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The fight against littering

There are people who continuously, illegally, litter and spoil our village.

Some of these offenders frequent our village Greens by the river, particularly in good weather, and drop litter. Others drive through our village in vehicles and throw litter from their windows whilst on the move or whilst enjoying their take-aways by the side of the road.

What are we doing?

The Village Greens

The Parish Council have installed bins on the Greens but, when the bins are full, culprits throw their litter around the Greens.

The staff of the village pub, next to the main Green, help in the summer by cleaning up litter around full bins, and last year the pub placed signs on trees asking people not to litter the Green.

The village Litter Picking Group of around 18 volunteers regularly collect litter around the village on the first Saturday of every month all year round – this coincides with the Village Hall Coffee Mornings and some of the volunteers go there for a coffee and chat after a pick. There are ten allocated litter picking routes and usually two volunteers cover a route; this is for safety and also it enables one

volunteer to collect recyclable materials and the other rubbish. One of these routes covers the Village Greens.

The Roads

The Village suffers from three “rat runs” namely Long Lane, New Road and Stocks Hill. These roads are the worst for litter and are given the greatest priority by the Litter Picking Group.

Thanks to Sarah Taylor, our recently appointed Police And Crime Commissioner, James Smith of our Local Policing Team has been tasked with assisting us in dealing with our litter problem. James, working with his Problem Solving Team and his Design & Communications Team, has produced a DO NOT LITTER sign and the Parish Council has confirmed that it has no objection to us locating these signs around the village. The sign clearly states that the Police will take action if they witness littering. The Litter Picking Group has also provided an input to James on the location and design of signs.

Enforcement

Littering is now enforced by the Police and the Community Protection Team. The Police are

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The fight against littering - cont.

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able to issue Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) warning letters followed up by visits by them. The Community Protection Team are able to issue fines.

If anyone witnesses a person littering then details, as set out below, can be sent to the Community Protection Team on

forms.southnorfolkandbroadland.gov.uk/pub/StreetCleaning.ofml

or, if they cannot deal with this, to the police Beat Manager, James via his email:

james.smith2@norfolk.police.uk

- Date
- Time
- Where incident occurred
- Description of person or name and address of person
- Photo of litter showing location in background
- Vehicle description and registration

Please Note - Photographing a person littering should not be undertaken as this could provoke an unwanted or dangerous response.

The future

The DO NOT LITTER signs will be posted around the village.

The production and positioning of new signs, with the assistance of the Litter Picking Group and James, and their acceptance by the Police Communications Team will hopefully increase further awareness.

Hopefully the issue of ASB letters, and possibly prosecutions by the Community Protection Team, will act as a deterrent to litter dropping.

Meetings with the fast food companies and their role in this matter are being considered.

The contact details for James will be included as "Useful Numbers" in the Bawburgh News, together with contact details for the Community Protection Team.

How you can help

Please report culprits to the Community Protection Team or the Police as set out above.

If you have any ideas about how we can help solve this problem, send your ideas to:

news@bawburghvillage.co.uk

Victoria Smillie

Victoria Smillie, who was a resident of Bawburgh for over 30 years, died suddenly and unexpectedly in the Norfolk Norwich University Hospital on the 30th of December 2024.

She was a woman of immense inner strength, empathy, values, and commitment to others. From being thrown out of grammar school in Liverpool aged 17 in 1967, when just about to take her A-levels, for falling pregnant with her first daughter Cathy, she forged a life that was full of meaning and loyalty, and consequence.

In 1972 she was a member of a group nicknamed 'The Watford Five' who were asked by The Women In Media Group, led by Shirley Conran, to present the acceptable face of feminism to the press in lobbying parliament for the passing of the 1974 Sex Discrimination Act, a game changer for women at that time.

Without any qualifications she became a journalist on the Bucks Examiner and later gained a place at Essex University to study History, after

which she joined BT and rose through the ranks to become a senior manager in charge of staff recruitment and the training of those 'Boffins' who were responsible for so many of

telecommunications technical advances of the period.

Taking early retirement from BT, she moved to Bawburgh and gained a further degree from the UEA in Counselling Studies becoming senior counsellor to the managers of Norwich Union Insurance. Her last job before retiring was as the CEO of the Mancroft advice project in Norwich providing information advice and counselling to young people of 11-25.

