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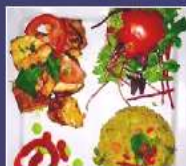
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Mon.17th Feb. — Fri.21st Feb.

Notable Renhold dates & events:

(RVH = Renhold Village Hall)

(CH= Chapter House at All Saints Church)

(ASR= All Saints Renhold)

Sat.1 Feb.	Christingle	3.00pm	ASR	p8
Thurs.6 Feb.	WI. Kurling for Canine Partners	7.30pm	RVH	p8 &25
Mon.10 Feb.	Creative Club	7.30pm	CH	p34
Sat.15 Feb.	Churchyard Clear Up	from 9.30am	CH	
Fri.21 Feb.	Renhold Memory Café	11.00am	Chapel	p12
Sat.22 Feb.	Blunham book sale	10am –3pm		p15
Thur.27 Feb.	Parish Council meeting	7.00pm	RVH	p26
Sat.22 March	Quiz Night	7.00pm	ASR	P19

Church cleaning rota:

03 Feb.	Christine Smith and Jill Burrow
17 Feb.	Judy Wootton and Pauline Capell
03 March	Jill Barrell and Ingrid Lennox
17 March	Sally Pool, Peter Pool and Tessa Wood
31 March	Christine Smith and Jill Burrow

Please be aware that all items for inclusion in the magazine - articles, notices of events, reports on activities, etc, need to be with the editorial team by **the 12th of the month** at the latest.

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Frontispiece: Welcome photo for Sri and Thushi at the Village Shop.Photo by Anne Grant

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EDITORIAL BY Anne Grant

A Happy New Year to all of you from the Magazine Team and I hope the weather improves soon!! There is an interesting account by Liz Taylor on p10 of a Carol Service she was invited to attend at Westminster Abbey, in the presence of Princess Kate, because of her work with Ukrainian refugees. Closer to home the lead up to Christmas was lovely with the coffee morning and minimart held at the church. It started off well with some lovely carol singing by some of the children from the school and later Father Christmas made his annual appearance. We were pleased to **welcome Rev.Ian back** to take the services in the lead up to Christmas and hope that his holiday in January will help to restore him to good health. However, he has obviously been busy planning ahead as he is thinking of starting some new initiatives which can be seen at the bottom of p6 and p7 which sound exciting.

We were sad to say goodbye to Robert and Kathy at the Village Shop but are very pleased to **welcome Sri and Thushi** and family (see front cover). They have worked very hard to convert the Village Shop to accommodate all their goods, and are going out of their way to be helpful and supply everything we might need. Sri, the owner has written a lovely letter on p 16 to say how happy they are to be here. I know we will all make them welcome. Nicky Gribble our Parish Councillor did the honours and cut the ribbon on the day it opened. The picture on the front cover shows the day of the handover with Robert and Kathy wishing them well .The opening hours have now been extended to **Monday to Saturday 7am to 10pm and Sunday from 8am to 10pm.**

Those of you who belong to the **de Parys surgery** may have tried out the new method of making an appointment. I had reason a couple of times to do that over the Christmas period and have been very pleasantly surprised. No more hanging on the phone at 8am to be told you are 16th in the queue and there are no appointments left. Now you just go on the website and connect online describing your problem and in my case, within a few hours, I got a call back to arrange an appointment the same day. We published an article about the new booking system in last month's magazine and apparently the magazine was passed round at one of their meetings and it was very well received. I think the NHS has had a rough ride in recent times and at times it must be encouraging to feel we are supporting them.

This is the time of year we invite all our **advertisers** to join for another year or, if they leave, to offer the spaces to new advertisers. At the time of writing we still have a few spaces available so, if you are interested, contact Judy Wootton fast (contact details on p3), as it is first come first served. We are grateful to all our advertisers who along with the Parish Council help to pay for the production of the magazine.

Richard Fuller, our MP wrote to EWR expressing our concern about the inevitable digging and drilling when the construction of the railway begins, in view of the recent gas explosion on Cleat Hill. The reply is printed in full on p 13.

There are some **new classes** starting up in the Village Hall, an 8 week course on Mindfulness for Beginners (p15) and regular dance classes on Saturdays (also p15). It is also worth checking the table of Village Clubs on p14 as some new ones have been added recently. We are very lucky in Renhold to have so many activities on our doorstep.

