Murrow, Parson Drove, Tholomas Drove, Thorney Toll & Wisbech St Mary.

As summer settles across the fens, the landscape begins to slow and soften, long skies stretching over open fields, the quiet hum of wildlife, and familiar paths and spaces coming into their own. It's a time when the parish feels at its most open and at its best.

In this edition, we're pleased to share updates on recent work and improvements, along with details of the brilliant events coming up over the summer months. There are plenty of opportunities to get involved, come together, and enjoy everything our community has to offer.

We would also like to thank our local advertisers, whose continued support makes this newsletter possible, and our volunteers who give their time to support projects and activities across the parish. Your contribution continues to make a real difference.

Keeping Our Parish Looking Its Best

It's great to see our local spaces being enjoyed over the summer.

Thank you to everyone who helps keep them clean and cared for.



Parish Meetings

Parish Council meetings are held monthly and residents are welcome to attend.

Agendas and minutes are available on the parish website.



Wisbech St Mary Parish Council

Meet Your Council

MY LIFE AS A WISBECH ST MARY'S PARISH COUNCILLOR

20 years ago a place became vacant on the council.

I spoke to my wife about becoming a Councillor, she wanted to know why it interested me after a short talk with her I had made my mind up I would try for the position.

After winning the position as a Councillor a lot of learning had to be done. The Councillors at that time were very helpful to me. John Parrin was Chairman at that time and it didn't finish there. After two years I was asked to take the position of Vice Chair. 3½ years later Brian Pyne stood down as Chairman, in which I took Chairman role. The first Vice Mark Knight was Vice Chair then he was offered a change of his work which that left me 2 years without a Vice. Then the following year the late David Wheeler took the position of Vice. After my fourth year I stood down as Chairman.

Over the term as Chair I done 2 television interviews re the A47 traffic use and road accidents. This was well before the 50 mph limits. As a long term Councillor the council has given me a lot of things of interest which has taken place in the parish over the years. I was very lucky to of had Jeffrey Wilkinson as the clerk who lived close to my work, which was very useful.

My advice to anyone, there is a lot to being a Councillor, a lot of things in the parish of interest which may suit you.

B. R Britain.

Guyhirn Pond Rejuvenation Complete

The pond in Guyhirn had become stagnant over time, with a build-up of silt and poor water flow, creating both an environmental concern and a potential flood risk. It was no longer able to support wildlife or be enjoyed by the community.

We're pleased to share that the pond has now been fully rejuvenated. The work included dredging to remove large amounts of silt, improving water capacity and flow. Overgrown reeds were carefully removed and reused to create a natural bank, helping to stabilise the area while preserving its rural character.

The project was carried out by ADC (East Anglia) Ltd and funded through a grant from the Cambridgeshire Community Foundation.

The pond is now a much more attractive space, supporting local wildlife, reducing flood risk, and providing something the whole community can enjoy.

We hope residents enjoy the improved pond and watching it develop as wildlife returns over time.

Planter Advertising Space Available

A space has become available to advertise your business on one of the parish planters in a prominent village location. This is a great way to support the parish while promoting your business locally. For pricing and further details, please contact the clerk at theclerk@wsmparishcouncil.org.uk

Need Funding for a Local Project?

Whether it's a new idea or an ongoing group apply for a community grant! Past projects include coffee mornings, events & more.

Contact the Parish Clerk to find out more.



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Church Services

Murrow Methodist Chapel

Services Are Every Sunday
10:30am Until 11:30am



Murrow Methodist Chapel stall is on the second Saturday of every month.

Pop along and grab a bargain. Lots of items on sale including mouth watering cakes, delicious jams, marmalades and everyone's favourite bric-a-brac.

Normal Church Services

1st Sunday of the month

9.45am Holy Communion (Parson Drove)
9.45am Morning Prayer (Gorefield)
11.15am Morning Prayer (Wisbech St Mary)

2nd Sunday of the month

There will be a joint service in one of the 5 churches in the benefice. Please see the church notice board for details.