On first moving to Bawburgh, she fully involved herself in village life, working behind the bar of The Kings Head, becoming Clerk to the Parish Council, and was a familiar figure at village events, making many lifelong friends.

She will be sadly missed by Terry Molloy, her husband and soulmate of 25 years, and Jennifer Mitchell, her second daughter.



Dog fouling concerns

We walk the permissive paths around the John Innes site most days and quite often with our grandchildren. It is becoming increasingly difficult to do the walk without having to avoid dog mess along the entire walking route. Dogs are increasingly off their leads bounding across the paths and fields, so it becomes difficult for owners to see where their dogs have fouled. The John Innes notices clearly state to keep dogs on leads and clear up mess.

I would hate to see them revoke the use of the pathways because of lack of respect from a handful

of villagers and a few visitors.

I am sure responsible dog owners must also despair at dog owners who do not clear up after their dogs. It would be nice to have one walk with our grandchildren without having to clear dog mess from their boots and clothes when we get home.

Maybe 2025 will signal a new mindset and owners will use the dog bins that are provided along the walk and in the village. Then we can all enjoy a nice walk in the countryside.

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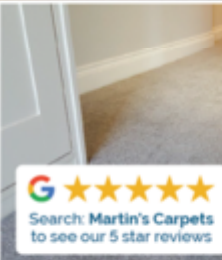


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MP's Month

As your MP, I am acutely aware of the ongoing frustration caused by potholes and the seemingly endless digging up of roads by utility companies in and around Bawburgh. These issues not only make driving hazardous but also disrupt daily life, impact local businesses, and, let's be honest, test our patience.

While potholes have long been a challenge for rural areas like ours, I'm pleased to share some positive news. The Government recently allocated an additional £15.1 million to Norfolk County Council to tackle the problem head-on. This funding forms part of a broader effort to maintain and improve local infrastructure, ensuring our roads are safer and more reliable for residents, visitors, and businesses alike.

This significant investment means Norfolk County Council will have more resources to fill in potholes, resurface roads, and address some of the long-standing issues we've faced. I've been in close contact with council representatives to urge them to prioritise areas like Bawburgh, where the need is particularly acute. Residents here deserve to see real improvements, not just quick fixes that barely last a season.

Beyond potholes, I know many of you are frustrated by the disruption caused by utility companies digging up roads for repairs and upgrades, often without properly restoring them afterward. While these works are sometimes necessary to maintain vital services, they should not come at the expense of road quality. I'm

advocating for stronger enforcement of regulations to ensure that utility companies leave roads in good condition once their work is done. Norfolk County Council already has powers to hold these companies accountable, but I believe there's room for improvement in how those powers are used.

I've also raised the issue of better coordination between utility companies and the council to minimize repeated roadworks. It's frustrating to see a freshly resurfaced road dug up again within weeks because of poor planning. By improving communication and planning, we can reduce disruption and make better use of taxpayer money.

Finally, I want to hear from you. If there are particular roads or areas in Bawburgh that you believe should be prioritized, please don't hesitate to get in touch with my office. Your input is invaluable in making the case for further action. Together, we can ensure that Bawburgh's roads are safer, smoother, and more dependable for everyone.

As ever, if you have concerns or suggestions, please contact me at

ben.goldsborough.mp@parliament.uk

or visit my website

www.bengoldsborough.co.uk

to book in at my next advice surgery.

Ben Goldsborough, MP

Talks for Everyone

Do come along to our talks. There's a wide range of topics – something for everyone!

Entrance, including tea or coffee: still only £3!

Our 2025 programme begins on:

Tuesday, 11th February

7:30pm in the Village Hall

Wally Webb: 40 years with BBC Radio Norfolk

Wally Webb was a founder member of the team that launched the first of a new wave of BBC local radio stations in 1980. With many amusing stories, and some that touch the heart, Wally describes his years as a presenter and roving reporter with Radio Norfolk. During his time he met many famous personalities, and listeners came from around the world to meet him.

