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CHAIR'S REPORT

Welcome to the Autumn edition of Pembury Village News. As I write this, we are enjoying gorgeous weather. In my garden the pollinating insects and butterflies are in abundance, and I love to sit and watch them busy at work gathering nectar. Although I did have a bumble bee who may have overdone it a bit, as it fell asleep on the flower!!! I nudged the flower and woke it from its reverie, and it flew off....

I hope you all had a lovely time at Picnic in the Park, it was really well attended, and the rain held off until the last half hour, by which point we weren't too bothered! We are planning to go bigger and better next year so if you have any ideas or suggestions to improve the event, please let us know. We rely on your feedback and comments to ensure we are doing what the village wants!

The next village event is the Firework evening which is always a fantastic night, and I am so proud of the display our village puts on. After that is the Remembrance Day service which will be held in Hastings Road by the War Memorial again – we

are aiming for a better sound system this year! We also have the Carols around the tree in December; having a tree on the green is one of the achievements I am most proud of, as it really brings a focus to the centre of our village.

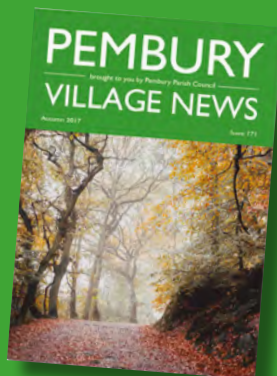
I would also like to thank all the Pembury residents that have generously donated to the Ukraine Relief at the TN2 centre in Sherwood - as a village we have provided the most bikes for the Ukrainian children, and the knowledge that we have brought smiles to the faces of children undergoing the most difficult of times should be a massive source of pride and respect to us. I can say, hand on heart, that as a village we are caring, generous, thoughtful and generally all want to follow the basic tenet of life which Abraham Lincoln (and Bill and Ted) summed up with "be excellent to each other".

Kind regards,
Katy Brooks



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Pembury Firework Display

Save the Date!

Friday 4 November 2022

Lower Green Recreation Ground 7:30pm



Remembrance Sunday

13 November 2022

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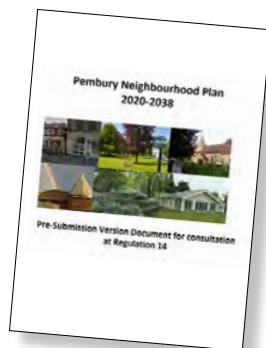
NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PEMBURY - UPDATE

The first formal round of consultation on the emerging Pembury Neighbourhood Plan is now complete.

The Parish Council and the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group wish to thank all those who have taken the time to submit their comments. We received feedback on the draft Plan not only from residents but also from other organisations such as Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (TWBC), National Highways, Southern Water and the Natural England. On the whole, the feedback has been very positive, with widespread support for the policies.

The Steering Group are now spending time carefully analysing the feedback to understand if further amendments are required to the document. This will take place during September, with a view to submitting the Submission Version Pembury Neighbourhood Plan to TWBC later in October.

Next Steps: TWBC will undertake a second round of consultation on the Submission Version Pembury Neighbourhood Plan. It is anticipated that this will commence later this year and we will be publicising this via the website, social media and other local outlets. Following this, the Plan will be subject to an independent examination, which, if successful, will lead to a local referendum on whether to 'make' the Pembury Neighbourhood Plan.



Please visit: www.pemburyparishcouncil.gov.uk/neighbourhood-plan/ for further information.

NEW FOOTPATH MAP LAUNCH!

The Parish Council is very pleased to announce that the new much-awaited map is now ready and can be purchased from the Parish Office for £2.00 (cash only). Office open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 10am and 1pm

The map can also be downloaded from the Parish Council's website – www.pemburyparishcouncil.gov.uk. There is a link on the website giving detailed information about the condition of individual footpaths. There is also a QR code on the map which takes you to the relevant web page.



A Working Group, consisting of Paul Mason, Kathryn Franklin and Mark Arnold, has spent many hours creating the double-sided publication – one side showing the urban map giving details of the many twittens to be found, businesses, health services and public amenities together with a history of the village. The other side is the more familiar footpath map.



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THE STORY OF THE FALLEN TOLD IN NUMBERS

I've walked past Pembury war memorial many times. And yet, until now, I haven't given much thought to the lives and deaths of the men of Pembury whose names are inscribed upon it.



I'm home-schooled, and I've just written a book about the war memorial partly because I'm fascinated by WW1, but also because it gave me a chance to learn about using fractions, percentages and graphs. Arithmetic is most interesting when it describes real life. So, I thought, why not combine it with my interest in history? Pembury war memorial would be perfect for this.

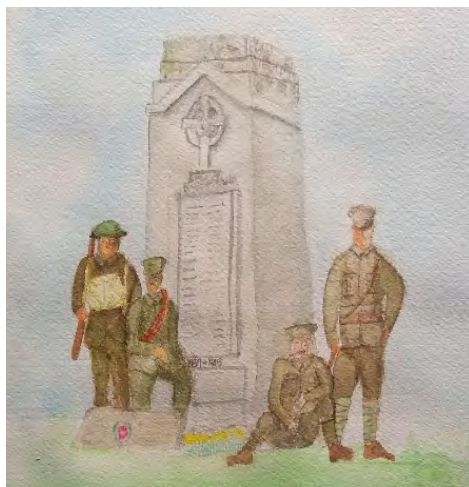
So, I set about asking myself questions about the lives of the men on it: how old were they when they were killed? How many died in each year of the war? How many were killed as a proportion of the population of the village? How did this compare with other villages in the area?

To answer these, I needed to know about the men's lives, and I was lucky to have biographies written by Mr Richard Snow published in Pembury Village News.

I was surprised to discover that more men died as a percentage of the population of Pembury than elsewhere:

almost 3% were killed compared with 1.2% in Brenchley, 1.5% in Goudhurst and 2.6% in Cranbrook. This is because Pembury had a larger number of manual labourers. Men, like Frederick Piper, a farm labourer, would have been more willing to leave their work when war started. On the other hand, before conscription in 1916, men in wealthier villages would be less willing to abandon professions, like medicine and the law, to enlist.

Another thing I found was that 30% of the men died at the end of the war in 1918 – that's more than any other year. This was because of Spanish Flu, a pandemic that started in 1918. I have proof of this: Mr Snow's biographies of Arthur Roberts, Charles Leonard, Samuel Kemp and William Parkes explains that they all died in 1918 of 'pneumonia following influenza'.



Another discovery was that whilst the majority of men were aged between 18 and 22, the average age rose after 1916, so that by 1917 it was 28. Before conscription, older men were less willing

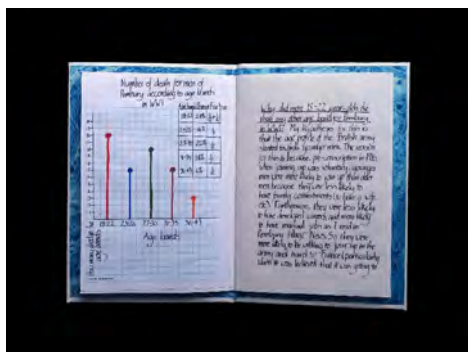
THE STORY OF THE FALLEN TOLD IN NUMBERS James continued

to enlist because they were more likely to have families and established careers. After 1916 however, everyone had to join up. An example is Harry Roberts who enlisted in March 1917 aged 28 and was killed four months later leaving a wife and child.

I decided to record these discoveries by making a book. I cut and sewed the pages to the covers, and I painted a watercolour for the front of soldiers standing around the memorial. I did some marbling for the interior and then handwrote my questions and discoveries and stuck in the graphs I had made.