We also encourage all our readers to **send in contributions** which make the magazine more varied. It may be photos, a favourite recipe, an article about an unusual hobby or recommendations of places to visit for a day trip . Anything is welcome. In the meantime enjoy your read.



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All Saints Church Services for February 2025

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Saturday 1 st February	3:00 pm	Family Christingle
Sunday 2 nd February Candlemas	11:00am	Parish Communion
Sunday 9 th February 4 th Before Lent	11:00am 4:00pm	Café Church in the Chapter House Evensong with Music
Sunday 16 th February 3 rd before Lent	11:00am	Parish Communion
Wednesday 19 th Feb	10:00am 3:30pm	Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Revd David Powell</i> Messy Church
Sunday 23 rd February 2 nd Before Lent	11:00am	Parish Communion

DAILY OFFICES – Will be reinstated from Monday 3rd February with:

Morning Prayer – Mondays at 10:00am (Note change of time)

Night Prayer/Compline - 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 7:30pm

Evening Prayer - Thursdays at 4:30pm

Orders of service for Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and Night Prayer will be available on <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7680/service-and-events/events-all/>

From the registers

Fri.20th December	Barry Eric Wootton	Funeral
Mon.30th December	Julian Gibson	Funeral at the Crematorium
Wed.8th January	Ann Joan Timms	Funeral

New from February 2025

Monday Mornings 8:15-9:45am (Term time only)

School-run “Pit stop” – Tea, toast and fellowship for those doing “the School Run”
– Younger children welcome!

4th Thursday each month – Cuppa, Cake and chat for those who would like a bit of company - 2:00-4:00pm in the Chapter House

1st Wednesday in the month – (To be confirmed)

Early evening Youth Group for Years 6 & 7

LETTER FROM THE VICAR

This is my first chance to wish you all a happy, healthy and hopefully prosperous New Year. It may be a little late, but I am still playing catch up!! I am so pleased to be back with you, somewhere near fully fit and raring to go as this new year begins. Thank you for your messages of support and encouragement over the last few months, I really do appreciate them and am humbled by your words. I must also publicly thank all those in every aspect of church and parish life who have ably kept the All Saints Renhold ship afloat, and on course, during my period of restricted capacity (or even dry dock!!). I really am most grateful.

So: a new year, my sixth year with you in this parish, can you believe that? Sometimes COVID, which welcomed me back in those early days of 2020, seems so long ago but in other ways seems like only yesterday! We have moved on and evolved as a Parish and a church since then, and have even been enriched by the silver linings that were hidden deep in those dark clouds of COVID. Live-streaming and electronic communication have made the world a much smaller and accessible place, and the community spirit within Renhold Parish is still rich and vibrant as it was then.

This year All Saints Renhold has a number of projects, plans and initiatives we want to bring to life. As you would expect, the church like all our community, is not immune from the rising prices and the cost of living, so we will be finding varied and innovative ways of raising funds locally, to support our ministry and mission works and balance the books. But money is not everything, we are looking to improve and develop our work and involvement in the community.

Beginning in February, we are trialling a "School-run Pit-Stop" on Monday mornings, during term time. Tea, coffee and toast etc. and a soft play area for younger ones will be available between 8:15am - 9:45am for "mums, dads and carers" to meet up in the chapter house and find a few minutes space after the stresses of a school run. This is sowing a seed, and if it germinates it will be interesting to see how it flourishes and what it might grow into. We are not only thinking about young families. On the 4th Thursday of each month we will be opening the Chapter House to offer Coffee, Cake, Chat & Company (and maybe a few games) for those who are bereaved, lonely, carers or just fancy a few hours in the company of others with light refreshments available. Again, we will be sowing the seeds and look forward to seeing where it goes to in meeting the wishes and needs of those who attend.

From the beginning of February, I will be restarting the saying of daily Offices in church on Mondays, Wednesday and Thursdays, details will be available in the church porch, in our monthly news sheets, on the weekly pew sheets and on our 'A Church Near You' Page. It will be wonderful to share these short simple services with those who can attend and I will be live-streaming wherever possible.

As always our planned schedule of services is listed within this edition and is as accurate as it can be at this time. We continue to use the All Saints Renhold Facebook page to Live-stream services at the usual times, with service sheets being available on our website www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7680/ for those who are unable to attend church in person.