Wally's biography, written by his wife, Sheri, will be on sale at a discounted price, plus a free CD by local entertainer Nigel 'Boy' Syer. (Payment may be made by card)

Tuesday, 11th March

7:30pm in the Village Hall

Gwyneth Boswell: The Red Dean of Canterbury

In 2023 Gwyneth entertained us with stories of a relative of hers, Clarkie, the Pantomime Dame. This year Gwyneth goes from Pantomime Dame to the Red Dean, a distant relative. Hewlett Johnson, Anglican priest and Christian Marxist, was known as the Red Dean of Canterbury because of his support for Joseph Stalin and the Soviet Union.

Jenny, Lin, Mary

Vicar's Voice

This month we approach the 14th of February, a day widely celebrated as St. Valentine's Day, and for some it's easy to be swept up in the modern notion of romantic love—heart-shaped cards, flowers, chocolates, and expressions of affection. While these are lovely traditions, it's worth taking a moment to reflect on the deeper meaning of this day, which has its roots in the life of a Christian martyr.

St. Valentine was a priest in Rome during the reign of Emperor Claudius II in the third century. According to legend, Claudius banned marriages for young couples, believing that single men made better soldiers. St. Valentine, however, defied this decree and secretly married couples, acting out of love for both God and his fellow man. He was eventually arrested and, for his acts of love and kindness, was sentenced to death. Before his execution, he is said to have sent a note to the jailer's daughter, signing it "From your Valentine," a phrase that endures to this day.

In this story, we see not just a man willing to sacrifice his life for others, but a profound understanding of love that transcends mere sentimentality. St. Valentine's love was sacrificial, selfless, and unconditional - qualities that echo the love Christ shows us.

Love, in the Christian sense, is not merely an emotion or a fleeting feeling. It is an action, a choice to serve others, to show kindness, and to seek the good of another, even at personal cost. This kind of love is woven into the fabric of the Christian faith—after all, Jesus commands us to love our neighbours as ourselves and to love one another as He has loved us.

As we mark St. Valentine's Day, let us remember that love is not confined to grand gestures or

Coffee Morning

The January Coffee Morning was fairly full, with a few welcome new faces! £98 was raised at the event.

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 1st February from 10:30am.

Everyone is very welcome.



Church Services February

2nd	10am	Candlemas - The Presentation of Christ in the Temple, Holy Communion, Easton
9th	10am	Fourth Sunday before Lent, All Age Service with Holy Communion, Colton
16th	10am	Third Sunday before Lent, Holy Communion, Marlingford
23rd	10am	Second Sunday before Lent, Holy Communion, Bawburgh

Communion at home can be arranged for those who because of illness or frailty are unable to come to the Sunday service.

If you have any queries about services, baptisms and funerals, you can contact Laura on 01603 744551 or by email at:

eastonbeneficeoffice@gmail.com

In the absence of Rev. Laura, please contact Lin Gibson, acting church warden, by email

lin.gibson 34@gmail.com

Or ring

07785 258519

romantic moments. Love is in the small acts of kindness we show to others, in the patience we extend to our families, and in the care we give to those in need. It is a love that invites us to look beyond ourselves and see the world through God's eyes.

Whether you are sharing a meal with a loved one, sending a note to a friend, or simply taking time to care for your neighbour, let this day be a reminder of the love that surrounds us, that upholds us, and that calls us to serve one another. And in doing so, we live out the true spirit of St. Valentine, who knew that the greatest love of all is that which is given freely, without expectation of return.

May God bless you with His love, now and always.

Rev Laura Montgomery



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Doin' Different : Bawburgh Hall

The area where Bawburgh Hall stood probably was once owned by the church. There is a record showing that a building there was originally the dining room of a religious house and pilgrims' dormitories.

Later the Hall became part of the Costessey Estate, owned by Sir Henry Jernegan (their name was later changed to Jerningham). The date over the Hall entrance was 1634. Its stepped gabling roof was fashionable at the time and can still be seen in some of the nearby cottages and the church.

The Slipper Chapel which still stands in a garden of Hall Farm Place was originally thought to be where pilgrims left their shoes while crossing the river to St. Walstan's shrine. The stonework on The Slipper Chapel and Dove Cote may once have covered St. Walstan's grave and later have been rebuilt in the grounds of the Hall following Henry VIII's dissolution of the monasteries.