3rd Sunday of the month

9.45am Morning Prayer (Parson Drove)
9.45am Parish Service (Gorefield)
11.15am Parish Service (Wisbech St Mary)

4th Sunday of the month

9.45am Parish Service (Parson Drove)
9.45am Holy Communion (Gorefield)
11.15am Holy Communion (Wisbech St Mary)

5th Sunday

There will be a joint service in one of the 5 churches in the benefice. Please see the church notice board for details.

ST MARY'S CHURCH

*The Parish Church of
Wisbech St Mary & Guyhirn
with Rings End.*

**DATES FOR CHURCH
MARTS & EVENTS - 2026**



Saturday 11 April 2026 -

Spring Mart

Saturday 13 June 2026 -

10 am - (until sell-out - 11.30 am)

Saturday 11 July 2026 - Summer Fair

10 am to 1.30 pm - to include dog show, craft stalls etc



Sunday 19 July 2026 - 2.30 pm - Peterborough Flute

Choir - tickets £15.00 to include full home made afternoon tea.

Saturday 8 August 2026 - 10 am - (until sell-out - 11.30 am)

Saturday 12 September 2026 - 10 am - (until sell-out - 11.30 am)

Tuesday 6 October 2026 - Clarkson

Singers - tickets £10.00 including light buffet plus tea/coffee - 7 pm
**Church Road, Wisbech St Mary.
PE13 4RN**



St Mary

**Parish Church of Wisbech
St Mary & Guyhirn with
Rings End**

Invites you to

AFTERNOON TEA

**The Last Wednesday of the Month
At 3.30pm**

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tea, a chat, and a game or
quiz!!**

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**PARSON DROVE 18TH ANNUAL
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SATURDAY 18TH JULY

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GATES OPEN AT 12 NOON (Finishing approx. 10.30pm)

LIVE MUSIC STARTING FROM 4.30pm

BINGO ON THE FRIDAY NIGHT

BAR & REFRESHMENTS BOTH DAYS

SUNDAY 19TH JULY

13 TROPHY SHOW & SHINE

GATES OPEN AT 10 AM (Finishing approx. 4.30pm)

GAMES & COMPETITIONS

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ALL INFORMATION CORRECT AT TIME OF PRINTING, BANDS AND EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



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enquiries

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Judds Tours

Jun / Jul Day Trips 2026

Weds 3rd Jun

Windsor, inc 2 hr Boat trip with Cream Tea £58



Weds 17th Jun

Gt Yarmouth £25.00



Weds 24th Jun

Coastal Tour £25.00

Weds 15th Jul

Rail & Sail Wroxham & Horning on the Mississippi boat

£48.00



Sat 18th Jul

Cromer Pier Summer Show £55.00

Matinee



Weds 22nd Jul

Sandringham Flower Show & Hunstanton

£24.00 (coach only)

Aug Day Trips 2026

Sat 1st Aug

Clacton-on-Sea £35.00



Weds 5th Aug

Hunstanton & Wells £25.00



Weds 12th Aug

Southwold & Aldburgh £25.00



Weds 19th Aug

Felixstowe £30.00



Sat 22nd Aug

Hunstanton £24.00



Weds 26th Aug

Gt Yarmouth £25.00



Sun 30th Aug

Skegness £25.00



Volunteer Group

Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Murrow Street Pride Volunteer Group
To be held on Friday 19th June 2026 In
Murrow Village Hall
At 7:45 pm

NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO THE COMMITTEE ARE ALSO INVITED

Murrow Street Pride requires: Chairman/Secretary, Vice Chairman, Minutes Secretary, Treasurer and committee members.

Persons for election should have a proposer and be supported at the AGM.

Nominations can be sent in writing (email) to the secretary or they may be put forward at the AGM.

