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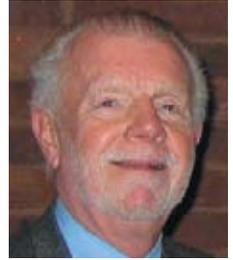
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CHAIR'S REPORT

As you read this edition of Pembury Village News we will be into Spring 2019. Hopefully, the first consultation draft of the new Tunbridge Wells Local Plan will be with us and everyone will know where we stand and if and what battles lie ahead.



Given the development and housing rules set by Central Government, no one can be daft enough to think that nothing will happen or there will be no changes to Pembury but the Parish Council with our Borough and County Councillors has left the TWBC planners under no illusion as to our sustainable needs. Although I set these out in the last edition of PVN, it is worth rehearsing some of the key issues for Pembury:

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- There are major on and off street parking problems; and
- There is a shortage of smaller and/or retirement downsizing housing.

We await the Tunbridge Wells response in their draft Local Plan consultation document. When this is available the Parish Council will be pushing for a public meeting where residents can hear the proposals and have the opportunity of making their views known and discussing these with the planners.

As there are quite a few readers who, with their families, are new to Pembury, I make no apology for saying again that we are very fortunate locally in having so many dedicated organisations and volunteers. So, if you have some free time or are interested in broadening your outlook, have a look at the last page of this magazine. Also, as ever, anyone who would like to know what happens locally should have a word with the Parish Office or a Parish Councillor and they can point you in the right direction (full contact details near the back of this issue.)

Lastly, can I ask you a personal question? Are you concerned about what happens in your village or feel that no one is standing up for your interests? Well, in May 2019 the term of the current Parish Council runs out and hopefully we will have an election for a new Council. So why not stand and put your talents to the public good? The statutory notices will appear shortly and if you are interested in standing and would like more information, please contact our Clerk Helen Munro.

David Coleman

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Lentil Croquettes



INGREDIENTS

1 cup of split red lentils
1 cup of home-made breadcrumbs
1 medium onion
1 teaspoon of mixed herbs

Chopped fresh parsley
1 medium egg
Seasoning

1. Soak lentils overnight in a bowl of cold water.
2. Drain off water.
3. Bring a pan of water to the boil and simmer lentils for 20 mins and strain.
4. Fry chopped onions until softened and then add breadcrumbs, herbs and seasoning.
5. Leave to cool.
6. Beat the egg and in a clean bowl, bind the mixture with the egg.
7. Once cold, firm into croquette shapes.
8. Shallow fry in hot oil for 8 to 10 minutes

Chocolate (uncooked) cake



INGREDIENTS

8oz digestive biscuits
3 oz margarine or butter
1 tablespoon golden syrup
1 tablespoon castor sugar

1 tablespoon of cocoa powder
2 oz plain chocolate

1. Crush biscuits finely.
2. Melt fat, sugar, and syrup in a medium saucepan and work in the cocoa powder.
3. Stir in the biscuit crumbs.
4. Press this mixture into an 8-inch round baking tin lined with grease.
5. Refrigerate overnight.

These recipes have been provided by Zena Wood and are ones that came from her 90-year-old mother!

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PEMBURY U3A

There are now well over 1000 U3As across the country and, like all of them, Pembury U3A is affiliated to the Third Age Trust one of whose aims is to promote the benefits of self-help learning in later life. The Trust recently published a report called “Learning not Lonely” and it contains a lot of interesting statistics and information about life for those at the older end of the age spectrum.

Firstly, it was interesting to me to discover that there are nearly 12 million people in the UK aged 65 or over (around 18% of the total population) and nearly a third of this age group live on their own. One survey carried out from interviews found that 4 in 10 people aged 65 and over felt out of touch with modern life and 1 in 10 felt cut off completely. The results from another such survey showed that depression affects 20% in this age group but social interventions and exercise are effective in dealing with this condition.

This last point chimed with me because I was reading an article by Len Goodman (the former chief judge on “Strictly Come Dancing”). Len is an active 74 years young and his advice was simple: “It is too easy to shut yourself away in later life and become sedentary. Be active – get out and socialise. Meeting other people is a great stimulant”. That is exactly the advice our U3A members follow by participating in a wide range of learning activities (both mental and physical) and enjoying plenty of socialising opportunities to make new and lasting friends. For more information, please look at our website at www.pemburyu3a.org or ask for a leaflet by emailing membership@pemburyu3a.org or calling Rick on 01892 825719.

Roger Gardner



RNLI (LIFEBOAT) NEWS

RNLI Pembury Branch had another highly successful year in 2018 - raising in excess of £8,000 for the Lifeboats. Some people may not realise that the RNLI receives no UK Government grant, but relies entirely upon voluntary donations, local fundraising efforts and legacies to keep running.

Street & supermarket collections, a concert and a garden party were among the wide range of events organised by the Branch to raise funds last year.

For Spring 2019, a “London Night” has been arranged to take place at The Camden Arms Hotel on Saturday 11 May. An accomplished pianist will lead traditional singing (song-sheets provided), following a hearty 2-course meal. Tickets are priced at a very reasonable £15 per head and are available from Pembury Pharmacy or from 01892 823759/825686 : paulcrook@uwclub.net.

We are always on the lookout for new helpers to assist with our fundraising activities. Please contact us as above if you feel you could lend a hand.