White's Gazette 1883 - Quote -

"The parish lies in Lord Stafford's manor of Costessey: The Hall, now a farm house, is an ancient Elizabethan building of stone ... Near it is a remarkable stone tower and also another square building, supposed to have been used by pilgrims to St. Walstan's shrine."

In 1853 the Hall and cottages were put up for auction in 11 lots but in 1918 the Hall seems still to be owned by Lord Stafford, who was descended from the Jerningham family. He sold the Costessey Estates at the end of World War One, it was rumoured, to pay debts after entertaining Edward VII. During World War Two, the Hall and cottages were split and sold separately and the Hall was used to house evacuees. Then in 1954 it was bought by Philip Vincent and two years later the council was informed that the Hall was not "of sufficient merit", and a grant for repairs was refused and so in 1963 Bawburgh Hall was demolished although the Slipper Chapel and Dove Cote were saved as



scheduled ancient monuments.

The photograph is of Bawburgh Hall in 1960 just before it was demolished.

With thanks to - The History of Parliament website, White's Directory, EDP, Norfolk Archaeological and History Research Group and many others.

Jenny Press

50 / 50 Club Winners

In January, the 50 / 50 Club winners were:

- Peter Greengrass
- Jo Barnard
- Kate Smallwood
- Charlie Galway
- Trevor Hedge

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Bawburgh Cooks

Pamela's Gnocchi Alla Romana

Pamela Ross introduces us to her mother's recipe - Gnocchi, Roman-style, using semolina instead of potato

(One possible origin of the word 'gnocchi is the Tuscan 'nocca', meaning 'knuckle')

Pamela writes: To my mother, who lived, worked and married in Rome, and where my second son

was born (giving the dish a generational connection), this recipe was the culinary equivalent of a literary bestseller. She was famous among her friends for her delicious 'gnocchi'. The recipe below is in her own words:

Serves 4

Ingredients:

I pint whole milk
4oz (125g) semolina
One egg

Salt, black pepper, grated nutmeg
8oz (225g) grated Parmesan cheese
Butter for topping

Method:

1. Heat the pint of milk to which a good pinch of salt has been added. Just before it boils slowly trickle in the semolina, using a wooden spoon to stir carefully and slowly until the mixture thickens (the secret is not to let the mixture thicken too quickly).

2. When the semolina is ready, pourable but not liquidy, leave to cool.

3. Then add one egg and stir well. Stir in a sprinkling of grated nutmeg, salt and black pepper. [To follow Pamela's mother's recipe continue with steps 4, 5 and 6.

For Pamela's alternative method see below *]

4. "Pour" the mixture onto a wetted table or board; smooth to a thickness of about 1/3 of an inch.

5. When quite cold, and this is important, cut into rounds with a pastry cutter or a glass, and lay the rounds in rows in a greased Pyrex dish. Sprinkle very liberally with grated Parmesan cheese, and dot here and there with butter.

6. Cook in oven (180°C) until golden and sizzling, about 35-40 minutes

*Pamela's alternative method: Grease well on all sides a flat Pyrex dish (9" x13"); spoon in the mixture, flatten out well across the dish, cover liberally with Parmesan cheese, and dot here and there with butter. Cook as above. Leave to cool before cutting into squares or slices as needed. This is less time-consuming, and just as delicious!

Serve with roasted peppers, and follow with a mixed salad. And then, if you wish, Tiramisu!

Next month: Elspeth's Katsu Chicken Curry

Bawburgh Cooks would love to hear from readers who have tried out their recipes – successfully or not (!) - and also to welcome new members to the team. So please get in touch at mary01@clara.co.uk

Mary Wilkinson

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John Innes

It has been brought to my attention by a Bawburgh resident that the amount of dog mess on the paths and incidences of dogs running loose around Church Farm is increasing. If your dog is running loose you cannot always be aware of where it is leaving deposits. They are also more likely to disturb wildlife, particularly ground nesting birds. Please be considerate towards other users when walking your dogs around the permissive paths. Children from the village school visit the farm as well as with their parents and grandparents. Don't be the one who spoils it for everyone else.



Darryl Playford

darryl.playford@jic.ac.uk

Wild about Bawburgh

Jenny Press and I have both noticed spectacular fungi growing on tree trunks this January. They do not seem affected by the cold weather; in fact, they are positively thriving.