What an interesting project it's been. Now, when I walk past the memorial, I'll remember the Fallen of Pembury with a much deeper understanding of their sacrifice.

James Marshall, aged 11



PEMBURY PLAYERS - ACT NOW!

A village club for over 40 years we are always looking for new members of all ages to act and don't say you can't act – everyone can – even if it is the back end of a horse! Go on – go mad....try it! We also need people who can sew, paint and generally help out with our productions. It's always fun and often ends in the pub (not compulsory!)

Right now, we need actors for the pantomime in January.

Rehearsals at 8pm in the Village Hall from Thursday 1st September.

For more information ring Maggie on 01892 824362



PEMBURY ISSUES AND TWBC'S NEW ADMINISTRATION

Pembury suffers congestion at Kipping's Cross causing rat-running along the villages' totally unsuitable lanes. The A21 Reference Group, which consists of MPs whose constituencies lie along the A21, local authority representatives, and Transport for the South East, are pushing the Government to upgrade the A21 between Kippings Cross and Lamberhurst. Realistically this is unlikely as National Highways, the authority responsible, has not indicated a need to reserve the land for that purpose. Read into that what you will however, the emerging Local Plan does reserve that land in readiness.



Often mooted is the idea of a filter lane towards Matfield, which would definitely help. I have contacted National Highways and the A21 Reference Group. I shall keep pressing in the face of "There is no money".

Pembury is by far the worst served part of the Borough for refuse collection because Friday accumulates all the rest of the week's delays. It was stipulated contractually that rounds could not be changed from the previous contractor, which makes life legally difficult. I'm on the case and the rounds are to be re-assessed to make them more efficient and effective for all concerned. I'll keep you informed.

The cutting of bus subsidies by KCC is now slowly being realised as an ideological step too far. Pembury residents are well aware of how these cuts came about and, whilst Pembury is not as dramatically affected as some areas, it is still very concerning. Parent power coordinated by resident-focussed councillors is very effective in reversing some of the more obscure decisions. We have had success with the 208 on the back of fabulous campaigns for other routes.

There are issues of planning enforcement outstanding for the village and you can rest assured these are not being allowed to slip by. At the moment, the planning department is severely understaffed and finding it very difficult to recruit. One of the issues is that as soon as staff are trained and gain some experience, they are poached by developers who pay more. This is an ongoing discussion.

A date for your diaries is the arrival of the Borough Council's Cabinet for their committee meeting on Thursday 27 October at 18:30. The official meeting will be followed by Q&A from the audience. All are invited at Pembury Village Hall.

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The group was set up by Rich Akehurst and his Ukrainian wife Inna in response to the invasion of Ukraine, and on 25 March they moved into the TN2 centre in Greggswood Road which the Borough Council are allowing them to use without charge.

Inna has extensive family in Ukraine who are working with the group to ensure that donations are what is actually required, and that the items go where they are most needed. So far, the group has sent 9 vans of varying sizes transporting over 25 tons of aid to Ukraine, but quickly realised that they also needed to collect items for the refugees coming here with just the clothes on their back – the first ones came to the TN2 centre the 27 March. So, the group started collecting clothes and essentials to assist them whilst they stay here – a woman turned up who was 8 months pregnant, and the group managed to kit her out with everything a baby and Mum would need! Seeing the happiness this brought to her previously strained face made them determined to do more to help our Ukrainian guests....

A plea was put out on Pembury Facebook sites for bikes to help those housed in rural areas so they could find work, and the first donation was gratefully received. Since then, the residents of Pembury have been extremely generous in donating bikes and scooters, the condition doesn't matter as 90% of the bikes go out looking like new thanks to the hard work of Derek. So far, Pembury have donated the most bikes to the group, closely followed by Tonbridge. They have a long list of people that want a bike, scooter and helmet, and the group are willing to collect far and wide if there are any more out there to donate.



To date the group has helped over 400 families, and not only provides them with clothes and essential items, but also an area to socialise, play, meet with other Ukrainian families, and have even held birthday parties! However, the credit crunch is now biting hard, and donations are drying up. The group are still in need of medical items, food and pet food to send to Ukraine and will be grateful for any donations, however small.

If you want to get in touch with the Ukraine Relief Group, they are open for donations at the TN2 centre on Wednesday between 2pm & 8pm, and on Saturday between 10am & 4pm. Their phone number is 07710 989054 and their email address is help@ukrainereliefgroup.uk. If you have items to donate but are unable to get them to the centre, Julia from the group is willing to collect or have them dropped to her house in Maidstone Road. Please contact the group to arrange.

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THE LATEST BENCH ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

You may have noticed a new bench on the Village Green and wondered why it was installed. The inscription reads "In memory of Trevor Burley, wonderful friend/volunteer to the TW & District Group of the MS Society".



Trevor was 'born and bred' in Pembury, even before he left school, he was working for the Henwood Green Road butcher delivering meat around the village. He served an apprenticeship as a welder at Arnolds in East Peckham and worked there for many years. He married his wife Daphne and they had two daughters, Sally and Clare, both educated at Pembury School. Sadly, Daphne was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis and eventually Trevor had to leave work to become her full-time carer.

It was at this time that he became aware of the local MS Branch and threw himself into their activities with gusto. He served on the committee, was in charge of the two minibuses, one of which he

drove at all times of the day and night to take members to hospital and GP appointments, physiotherapy sessions and much else, even just shopping. He was also in charge of the donation collections and organised all their regular social activities, initially attending with Daphne. The National MS Society awarded him a medal in recognition of his achievements.

The death of his wife did not deter him from his MS Society activities, which he continued even after being diagnosed with cancer himself - only stopping when it became too much for him.

Apart from his family, including eight grandchildren, his interests were watching motorcycle racing, real ale and cooking. His ever-cheerful attitude to life was much appreciated by many in the village.



The bench was installed just before Christmas last year and officially unveiled on 26 February 2022, an event attended by over 70 MS Group members and villagers and was followed by a reception at The Camden.

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A FOND FAREWELL

At the Pembury Scout and Guide Hall AGM held in June, we said goodbye to Janet Ditchett and thanked her for her dedication and service to the committee.

Janet has retired from her role as Minute Secretary of the hall committee. She has been involved since the opening of the Guide and Scout Hall in 1991 and has given 31 years of service which has been invaluable to us.

Her involvement with the Guides and Scouts has been for many more years



and Janet continues to be involved in Pembury and with the Trefoil Guild which is Guiding for adults.

Thank you, Janet.

Shelley Harris

NEW GIRLGUIDING PEMBURY DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

As you read this, our local Rainbows, Brownies and Guides have now finished their term and our Guides have just returned from a fantastic camp! This is the time of year when, as leaders we take some time to reflect on the past year, and plan lots of exciting activities ready to start back in September.

With that in mind, it felt a fitting time to introduce myself. My name is Beci Hudson (known to the girls as Fluffy), and I have recently been appointed as the Girlguiding District Commissioner for Pembury. I've been living locally for the past 3 years with my fiancé Sam (we get married in September)! During this time, I've been supporting units in Tunbridge Wells, and am now really looking forward to integrating myself into the community in Pembury. My Girlguiding journey started as an 11- year old Guide near Marlow in Buckinghamshire, where I grew up. I qualified as a leader aged 18 years old and have been running my own units ever since. I've led Rainbows, Brownies, Guide and Rangers, and was even

the founding Chairman of a Trefoil Guild. As one of my favourite things to do with the girls, I'm also qualified to take all ages of girls away on overnight stays and camps.