I am so pleased to be back with you and excited to see what 2025 will bring to the Parish of Renhold. Please continue to take care and stay safe.

God Bless... Rev. Ian

From Your Local Village Agent

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Request from Amanda Quince

While clearing poppies from the War Memorial I found a handwritten cross labelled FL Peter D Pool, Spitfire Pilot, Battle of Britain, killed Dieppe Raid, 19.08.1942
2. R.E.A. "Dickie" Winstone Died over Germany, 23.02.1945.
Appeal for information from friends or relatives for more information and photos for the magazine.

Renhold WI - Kurling for Canine Partners (see p 25)

Our New Year meeting with magician/ ventriloquist David Tomkins was great fun! Good food, good company and laugh-out-loud comedy, what a brilliant way to start the year!

Our next meeting on Thursday 6th February should also be fun but with a more serious purpose. We are holding an indoor Kurling match at the village hall to raise funds for those amazing people and dogs at Canine Partners. Their trained assistance dogs make an enormous difference to lots of people with a range of disabilities, but the training is an expensive business. The match involves teams of four people playing against each other to score the most points. If you can bring a team of four friends, that would be great but we can put people together to make up a team. You don't need any special skills or to be super fit! There is no bending and no sweeping! Refreshments will be served to keep up energy levels. Prizes for winning team! Guest admission is £5 and all are welcome. Battle commences at 7.30 pm. Raffle! Jan Tozer, Treasurer/ vice - president.

**All Saints' Church, Renhold
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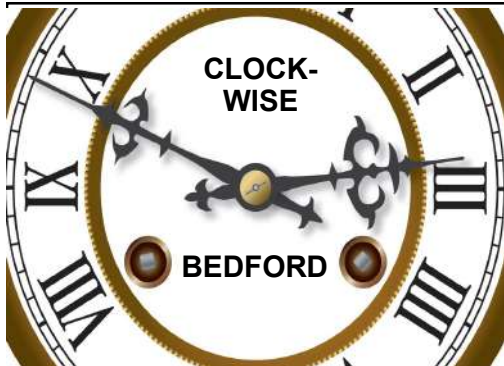


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Together at Christmas Carol Service Westminster Abbey.

I received an invitation on behalf of Bybrook Homes for Ukraine to attend the Princess of Wales's special Christmas Concert in December. I was nominated because of my work with Ukrainian refugees. This was a great surprise and an amazing day out. I was not allowed to tell anyone until the official invitations were issued so I had a little time to get used to the idea.

Westminster Abbey was decorated beautifully and accommodated the 1,400 guests easily. There were guests from all over the country. I was sitting near people from Shetland so their journey had been rather longer than mine. I was very close to the Royal party, the Princess was walking about talking to various guests all around our area. The service was a mixture of readings, music, dance from the Royal Ballet and singing, both from the choir, Paloma Faith and Gregory Porter.

The Ukrainian families were pretty impressed. It took some explaining to clarify to them exactly what was happening. Not having a Royal Family in Ukraine made me realise how unique this kind of event is. I received some of the following comments and support from my Ukrainian friends.

- Several people asked me to personally thank the King for allowing them to come to live here.
- Two people asked me to speak to Prince William about their visa problems.
- Numerous offers of suitable clothing to wear to the event were offered as my Ukrainian friends wanted to make sure I was suitably dressed.
- Amongst our Ukrainian guests we have a wealth of talent including hairdressers, make-up experts and nail technicians. I accepted the offer from Irinka who did sterling work on my hair.

The war in Ukraine will in February have reached its third anniversary. There are now so many Ukrainians seeking help especially those with children. If you have ever considered sponsoring a single person or a family from Ukraine and would like to know more about it please feel free to contact me.

Liz Taylor Bybrookhomesforukraine@gmail.com



Teach these phrases to your sons and daughters so they can be more resilient, successful, and confident in life. Sent in by Julie Roberts.

1. Where there's a will, there's a way.
2. Good manners don't cost anything.
3. Always ask. They can only say no.
4. You're not marrying one; you're marrying the whole family.
5. Find the good in everybody.
6. Don't cry before you try.
7. There are no stupid questions, only stupid answers.
8. Treat others as you would like to be treated.