Jenny's photo shows a beautiful purply coloured fungus growing on a dead tree trunk in Bawburgh.



Photo 2 is of fungus growing on the trunk of a living but old enormous flowering cherry tree in my back garden. This tree has been showing signs of its age and the large branches where the fungus is growing have shown signs of dying for a few years now. I believe that as the resistance of the tree declines, the fungus has had the opportunity to get a foothold.

There is a lot going on re wildlife during the winter months. Winter moths are still flying; a roe deer 'herd' of four is frequenting fields off the Marlingford marsh opposite the golf course; foxes are coming into gardens to scavenge whatever they can find in the way of food, including left over bird seed; muntjac deer are commonly seen wandering around fields and gardens usually solitary or mother and young; and have you seen the swans on the green which include 2 adults and 7 adolescents? - soon the adolescents will be shooed

away by the adults as they get ready to breed in the spring; the appearance of the great white and little egrets continues; and of course herons (the latter are always coming into gardens in attempt to catch fish in garden ponds - net your ponds well!!); flocks of tits and finches are frequent visitors to bird seed feeding stations with reed buntings occasionally



joining them; blackbirds, jackdaws, robins and pigeons frequent the ground feeders; and currently there are about 30 pheasants flying in to feed at the ground feeding stations in my garden, all varying in colour, some sandy coloured, some so dark brown they almost appear black (the colour variations are all to be seen in the female birds). This list is just a sampler of what can be seen at this time of year.

I am always interested in hearing your wildlife sightings and receiving your photos.

Lin Gibson

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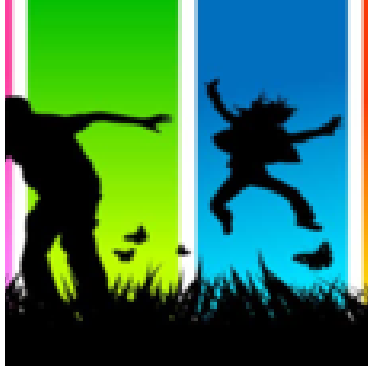
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Friday 28th February



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Contact: Bawburghyouthclub@gmail.com

Bawburgh playgroup

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Jo on 07840384646
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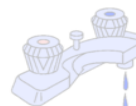
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The Garden Shed - Febuary

PRUNE CLEMATIS - Late-flowering (Group III) clematis can all be pruned hard from the middle of the month. When pruning clematis there is one really important consideration: when does it flower? The old rhyme "if it flowers before June do not prune" will get you out of most trouble but clematis can be subdivided into three flowering groups;

Group 1 - early flowering, up to late May, includes C.montana, C.alpina, C.armandii, & C.macropetala. They have many small flowers which are produced on growth made the previous summer. So don't prune now or you will be cutting off all the flower buds. You will not harm the plant but will radically reduce the quantity of flowers. Trim as necessary (ie to shape and size) in June. Garden shears are often the best tool for this.

Group II - mid-season flowering, late May to early July. Less vigorous growth and much larger flowers. Eg:- Niobe, Barbara Jackman, Nelly Moser. If you prune hard at this time of year you will not have any early, large flowers but plenty in late summer. The best bet is to just remove all weak or straggly stems now as well as all growth above the top pair of healthy buds.

Group III - late flowering (after mid June) eg:- C.jackmanii, C.viticella, Gypsy Queen, Hagley Hybrid, Perle d'Azur and Ville de Lyon. All are multi-stemmed and flower on growth made in spring so all the previous year's growth should be cleared away now. Cut down to about 2ft from the ground, leaving at least two healthy pairs of buds.

PRUNING ROSES - although generally tough plants, consider the following when pruning roses

1. Hybrid teas, floribunda and hybrid perpetuals. These flower on the current season's wood. So prune hard each spring, removing weak, damaged or crossing stems, and then prune the remaining stems to form an open bowl of stubby branches. Don't worry too much about outward sloping cuts but do always cut just above a bud.

2. Shrub roses. These need very little pruning. Give them a once-over with a hedge trimmer in winter and early spring, removing exceptionally long growth, damaged or crossing branches and then leave alone.