I really look forward to supporting the volunteer leaders, the girls and of course the parents and families in Pembury. If you've got any questions for me or just want to find out more about Girlguiding Pembury, please do drop me an email: guidingwithfluffy@hotmail.com

Beci Hudson



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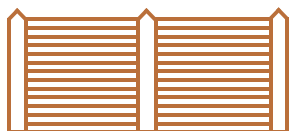
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Who are we and what do we do?

We are all either retired or semi-retired, having reached the 3rd age of our lives, hence the title.

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We arrange day visits to places of interest and also group holidays.

We hold a monthly meeting in the Village Hall when there is a speaker giving a talk, refreshments and the opportunity to meet other people.

We will welcome anyone who would like to join us and we hold a special meeting for those who are new or just thinking about joining us.

If you would like to know more then don't hesitate to contact me:

Maggie Hall on 01892 822689

CHARITY EVENT HELD IN AID OF THE HOSPICE IN THE WEALD

Dave Jefferey from Pembury decided to organise a Caribbean evening at the Black Horse in aid of Hospice in the Weald. Gary and Michele Coldwell (owners of the Black Horse) obliged and asked for a £20 entry fee which included all of the entertainment and a Caribbean inspired buffet dinner with 100% of the takings going to The Hospice.

Dave not only arranged all the entertainment, which included a steel drum band but also held a raffle and an auction, again all proceeds going straight to the charity.

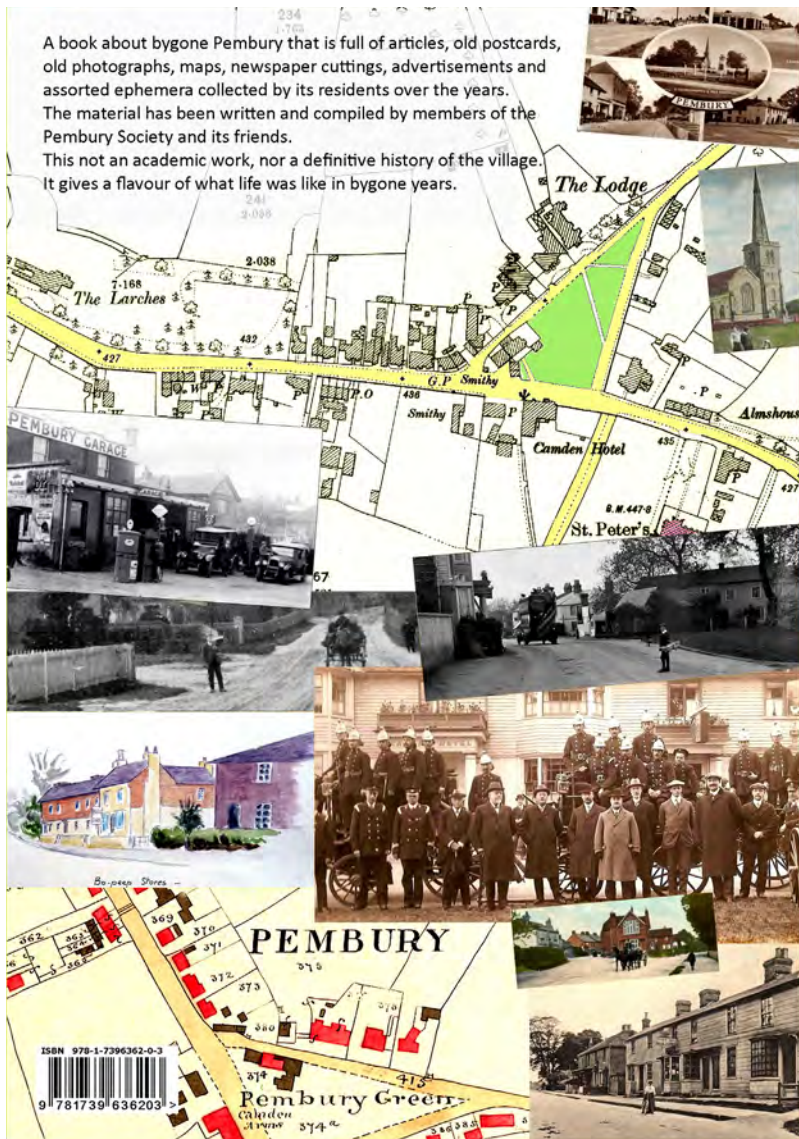
The performers, staff at the pub and the customers went above and beyond and raised an amazing £7000 in just one evening. There was a fabulous community atmosphere with everyone giving their time and generosity.

I think a huge thank you to everyone is a small but well-deserved gesture.

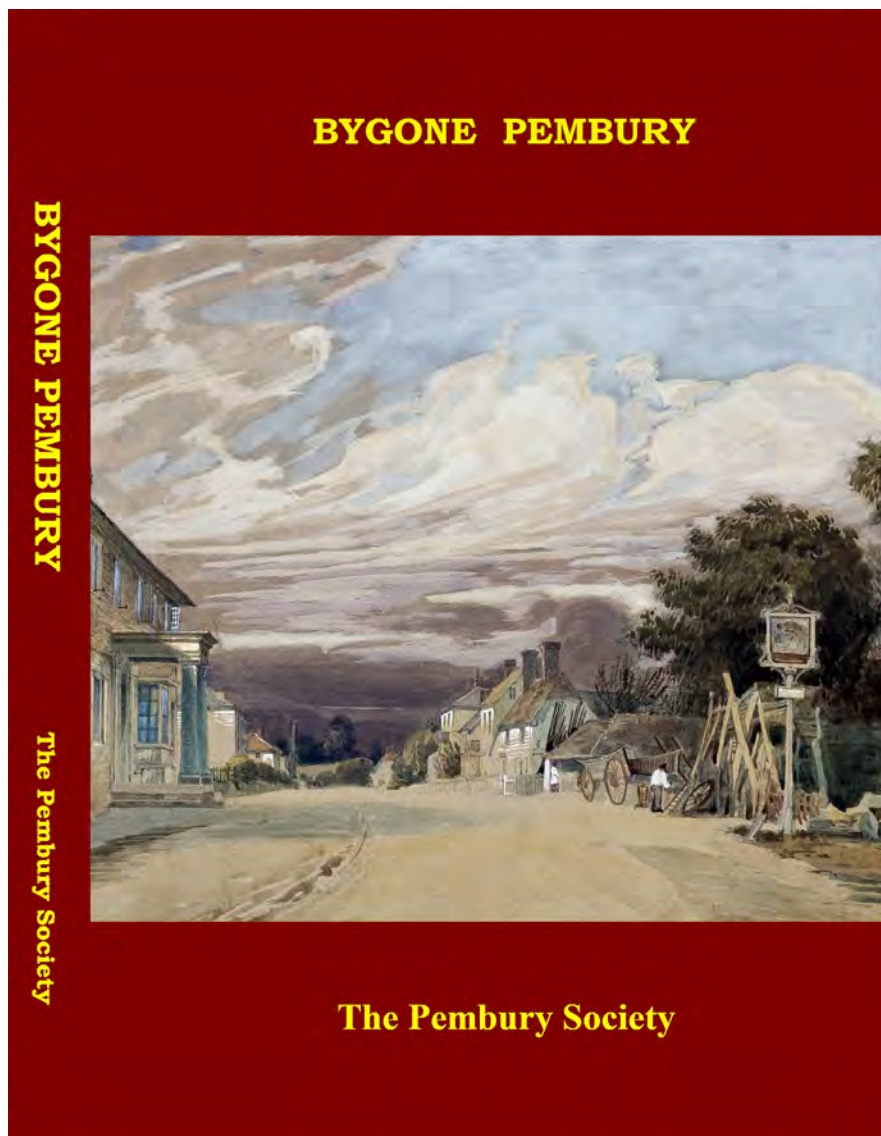
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PEMBURY SOCIETY BOOK COVER



The Pembury Society is pleased to announce their publication of Bygone Pembury, its first book in almost 50 years since its formation, and seemingly the first about Pembury's past that has been researched and written in essay form by residents of the village. This is a 328 page A4 size full colour hybrid magazine in book format, incorporating a mixture of interesting essays, with maps, parish records, cuttings, pictures and postcards that do not require interpretation. It is available to purchase in the village at Barnes Kingsnorth and The Black Horse for £18.