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Renhold Memory Café Teresa Moon

Are you affected by memory loss or dementia, or do you know someone who is? Our Memory Café at Renhold Baptist Chapel, on the third Friday of the month from 11am to 12.30pm, is a relaxed opportunity to enjoy a range of activities, including music and brain-challenging games, plus cake and a cuppa. Social engagement and stimulation is known to be more beneficial than medication in keeping memory loss at bay.

At the Memory Café we can also answer questions and provide information on the support and activities available from Tibbs Dementia Foundation, which is a Bedford-based charity devoted to helping people with cognitive impairment to live their best lives.

All are welcome - people with memory loss and dementia, carers and former carers, and also anyone who would like to volunteer their help. No booking required - just come along and join us at Renhold Baptist Chapel in Woodfield Lane on Friday 21st February at 11am.



Five Top Tips for Living Alone with Dementia

Many people live alone with dementia successfully. Needing a bit of help doesn't mean that you are not managing.

1. You know if something isn't right. There can be stigma and ignorance about having dementia, but don't let that stop you from being open about your situation. Speak up, otherwise people may make wrong assumptions. Let people know who you are and what you need.
2. Make a list of people that you can get in touch with if you need help. Talk to them about how they will check in with you. It helps if some trusted people in the community, like your GP surgery, know that you live alone and don't have family and friends nearby. Make a list of important phone numbers.
3. Find a support group. Tibbs hold a Memory Café at 11am on the third Friday of each month at Renhold Baptist Chapel. They also run many other activities for people with dementia in Bedford and on Zoom. www.tibbsdementia.co.uk
4. Technology can be helpful. Ask what other people use, and how you can learn to use it, if you want to.
5. Planning ahead is essential. Find out who will support you with things like managing money and making decisions, and how you can make sure your choices are respected.

Richard Fuller MP
MP for North Bedfordshire

Sent by email

The Quadrant
Elder Gate
Milton Keynes
MK9 1EN

5 December 2024

Dear Richard,

Cleat Hill Explosion: Proposed Actions by East West Rail in Ravensden

Thank you for writing to me and for raising the extremely important matter of ground investigations in light of the recent tragic events at Cleat Hill. We take the health and safety of the communities we operate in, as well as that of our team members, very seriously. We understand that local residents and landowners are concerned about the risk of a similar incident occurring and acknowledge the important work you are undertaking with government to protect your constituents following the incident.

I would like to assure you that the risk of our ground investigations encountering methane or other ground gases is very low. The boreholes that we need to drill as part of our first phase of ground investigation works will be much shallower than the 100m deep borehole at Cleat Hill. The majority of the boreholes for East West Rail between Bedford and Tempsford will be just 10m or 20m deep and our current plans for the smaller number of deeper boreholes do not exceed depths of 40m.

Whilst this risk is very low, we recognise the local concerns, and therefore we have decided to revise our survey programme so that no boreholes are drilled in Bedford borough until March 2025, instead of January as originally planned.

We will use this period to engage with geotechnical experts, Bedford Borough Council and other local stakeholders to demonstrate that we have implemented robust and safe methods of operation, so that these ground investigations can commence without concern.

We will continue to work particularly closely with local landowners. Our specialist survey management team will answer any questions landowners have to make sure they have all the information they need before entering into an access agreement with us. We would encourage any landowners with questions about the ground investigations planned on their land to contact our team on land@eastwestrail.co.uk or by calling 0330 838 7583.