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As the term went on, we watched The Lion King and described the film in our own words, adding in some adjectives for extra detail. We had such fun singing along to the songs and acting out being the animals in the film. Ash class performed one of the songs in their class assembly to their parents and retold the film in their own words. We have learnt so much already about African animals and we will be spending the rest of the term learning about the African lifestyle and environment compared to our own in England.

DAME KELLY HOLMES TO OPEN FITNESS AEROBATHON

Pembury Fitness is hosting a 3-hour, fun filled Aerobathon at Pembury Village Hall on Sunday 17 March from 10am-1pm. All funds raised will go to the Hospice in the Weald. Entry is £12 per participant, children welcome from the age of 13 years upwards. Spaces are limited so please get booking asap via this link:

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PLANNING COMMITTEE'S ROLE

Pembury Parish Council is a 'statutory consultee' in respect of new planning applications for properties and sites within our parish boundaries. Whilst we are consulted, it is the Borough Council's Planning Department that determines whether an application is granted or refused.

When our Parish Office is notified by the Borough of a new application, the Parish Council's Planning Committee will then be made aware with a view to considering all such pending applications at its next formal meeting (at least one a month). The Borough Council imposes a deadline for responses, which the Planning Committee will usually do using its delegated powers but may on occasion refer back to the full Parish Council for its response.

In order to make a considered response, we look at the relevant documents and plans which are posted on the Borough Council's planning portal; we may also carry out an informal kerbside viewing of the proposed development or an onsite viewing where permission for such is granted.

Our available responses are (1) to be neutral (perhaps with some comments or caveats) or (2) to object. However, we can only object if we believe there are one or more 'material planning considerations' as laid down within the Borough Council's Local Plan which in turn follows national guidelines. Some of the commonest such considerations include: overlooking/loss of privacy; loss of sunlight; adverse highways issues such as traffic generation or vehicle access; design, visual appearance and finishing materials; layout and density of buildings; effect on conservation areas/green belt; loss or effect on trees; incompatible or unacceptable uses.

We only object in the minority of cases, but some of these can be significant applications where we request that one of Pembury's Borough Councillors formally 'calls in' the application – such that is determined by the Borough Council's full Planning Committee in public rather than by just a Case Officer with panel sign off.

In making their eventual determinations, the Borough Council will need to decide what 'weight' to apply to any material planning considerations that are identified.

Pembury Scarecrow Competition 2019

- **New Date...**

Will be held on Saturday 6 July in conjunction with Picnic On The Green

- **New Venue...**

On the Village Green

More details will be announced in the next Pembury Village News



In this Issue we feature a well-known figure in the Village who has always been keen to help people – Mike Tompsett.

“I was born in the middle of WW2. Although my parents lived in South London, I was born in a large maternity home in Amersham. At primary school we were asked where we were born so I asked my mother why Amersham. She said it was to keep me away from the bombs. I remember thinking that surely I couldn't have damaged any.

Despite Amersham being some distance from London, there was an air raid warning shortly after I was born. I wondered whether the bomber crew had read Betjeman's poem “Come friendly bombs please fall on Slough” which is nearby. All the babies were taken to the safest place in the building. When we were returned my mother was given another baby. Every mother knows her own but the other mother was very ill and despite my mother's protests it took some time for her to get me back. Otherwise I would have been brought up in a different faith.

Living close to Croydon airport we did not escape the bombing, with one sufficiently close to blow out our windows. My Dad survived the trenches in WW1 but was too old for WW2 so became our local air raid warden. My earliest memory is of the bombing. My mother was trying to pass me down into the shelter to another lady but she was petrified and couldn't move. The shelter was dark and damp so I kept wrapping my legs around my mother's waist. We were lucky as we had brave men and women to protect us. I think of all of this when I see pictures of little Syrian children being barrel bombed from roof top height.

I was brought up on an estate in Thornton Heath. My parents were devoted to each other and their three children. My mum came from the East End where she had been in service and my Dad from Eastbourne as a railway clerk. Some of our neighbours have remained role models for me throughout my life. One winter Saturday afternoon, I asked my dad where all the men were going. He took me up the Palace and I have been going ever since. Why travel to Dreamland when there is a rollercoaster experience on your doorstep?



I left school at sixteen and apart from the Saturday bread round, my first job was with Legal and General and it lasted 30 years. I worked for them in Pall Mall servicing the property market and with a special interest in fine art. In September 1969 I returned from holiday and saw several chaps chatting to an attractive new girl called Janet. My own chat up line proved to be singularly unsuccessful and I later learned she thought I was the office wolf, which is weird since I am really a sheep in sheep's clothing. I quickly learned that the way to her heart was to buy her lunches. We married early in 1972 and moved straight into Pembury. We have three lovely girls all living with their own families in Kent which means that they can keep an eye on their dear old dad in his dotage.

I was content working at L&G and during a spell at Head Office in the mid 1980's I became responsible for dealing with customer complaints and setting up a formal customer care strategy. However, the General Insurance Division was small in comparison to the Life and Pensions side of the business which was massive and at a time of company mergers and acquisitions I increasingly feared that the general insurance business would be sold off. Early in 1989 I successfully applied to become MD of a West End insurance brokerage owned by the Grosvenor Estate. They gave me the opportunity to put in place my own long held ideas about customer care and business acquisition. It was exhilarating but demanding work and eventually I stayed up in London during the week. The role gave me the opportunity to

PEMBURY PEOPLE continued...

meet some fascinating people and see some beautiful works of art. It was the happiest and most satisfying period of my business life but as the years started to whiz by and the millennium approached, I wanted to be able to spend more time with my family. I was finally allowed to take early retirement at the end of 2000.