The Society meets next on Wednesday 12 October at 7.45pm, at St. Peter's Upper Church, when members of the committee will be sharing the journey of the publication, introducing various of the themes and essays, and introducing the new website which includes the history and much more about Pembury. Members should have received their free copy of the book by now. All members and visitors (£3) are welcome at the meeting, which includes a short AGM.

We look forward to seeing you there.

David Hanes (Chairman)



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Will I get paid?

No, this is an unpaid voluntary role.



What will I actually spend my time doing?

There is one Full Council meeting held on the first Monday night of each calendar month. Our committees include Planning & Highways, Finance & HR and Open Spaces, and meet either monthly or quarterly on a Monday afternoon. We have vacancies on all of the committees so you can choose which to join.

You may choose to be assigned to a particular project, discuss ideas with others, do some research, write reports, recommend actions. You will answer questions and vote on decisions. You will be asked your opinion regularly, sometimes you will be asked for information on your specialist area. You may listen to residents' ideas and concerns, come up with solutions and have the opportunity to have your say.

You might do something active; we run events such as the annual Firework Display and Christmas Carols, we organise community litter picks and we create and help deliver the village newsletter, the PVN. There are various training opportunities and much to read and learn. You will be supported by the Council and given time to find out what is going on.

Who are you looking for?

People with an interest in the village, energy, commitment and a willingness to get involved.

I quite like the idea but I need to be sure...

Look at the Parish Council website www.pemburyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Check out our social media pages on Facebook and Instagram

Contact the Clerk, Helen Munro, for an informal chat or for more details

Contact a current councillor to hear what they are involved in - their contact details are on our website or in the back of the PVN

Yes I'm interested!! What do I do now?

Download and complete an application form from our website and email or post it to the Clerk

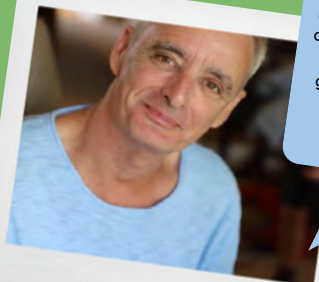
We will arrange an informal chat with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Council

Applicants will then attend a council meeting for a formal interview.

Many many years ago, probably about 25, someone suggested to me that I join the Parish Council. The words council and committee both filled me with dread and I thought that you had to be either clever or posh or both. (I'm neither).

But about 5 years ago I was standing on the village green in the middle of the Village Picnic watching so many families enjoying themselves and I said to a friend how much I love our village. She suggested again that I join the council but this time within earshot of Katy Brooks who is the Chair. No sooner said than here I am. At my "interview" which was really just a chat, I was asked what I'd like to see in Pembury and the only thing I could think of was that I'd like a Christmas tree on the Village Green. I was accepted, proving that you don't need any high falutin' ideas to become a councillor!!

Full Council meetings, one a month, are friendly but efficient and give me a good feeling that I'm giving something back to the place that I've lived for 42 years. We all play a small part but the combined efforts make a big difference.



"Being a parish councillor is a privilege because there is nothing better anyone can do than serve their community. The best part however, at least for me, is getting to know people in and around our village and helping to solve problems where we can"

As a Parish Councillor I want to play my part in shaping the future of Pembury and to make a difference to the quality of life for the people in this area.



What could be more satisfying than having a say in what happens in the place you live! The Parish Council covers so many aspects of our village, and gives such an insight into how things work, and how decisions are made.

I would urge anyone, who is genuinely interested in where they live and wants to be a part of the future of Pembury for themselves and their families, to come and join us!





So, what do I enjoy about being a Parish Councillor? Making a difference to our fabulous village is top of the list, which gives me a real sense of belonging and involvement.

Working with a fantastic group of people who have imagination and drive to see projects through is another.

Creating and running events that make the residents smile like the Picnic and the Fireworks is up there too. But mainly, it's making our village a better place for future generations, whilst ensuring the current generation have the best possible time too!



Being a parish councillor enables you to become more involved in village life, meet some great new people and help maintain the character of the village within an evolving environment.



I joined the Parish Council when I retired, as I hoped the experience I had as a solicitor could be put to good use on behalf of the local community, which I believe it has. So, I am the geeky one that enjoys the legal and finance side of the work!

We need all sorts on the Council, but it is good to have some people with a professional background. Probably, I have enjoyed most the work I have been involved with on the Neighbourhood Development Plan.



We moved to Pembury 4 years ago and fell in love with the village and the activities organised by the Parish Council.

I had been involved with a Parish Council before so thought I would get to know how Pembury worked. I was very impressed by the friendliness and commitment of the councillors and staff. This was what made me decide to apply and I have been involved ever since. Pembury is such a great village and it deserves to have more residents coming forward to join the Parish Council. I guarantee that you will be most welcome. A councillor will be attached to you to help you with the business process and there are so many really interesting activities to get involved in.

We need you now. Please consider making contact and finding out more about it.



WHAT I GOT OUT OF BEING A COUNCILLOR



With a heavy heart, I am saying goodbye to Pembury and my time on the parish council. I am moving nearer the coast for the next chapter of my life and, hopefully, some new adventures.

I became a parish councillor just a few months after moving to Pembury back in 2014 – I can't believe it was eight years ago! I didn't know anyone in the village, and I was keen to get involved and be a part of the community. Working in the private sector, I'd had no experience of the workings of local government, and had no idea what to expect, but I was instantly made to feel welcome by my fellow councillors and the parish clerks.

The things I liked best are the feeling that you are part of the community where you live, getting involved in the projects and areas that most interest you, and working alongside a supportive, friendly and positive group of people. I also gained a great sense of reward, knowing that I was playing a small part in helping to make Pembury a great place to live. My contribution was mainly around communications and events like the new website, getting us on social media,

Pembury Village News, fireworks, Christmas lights and the Jubilee Picnic in the Park this year. This is what I do for a living and where I felt I could offer the most value. But there are many other areas you can get involved with, depending on your interests, passions and experience.

How much time you commit to the council is up to you. There's the full council meeting held once a month as well as working committee meetings, depending on which committees you join. I work full time and, when I first joined, had a young family to look after. But I found I could manage my council commitments around my job and kids.

The other thing I love is that Pembury Parish Council is a council that actively encourages and welcomes new ideas from both its councillors and residents. So, if you're brimming with new ideas or think there's something Pembury could be doing better and want to get involved, I highly recommend becoming a parish councillor.

Louise Mills

SAVE THE DATE!



Carols on the Green and
Christmas tree 'light switch on'

Friday 2 December 2022

See social media and posters nearer the
time for more information

BEING BUSY WITH RAINBOWS, BROWNIES AND GUIDES

We love this time of year, as we can go outside and have so much fun.

Thursday Rainbows made the most of the good weather and built dens for their Rainbow Dolls. They also had a picnic in the recreation ground – bringing along their teddies and other favourite toys.