Renhold Village Clubs 2025					
<u>Group</u>	<u>Contact</u>	<u>Tel.</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
Bridge Club -No Fear	David Israel	07816 668578	Every Mon. Every Fri.	9.45-1pm	St. Marks Church Brickhill
Carpet Bowls	Chick	838651	Every Mon. Every Wed.	2-4.00pm 7-9.00pm	RV Hall
Chapel Cof- fee morning	Albert Browning	772689	2nd Tues.	10-12 noon	Renhold Chapel
Creative Club	Teresa Trangmar	07788 402441	2nd Monday	7.30-9.00pm	Chapter House
Dance classes	Sarah Higgins	Sarah Higgins18@ yahoo.co.uk	Saturday	9.00 – 10.30am	RV Hall
KT Yoga		07977 467967	Every Thursday	7-8.00pm	RV Hall
Luncheon Club	Yvonne Potter	771495	2nd Wednesday	12.30 for 1pm	
Mini Athletics		07985 520232	Every Sunday	9-11.30am	RV Hall
Pudding Club for carers	Anne Grant	771811	1st Tuesday	2-3.30pm	4, Brookside
Reading Group	Pauline Capell	771858	1st Friday	4pm	1, Church Close
Renhold pre- school group	Vicky Thompson	771724		Term time	
Stitchers	Jackie Croot	870271	3rd Thurs.	10.30- 12.30pm	Chapter House
Table tennis	Ian Smith	07989 470093	Every Mon. Every Wed. Every Fri.	1.30pm 10.30am 10.30am	Church Ln. Community. Centre
Tang Soo Do	TBA	07591 266614	Every Monday	6.30-8pm	RV Hall
Total Warrior Kickboxing	TBA	07450 235946	Every Tuesday	5.45-8.15pm	RV Hall
W.I.	Jan Tozer	297456	1st Thurs.	7.30pm	RV Hall
Yarn Craft Group	Marion Sutton	217647	Alternate Fridays	10am- 12.30pm	Wilden Village Hall

Mobile Library Times February and March 2025

<u>Location of Mobile Library</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Feb.</u>	<u>Mar.</u>
Renhold - Green End	10:00 - 10:15	04.18	04.18
Lay-by - Salph End	10.20 -10.35	04.18	04.18
Renhold - Home Close	10:40 - 10:55	04.18	4.18
Renhold - Ravensden Road	11:00 - 11:15	04.18	04.18

Times will vary slightly due to traffic conditions, etc.

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Feb Walks

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22nd am Flitwick, 5.5 miles or pm Flitwick, 5.5 miles or both for 11 miles

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Happy New Year from Renhold Convenience Store!

As we step into 2025, we want to express our heartfelt gratitude to all our customers and supporters who have made the past few months truly special for us. Since opening the doors of Renhold Convenience Store just a few months ago, we have been overwhelmed by the warm welcome and incredible support we've received from our community.

For those who may not know us yet, we are Sri and Thusha, the proud owners of Renhold Convenience Store. Originally from the beautiful island of Sri Lanka, we are a family-oriented couple raising two wonderful children who inspire us daily. Launching this business has been a dream come true for us, and we are deeply committed to providing exceptional products and service to meet your needs.

We are also thrilled to announce a change in our store hours to better serve you! It's our pleasure to share that we are now open **Monday to Saturday from 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM** and on **Sunday from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM**. We hope these extended hours make it even more convenient for you to visit us.

Though we are still in the early stages of our journey, your trust and encouragement have been instrumental in helping us grow. We're excited about the road ahead and look forward to continuing to serve and support you in the coming year. From our family to yours, we wish you a Happy New Year filled with health, happiness, and prosperity. Thank you for being a part of our story, here's to a fantastic year ahead!

Warm regards, Sri, Thusha, and Family, Renhold Convenience Store

Coffee Morning and Mini Market.

The Coffee Morning and Mini market held on Saturday 23rd November was a fantastic success. Some of the children from Renhold School came and sang Christmas carols (see opp.). The church was packed to the gunnels and their singing was absolutely beautiful and the melody floating through to the Chapter House where all the cakes and the mini market were being prepared, was much appreciated. With cakes galore, home produce for sale, raffle, tombola, books and toys and most important a visit from Father Christmas, a good time was had by all. In total £1,150 was raised for church funds. Our thanks to all those who helped in a variety of ways and most of all to Jill Barrell who masterminded it all.

Property Scam Prevention sent in by Keith Herkes

If you are a homeowner and no longer have a mortgage it is relatively easy for scammers to sell your house from under you. By obtaining your contact details a property can be changed into a different name at the Land Registry and then sold without your knowledge. Because it is not illegal to do this you have little redress and could lose your home. To assist in the prevention of this scam, the Land Registry have a free property alert which contacts you immediately there is any activity or interest in/on your property. (Link below) To obtain an alert you will first need to create an account (you will receive an e mail confirming an account has been established and providing you with a link to activate it) follow the link then sign in, add details of your house and click submit. You will then receive a 2nd email confirming that you will be notified of any activity on your property. <https://propertyalert.landregistry.gov.uk/>

Some of the children from Renhold Primary School singing carols beautifully at a fund-raising coffee morning at All Saints Church . What a lovely start to Christmas. Photo by Lisa Larham