Over the next two years I got a part-time job delivering dentures, which I loved, and did some farm work whilst obtaining an A level in history at evening classes. I enrolled for three years as a full-time history student at the University of Kent at Canterbury. I bought a clapped-out old Vauxhall Nova for my daily commute. My plan on graduating was to "take a year out travelling" as in visiting every Football League ground and then to do an MA. However, prior to graduation day in 2005 I was surprised to be asked at short notice to stand for Borough Councillor in a snap Pembury By-Election. I enjoy getting things

done and Pembury has been so good for me and my family, so I saw it as an opportunity to put something back. I was unsuccessful but got in the following year when the seat unexpectedly came up again. I never did get to do an MA. However, being elected more than once and finally as an Independent, by the people amongst whom you live will always be the greatest honour you can receive. I really enjoyed trying to help people in our village and made so many new friends. It was with some misgivings that after 10 years representing Pembury, I decided not to seek re-election again in 2016. However, being professional grandparents is lovely."

Thank you Mike for sharing your life and career and we wish you and your family every happiness in your retirement.

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We also have a lovely group of volunteers who give up their time to make cakes and help to run the coffee shop.

Our Christmas raffle coffee morning was another huge success where we made donations to the Pembury Baptist Church and also to the Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust.

We are looking forward to our next raffle at Easter where proceeds will be donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Trust, as well as many more special Monday mornings to be held throughout the year.

We are open on Mondays from 9:30am until 12noon except for Bank Holidays, and welcome everyone to join us for hot drinks and cakes to eat in or takeaway. It's a lovely way to make new friends too.

If you would like any further information about our coffee shop, please contact Chris Snow on 01892 825428 or Heather Purdy on 01892 824940.



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THE ALLOTMENT SLOT

In the early months of the year, I find it very hard to motivate myself to get over to the allotments – I'm sure that's pretty normal. But when I do go [often nagged into it!] I'm always glad I did. I should have taken a 'before' picture of this blackberry, but believe me, about 90% has been removed. I feel very pleased with myself and I know this bit of tidying will last for at least 8 months. I've learned from past years that my blackberries make more fruit than I could possibly want. So why not get rid of most of the bush and have fewer, tidier branches? Plus [I will report back] maybe the fruit will be larger as a result? Also this variety is thornless – which I recommend to everyone – if anyone would like some, just ask!

Another Spring asset is growing cut flowers. I don't like to cut them from my garden, so growing them over here is great, as then I can have flowers in my garden and in the house. Last year these De Caen Anemones flowered from December to May, survived a blanket of snow

and provided a weekly vaseful for me and to give away. Before the Tulips, there were Daffodils and after the Tulips came Lupins.

Caroline Mazzezy





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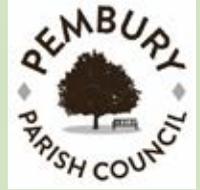


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Annual Report

2018-19

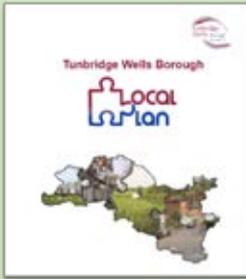


Annual Parish Meeting

Monday 29 April from 8pm
Pembury Village Hall

The Pembury Annual Parish Meeting takes place at 8pm on Monday 29 April in the Village Hall. If you have an issue/ want to question your Parish, Borough or County Councillors, a point to make or just want to know what is going on please come along.

This report and the Parish Meeting format are a bit different this year. We have listened to residents and to make it a bit more relevant and (hopefully) more interesting. Each committee or working group chair will summarise what their service has achieved and answer any questions.



Tunbridge Wells Revised Local Plan

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We await the Tunbridge Wells response in their draft Local Plan consultation.



Clr Alan Gaukroger

Planning & Highways Committee

Chair Alan Gaukroger & Vice-Chair Annie Partridge

Over the last year the committee has met regularly to formally review the very varied new planning applications arising within our Parish, in order to determine our Council's responses (in our role as statutory consultee) to the Borough Council's Planning Department. Whilst we are most often 'neutral' (sometimes with caveats or concerns), there are a minority of cases where we have objected having identified what we regard as material planning issues. Naturally we hope that the Borough Council will

follow us by rejecting applications that we have objected to, one good example of this was the proposed major development at 'Owls Nest' in Tonbridge Road where the loss of Green Belt was a major factor.

One imminent application is the proposed 'Motor Village' alongside the Tesco site, this major development appears to have implications for local traffic so will require careful scrutiny by our Council and the Borough Council. Beyond that we will need to monitor applications emanating from sites within the Borough's new Local Plan.

The committee also considers any Highway related matters within Pembury that are identified by us or local residents. The volume and speed of local traffic is a perennial issue, as is the lack of parking in central Pembury. Working with the relevant authorities, we try to find solutions.

The public is welcome to attend the committee's meetings, which are usually once a month on a Monday from 7.30 pm at our Council's office. The public can address (but not debate with) our committee, on issues they want to raise such as current planning applications that could affect them and/or highways matters.



