



Cambridge Branch

Cottenham Brass Band presents

## An Evening of Variety

at St James' Church, Wulfstan Way, Cambridge

Friday 27 January 2012

at 7.30 pm

Tickets £7 include light refreshments

Cheques payable to RNLI, from Geoff Heathcock, 244901

\* Raffle \*

The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea



### Why the new streetlights?

Both Amanda and Geoff have had a steady stream of complaints about streetlights.

The County Council are using a Private Finance Initiative to replace all the streetlights in the county with more modern units, that are more energy-efficient and thus cheaper to run.

But the contractors are reviewing where streetlights are. Some lights have been taken away, leaving streets with large stretches of darkness.

Geoff is on the case.

Councillors' surgeries: One of the Queen Edith's councillors is at Rock Road Library on the third Saturday of every month, 10-11 a.m.

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# FOCUS

## on Queen Edith's

Nov/Dec 2011



## Police target school parking

Poor parking near Queen Edith's and Morley Memorial Primary Schools is putting children at risk. Parents and residents have reported cars parked dangerously in both Godwin Way and Blinco Grove, even on yellow zigzags.

At the South Area meeting on 7th November, we asked police to make parking near schools a new priority. Officers have been visiting both schools.

A second new policing priority is cycle theft, which has shot up in the last three months, mainly in Hills Rd.

### Yellow lines petition

Over 60 people have signed a petition demanding yellow lines on the corner of Godwin Way and Close (near QE Primary). This will be presented to the County Council in January.

You can sign the petition at [http://petition.cambridgeshirepublic-i.tv/petition\\_core](http://petition.cambridgeshirepublic-i.tv/petition_core), or ring Amanda on 249787 for a paper copy.



Amanda and Jean at 5 to 9 on a school morning

## Queen Edith's Christmas Event

5.30-7 pm, Tuesday 6th December  
outside the shops in Wulfstan Way

Children's Crafts

Community Carol Singing

Father Christmas



# All Welcome

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## New Sainsbury's drinks licence

The Cambridge Leisure Park suffers a lot of alcohol-fuelled crime, and new drinks licences are only issued if the new businesses can prove they will not add to alcohol-related crime.

Councillor Amanda Taylor objected to the drinks licence application for the new Sainsbury's on the Leisure Park, which meant it went before the Licensing Panel.

Councillor George Pippas, a member of the Panel, said, 'We decided to grant a licence because Sainsbury's have worked hard to ensure their new store will not add to the drink problems and they have put safeguards in place, including:

- no drinks sales after 10 p.m.
- security guards at weekends
- no strong beer or cider on sale
- a very strict ID policy.

It will also be nice to see the space under the Travel Lodge – boarded up since it was built seven years ago – finally in use!

## Planning update

### HILLS ROAD SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

A replacement pavilion for the College sports field was approved after much discussion. Councillors expressed concern about the narrow access lanes and inadequate parking, but as these difficulties exist already, planning officers advised it was not reasonable to refuse permission. Before any work begins, the College will draw up a traffic plan.

### BEAUMONT ROAD

A retrospective application for no 31 to be registered as a House in Multiple Occupancy was approved, subject to bins and bikes storage.

### BELL SCHOOL

Jean and Geoff were at the Joint Development Control Committee that rejected the proposed junction from the Bell School development site onto Babraham Road. The decision has now gone to appeal.

## Survey

Thanks to everybody who completed one of Amanda's surveys. Apologies if we did not pick it up straightaway – the weather was not on our side!

Please send any uncollected surveys to Amanda Taylor at 41 Holbrook Road.

The Queen Edith's Forum is planning a special event to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee during the weekend 2nd-5th June 2012.



Are you planning any street parties or other events? The Community Forum can help publicise and possibly fund it. Contact Geoff on 244901.

## NEXT AREA MEETING

7.30pm

Monday 9th

January

Cherry Hinton Village Centre

Open to everyone

For a full agenda, see the Council website:

[www.cambridge.gov.uk](http://www.cambridge.gov.uk)



## Budgens roundabout hazard

One Friday morning in October there was a collision between an HGV and a cyclist at the Mowbray Road roundabout. The cyclist suffered serious injuries.

We maintain that the height of the bushes on this roundabout means road users cannot see one another until it's too late to stop, and we believe this could have been the cause of this collision. We have repeatedly asked the County Council to keep the bushes lower, and following the recent accident, Cllr Geoff Heathcock asked again.



He was unimpressed with the County's response. They say the bushes were planted on purpose – to make drivers slow down and check before joining the roundabout.

As the accident record here is low, it is unlikely to be high priority – but there will be a review to see if the planting has contributed to accidents.

## New bins

Sedley Taylor Road and Spalding Way have new litter bins, following residents' complaints about litter on school routes.



## Great news on plastics

Milton and the other county recycling centres now take rigid plastics for recycling. This includes things such as garden furniture, non-electrical children's toys, water butts and drainpipes.

Residents can take these to the site in Butt Lane, where a large skip is labelled for rigid plastics. When Jean visited recently, she was told that it is being well used and has been emptied three times in one week.