3. Climbing Roses. This can be subdivided into two groups:-

a) True climbers - which tend to have single, large flowers covering the period from early summer right into autumn. Eg:- New Dawn, Albertine & Dorothy Perkins. Prune in autumn or winter, maintaining a framework of long stems trained laterally with side branches breaking from them. These side branches will carry the flowers on new growth produced in spring. Ideally a third of the

plant is removed each year - the oldest, woodiest stems - so that it is constantly renewing itself.

b) Ramblers which have clusters of smaller flowers just once in mid-summer. These include Bobbie James, Rambling Rector, Paul's Himalayan Musk & Wickwar. These need little pruning but should be trained and trimmed immediately after flowering as the flowers are carried mostly on stems grown in late summer.



PRUNE BUDDLEIAS - Buddleias produce flowers on new growth so cut back hard now, just before it begins growing. If your buddleia is growing in the open cut it back hard - leaving just two or three sets of new shoots from the base. If it is growing in a border, cut it back to two or three feet from the ground so maintain some height.

PREPARE DAHLIAS FOR CUTTINGS - Dahlia tubers can be potted up towards the end of the month and forced into growth with extra heat to produce material for making

cuttings. These cuttings will then grow on and make flowering plants by the end of summer which both extends the season and replenishes tired stick. Any peat-free compost will do, with just enough to cover the tubers. Place the pot on a heated mat or window sill and keep moist. New shoots should appear after about 10 days and they can be taken for cuttings in about 3 weeks later.

GROW LILIES IN POTS - Most lilies grow best with cool feet and sunny heads. Plant any time between the beginning of the year and the end of next month. You will not go wrong if you provide good drainage and a nice, loose compost. Plant the scaly bulbs with about 4 inches of compost above the crown and put them somewhere lightly shaded to grow. Keep them well watered and move them to their final position when the buds develop in May and June. In general lilies like shady roots and sunny flowers so a west or east facing sheltered spot is best.

MULCH ANY BARE SOIL IN THE FLOWER BORDERS - spread a layer of organic material over any bare soil in order to 1: suppress any annual weeds and weaken any perennial ones; 2: reduce evaporation and therefore keep in moisture and 3: it will be incorporated into the soil by worms and improve the structure and nutrition. Spread it thick enough - no less than 2 inches deep. It is better to do half the garden properly than all of it with too thin a layer of mulch.

With thanks and acknowledgements to Monty Don. For more tips and advice visit his website www.montydon.com

Marion Malone

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roads/report-a-problem

Our Bus

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

The 806A leaves the Kings Head at 10:00am and goes to Wymondham, arriving at 10:37am

It returns from Wymondham at 12:18pm and gets back to the Kings Head for 12:55pm

Tuesday and Thursday

On a Tuesday and Thursday, the 808 leaves the Kings Head at 9:06am. It travels to Longwater and arrives at 9:32am in time to catch a connecting bus to Norwich City Centre.

There are two return buses. The first leaves at 11:15am and gets back to the Kings Head at 11:37am.

The second bus leaves Longwater at 12:50pm and gets back to Bawburgh at 1:10pm.

Park & Ride – is managed by Konectbus.
www.konectbus.co.uk 0330 0539358.
510 serves Hospital and 511 the University ONLY from Costessey Park and Ride.

Thickthorn Timetable: first bus to City Centre (Bus Station) from 0635 Mon-Fri, 0700 Sat. 0915 Sun

Last bus from City Centre (Bus Station) to Thickthorn P&R 1930 Mon-Fri (later on Thursdays), 1845 Sat. 1720 Sun.

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Diary dates

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Sat	1st	10:30am	Coffee Morning
Tue	4th		♻ Green bin collection
Fri	7th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)
Tue	11th		♻ Grey bin collection
Tue	11th	7:30pm	Talks for Everyone (Village Hall)
Fri	14th		♻ Brown bin collection
Fri	14th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)
Fri	14th	6:30pm	Social Evening (Village Hall)
Tue	18th		♻ Green bin collection
Thu	20th		Mobile Library:
		9:55am	Stocks Hill
		10:15am	Church Street
Tue	25th		♻ Grey bin collection
Fri	28th		♻ Brown bin collection
Fri	28th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)
Fri	28th	6:30pm	Youth Club (Village Hall)

For the latest calendar details, see:

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