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North Cambridge churches vow to help people with money problems due to the pandemic

Grace Church Cambridge & Hope Church Chesterton are urging people impacted financially throughout the pandemic to seek help now and not allow their debts to build up further.

The Christians Against Poverty (CAP) Cambridge North Debt Centre is offering free help to local people facing money problems.

Jo Scoones, Cambridge North CAP Debt Centre Manager, said: “We know that many people wait as long as three years before finding help with their debts. Debt can be caused by many different reasons – ill health, bereavement, relationship breakdown or low income – so it may not just be due to the pandemic. Getting help as early as possible can make a big difference.”

Rosie Weston, Debt Coach, added, “We don’t want anyone going towards Christmas and into 2021 worrying about how they’ll manage.”

Since the pandemic hit, the CAP Debt Help service has adapted to follow social distancing guidelines to stay safe whilst still offering its award winning debt help, along with unique support.

If you are struggling with debt and need help, get in contact with CAP today on 0800 328 0006 or visit capuk.org.

In 2017, councillors approved the use of Section 106 developer contributions for a new wheeled-sports facility on Chesterton recreation ground.

The proposed facility is aimed at young people aged 4 to 14. It includes a continuous circuit of turns and jumps, to appeal to a variety of wheeled-sports users including BMX and mountain bikes, skateboards and scooters, and roller skates.

It’s aimed at beginners and users of intermediate skill, with the intention that they can graduate to using other, more challenging facilities elsewhere in Cambridge.

Please have your say on the designs here: https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/consultations/chesterton-recreation-ground-wheeled-sports-facility-consultation
Rowan’s 3rd charity art exhibition
‘The Great Outdoors’

Calling all artists! It’s time to get creative again and support a Cambridge-based arts centre.

Rowan’s third art event will raise funds for adults with learning disabilities.

‘The pandemic has been a challenge for everyone but few more so than the student artists who attend Rowan’ says Hetti Wood, Marketing Manager. ‘From self-isolation, not seeing loved ones, the worry around catching the virus as well as daily routines being turned upside down, it has really been a rollercoaster ride.

With vital summer and Christmas fundraising events cancelled we have had to look at how we can raise the vital funds needed to keep our arts centre running for those most vulnerable in our community. And that’s where our art exhibition comes in. Time to grab those paint brushes and get creative for a great cause!

Getting creative costs just £10 – that’s the cost of a canvas – then it’s over to you. Make whatever you want...all we ask is you look to the great outdoors for inspiration. As ever we’d love to see work from everyone: novices, amateurs and professionals. At our previous charity art exhibitions, we had watercolours, felting, sketches, woodwork, ceramics, textiles and even glass – the possibilities are endless. So, however you would like to explore the great outdoors we would love to have your work as part of the exhibition.

Canvases can be pre-ordered ready for collection from Wednesday 2 December from Rowan (40 Humberstone Road, Cambridge, CB4 1JG) Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm. Get in touch with Hetti Wood for more information on hetti@rowanhumberstone.co.uk or call 01223 566 027. Completed canvases should be submitted by the 29 January 2021.

All canvases will be exhibited in February 2021. More information coming on this soon!

After more than a year in construction, the Chisholm Trail Bridge, which connects Chesterton with Abbey Ward, was lifted into place in the early hours of the morning on Sunday 8 November.

It is designed to enable people to walk or cycle on a mostly off-road route connecting Cambridge North to Cambridge Station, making it easier and safer to get around the city and access green spaces.
We are sorry to say that all Hundred Houses Residents events are cancelled at the moment. We hope to reinstate our events once Covid-19 restrictions are lifted. We are holding the Residents Association meetings via zoom, and the next one will be on 21 January at 7pm. Email us for the login details. We would love to see some new faces.

We need your help in order to adopt our accounts due to the fact we were not able to have an AGM this year. We are undertaking a formal process of having our accounts accepted by the Residents. If you can spare 10 minutes, we would like to send you a copy of the balance sheet to browse at and certify there are no improprieties in them. They are very straightforward and you do not need an A-level in maths to understand them!

Hundred Houses offices remains closed at present but a new normal service is happening remotely. If you have a problem please do still report it to the office. Repairs are being completed as normal.

Stay safe and have a very Merry Christmas from the Hundred Houses Residents Association.
Contact Candy 07484731347 or hhresidentsassociation@hotmail.com

Arthur Rank Hospice Christmas tree recycling returns

Arthur Rank Hospice will once again be running their annual Christmas tree recycling scheme, along with the the support of the council, Just helping and numerous local businesses and volunteers.

They are inviting residents of CB1, CB2, CB3, CB4, CB5, CB22, CB23 and CB24 to make a small donation and, in exchange, a team of volunteers will save you the hassle of needles in your car, waiting for a place at the tip and help reduce your fuel costs by collecting your real tree and disposing of it for you.

If you would like your tree to be collected visit arhc.org.uk/tree-recycling or call the Hospice fundraising team for further information on 01223 675888.

After costs, 90% of the money raised will go to the Hospice and 10% will go to The Rotary Club of Cambridge, to be distributed amongst local good causes.

Last year the Hospice’s volunteers collected 2,500 trees and raised over £36,000! We hope you’ll want to take part in this fantastic initiative this year. Registrations will close at 10am on Tuesday 5 January 2021 if capacity is not already reached.

A Christmas Villanelle

It's the best time of year there's no doubt,
When our family and friends get together,
It's what Christmas should be all about.