All Murrow residents are welcome to attend. Printed meeting documents will not be available at the AGM. All registered members will receive them by email.

If you are not a member and would like to attend please request your copies by email:
mrowstreetpride@gmail.com

Issued by the Chairman/Secretary

Site News

Summer 2026



Seasonal updates available for Summer 2026

- Between 5th May - 15th May the Grass harvest will be ongoing, with lorries arriving on site regularly. Please expect increased traffic movements and for 4-6 week intervals over the Summer.
- Between 12th May - 21st June the Rye harvest will also have an impact on traffic movements.

During these peak times, the weighbridge will also be open for extended hours between 07.00 am - 10.00 pm, Monday to Friday.

All seasonal information about peak traffic movements for the AD plant can be viewed on our website at the **NEWS** page and on the site gates.

www.adaptbiogas.com

If you have any concerns about driver standards, please email communityrelations@adaptbiogas.com with a description of the vehicle, the registration plate, the date and time of the incident, together with your contact details.

Guyhirn CofE Primary School

Its always a busy summer term with end of year events happening in July. This term every child attends swimming lessons and it is great to see the children making progress each week. Our KS1 children will be entertained this term by Britten Sinfonia sharing a musical story about a whale. Our year 4, 5 and 6 are currently taking part in Ukelele lessons and we hope to showcase their skills at our end of term performance on 2nd July. We have various trips planned for our children with our Reception and year 1 children attending a Literacy Festival , Magdalene class are visiting Kettle yard in Cambridge and attending the literacy festival.

Sports day will be a family occasion with families invited to join us for sports activities, races and a picnic lunch. Our new reception starters will be joining Moreton class for transition sessions in July as they prepare for September and their start in their reception year. Our year will end with a Year 6 leavers assembly, awards assembly and a few treats along the way.



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Saturday 27th June 2026

ARMED FORCES DAY

Murrow Street Pride is proud to host a Village Fete in the grounds of **The Bell Inn** from 12 noon until 4pm with an

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

at 3.45pm at Murrow War Memorial

followed by the Raffle



Cash Events
Adult Tombola
Children's Tombola
Raffle
Royal British Legion
Merchandise

Drinks & Barbecue
available to buy from



THE BELL



POTHOLES!



How to Report Potholes and Help Keep Our Roads Safe!

Have you spotted a pothole in our local area? Cambridgeshire County Council asks residents to report highway defects directly to ensure they are fixed promptly.

How to Report a Pothole:

- **Online Tool:** Use the official Report It - Cambridgeshire website highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk. This interactive map allows you to zoom in on your location, see previously reported faults, and pin the exact location of the new pothole.
- **Provide Details:** When filling out the form, provide as much detail as possible (e.g., location, estimated depth) and upload photos if you can, as this helps crews prioritise repairs.
- **Track Progress:** You will receive a reference number to track the status of your report.

Community Grants Available NOW!



Local groups, organisations and community initiatives are invited to apply for funding through our Community Grant Scheme in association with Cambridgeshire Community Foundation, with grants of up to £1,000 available.

The scheme is designed to support projects that make a positive difference to our community. Whether you're planning an event, improving local facilities, starting a new group, or expanding an existing service, we'd love to hear from you.

This is a great opportunity to bring your ideas to life and make a real difference locally.

To request an application form contact the Parish Clerk

 Find Us On Facebook



Community Orchard



Help Grow Something Special – Join Our Community Orchard!

Something exciting is taking root in our village – and we'd love you to be part of it! Our Community Orchard on the Riverside Allotments is a space for everyone to enjoy: a place to relax, connect with nature, and, in time, share in the fruits of our labour. But to make it flourish, we need a helping hand from local volunteers.

Whether you're a keen gardener or have never planted a tree before, there's a place for you. From planting and watering to general upkeep and planning future ideas, every contribution – big or small – makes a real difference.