Getting ready for Christmas. Some of the children from Messy Church decorating the Christmas Tree inside the church.
Community Carol singers assembled in Cranbourne Gardens bringing some Christmas cheer on what was a very cold night.
Photos from Sarah Tomlinson



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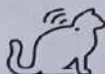
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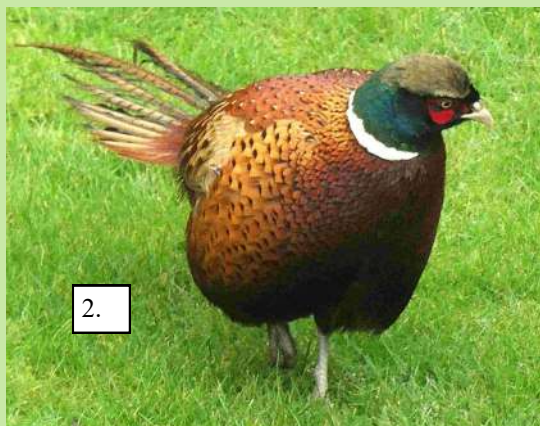
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Some of the children participating in the Nativity service in All Saints Church.



WILD ABOUT RENHOLD

(see opposite)



WILD ABOUT RENHOLD by Tony Ploszajski

1. Green Woodpecker

During the short-lived snowfall in early January, this Green Woodpecker appeared on our lawn and spent a long period shuffling around probing any exposed grass for food. Its main diet in the warmer months is ants - adults, larvae and eggs - but since these are inactive in cold weather Green Woodpeckers then turn their attention to berries, fallen fruits, nuts and any other available active spiders or insects. The bird in the photo is identifiable as a female because males have a red centre to the black stripe that extends diagonally downwards from its bill. Green Woodpeckers are fairly common on grassy areas around Renhold, particularly domestic lawns and horse paddocks and often draw attention to their presence with their loud 'yaffling' or laugh-like call.

2. Pheasant

This Pheasant also appeared on our lawn, in company with two other males that stalked about looking for seeds amongst the grass. It gets its formal name of 'Ring-necked Pheasant' from the white 'collar' around its neck, although it has a rich array of other colours to its plumage that draw the eye. It is native to Asia, where it is widespread and also the extreme southeast of Europe in the northern foothills of the Caucasus Mountains. It has been widely introduced elsewhere, including Britain where 47 million captive-bred birds are released each autumn. At this time of year, the biomass of post-breeding and released pheasants is estimated to be more than the post-breeding biomass of all native species combined!

3. Primrose

Primroses are a common sight around Renhold in the early spring, but I was surprised to find this one in flower on 18th December and it was still in full bloom as we entered the new year. Its name is derived from 'prime' (as in first) rose, on the basis of its early flowering, which more typically happens between February and April. In different counties of England it is also referred to as Butter Rose, Early Rose, Easter Rose, Golden Rose and Lent Rose. As one of the few flowers blooming in early spring, it provides an important source of nectar to early flying butterflies like Brimstones.

4. Otter

Kathleen Gilbert shared this lovely photo of two Otters taken at Priory Country Park by a friend of hers. Otter numbers have increased dramatically in lowland areas of Britain in recent years and with large territories, they often wander up tributaries of the River Great Ouse, including Renhold and Ravensden Brooks. I photographed one with a camera trap by our garden pond, but their presence is generally more obvious in the aftermath of a visit, with broken lily stems in the pond and a complete absence of the latest pond fish that we've stocked! Otters are mostly solitary, but young otters will stay with and remain dependent upon their parents for over a year. The two in the photo look very like a mother and a cub given the size differential.



EAST WEST RAIL PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Renhold Parish Council have continued to spend a great deal of focus on this consultation process, engaging with the local public drop in events run by EWR representatives, reading the detailed consultation documents, attending local stakeholder sessions with EWR, liaising with Borough Council Officers as well as speaking to local residents to seek their views, all to better aid the Parish Council understanding and how best to represent the views of the Renhold community when responding to this consultation given EWR is a significant project in the local area.

The Parish Council response will be made available and placed on the Parish Council website in due course. The Council wish to thank all the residents who have in any way been involved in the consultation, being most grateful for the commitment and exceptional skills that have been displayed over the recent months.