Wednesday Brownies completed an outside challenge and made kites. They were easier than expected to make, and they flew well. There was lots of laughter in the recreation ground that evening.

The Guides joined with Wednesday Brownies for a family picnic at Dunorlan Park. We were joined by lots of friends and family, and the boats were very popular.

Guiding ran a bottle stall at the Pembury Village Fun Day, and we also had uniforms on display – past and present. It was good to chat to lots of people about their time as a Brownie or Guide.



We are always looking for leaders – if you want to find out more chat to the unit leaders, or register your interest through the GirlguidingUK website:

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/become-a-volunteer/register-your-interest/>

Moira Allan
1st Pembury Brownies



1st PEMBURY SCOUT GROUP

We've made it...a full year of face-to-face scouting following the Covid hiatus. It highlights all the benefits of learning and having fun together as a group. This September, we will be holding our first camp for the Cubs and Scouts sections for 3 years and we are all looking forward to that. Once again, thanks go to our terrific group of volunteer leaders. If anyone wants to get involved in volunteering in Scouting just come along to one of our evening meets and let us know, it's great fun and a great way to do something different and put something back into the community. Speaking of which, we wanted to thank the community for helping the Explorers raise £100 at the Jubilee Picnic earlier in the summer. Richard Alfieri – Group Scout Leader.

Beaver Colony

The Beavers have been making the most of the lighter evenings and sunny weather by spending lots of time outdoors. Highlights of the past few terms have included: a nature trail in Marshley Harbour Woods and completing the Explorer Activity badge; making dough twists on the campfire; playing wide games and making mini dens for our colony mascots Keo (the Beaver) and Tic Tac (the squirrel).



We have also been focusing on the Challenge Award badges and have completed some work on the Green Cross Code; made a fabulous bug hotel; taken part in teamwork challenges; visited a local animal sanctuary and learnt a few knots. The Beavers also held a brilliant Platinum Jubilee party which involved playing lots of games as well as making their own jam sandwiches and royal bunting. We have invested some new Beavers into the colony and have waved goodbye to some others, who have now joined Cubs.

The Beaver leader team would like to mention and thank the two Explorer Scouts who have recently completed their time with us volunteering every week for a number of months as part of their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. Thanks Ella and Reuven!

Cub Pack

We kicked off the spring/summer term along with our other sections at Adamswell District Campsite for our annual St George's Activity Day. It's always a fantastic day with a steam train ride to and from the site. Loads of activities were available from archery and axe throwing to inflatables and meeting reptiles! It's also lovely to be back after the Covid break!

It has also been great to get out and about to enjoy the fine weather this term. Our Cubs have enjoyed working on an allotment plot, planting runner beans and pumpkins



1st PEMBURY SCOUT GROUP continued

(thank you to the kind parents that let us use their allotment) as well as visiting Maynard's Sanctuary to learn about the animals they have there.

We have also enjoyed games on the rec, campfires, a local hike and we completed the term with some fun on the water at Dunorlan Park Lake!

We are all looking forward to the camp in September!



Scout Troop

The summer term has gone by in a flash and we have been so impressed with the efforts made by all concerned. We started with the Scouts creating their own set of (surprisingly sensible) respect rules with some fantastic ideas for what they wanted to do in the term ahead. We spent three weeks focusing on the Navigator badge, recapping map symbols, learning about 6 figure grid references, how to find a bearing on a map and write route cards, all rounded off with a hike from Pembury to Matfield. In May, the group had the chance to do some climbing at a fabulous indoor climbing facility near Maidstone, which was excellent fun, and there was some very impressive climbing by many of the Scouts. We had two weeks of fire lighting and cooking practice in advance of the camp in September, where they will cook all their own food. Those weeks were separated by orienteering in Dunorlan Park and an evening of events organised by the Patrol Leaders, which was excellent. The final event of the term was an ever-popular wide game in the woods called "Capture the flag", where some interesting and in some cases successful tactics were employed.

During the year, some of the group volunteered on one weekend to help paint some goat shelters at Maynard's Sanctuary; we were very proud of all their hard work. In June, we had a fantastic day out with other Tunbridge Wells district Scout Groups at Whitstable, trying out some sailing, powerboating and flinging each other off giant 10-person stand up paddle boards in the lively surf. Great fun was had by a brilliantly well-behaved bunch.



HOSPICE IN THE WEALD TO CARE FOR CHILDREN

Exciting plans to extend care and support to children with life-limiting conditions and their families are soon to become a reality for Hospice in the Weald.

The Hospice, which has provided free care for adults with a terminal illness, and their loved ones, in West Kent and northern East Sussex for more than 40 years, is launching 'Hospice in the Weald for Children'.

With staff working with local families and other care providers to ensure the new service can best meet their needs, the Hospice will be offering care and support in three key ways. Families will be offered home visits, to reduce strain on them and to enable children to stay in the comfort of their own home; counselling support for the whole family will be provided to help families cope with the emotional impact of diagnosis on daily life; and a new Children's Centre is being created in the existing Pembury building, where children can safely play, enjoy sensory activities and have fun. Home visits to families are planned to start in September, with other developments to follow.



Treasure trove for children at Hospice in the Weald's charity shop in Calverley Road

Nick Farthing, Hospice Chief Executive, said: "We are delighted to share our



Hospice Chief Executive Nick Farthing (c), Professor Julia Downing (l) and Hospice Trustee Jo Ford (r) celebrate Hospice in the Weald for Children

exciting plans to provide hospice care for children. With the number of children needing Hospice care set to grow significantly over the next few years, and families struggling to access support, there is a real and urgent need for this new service. Children's Hospice in the Weald aims to lighten the load for families by providing free care for children and young people – and their families – and we can only do that with the continued help of our fantastic supporters."

There are lots of ways you can support the work of the Hospice, which needs to raise £8million a year to support its vital care and support for local community. You can fundraise for us by taking part in one of our events and visit or volunteer at one of our 29 charity shops throughout Kent and East Sussex. This includes the latest addition of a new Hospice in the Weald shop in Calverley Road, Tunbridge Wells, which is stocked with a wide range of pre-loved children's clothes, toys, games and books. Find out more at hospiceintheweald.org.uk

If you are a family which might benefit from the new service or are interested in working with Hospice in the Weald for Children, please contact Fiona Ashmore, Lead Children's Nurse on 01892 820502 or Fiona.Ashmore@hospiceintheweald.org.uk

2ND PEMBURY RAINBOWS

Since the last PVN issue, 2nd Pembury Rainbows have been busy enjoying the great outdoors. We are so fortunate in Guiding and Scouting in the village, to have our own private little woodland area as well as all the rest of the open space that comes along with living in this neighbourhood.

Always a favourite among the girls is when the UK Owl and Raptor group visit us and the girls get introduced to a number of different species as well as being able to fly some of them. It is a magical moment when a child puts on the glove and holds her arm out for an owl to land, before then sending it off to fly to someone else. These are memories that can last a lifetime as well as moments to inspire the young for future passions.



We've worked on lots of badges but one of the favourites was the Nature interest badge, where the girls got to interpret the seasons on large pieces of paper as well as planting up seeds and looking after them correctly so that they germinated.

We have also been fortunate enough to meet and help support the animals at Maynards Sanctuary – Animal Rescue. It's such a special place, set amongst gorgeous Kent countryside, with an incredible ethos for animal rescue and responsibility. The girls were introduced to pigs, chickens, sheep, goats, llamas and Alpacas – all have been rescued by the sanctuary, and are now living their best life.