Cllr Katy Brooks

Finance & HR Committee

Chair Katy Brooks and Vice Chair Shelley Harris

Opposite you will find two tables showing our Income and Expenditure under the main headings we use for Accounts – a full breakdown is available on the website. Hopefully the Income table is self-explanatory – the Precept is the money we receive from the Borough Council, which increases by a small amount each year and is based on our projected budget.

To give you a better understanding of what the Expenditure actually covers, here's a bit more detail:

The Administration heading pays for the office maintenance and all office supplies and equipment, Staff Costs are for our two office and three Ground Staff. The following five lines are self-explanatory. The next big one is the Recreation and Open Spaces. This pays for maintaining all the open spaces and recreation areas including trees and hedges, maintenance and repair of all tools including the truck and its petrol, maintenance of the Groundsmen's Depot and money paid into a Traveller Insurance Fund in case we need to get them removed from an open space in Pembury....

Grants and donations is our annual contribution to the Scouts and Guides insurance for their scout hut.

The Events and PR pays for the Picnic on the Green, Scarecrow Competition, Pride in Pembury, the Fireworks (although donations received do offset this to a degree) and the Christmas Lights. The War Memorial was the expenditure the Council paid, and this was offset against the War Memorial donations received this year and last year, and the shortfall was covered by the Council. We have been putting money by in reserves for the last few years to save up for a new (not brand new...) truck for the Groundsmen as theirs is on its last legs, and we are in a position to make a purchase soon.

In addition to holding the purse strings, the Finance and HR Committee has other responsibilities. We have spent a lot of time over the last year compiling and approving policies for internal and external governance, and now the bulk of the work is done it will just be a case of reviewing yearly to ensure they are still relevant and up to date. In line with the policies, we have looked at the Terms of Reference for our Working Groups and Committees to ensure that the remit and responsibility of each is logical and comprehensive.

We've also been embedding our new computer system; have recently moved over to BACS payments (to save time writing cheques and money buying stamps) and generally updating and streamlining the office function. This year we've had a big focus on GDPR to ensure compliance (as has everyone!), all boxes are now ticked. On the Human Resources side, a formal appraisal procedure is now in place and welcomed by the staff.

We've also focused on reviewing contracts and making costs savings where possible this year, in particular on our telephone suppliers and charges, and to safeguard as much money as possible, we have opened a savings account with Nationwide to keep reserves in, so if NatWest were to collapse, we have protected money elsewhere. Hopefully not a likely scenario, but best to be prudent in today's climate...

Finance & HR is a Committee, so members of the public are welcome to attend meetings to hear our workings! The agenda and meetings dates are published on the Parish Council website and displayed on the notice board by the Parish Office.

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Actual 2017/18	Income	Projected 2018/19
189,265	Precept	203,889
15,381	Burial Fees	13,075
1,566	Allotments	2,079
2,350	Newsletter Advertising	7,534
4,262	Recreation & Open spaces	6,012
1,000	Grants & Other Donations	513
432	Event Income	3,393
4,040	War Memorial Grants/Donations	3,500
1,656	Other	424
219,952	TOTAL INCOME	240,419

Actual 2017/18	Expenditure	Projected 2018/19
27,450	Administration	29,156
115,075	Staff costs	127,759
6,200	Cemetery Costs	3,186
1,312	Allotment costs	982
5,751	Newsletter	5,380
7,385	Streetlights	5,660
904	Waste & Amenity Vehicle	901
30,517	Recreation & Open Spaces	33,597
1,136	Grants & Donations	1,207
11,555	Events & PR	13,274
-	War Memorial	8,621
12,667	To reserves	10,696
219,952	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	240,419

The Council's accounts are prepared in accordance with the Account & Audit Regulations 2015. They are subject to internal audit, by an independent auditor appointed by the Parish Council, and an external audit. To the left is a summary of the Council's income and expenditure for 2017/18 and 2018/19.

Please note that the 2018/19 figures are based on the most up to date actual figures available at the time of publication and a projection to the end of the year. Final figures will be available at the Annual Parish Meeting in April 2019.

Amenities Working Group

Chair Christine Snow & Vice Chair Susan Sharp

The Parish Council provides and maintains extensive recreation and amenity areas in Pembury. These include Lower Green Recreation Ground, Woodside Football pitches, the Village Green, Coronation Gardens and other grassed amenity areas. The Amenities Working Group, have continued with the development and improvement of the Recreation Ground, working with various partners such as the Junior Football Club, the Bowls Club and the new Tennis Coach.

We have continued to work hard this year to facilitate various community events including the Firework Display, where it seemed that half the population of Pembury came to enjoy the fireworks,

Picnic on the Green, benefiting from good weather and a large turnout and the Remembrance Sunday service with the unveiling of the new War Memorial plaques. The Parish Council is most grateful for the work undertaken by the many volunteers for assisting with the Remembrance Sunday Service and the knitted poppy decorations.



Cllr Christine Snow



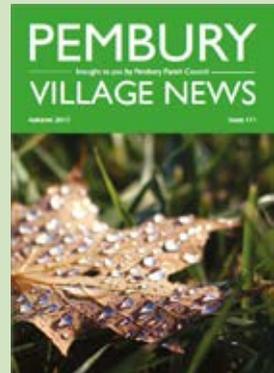
Communications Working Group

Originally the Editorial committee for the Pembury Village News this group has expanded to take responsibility for all Parish Communications. Over the last year much good work has been achieved in establishing a Parish Web Site and Facebook in order to better inform residents and distribute information. At the same time a promotional strategy has been commenced and a modest rebranding of the Council started. The Council is also fully GDPR compliant.