Volunteering is a great way to:

- *Meet new people in the community*
- *Spend time outdoors and boost your wellbeing*
- *Learn new skills (or share the ones you already have!)*
- *Be part of something lasting for future generations*

You don't need any special tools or experience – just a willingness to get involved and enjoy being outdoors.

Interested?

We'd love to hear from you! Get in touch to find out how you can help.

Together, we can grow a beautiful, productive space for everyone to enjoy

Village Trees



Trees enhance our community's beauty, provide wildlife habitats, improve air quality and bring character to Parson Drove. The Parish Council is responsible for many trees around the village, with some of the

trees on the village green having been there for many years. A full tree survey was carried out in the spring and Councillors complete visual surveys of the trees yearly to ensure they are looking healthy and to recommend annual maintenance work. Parson Drove is a conservation area and most of the trees the Parish Council is responsible for have Tree Preservation Orders on them, making it a legal requirement to get permission before carrying out any work. If you are concerned regarding the safety of a tree on the village green or around the pond please report to the Parish Clerk .

Speeding

We are pleased to share that our recent applications to the Cambridgeshire County Council Local Highways Improvement (LHI) scheme have been successful.

Funding has been secured to introduce changes to speed limits along Main Road, helping to create a safer environment for residents, pedestrians and road users. These changes are designed to encourage more appropriate driving speeds and improve overall road safety within the parish.

In addition, the Parish Council has invested in further Mobile Vehicle Activated Signs (MVAS). These devices will be positioned at key locations to remind drivers of speed limits and promote safer driving behaviour.

Together, these measures represent a proactive step towards reducing speeding and enhancing safety for everyone in our community.

Parish Council Meeting Dates

- Wednesday 10th June 2026
- Wednesday 8th July 2026
- Wednesday 12th August 2026
- Wednesday 9th September 2026
- Wednesday 14th October 2026

All starting at 7pm and held in Parson Drove Village Hall.

Parish Councillor Contact Details

- Cllr Gavin Booth 01945 701157
Chairman
- Cllr Peter Spriggs..... 01945 700548
- Cllr Pam Williams..... 01945 701047
- Cllr Paul Unwin..... 01945 700096
- Cllr Richard Fowler..... 07766 517823
- Cllr Yvonne Reader..... 01945 700501

Learn More About Parson Drove



Parish Clerk & RFO - Sarah Bligh
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www.parsondrove.net | clerk@parsondrove-pc.gov.uk



PARSON DROVE STREET PRIDE

We're a friendly bunch who like the idea of our village looking clean and free from litter as well as having a nice village green.

We're always looking for any like-minded souls to join us, either on our regular sessions or even just as and when you have an hour to spare. We can provide you with a Hi-Vis vest and litter picker and rubbish bags to go out at any time that suits you. We usually meet two

Saturday mornings a month 10am-12noon (dates below for the next few months) and finish up with refreshments at The Cage on the Village Green. Do consider doing your bit to help us combat those who don't respect our lovely village like we all do!

Next scheduled meets: 7 June, 21 June, 5 July, 19 July, 2 August, 16 August, 6 September, 20 September, 11 October, 25 October, 8 November, 22 November, 6 December & 20 December (Carol singing on the Green.) We meet at The Cage on these dates 10am or see our Facebook Page (Parson Drove Street Pride) or contact Angie Loynes 07462 722006.

Parson Drove Bowls Club.

We're a small, friendly bowls club who meet several evenings a week throughout the outdoor playing season between April and August. Our bowling green is on Main Road Parson Drove by the intersection with John Bends Way. We'd love to see some new members come along and have a go, everyone is welcome, it's for men, women and youngsters, beginners or returners. We don't have an annual membership fee and just pay a small amount each time we play. We bowl in several leagues in the area and everyone who wants to play gets a fair chance to play.

If you'd like to give it a try please contact Dave Thomas on 07831 736877 or Sue Unwin on 07730 556086 for more information

Parson Drove History Group

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, 16th March @ 6.30pm in The Cage, Parson Drove.