On Saturday 9 July, 2nd Pembury Rainbows joined hands with 2nd Pembury Brownies to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on a special activity day. Fifty children took part in activities that ranged from Union Flag biscuit decorating to our very own 'Crazy Corgis' game where the object was to catch as many balls as possible. After we all sat and had lunch together, the Rainbows departed with a bag full of goodies and new friendships with Brownies formed.

Amanda Baker

2ND PEMBURY BROWNIES

Brownies have been doing what they do best since the last publication – keeping busy! We took part in Pembury's Picnic in the Park, where the girls ran a second-hand children's bookstall and raised £260 for their chosen charity, Project Moz. Thank you to all who came along and supported the girls by purchasing or just issuing words of support. We plan to continue our fundraising efforts for the orphans of Mozambique.



We spent an evening kayaking at Mote Park in Maidstone. For most of the girls, it was their first time on water in such a vessel, but they did brilliantly and it's an activity we will definitely return to. I think they surprised themselves with how quickly they got to grips with paddles and direction, even if sometimes the direction led them to overhanging branches from the banks!



2ND PEMBURY BROWNIES continued

We celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with an activity day at the HQ with 2nd Pembury Rainbows. Fifty children working together, playing together and forging new relationships - it was fabulous to witness. After the Rainbows had gone home, some of our Brownies ran an activity to complete their Brownie Gold Award, before we all headed out into the rec to play rounders. We finished our day with a campfire and special badge presentation.



I'm a traditionalist, and make no apologies for it, so a Sports Day was in order before we broke up for the summer holidays!



Girls, siblings and parents took part in lots of silly races, which brought smiles to everyone's faces. We had an egg and spoon race, a wheelbarrow race, an obstacle relay and a water relay among others. The parents were awesome – I count myself as a very lucky leader to have such a supportive group of adults to turn to.

Some of our girls have now left for other adventures in Guiding and we wish them well on their journey, but September will bring new girls into the unit and our Brownie unit will discover new joys.

Amanda Baker

PEMBURY BOWLS CLUB

The Bowls season this year has been adversely affected by extreme weather conditions. Who would have thought that the cold, wet weather of May would be followed by a heatwave like we have never seen before, in July!

Many internal and friendly matches against other clubs have had to be postponed.

Our new members have integrated well into the club, receiving tuition when requested. Some have entered internal competitions and are progressing well, some so well that the older members among us are having to up our game! They have enjoyed the friendly matches against other local villages.

Following our successful Open Day in April, we now have a new Junior section and coaching sessions took place in the

school holidays. Junior woods suitable for 8–10-year-olds and small adult woods have been purchased.

The local Catholic priest brought along 10 youngsters in July who thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

A Ladies Fun Day, when 36 members played, was held in August. The afternoon went well finishing up with a cream tea! A barbecue and quiz are also planned, followed by an end of season Presentation Lunch in October.

We are looking forward to the Finals weekend in September which promises to be a lively event, with some new names likely to be engraved on the trophies!

Wendy Bidder
Hon Secretary
Pembury Bowls Club



BUSY SUMMER OF CRICKET!

At the time of writing cricket has been in full swing at Chalket Lane with the 1st XI challenging at the top of the league and the 2nd XI continuing their transitional season.

Sundays are also going well with a great blend of youth and experience in the ranks.

The junior season has just drawn to a close, and it's certainly been a busy one, but hugely successful and well done to all those involved.

For the first time ever, we had four junior sides in the Invicta Leagues this summer with all four performing admirably. Particular highlights being the Steelers (u11) going the full season unbeaten and league winners, and the Blue Caps (u13) losing just the one match and retaining the CHID 40 Cup.



The Colts (u15) made great progress over the summer with many of the squad already playing senior cricket, and our new (u13) team - the Lions, played some excellent cricket with the majority of the squad playing up an age group and gaining valuable experience.

Prior to the start of the school summer holidays we had our end of season junior BBQ and awards evening. The weather treated us well and an enjoyable time was had by all.

This summer we introduced a new award in memory of our dearly missed President - Cliff Smith with the 'Cliff Smith Junior Player of the Year Award'. (See photo to the left). We had a very worthy winner of this, and also of the 'Dave Kemp Trophy'.



2022 saw our fifth year of the ECB Initiative 'All Stars' at PCC. 'All Stars' provides a fantastic experience for all children aged 5-8 years old. The programme is designed to introduce children to the sport, learning fundamental movement skills, including catching, throwing and batting. We look forward to running this again in 2023.

PEMBURY CRICKET continued

Congratulations to all the award winners:



We have very ambitious plans for the Cricket Club and are keen to forge further links with local businesses to help us continue to evolve. Details of the various sponsorship packages we offer can be found via our website.

Hopefully the weather will hold for the remainder of the season before we start it all again indoors in January.

If you are interested in joining or getting involved with PCC then please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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



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facebook.com/PemburyCricketClub



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FRIENDS OF PEMBURY PARISH CHURCH HERITAGE WEEKEND

10th - 11th September

An organ recital and concert will be held at 6.00pm on Saturday 10 September in Pembury Old Church to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the installation of the organ in the church.

The Friends of Pembury Parish Church are delighted to welcome back Rev'd. Carrie Walshaw and Richard Walshaw who will perform a mixed programme to include music of Mendelssohn, Bach, Vaughan Williams and others.

Refreshments will be served following the concert, for which donations to the

'Friends' would be welcomed. The concert is open to everyone free of charge, tickets will not be issued. Further information can be obtained from Veronica Knight c/o PemburyChurch@outlook.com.

This event takes place during Heritage Weekend when the church will be open on Saturday 10.00am – 4.30pm and Sunday 1.30pm – 4.30pm for the exhibition concerning the organ in the church. Light refreshments will be available during these times.

Sarah Clarke

PEMBURY GARDENERS' SHOW

The Gardeners held their summer show in the Village Hall on Saturday 18 June 2022 when visitors were met with the mingled fragrance of Sweet Peas and Roses which, together with the Floral Art ladies' creativity, made a very successful show. The only downside was a drop in the number of exhibitors and entries which could be, certainly in the Vegetable and Flower classes, put down to the extremes of the weather earlier in the year.

Sweet Peas, staged by Doug Drury, were up to his usual high standard and Steve Jones' Rose exhibits were an absolute delight. Society President Sarah Clarke was thrilled that her entry of long-time favourite Rose 'Peace' was judged to be the best exhibit in the Rose section.

There was an excellent turn-out of entries in Floral Art and the award for 'Best exhibit' went to Floral Workshop leader Annie Purton. Brenda Penfold received the award for 'most points in the section'.

Vegetables were almost non-existent but John Hawker, making his debut on the show bench and representing U3A's allotment Gardening Club, produced a first class set of winning broad beans which would have stood their ground in stiffer competition.

Cookery entries were again disappointing but Christina Fryer came up with entries which secured the award for 'most points'.

Junior entries were surprisingly very low but a truly creative entry by Mathilda Carter was not only the talking point of the show but was awarded a Royal Horticultural Society Certificate of Merit for Excellence – a very well-deserved reward for such an imaginative entry.

The Autumn Show will be held on Saturday 10 September 2022, again in the Village Hall. Doors open at 2pm when it is hoped residents will come along and support exhibitors or even better, exhibit. All classes are 'open' and you do not have to be a Society member. You won't get rich but you will have an enjoyable afternoon!

Kent Federation Horticultural Society Summer Show

The Society's Exhibitors were also represented at the Kent Federation's Summer Show held this year at Ditton Community Centre. Doug Drury's Sweet Peas again featured among the winning cards and Brian Fryer was also successful with his numerous entries.