Cllr Louise Mills

The Pembury Village News, edited by the Deputy Clerk, and circulated to every household four times a year also continues to be informative and entertaining. It is entirely funded by adverts. A huge debt of gratitude is owed to all those volunteers who distribute it throughout the village.





Cllr Patrick Gillan

Environment Working Group

Chair Patrick Gillan & Vice Chair Susan Sharp

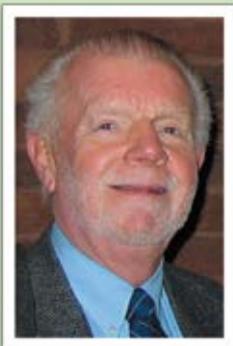
The Working Group oversees the Parish Council's environmental interests particularly in partnership with volunteers such as the excellent working group co-ordinated by Hugh Boorman that undertake the improvements.

A major project for the year was the refurbishment of the village war memorial. Our thanks go, in particular to Richard Snow for his work. We were delighted that it looked so splendid for this special Remembrance year.

Work continues on sprucing up the allotments in partnership with the allotment holders and the Allotment Society. There have been successful tidy up days as well as a progressive programme of cutting back growth on unused and peripheral areas. We have been rewarded by new tenants taking up plots. Anyone who would like to take on an allotment should contact the Parish Clerk.

The burial ground continues to be monitored and improved, recent visitors may have seen that the back of the Memorial Wall has now been tidied up with plants and ground cover kindly supplied by Notcutts. Not all of the burial ground is consecrated, and any Pembury resident can be buried there.

Any comments about the work of our group are always gratefully received.



Cllr David Coleman

Conclusion

Chair David Coleman

It was a very successful year particularly in managing change and I would thank the Clerk, Helen Munro, for all her hard work and professionalism ably assisted by Yvette Allen, the Deputy Clerk. I would also thank our grounds staff, Ryan, Darrell and Jake as well as my colleague councillors for their dedication and hard work.

This will be my last Annual Parish Meeting after thirty-six years as a Councillor as it is time for me to hand over to others and the end of the present Parish Council's term is an ideal opportunity. If you could make a contribution to the Pembury Village Community, why not stand as a Parish Councillor? All you need do is contact the Clerk Helen Munro (01892 823193) for details.



PRIDE IN PEMBURY 2019 ANNUAL HORTICULTURAL COMPETITION

Four categories:

Best allotment; best hanging basket/container;
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deputy@pemburyparishcouncil.gov.uk

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Category of Entry (please tick)

- Best Front Garden
- Best Allotment
- Best Hanging Basket/Container
- Best Community Group

You can nominate anyone - even yourself!

Name of person nominating entry (if different)

Address of entrant

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The small print: The competition is not open to Parish Councillors or Parish Council employees or their close families. Garden entries must be within the boundaries of the Civil parish. Judges will not be permitted to discuss entries. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. The names of the winners will be published in the Pembury Village news and the winner of each category must be willing to participate in a publicity photo. Entry to the competition is deemed acceptance of these rules.

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ROLL ON THE SUMMER!

At the time of going to press, we have just had our AGM and we are looking forward to another summer of cricket at Chalket Lane.

It's been a busy winter of planning, with several projects in mind. By the start of the season we anticipate a full upgrade of the front of the pavilion, plus the erection of a new electronic scoreboard.

We are full of optimism with the 1st XI looking to continue their progression having been promoted as champions last summer, and the 2nd XI looking for promotion having narrowly missed out last season. On Sundays, we look forward to enhancing our offering, the benefit of more social cricket, and to compliment the progression of our junior players into senior cricket.

FREE MEMBERSHIP

We are always keen to welcome new players of all ages and abilities, as well as social members to come along and enjoy the comfort of our facilities and further develop the atmosphere in the club.

For the 2019 season we are once again continuing our offer of FREE senior playing membership to new players.

There is much excitement and anticipation once again for the junior section, as our highly successful u-11 squad (Steelers) progress into the u-13 section (Blue Caps) and join our older age groups, whilst some of our younger members progress from softball to hardball and into pairs cricket.

We are also delighted to confirm that All Stars Cricket returns this summer. This initiative proved to be a huge success last year and a very enjoyable family activity.



All Stars Cricket gives the opportunity to girls and boys from the ages of five to nine to enjoy a fun packed curriculum of cricket activities and games, providing the children with basic movement skills to begin a lifelong love of cricket and general physical activity. This will again run on Saturday mornings beginning in May.



Hardball Coaching will also return on a weekly basis for ages 9 and above.

Roll on the summer!

Richard Dawes (Club Captain – Pembury CC) – (<http://pembury.play-cricket.com>)

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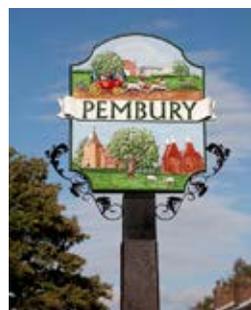
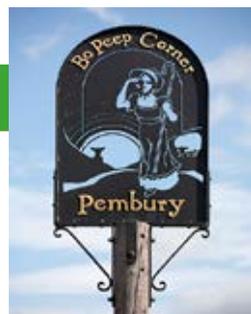
PEMBURY SOCIETY

It seems a long time since last Autumn when the Society and the village were both thinking about "Pembury Remembers". Brexit has been on our Nation's mind, and daily on the news through the last few months. So it is opportune that we have our own MP coming to speak to the Society!