Our work on producing a book on the history of Parson Drove is progressing. We need to hear family stories, memories of events, places and organisations that have been part of this village, going back two or three generations (or more).

You can also visit The Cage on our open Sundays and share your history with us.

Pam Williams and Bridget Holmes.

R.A.O.B. Buffaloes,



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SUNDAY 12th JULY

SUNDAY 9th AUGUST

SUNDAY 13th SEPTEMBER

The Cage contains hundreds of photographs of the village and the people who lived here including School years, Team Spirit, Places and The War years. If you have any old photographs of the village or village life you would be willing to share with us please bring them along we would love to see them.

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11th, 25th August
8th, 22nd September
6th, 20th October



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PARSON DROVE
Bingo Nights
2026



12th. March 19:15

9th April 19:15

14th May 19:15

11th June 19:15

EYES DOWN 19:30

Watch our FB page for updates

SUMMERTIME

at St John's Church, Parson Drove



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6 & 7 June • Exhibition & Plant Sale



SOUND BATH

20 June & 22 August • Relaxing Wellness Session

LIVE MUSIC NIGHT "PUNXSATAWNEY"

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11 July • Dance the Day Away!

SUMMERFEST

25 July • Village Music Festival



VIKING SAGA

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30 August • Charity Event



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flamingpearltaichi@gmail.com

Guyhirn Lunch Club

Guyhirn Lunch Club is held the first Thursday of each month at Dewey's Diner, Wisbech.

2026 Dates

2nd July

6th August

3rd September

1st October

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10:30am-12 Midday

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MURROW BOOK CAFE

Meets weekly in Murrow Methodist Chapel at the following times:

Monday 10:30 am – 12:00 Midday

Thursday 02:00 pm – 03:00 pm

And on the second Saturday of each month from 09:30 am until 11:00 am

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Station Bar & Restaurant Activities/Events/Music

