



# GREAT & LITTLE GIDDING

PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

October 2025

The Parish Council newsletter is available on noticeboards, social media, the Giddings website, and by email or printed copy upon request. The council welcomes community input for future newsletters.

## Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council meets in the Village Hall on the third Tuesday of each month. The next 2 meetings are on **21st October** and **16th November** commencing at 7.30pm. Parishioners are welcome to attend or submit questions prior to the meeting. Agenda and minutes are available online at:

<https://www.thegiddings.org.uk/community/parish-council>

The current Parish Councillors are:

- ~ Jan Maciag (Chair)    ~ Andrea Hargrave (Vice)
- ~ Jack Bolton            ~ Dick Downer
- ~ Paul Hodson           ~ Mel Nankivell

Parish Clerk: Julie Trolove

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS

[CCC/25/107/FUL- Land Hemington Lodge Road , Great Gidding, Cambridgeshire, PE8 5QS,](#)

Cambridgeshire County Council have received an application to change the Hemington Lodge Road which includes modification of the B660 junction, HGV passing places on the Hemington Lodge Road and changes to the corner at the farm end. This proposal has raised much discussion, via social media, on the overall scheme. The road proposal will be on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting, 7.30pm on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October. The Parish Council have consulted North Northamptonshire Council and are advised that an extension of time has been granted in respect of the planning application for the digester, to enable consideration of matters regarding ecology and the aforementioned application for highway work.

## LOCAL ROADWORKS & BENCHES

1. UK Power Networks are doing some work on Hemington Lodge Road on 5th October
2. Anglian Water are working in Winwick (B660) 20<sup>th</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> October  
General information can be found at: <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/travel-roads-and-parking/roads-and-pathways/roadworks-and-faults/roadwork-and-traffic-information>
3. The benches at Church Farm and opposite the shop have been refurbished, thanks to Karl. The "Bertha Green" bench in the Churchyard has also been smartened up; thank you Andrew Underwood. Paul Hodson has worked on the benches in Jubilee Wood, many thanks to him. It is hoped this will encourage residents and visitors to sit for a while and enjoy the sights and sounds of the village.



## DOG FOULING

Instances of dog fouling have increased in the village in the last 3 months.

This is distasteful and a potential health hazard. Be a responsible dog owner and pick up your dog's poop. There are numerous signs reminding you of potential fines etc. around the village. These restrictions apply to all areas including Mill Road, Chapel End and Luddington Road.

Huntingdonshire District Council are happy for you to dispose of dog waste (in tied bags) in the general waste bins, of which there are several. There is also a specific dog bin and bags provided in Chapel End. Please use them!

## VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

### ANNUAL QUIZ AND SUPPER NIGHT

15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER STARTS 6.30PM

#### Great fun last year! - Book your tickets!

Quiz Night and a Rumbles Supper £15.00 per head. Bar selling soft drinks, beer and wine plus a tea and coffee station. Teams of 2 to a maximum of 6 people. To book, e-mail [ggvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:ggvillagehall@gmail.com) or phone Andrea on 07985 889780.

### CHRISTMAS FAIR

SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 11AM TO 4PM

Over 15 stalls to browse, offering a range of Christmas items, handmade crafts, cards and toys. Café serving mulled wine, tea, coffee and mince pies. Free entry.

### SAWTRY CHORALE CHRISTMAS CONCERT

FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 7.30 TO 9.30PM

We are delighted to welcome Sawtry Chorale to Great Gidding for their ever-popular Christmas Concert. The choir promises a mix of Christmas carols and songs, audience participation and festive fun, along with mince pies, mulled wine and soft drinks. Santa hats, cardboard crowns, Christmas jumpers, flashing bow ties, sparkling antlers and other seasonal adornments all welcome! Tickets, always in high demand, are £10.00 (free for children under 12) and available via the Village Shop, from members of Sawtry Chorale or online via <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FHQD>.

Miscellaneous cup - Andrew Underwood

We hope to run a show next year but need people to help with the organisation. There's so much talent and community spirit in the village, please help!

Contact Sue or Patrick on 01832 293271 to volunteer.

### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING REPORT

Many thanks to everyone who supported this event. The village raised over £500 for the charity which is truly incredible. Thanks to all who generously baked, donated raffle prizes and donated.

**Gidding Den is holding a MacMillan Coffee Morning Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 10am to 2pm including a raffle. Please wander in and support**

## REGULAR VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

### Drawing Class

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October & 6<sup>th</sup> November 10am-12pm

To book, contact Krystyna on 01832 293175 or email [krystyna@intamail.com](mailto:krystyna@intamail.com)

### Yoga

Monday & Wednesday 6pm-7pm

To book, contact Janice on 01832 293483 or email [janice@radiance-yoga.co.uk](mailto:janice@radiance-yoga.co.uk)

### Pickle Ball

Tuesday morning. 11am to 12 noon

For further information, text Chris on 07999 854029

### Book and Jigsaw Exchange - new opening hours

Saturday 12 to 3 pm

Exchange books and jigsaws for something new.

## RECENT EVENTS

### PRODUCE SHOW REPORT 2025

The revival of the show after seven years was a success, a warm community event bringing together old friends and new faces. After a difficult growing year, it was wonderful to see the array of vegetables and fruit produced. There were nearly 40 entrants, spanning all ages, entered in 176 classes.

#### Winners

Overall Winner	- Val Warner
Vegetable cup	- Val Warner
Flowers cup	- Julie Trolove
Baking cup.	- Shirley Branson
Craft cup.	- Helen Bullins
Preserves.	- Shirley Branson
Children's cup.	- Iris and Callum Auger

## GIDDING NEWTS SOFT BALL



Training sessions will continue through Autumn and Winter, 10 - 11am on Great Gidding Recreation Fields. All ages and abilities welcome.

Contact [giddingnewts@hotmail.com](mailto:giddingnewts@hotmail.com)

## THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Those of you who have read the plan and/or attended the recent meeting will appreciate the time and effort that the Neighbourhood Plan team have invested. Parish Councillors wish to send their thanks to the team. The next stage is to send this document to Huntingdonshire District Council and the Independent Inspector for input. Eventually a referendum will be held across the 3 parishes to approve the plan locally.