Our next meeting is on Thursday 25th April 2019, 7.45pm at St Peter's Upper Church, when Rt. Hon Greg Clark will be speaking to us about life as an MP, Cabinet Member and Business Secretary. There will be our usual question and answer session at the close, all of which should make a very interesting and informative evening.

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David Hanes
 Chairman





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Yoga has a number of health benefits, such as increased joint stability and mobility, increased range of movement, improved bone and muscle strength, greater lung capacity, and depending on the style practiced, cardiovascular benefits.

Yoga also improves our experience of stress by calming the nervous system and allowing us to spend more time in our 'rest and restore' mode. This impact on the nervous system is said to have a wide range of benefits from lower blood pressure to improved immunity.

Meditative, mindfulness and breathing practices can also help with calming the nervous system, and with a number of specific techniques designed to reduce emotional reactivity, improve mood and process difficult feelings and reactions.

As a spiritual tradition, yoga can bring a greater sense of self awareness and connectedness to ourselves, others and the world around us. For

some this can just bring about a greater sense of wellbeing, and for others it can bring a profound shift in how they experience reality.

You do not have to be flexible to practice, but you may want to use as many props as you need to help you. For those on a tight budget, online yoga and the Adult Education Centre are great options.



Different types of yoga

Please check with the teacher about the style, pace and level of their classes to make sure it's suitable for you.

Ashtanga: a set sequence of poses which is vigorous and athletic in nature. Freestyle Yoga Project has classes based on ashtanga (male and female teachers).

Vinyasa: a flowing sequence of poses, sometimes fast, sometimes slow. Vinyasa classes are available in Pembury, Brenchley, Paddock Wood, The Yoga House, Flow in Tunbridge Wells, Nuffield Health, Pure Gym and Underground Gym.

Hatha: a slower set of poses, with postures held for several breaths. Look for Moving Forest Yoga in Tunbridge Wells (male teacher).

Iyengar: a slower set of poses with precise instructions and adjustments and lots of props. Yoga Tree of Life in Langton Green offer this style (male teacher).

Yin: floor based poses held for 2-5 minutes to open connective tissues; can include mindfulness

based exercises. Yin classes can be found at The Yoga House, Flow Tunbridge Wells, Present Health and Foxwood Yoga.

Restorative: floor-based poses held for five or more minutes using lots of props to fully support the body. Readings and meditations may be offered during the class.

Hot Yoga: can be fast or slow but held in a room heated up to about 37 degrees Celsius. Present Health is a hot yoga studio

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COLLECT YOUR OWN EGGS

When we were kids, we would be looking forward to the Moorhens' nesting season in April or May. Moorhens nest in very awkward places at times - in the middle of deep muddy water, or on the branches of a tree that had come down in the middle of a pond, or on little island in the pond all of which were very difficult to get to. Moorhens build nests 18" – 24" wide and normally have a base of twigs and are finished off with dead rushes and weeds with no great detail like some other birds have.

We would go round the ponds and collect the Moorhens eggs to take home. We always used to carry a long stick to which we tied a tablespoon on the end to enable us to scoop some of the eggs out of the nest! The Moorhens used to lay anything up to 10 eggs which were roughly the size of a bantam's egg and were off-white in colour, speckled with red or brown dots. A group of us - Mick, Melvin, Dennis, Michael, Peter, Peter and I, used to plan our route of which ponds and nesting areas we would go to.

Because the Moorhens lay such a great number of eggs, we never used to take all the eggs because some of them could be addled i.e. containing a

developing bird embryo. When we got to the nest, we would put the eggs into the water and if they floated, we knew the egg contained part of a newly formed Moorhen and we would put it back. Those that used to sink were suitable for eating. If there were 8 eggs, we'd take 3 or 4 because we knew that when we went back, there would be the original number again, because the Moorhens used to lay eggs that quickly.

Sometimes when walking home, if we'd forgotten something to carry the eggs in, we'd put the eggs in our pockets and soon discovered that there's nothing worse than falling over, the eggs cracking and them running down the back of your legs!

The idea was to get the eggs home and get mum or dad to cook them for our tea or for breakfast the next day.

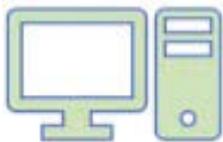
In hindsight it probably didn't do the Moorhen population a lot of good because of the number of eggs we used to eat, and it's the sort of thing I'd never do now. But back then, annually it was an important part of our childhood. My mum and dad would readily cook the eggs for us to eat.

Hugh Boorman

Pembury Messy Church

Pembury Messy Church is a free, fun, interactive event for all ages, families and friends. This monthly event includes God-themed craft and activities, a short related talk, praise songs and food to enjoy together. It takes place at Pembury Baptist Church from 11am-1pm and St. Peter's Upper Church from 3pm-5pm on alternate months. The next three Pembury Messy Church events are on Saturday 9 March at Pembury Baptist Church, Saturday 6 April from 3-5pm at St Peter's Upper Church and Saturday 11 May at Pembury Baptist Church from 11am-1pm.

More information is available from 01892 825590, office@pemburybaptistchurch.org or office@pemburychurch.net.



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PEMBURY GARDENERS'

Season 2018 proved difficult for the Gardeners'. A little of 'The Curate's Egg' began with the Spring Show which, with the season running some three weeks late, went ahead although there weren't many daffodils for the judge to consider.