RENHOLD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN CONSULTATION

Equally important has also been the Regulation 14 consultation on the Neighbourhood Plan document which has been an enormous undertaking for those loyal and hard working volunteers who have given vast amounts of time to produce such a high quality document that will give clear direction for Renhold in regards to local planning. With the recent conclusion of the consultation, the dedicated team will work through and review all the consultation comments fed back from the residents.

VILLAGE HIGHWAYS SAFETY UPDATE

The Parish Council would like to thank Renhold Primary School Headteacher, Lisa Larham, who was welcomed to the November Parish Council meeting. It was pleasing to hear how popular the school is with 197 children on the roll. There was also a detailed discussion on highways safety with what ideas could be taken forwards by the school as well as the Parish Council, to support any improvements alongside working with the local highways authority, Bedford Borough Council. It was interesting and helpful to know that there is a soft start to the day to alleviate the congestion at the beginning of the school day, with also different collection times as well. Breakfast club is also full, with extended provision for after school going on till 6pm. The school have signed agreements with older pupils who have permission to walk home, with active travel promoted along with reminders sent out to families about parking safety for all, in and around the school site.

PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

The Parish Council currently has Councillor vacancies and would be very interested to hear from residents who want to get involved and have their say on village matters, you might:

Like to see improvements to your local area

Or have an interest in improving certain local provisions or services

Have ideas on enhancing the village environment

Want to be involved, when Bedford Borough Council allocate new housing through the Local Plan process

Maybe are really concerned about traffic and highways safety in the village

To learn more and wish to become involved in the local East West Rail project stakeholder group

The Council really would like to have greater representation to make sure your voice is heard. There is also lots of support available for new Councillors as well.

If you are interested in taking a more active role in the village, supporting with parish improvements and have ideas on how to help move Renhold forwards, then the Parish Council would really like to hear from you. *Do please make yourself known to the Clerk, Lizzie, parishclerk@renhold-pc.gov.uk or any current Parish Councillor whose contact details are in the Magazine.*

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Whilst the Parish Council keep their website up to date, and you can find the latest Parish Council minutes here: <https://renhold-pc.gov.uk> it is always more interesting to attend a Parish Council meeting in person to see what goes on and the range of items covered in trying to make improvements for the Renhold community going forwards. Dates have been set now, with meetings on a Thursday starting at 7pm. All dates have been booked in with Renhold Village Hall, if you head to the right as you come in the main door, you will find the Parish Council meeting in the Committee Room.

We regularly invite individuals to join Parish Council meetings to promote local engagement, this has included a range of Borough Council Officers, elected Borough Councillor Members, as well as local community representatives, so they can hear local issues first hand as well as from village organisations to look at ways to work together.

Do please remember that everyone is most welcome to join us, on 27th February, 3rd April, 15th May, 19th June and 24th July.

CONTACTING THE PARISH COUNCIL

Please remember everyone is welcome to contact the Clerk or any Councillors about local matters. A full list of contact details is available as usual in the Magazine directory, so do make a note. The best way now to contact Lizzie, Parish Clerk is on: parishclerk@renhold-pc.gov.uk for Parish Councillors the pattern is place their forename followed by @renhold-pc.gov.uk

Ward Councillor summary, January 2025

Hello everyone, I hope you all enjoyed a relaxing festive break which now seems a distant memory.

We are in the middle of a cold snap and as I write this in front of my roaring wood-burner, I would ask everyone to keep an eye out for those who may be vulnerable in our community, making sure they are OK and have everything they may need, especially if the weather becomes even more icy and snowy and it is difficult to get about. We all could be vulnerable depending on circumstances, from an elderly person to a young mum, to someone who is temporarily disabled for whatever reason. Please keep a check on neighbours whatever the season, but especially now.

I would like to remind you that often, when poorly, the local community pharmacy can be the first point of call and can now prescribe antibiotics for common conditions or advise whether a GP appointment is needed. Community pharmacies offer a more convenient way to access healthcare that includes support with healthy eating, exercise, stopping smoking, monitoring your blood pressure, contraception, flu and covid vaccinations. Obviously, for emergencies, 999 is the number to call and only attend A&E for Accidents and Emergencies NOT Anything and Everything!

I have been amazingly busy with my Council and Parish work, and I was very relieved when most of the residents of the Cleat Hill disaster were allowed back home in time for Christmas.