Entry was made in the associated Society Class comprising four items from a given list contained within a tray, and a commendable third place achieved.

Derek Parks, Show Co-ordinator

Selected results overleaf

PEMBURY GARDENERS continued

Sweet Peas	
National Sweet Pea Society Medal and Certificate	Doug Drury
Best Vase Certificate variety 'Just Julia'	Doug Drury

Roses	
John Baggeson Cup	Steve Jones
Best Exhibit Society Award variety 'Peace'	Sarah Clarke

Vegetables	
R W Smeal Cup	Brian Fryer

Floral Art	
Certificate – Best Exhibit	Annie Purton
Helen Reeve Award (Most points in section)	Brenda Penfold

Cookery	
Miss Harthan Cup	Christina Fryer

Juniors	
Royal Horticultural Society Certificate of Excellence	Mathilda Carter

SEE PEMBURY'S HISTORY IN PEMBURY LIBRARY

With the publication of "Bygone Pembury" it seems apt to remind everyone that Pembury Library has a number of items of interest on the village. They are kept in the little side room with free access to all.

You may not know that the library has a collection of items including four boxes of local historian Mary Standen's archive material. These contain photos, cuttings, writings, maps, correspondence, documents, programmes, booklets and old parish magazines. They also have most editions of the Pembury Village News from 1979 to 2017. The PVN started in 1974. They would welcome any spare copies from 2017 onwards as well as any early issues. There are over 60 scrapbooks of Pembury news cuttings from the Kent & Sussex Courier between 1978 and 2015.

The W.I Scrapbook of 1965 is also available to view. In the Local Studies Collection, there are a number of books about Pembury and a copy of the

"Pembury Remembers" DVD telling the story of the War Memorial and its new plaques in 2018. The bound copy of "Pembury Millennium People 2000" has a wealth of interesting material submitted by local residents at the time. There are also two boxes of "Old Pembury with Descriptive Notes" by Maria Betts 1908.

If anyone wishes to donate any historical items – books, maps, pictures, magazines, Village News etc., they can be donated to the library where everyone can view them.

The library is open on Tuesdays 9-1 and 2-5, Thursdays and Fridays 10-1 and 2-5 and Saturdays 10-2. Do go and spend some time learning more about our village. You will be pleasantly surprised what you will find! If you wish to contact the library, please email pemburylibrary@kent.gov.uk

Richard Snow

COMMUNITY COFFEE SHOP

If you have a Monday morning free, the place to be is Pembury's Community coffee shop in the pavilion in Pembury's recreation ground from 9.30am – 12noon. Get together with, or meet new friends whilst eating home-baked cakes and drinking tea or coffee. This year we have a new toaster so there are hot, toasted tea cakes or crumpets for those of you with a less sweet tooth and Helen Beck usually bakes some wonderful cheese scones.

On pleasant mornings, dog owners can sit outside with the dogs after a walk or, if the weather is inclement, dogs may be allowed into an area provided for them as long as their owners are kept under control!!

Our Queen's Jubilee event held 30 May was a lovely occasion. We had bunting hanging everywhere, competitions for adults and children, paper crowns to decorate, a splendid cake baked by Sheila, which could be won by guessing its weight and a jar of sweets that could be won by guessing how many there were.

It was a truly busy, bustling, fun morning with all volunteers' hands on deck and up to elbows in washing-up water.

What a surprise and honour to have her majesty ushering people in. She was sporting one of her crowns on top of an unusual, purple hairdo. Well, it was her day so why not?

Despite the sweltering heatwave, Monday 18 July was a busy morning for which we thank all our regular visitors.

Unfortunately, the price of ingredients to make and electricity to bake has been rising rapidly, and we have had to take the decision to increase the price of cakes to £1.50 but, £2.50 for a lovingly baked, fresh cake and cup of coffee is still

not bad and add the splendid company of other members of our Pembury community, what more could one need?

Do drop in if you have the morning free. You'll be sure to meet some interesting people, eat some super cakes or take some home for later. Gluten and dairy free is also provided so all are catered for.

As this coffee morning is provided by volunteers, new members are always welcome so please, do come in and meet us all and enjoy the cake and chat and maybe, once you've met us, you will want to join the gang.

Meg Milne



Aubergine Goulash

This is very easy. It's basically a stew but it sounds posher if you call it goulash. In Hungary it is served with dumplings but I prefer it with a jacket potato.

- ½ head celery - roughly chopped
- ½ onion - sliced
- Small tin chopped tomatoes
- 2 cloves garlic - crushed
- ½ aubergine - diced
- ½ green pepper - chopped
- Small chunk red cabbage - sliced
- tbsp each paprika, dill and oregano
- ¼ pint sour cream
- ¼ pint red wine + large glass for the cook!
- ¼ pint water
- Seasoning



Throw all the ingredients except the sour cream into a covered dish and cook in a moderate oven for at least an hour then stir in the cream before serving. If it is not thick enough for you, dissolve a little cornflour in water and stir in. Season to taste.

Papathanatika Pasta (easy for you to say!)

The name is a bit of a tongue twister but 'Tomato and Feta pasta' doesn't sound so exotic!

- 1lb fresh tasty tomatoes - diced
- Pinch of sugar
- Ground black pepper
- 3 cloves garlic - chopped
- Tbsp chopped fresh basil
- ½lb Greek Feta cheese
- 5 tbsp olive oil
- 1lb penne pasta



Put all the ingredients except the pasta into a bowl and leave for a few hours. cook the pasta, drain and put back in the pan. Stir in the other ingredients and cook gently for a few minutes.

Serve immediately with warm pitta or allow to cool and serve cold.

VISITING VOLUNTEERS

Are you a kind and patient person who enjoys getting outdoors and could help others to do the same? Could you spare some time six times a year for a fun visit with a person with learning disabilities?

- You will need to be 18 years or older
 - It would be beneficial (but not essential) if you have a car so you can explore the local area together
- You will be visiting a person with a learning disability and doing some

of the activities that he enjoys. He would prefer a male visitor.

- You will be having fun and will be making a difference

For more information about the role and how to apply please contact:

Kalle.Hogh@mencap.org.uk or call
07989 448 606

PADDOCK WOOD COMMUNITY ADVICE CENTRE



Struggling with living costs?

You might be able to increase your income by:

- claiming benefits or government grants
- checking you are being paid the right wage
- getting help from charities
- renting out a room
- getting child maintenance

You might be able to get help with your child's school costs, for example free school meals.

There are grants, benefits or other help from the government or energy suppliers available. You might be able to get extra money from a charity. Some of these grants are open to everyone, others might be available to you based on your job or health.

Local councils might give you vouchers or a prepaid card to help pay for essentials like food or fuel. You could also get household appliances like a fridge or a cooker. If you get Housing Benefit or the housing

costs part of Universal Credit and still can't afford your rent, you could apply for a discretionary housing payment (DHP). There is also help for those struggling with their council tax liability.