An excellent plant sale on the Village Green in late May, followed with a stall at the Hope Churches Fun Day on the Recreation Ground helped to restore finances.

These events were closely followed by the Summer Show which proved brilliant for roses which thrived in the continual hot weather, not so unfortunately, for the Sweet Peas and Vegetables.

The AGM, held in the Baptist Church hall in early May was the most poorly attended in memory and, together with all planned daytrip coach excursions being cancelled through not filling a third of the coaches, the annual Christmas fair visit was eagerly anticipated – Hatfield House and its advertised Frost Fair.



Finally, the Society is also concerned with the decline of exhibitors and the number of visitors to the shows. There is no entry charge and anyone can put in an exhibit or simply visit. Whilst it is realised that this is a country-wide problem, the Society hope they will be better supported during the coming year, in order that the Flower Show continues to be a part of village life which it has shared since its inception in the Autumn of 1944.

Derek Parks

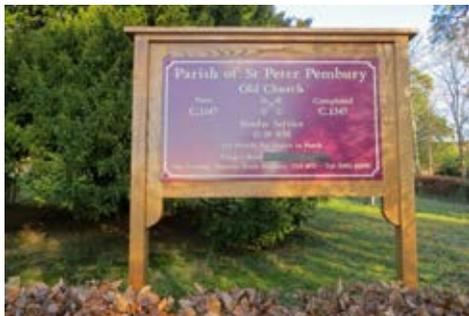
THE OLD CHURCH NOTICEBOARD

Nearly every Thursday our Conservation Group consisting of John Boakes, Neil Franklin, Sarah Pomfret, Mick Waterman and I meet up to rid some of the many public footpaths around the village of obstruction, undergrowth or damaged trees. One day in late Autumn as we came back through the Old Church churchyard, we saw that the noticeboard was rotting and informed the 'Friends of the Parish Church'.

After discussion with the 'Friends', it was agreed that John Boakes, who is a carpenter by trade would draw up a list of all the Oak timber which was required to replace it.

The cost was authorised by the 'Friends of the Old Church' and supplied by a timber merchant at Marden. In the meantime, we removed the complete frame and, with the help of the Parish Council groundsmen, Ryan and Darrell had it delivered to John's house, who then told us to leave it with him.

Several weeks later we received a call from John to say that it was finished. Prior to this we added



two coats of preservative as recommended and again, Ryan and Darrell helped transport it back to the Old Church where the Conservation Group then reassembled it to the mounting posts. I have to say, without embarrassing John, I never realised what a true craftsman he is.

To finish it off, all we need to do is to add the name of the new Vicar when appointed.

Many thanks to all involved.

Hugh Boorman.

MEMORIAL WALL - THANKS TO NOTCUTTS

The Parish Council is very grateful to Notcutts who have very kindly donated heathers, peat and stones for the garden bed behind the Memorial Wall in Pembury Burial Ground. This was particularly important for people visiting the new Cremated Remains section at the far end of the Burial Ground.

The Parish Council Groundsmen dug the garden bed and planted the heathers in the middle of January. This has hugely enhanced this area and we all look forward to seeing them flourish there over the coming years.

If you wish to have a plaque on the Memorial Wall, contact the Deputy Clerk on 01892 823193 or email deputy@pemburyparishcouncil.gov.uk.



PEMBURY RAINBOWS

The run up to Christmas is always an exciting and busy time for people, and it's no different for Rainbows. Already loaded up with preparations for Festive School performances, we only went and piled on a little extra cheer with rehearsals for the annual District Carol Service! 2nd Pembury Rainbows took on the 12 Days of Christmas, while other Units covered Little Donkey, Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, Twinkle Twinkle Little Star, amongst others. I think everyone who attended felt ready for the Christmas Season after listening to Pembury Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers, singing their hearts out.

We finished 2018 gaining a fun 'ELF' challenge badge, enjoying another incredible visit from Mark and Jerry and their Amazing Animal World, as well as sending our first Rainbow on to a new adventure with Pembury Cubs, which I know she is going to love.

2019 has arrived – a new year, and with it, a new programme in Girlguiding. Change is always a bit scary. It's also downright irritating and inconvenient! But change is an essential part of growth, of development and of new adventures. Rainbows now have opportunities to work towards interest badges, skills builder badges and finally six special themed awards on the following topics: Have Adventures, Take Action, Be Well, Skills for my Future, Know Myself and Express

Myself. A Rainbow can now, on completing all six theme awards, go on and earn her Rainbow Gold badge – a very special achievement and a great goal to strive for.

Along with working on the new programme, we have planned a trip to Tunbridge Wells Fire Station, as well as a Winter Walk at Haysden Lakes and a special screening of the new Mary Poppins movie at Odeon Tunbridge Wells – only for girls from the 4 different Guiding sections. 2019 is certainly starting to look a bit supercalifragilisticexpialidocious!

Rainbows are girls aged 5 – 7, who meet in Pembury on Mondays and Thursdays. If you think your daughter would like to be involved, please register her on – www.girlguiding.org.uk

Toto/Amanda Baker



VILLAGE HALL GETS MAKEOVER



Recent visitors to the Village Hall may have noticed that it now has some smart new red curtains. Very favourable comments have been received that these give the versatile space a warm and luxurious feel. The Village Hall Management Committee is very grateful to Christine Martin Interiors for her creativity and hard work on this project. Further projects to update the hall are in the pipeline so... watch this space! For enquiries about booking the hall or the meeting room, please contact the Bookings Manager on 07983 228181 or pemburyvh@gmail.com.