East West Rail and the non-statutory consultation have been dominating my time and the time of others in the village and surrounding area. I do hope that you managed to feedback on this nationally significant project that will have massive impacts on Bedford Borough for many years to come even before it is commissioned, and trains are actually running. On Wednesday 15th January, Bedford Borough Council will be considering the Borough's response to the East-West Rail non-statutory consultation which runs until 24th January.

I am moving a motion that proposes Bedford Borough Council rescinds it's support for the planned route which will result in the demolition of properties in the Borough if it goes ahead as planned. This is a very important debate that may or may not be won depending on how members vote. It comes down to accepting the sacrifice of a significant number of homes for EWR's current plans or saying that we do not accept this for our residents and demand better for Bedford. By the time the magazine is published, the vote will have been taken and the outcome known. Whether or not it will influence EWR's plans remains to be seen.

The Renhold Neighbourhood Plan Group have been working extremely hard over the last four years to finally get to a stage of a draft that could be circulated to households and commented on. Following feedback, it will hopefully be ready to go to referendum later this year. It is an important document that will be recognised in any planning decisions that may affect Renhold and is designed so that local people have an input into areas such as affordable housing, environment and issues such as road safety. Thanks to all involved.

Once this phase of EWR has been completed, I will be trying to focus on our buses and would really appreciate any ideas in how to improve or enhance our service- I am open to all suggestions, especially on how to increase passenger numbers.

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Parish Council Meeting dates & venues for 2024/2025

Parish Council meetings now start at 7pm.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be from 7pm — 8.30pm on Thursday 27th February. After that 3rd April, 15th May, 19th June and 24th July

As always, if you wish to raise any ideas or make comments to the Parish Council, then please contact one of the Parish Councillors (see above or the new Parish Council website (renhold-pc.co.uk) for contact details) or contact Lizzie, Parish Clerk on 771702 or email parishclerk@renhold-pc.gov.uk

Bedford Borough council—Free Parking

A message from Bedford Borough Council.

We hope you had a very merry Christmas and are looking forward to the New Year, we certainly are. There's something for everyone this month, we hope you find events and activities that are of interest to you!

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16th February	10.30am	Mr.P Sands
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CHAPEL NOTES

When Jesus fed the 5,000

When Jesus fed the 5,000, He did not produce the food from thin air. Instead, He asked the disciples how many loaves of bread they *already had* (Mark 6:38). When they produced the five loaves and two fish, it seemed laughable. Everyone knew that wasn't enough. No one thought that what they had was, in the hands of God, more than sufficient. Moses had the same problem. He was told to go to Pharaoh and ask him to release the Israelites out of Egypt. He asked a very natural question, "What if they do not believe me or listen to me?" God asked him, "What is that in your hand?" It was his staff which, to his utter amazement, became a snake in front of him. That staff in the hand of Moses became the staff of God. It parted the Red Sea, it made the waters close over again. When it was used to strike a rock out came water and when in time Aaron took it, it sprouted, budded, blossomed and produced almonds. In the hands of God, more than sufficient.

A desperate widow appealed to Elisha the prophet. Her two children were about to be taken as slaves to make good a debt. 'What do you have?' asked Elisha. 'Nothing, but a flask of oil,' she replied. 'Go and borrow jars and containers from all your neighbours, as many as you can,' he ordered, 'then fill them from your flask.' She went inside her house with her two sons and filled every jar. 'Then the oil stopped flowing' (2 Kings 4:6). 'Sell the oil, pay off your creditor, and live on the remainder,' said Elisha. In the hands of God, a flask of oil was more than sufficient.

What do *you have now*? A couple of spare hours a week? Some clothes that you no longer need? A willingness to visit someone who is lonely? An opportunity to help a neighbour or colleague? A talent for DIY? For sewing? For sharing your faith? What actually do you have? In the Bible, people who used what they had in the service of God found that, however seemingly insignificant, it was more than sufficient with God's blessing on it. What is the key that opens the divine grace? Obedience. It was *obedience* in using what they already had that engendered the miracle. May it be so for you also.

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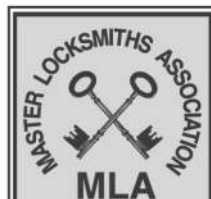
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