JUNE

16th (3rd Tues.) Open Mic/Music Night from 8.00

19th (3rd Fri.) Cash Bingo from 7.30

20th Live Music – Entertainer to be Confirmed from 8.30

22nd (4th Mon.) Hotrods/Classics Meetup from 6.30

26th (last Fri.) Quiz Night from 8.00

JULY

11th Live Music 'No Nonsense' Great Tracks from 8.30

17th (3rd Fri.) Cash Bingo from 7.30

21st (3rd Tues.) Open Mic/Music Night from 8.00

27th (4th Mon.) Hotrods/Classics Meetup from 6.30

31st (last Fri.) Quiz Night from 8.00

AUGUST

8th Live Music – Entertainer to be confirmed from 8.30

21st (3rd Fri.) Cash Bingo from 7.30

18th (3rd Tues.) Open Mic/Music Night from 8.00

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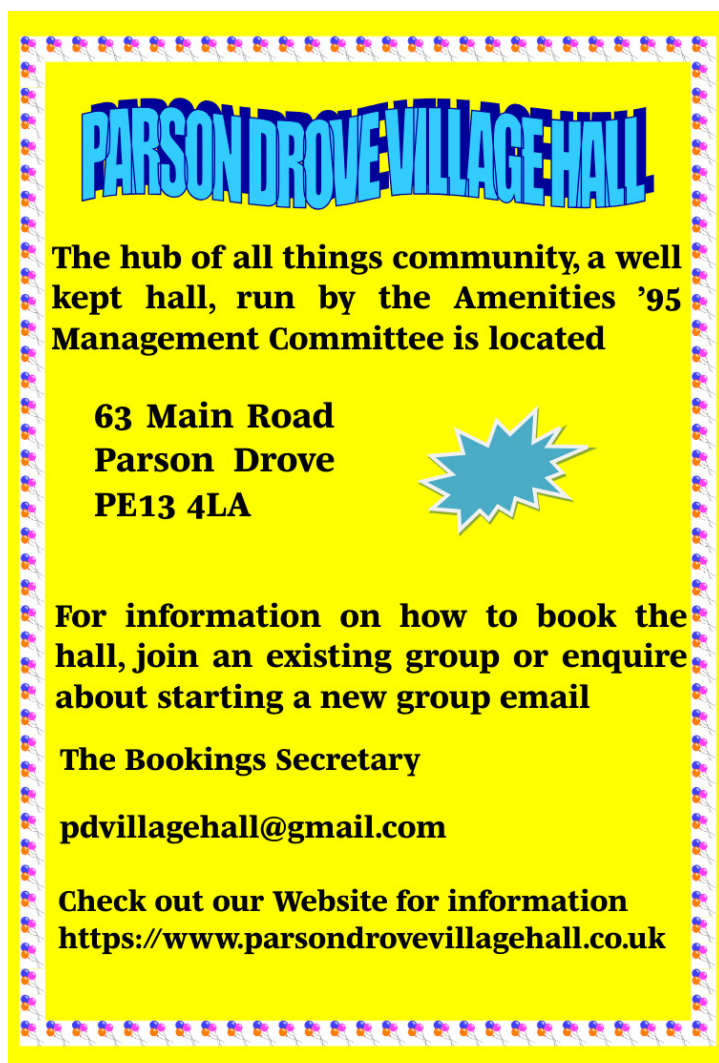
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**DATE: SATURDAY 5th SEPTEMBER
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Collected on 1st March 2026



John Peck Diary – April to June 1839

The weather in April cold but dry, the wind was blowing from the north and east. Cold weather continued until 14th April when overnight it became warmer. From observations taken in Cambridge it appears the last 14 days with the wind fixed in the north and east was 10 degrees colder than average. From the 14th John records that there was some rain and showers almost daily for the rest of the month. A busy time around the farm preparing and planting the crops. Drilling the oats and wheat, ploughing and harrowing the land to make ready for planting Red Ruff and Bread seed potatoes and one row of Cambridge Kidneys. Other crops he mentions mangel wurzels, swedes, which he thought was a useful crop, both summer and winter, mustard seeds and red clover. John was also manuring the fields. The sheep were moved to Tydd Fen, John records on 19th April he had 102 ewes and 135 lambs. John was pleased at the end of the month that his valuation of his income was better by £227 than the previous year.

3rd April Laying tiles to drain lows in 10a Town, before deep gripples were used, much improvement.

5th John recorded that Mr Mallet the PD apothecary left Parson Drove, he had only been here 12 months. (*John thought he was too lively for PD*).

8th April 23 years since this day I was chosen Constable of this parish.

13th April Great Horse Show at Wisbech, some poor nags and several used cart stallions. The premium of 5 shillings given by the Wisbech Agricultural Society was awarded to Robert Cork of Tydd St Giles for his best carthorse.

22nd April Rode to Wisbech and sworn in as Assessor for Parson Drove for the 28th time.

26th April Attended the Leverington and Parson Drove annual Drainage meeting. Arrears trifling, balance in hand £44 owing for mill £71 and for land £16. The balance being so small forced to raise the rates from one half to two thirds of the original sum.

During May jobs continued on the farm, added to the list of jobs was hoeing weeds and spreading manure, over 300 cart loads spread in the fields during the month. The last of 1838 harvest was being thrashed and sent to Wisbech Market.

6th May The Foresters Feast, 5 new members, making a total of 100. This grand Institution of some years standing. Rules, when ill 8/- per week; member dying the widow or heir receives £6, wife dying £2.

16th May Drove Mrs Peck to Guyhirne to catch the coach to Cambridge for a visit. 19th May Mrs Ulyat died, wrote to Mrs P asking her to return by tomorrow coach. (Mrs Ulyat was Elizabeth's step mother).