Susan Sharp



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EASTER CHURCH SERVICES

St. Anselm's Catholic Church

Maundy Thursday 18 April	8pm Mass of the Last Supper
Good Friday 19 April	10am Children's Stations 12 noon Stations of the Cross 3pm The Good Friday Liturgy
Easter Sunday 21 April	5am The Easter Vigil 10am Mass of Easter Day

Pembury Baptist Church

Good Friday 19 April	10am A reflective Service followed by HOPE Pembury Churches Together 'Good Friday on the Green' Service from 11.15am. Hot cross buns and refreshments from the Hanes (house on the Village Green) after the service
Easter Sunday 21 April	10am Come and celebrate the risen Lord

St Peter's Church

Palm Sunday 14 April	9.30am Procession 9.45am Service of Holy Communion with Passion Reading (Upper Church)
17 April	8pm Holy Communion (BCP) and stripping the Altar (Old Church)
Maundy Thurs 18 April	8pm Liturgy of Maundy Thursday with foot washing (Upper Church)
Good Friday 19 April	10.15am Veneration of the Cross (Upper Church) 11.15am Ecumenical service on the Green 12.00 Hour at the Cross (Old Church)
Easter Sunday 21 April	8am Holy Communion (Upper Church) 9.45am Easter Family Communion 11.30am Holy Communion (BCP) (Old Church)

CRIME REPORT

Happy New Year to you all.

Unfortunately, I cannot give you the crime figures due to the fact that the Police Computer System is having a complete revamp and figures for the previous quarter were not ready in time.

However, we do know of certain crimes that were committed. One was that of a craftman's vehicle which had its lock cut off leading to all the tools and equipment being stolen. I cannot believe that someone didn't hear this offence being committed.

However, there is an issue which is now causing a lot of concern and that is the fouling of the

footpaths by dogs and the mess not being picked up by the dog walker as required by law. We have now reported the issue again to the Borough Council to see if there are any cameras that can be put up to enable prosecution to be brought against those responsible. I was also made aware the other day of dog fouling in the Pembury Burial Ground and of people taking their dogs there to exercise both of which are beyond description. Do these people not have any respect? There have been instances of dog fouling at the Village Green bus stop and in the area where children walk to school.

Hugh Boorman

FOR YOUR DIARY

Village Market – Village Hall, Tuesday 9am – 11.30am

Community Coffee Shop – Pembury Pavilion, Recreation Ground – Mondays 9.30-12noon

'The Shed' Youth Café - at Pembury Baptist Church – Fridays 6 – 8pm (school yrs 7-13) term time only

MARCH	WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
4	Parish Council Meeting	7.15pm	Parish Council Office
4	Floral Art Group	8pm	Baptist Church Hall
17	Village Aerobathon	10.00 to 1.00	Village Hall (contact Adele 07876787869
19	CAB	9.30-11.30am	Pembury Library
30	Pembury Gardeners' Society	2.00pm	Village Hall - Spring Flower Show
APRIL			
1	Parish Council Meeting	7.15pm	Parish Council Office
1	Floral Art Group	8pm	Baptist Church Hall
2	U3A	2.00pm	Village Hall – Teddy Boys and Mini Skirts. Andrew Theobald
5	Evening WI	7.45pm	Village Hall – An evening of Opera by Ruth Kerr
16	CAB	9.30-11.30am	Pembury Library
25	Pembury Society	7.45pm	St. Peter's Upper Church. Speaker: Rt. Hon. Greg Clark MP
29	Annual Parish Meeting	8pm	Village Hall
MAY			
2	Pembury Gardeners' Society	8.00pm	Baptist Church Hall - AGM
3	Evening WI	7.45pm	Village Hall – Annual Meeting and Resolutions
7	U3A	2.00pm	Village Hall – Talk: State Surveillance
11	RNLI London Night	7.00pm	Camden Arms. Singalong with accomplished pianist. Tickets available from Pembury Pharmacy
13	Annual Parish Council Meeting	7.15pm	Parish Council Office
17/19	Pembury Players		Village Hall – Summer Play
18	Hospice in The Weald Community Choir – Vivaldi – Gloria at St Peter's	7pm	St. Peter's Upper Church
21	CAB	9.30-11.30am	Pembury Library
25	Pembury Gardeners' Society	8.30 – 11.30am	Village Green – Plant Sale
JUNE			
4	U3A	2.00pm	Village Hall – Talk: History of Morris Dancing by Melanie Gibson-Burton
7	Evening WI	7.45pm	Village Hall – My Family & Other Setbacks by Mel Rees

Richard Snow is responsible for updating the Village Diary, which can be viewed at www.pembury.org.

The diary serves two purposes. Firstly, to enable event organisers to check the diary before arranging an event to avoid clashes. Secondly to enable everyone to know what is happening in the village. It is important that information is sent to Richard at events@pembury.org with date, times, title of event, venue and contact details.

Please note that to view the calendar you must be using a recent version of Firefox, Google Chrome or Internet Explorer (IE11 or later). Computers running Windows XP will only be able to view the calendar using Firefox or Google Chrome.

Organisations – please contact me with your dates for inclusion in the next edition of the magazine: deputy@pemburyparishcouncil.gov.uk

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