If you have a spare room you might want to rent it out as a source of income. There are things you should check before renting out a room including:

- if you need permission from your landlord or mortgage lender
- how any extra income might affect the benefits you receive
- if you'll lose the 25% single person discount on your council tax

PWCAC is OPEN for face-to-face advice (appointments and drop-ins) Monday to Friday, 9:30 – 1:30. If you need advice about the above or issues relating to housing and homelessness, debt, relationship breakdown, welfare benefits or anything else, please get in touch with us:

info@pwadvice.org | 01892 838619
|www.pwadvice.org

94 Commercial Road, Paddock Wood,
TN12 6DP

THE OUT AND ABOUT CLUB

The Out and About Club is organised by members of St Peter's Church and is committed to offering opportunities to get 'out and about' by coach to anyone in the community who enjoys a trip out to somewhere different. The trips are on a 'not for profit' basis and are consequently very competitively priced. The costs have to be covered and therefore we welcome all to come along, although if a trip is oversubscribed priority is given to those who may not have other means of transport or have other needs. The club has been operating since 2009, does not charge a membership fee and is open to all in Pembury. The pandemic has been a difficult period to negotiate with arranging outings, but we did manage to fit in visits to the Bluebell Railway, Weald & Downland Museum, a canal boat trip and Brick Lane Music Hall, and more recently a guided tour of the Romney Marsh churches.

Outings for 2023 are in the planning stage, but include a popular canal boat trip, a seaside visit, Chichester and a Christmas lunch with entertainment in the Eastbourne area. The pack with details of 2023 trips will be available towards the end of 2022. If you would like to receive a pack, please ring Sue on 823318 or email Sue Giles suegiles17@gmail.com



DRAWING OF AN OAST HOUSE

The Parish Council were delighted to have this drawing sent in by Arrav who is 8 years old which he did on a walk around Pippins Farm.



CRIME REPORT AND FIGURES

I just cannot believe that we are now in the second half of the year looking ahead to the shorter daylight hours etc. What I can say is that thankfully, and maybe due to longer daylight hours, the overall crime figures for the last quarter have come down to 115 from 125. This is still not good enough and we must do everything in our power to reduce these numbers further. Let us not sit back and accept what will be will be.

Whilst it always good to see an improvement in the figures, we have to ask ourselves how many could have been avoided with a little more caution. Please try not to leave too many things in a position where they are obvious and easily stealable. I have said many times before, if you trust your neighbour, please let them know if you are going out or away and if there is any way that you can improve the security of your property or possessions without spending a fortune please do so.

One of the biggest causes of concern is still that of the scammers, so please be on your guard and advise any elderly person you know if they have any doubt to seek advice first, even youngsters are being caught out.

Please be careful and I rather suspect the scamming will get worse before there is any improvement. Do not hesitate to alert the Police if you have any doubts.

Regards

Hugh Boorman

Crime type by reported month (PEMBURY WARD)	Violent Crime	Burglary-Business and Community	Burglary Residential	Theft of a motor vehicle	Theft from a Motor Vehicle	Theft Offences (exc vehicle offences)	Criminal Damage	Other Offences	Total
Apr-22	10	1	4	3	4	4	1	5	32
May-22	20	1	2	1	2	4	4	1	35
Jun-22	24	2	1	0	1	5	6	9	48
Apr to Jun 2022 total	54	4	7	4	7	13	11	15	115

Total recorded crime						
	Pembury	Capel	Goudhurst and Lamberhurst	Brenchley and Horsmonden	Sherwood	Park
April	32	11	19	25	69	62
May	35	10	21	11	71	71
June	48	9	19	31	78	59
Apr to Jun 2022 total	115	30	59	67	218	192

Which authority should I Contact?

We have put this list together to help you find the right authority to contact if you which to report a fault or have any concerns about services in Pembury. Below is a list of responsibilities and services and who is responsible for them.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	This Council is primarily responsible for the provision of this service and should be your first point of contact.
C	This Council is consulted on matters relating to the provision of this service and may be able to offer you some assistance.

Responsibility / Service	KCC	TWBC	PPC
Abandoned Vehicles		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Affordable housing		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Air quality		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Alcohol and entertainment licences		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Allotments			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Animal Welfare Enforcement		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Benefits		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Benches			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bins and recycling		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Building control & regulations		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Bus passes for older and disabled people		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Bus passes for school children	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Bus stops			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cemetery - burials and maintenance (Upper Church, Lower Green Cemetery & Old Church)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Christmas lights			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Council housing		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Council tax		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Dog fouling		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C
Economic Development		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Electoral register		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Environmental Health		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Fly tipping		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Football Pitches			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Footpaths	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Footway lighting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Verge grass cutting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

WHICH AUTHORITY continued

Responsibility / Service	KCC	TWBC	PPC
Gritting and salting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Hanging Baskets			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Highway maintenance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Highways	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		C
Housing benefit		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Litter control		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Noise nuisance and control		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Notice boards			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Old Coach Road			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Parks and open spaces in Pembury	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pavements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Planning		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C
Playgrounds			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pollution		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Public Transport	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Recreation Grounds in Pembury			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Recycling		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Refuse collection		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Social services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Street cleaning		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Street lighting (Bellfield Road, Henwood Green Road, Kings Toll Road, Pembury Close, Romford Road, Woodside Road)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Street lighting – all other roads in Pembury	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Tennis courts			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Traffic and road safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Trees on the highway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Village Green			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Village signs			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
War Memorial			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

360 DANCE	Principal: Sadie Van Der Spuy. Tel: 07734 053509. www.360dance.co.uk
AGE CONCERN	Mrs Sandra Springett. Tel: 522591
ASPENS (FORMERLY PEPENBURY)	CEO – Robert Shanahan. Tel: 822168
CATHOLIC CHURCH	Fr. Ed Tomlinson. Tel: 825009
CONSERVATIVE PARTY	Sue Nuttall. Tel: 822776. Email: sue_nuttall@tiscali.co.uk
FRIENDS OF PEMBURY PARISH CHURCH	Chairman: Mrs S. Clarke, Little Stanton, Romford Road. Tel: 823932
GUIDES, BROWNIES AND RAINBOWS	Beci Hudson - guidingwithfluffy@hotmail.com
HOSPICE IN THE WEALD	Maidstone Road. Tel: 820500
KENT COLLEGE	Headmistress: Ms K.Handford. Tel: 822006
KENT COLLEGE PREP SCHOOL & NURSERY	Headteacher: Mr N Pears. Tel: 820204
LIBERAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY	David Mills. Tel: 825577
LITTLE RASCALS	c/o PBC Office. Tel: 825590
MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY	TW District. Tel: 0845 6037882
NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH	Janet Ditchett. Tel: 822586
OUT AND ABOUT CLUB	Sue Giles. Tel: 823318
PEMBURY ATHLETIC (YOUTH) FOOTBALL CLUB	For further information: www.pemburyyouthfc.co.uk
PEMBURY BAPTIST CHURCH	Church Office. Tel: 825590
PEMBURY BOWLS CLUB	Secretary: Wendy Bidder Tel: 823144
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PEMBURY FOOTBALL CLUB	Saturday Secretary: Michael Brown 327480 Sunday Secretary: Phil Craxton 823928 Chairman: Andrew Rice-Tucker 823195
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PEMBURY SCHOOL HOUSE NURSERY	Mrs Kelly Marsh - Manager of Pembury School House Nursery. Tel: 825580
PEMBURY SOCIETY	Chairman: David Hanes. Tel: 823174
PEMBURY U3A	Rick Lawrence. email: membership@pemburyu3a.org
PEMBURY UPPER AND OLD CHURCH	Vicar: Rev. Richard Worssam / Church Administrator – 711126
ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTHBOROUGH & PEMBURY	Secretary: Nigel Stratton. Tel: 822936
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ST. PETER'S MOTHERS' UNION	Secretary: Tina Walters. Tel: 822545 (after 4pm)
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TREE WARDEN	Hugh Boorman. Tel: 823068
TUNBRIDGE WELLS ACCESS GROUP	Michael Coggles. Tel: 822705
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VILLAGE HALL	Manager (bookings): Tel: 07983 228181
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