24th May Attended Court of Sewers. Mr Goddard Jackson appointed Clerk in place of his father. No Business of importance. Dined at the White Lion, it was agreed last year to take the first four houses alternately, viz White Hart, Vine, Rose, White Lion – the last a bad move.

25th May At noon attended the funeral of poor Mrs Ulyat, my wife's (step) mother, saw her placed in the vault approaching the middle aisle and prayed God would receive her soul.

30th May Rode with the Commissioners round Tydd and Newton District, made some orders for drains and a new map of the District.

31st May Carpenter in yard making Mrs Peck a new pony chaise. (the diary has a sketch of the cart. It shows EP painted on the side panel, to comply with the law that all vehicles must carry owner's identification.

Weather during May had been cold and continued into May, but the crops were growing well.

2nd June Rev. Taylor preached against Sunday trading; we know it wrong and should do all we can to avoid it.

14th June Awoke between 1 and 2 this morning by a violent tempest. Lightning struck and set fire to Mr Foster's farmhouse in St Edmund's. Seeing this from our chamber window, I went to the Engine House, as I expected it to be sent for. Some buildings were saved but the thatch of the house was one mass of fire, no part could be saved. Unfortunately, a poor servant boy was burnt to death. Pulled down and got the fire in the house out, left a ruin, a sad spectacle.

18th June In the evening as directed by the Agent to the Sun Fire Office two barrels of ale was given to those who had so ably and willingly assisted at the recent fire. One barrel at the Swan PD and one at the Red Cap, St Edmund's.

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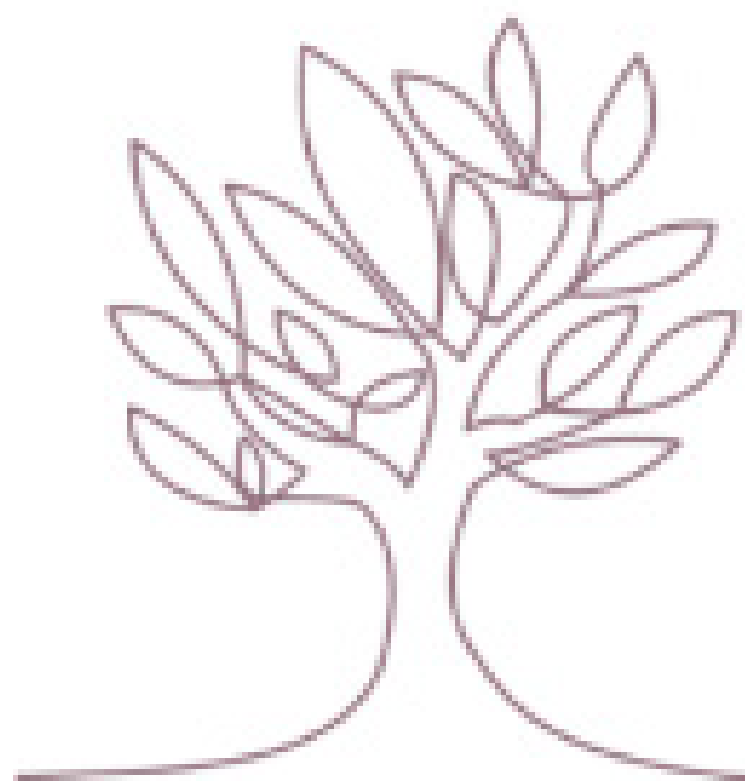
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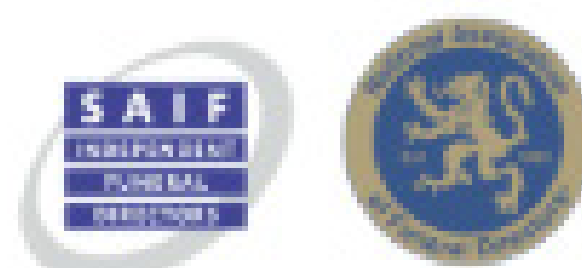
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