Stuck in traffic at each roundabout,
Though some idiots drive hell for leather,
It's the best time of year there's no doubt?

Through a face mask warm greetings we shout,
As we seek shops that aren't closed forever,
It's what Christmas, these days, is about.

A crisp snowball might give you a clout,
If we ever got proper cold weather;
Still, the best time of year there's no doubt!

Under lockdown rules we dare not flout,
You might soon reach the end of your tether,
As the Christmas lights flash all about.

But consider those who go without;
No posh food or nice gifts whatsoever.
You'll wish them good cheer I've no doubt.
It's what Christmas should be all about.
Minister’s Letter

Church, Christmas and Covid

A couple of months ago, when Christmas still felt like a very long way away, someone shared a Facebook group on my page, as well as on the pages of many other friends. It was called ‘Church, Christmas and Covid’. Intrigued I asked to join and then had an explore.

What struck me was the generosity of the people in the group. They were sharing resources, ideas and concerns about how to do Christmas at this difficult time, and they seemed to come from a lot of different contexts and communities. It was clear that we felt overwhelmed and worried, but also that we could join together in solidarity. It summed up for me a lot about how this year has felt – anxiety, separation and yet a massive desire to connect to and support other people.

‘Church, Christmas and Covid’ now has over three thousand members. A few days ago the admin reminded us not to be overwhelmed with the amount of stuff people are putting up on the site, or to feel inadequate because other people were planning to do amazing things. It was a good reminder. It is hard not to look at what other people are doing and compare ourselves to them. So often community can turn into competition.

There will be no one right way to feel or to act this Christmas and, just as we have each been feeling our way in how to live throughout this pandemic, it seems likely that this season will be the same. In my own life, I find the Christian story of God coming to be with us and redeem us in our mess and imperfection very helpful. Certainly much better than a story of God waiting to come until we had sorted out everything perfectly – which we never would have!

So whether I am feeling overwhelmed or full of joy (and at the moment I can feel both in the same day), I hold to the story of Emmanuel (God with us) who was and is and is to come.

Revd Ruth Adams

News from St George’s Chesterton and Hope Church Chesterton

St George’s and Hope Church are sibling congregations that meet in St George’s Parish and we will be sharing our Christmas services together and hope to do a drive-in carol service in Cambridge North Station Car Park on the 20th December and our regular 4pm Christmas Eve Christingle service on Zoom.

St George’s continues to meet on Zoom every Sunday morning and on a Sunday afternoon in the Church for a Holy Communion service.

Hope Church has also been meeting on Zoom on a Sunday morning and is hoping to meet temporarily in Chesterton Working Men’s Club. We are excited to share information about an Advent trail. From the 1st - 24th Dec ‘windows’ will light up every day at different homes across the community, retelling the wonder of the Christmas story!

More info on all events/service on Facebook @hopechurchchesterton @ChestertonStGeorge

The Hope Church Food Hub continues to distribute food to anyone who needs it at St George’s Church every Tuesday from 2 - 3.30pm and will continue through the Christmas/New Year period.

St George’s and Hope Church Christmas Services
20th December Drive in Carols Cambs North Station Car Park (to be confirmed)
24th December 4pm Christingle (on Zoom)
11.15pm Midnight Communion (St George’s Church)
25th December 11am Christmas Morning Worship (Zoom)

All further details @ChestertonStGeorge and @hopechurchchesterton Facebook pages
**News from the Churches**

**St Andrew’s Church**

One of the hardest things this Christmas will be not being able to sing carols together in church. The only communal singing that has been allowed since March was for the national anthem at the war memorial on Remembrance Sunday (you can see that at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5w7lrj1piA&t=861s).

We have come to the conclusion that it won’t be much fun coming to church for carol services this year as you won’t be allowed to join in the singing. Outdoor carol singing is now allowed but social distancing means that just don’t think it’s safe to attempt that – so there will be no community carols this year. St Andrew’s is planning to organise some carol singing around the parish though, and if the weather’s OK we will gather outside at the end of the 10am Christmas morning service and have a good sing!

We will be having a St Andrew’s Christingle service and our traditional carol service on Christmas Eve – but both will be online, though led from the church. Our Nine Lessons & Carols will become Seven, the choir will be somewhat smaller, but they will be singing in the church and their sweet music will be beamed out for all with the right sort of TV – or computer, tablet or smartphone - to see and hear. And because you will be at home you can join in the singing too and raise the roof as you join in with your favourite carols. That will begin at 6.30pm on Christmas Eve. You will find links to all our Christmas services on our church website, www.standrews-chesterton.org.

There – or on the St Andrew’s Facebook page (www.facebook.com/standrewschesterton) - you can also join in our virtual Advent calendar, ‘Promise & Hope’. Every day during Advent there will be a short video that will open a little door into the Hope that this season brings us. In the week leading up to Christmas this will take the form of a virtual crib service as we prepare our beautiful crib (with its stunning African crib figures) for the arrival of the newborn king.

Receiving Communion at Christmas has always been important for Christians and there will – Government permitting – be services of Holy Communion at St Andrew’s at 11.30pm on Christmas Eve (Midnight Mass) and at 8am and 10am on Christmas Day (you will need to book a place at the 10am as we will have to restrict numbers: see the website for details or telephone the office at St Andrew’s Hall, 01223 306150).

Revd Nick Moir

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In the last edition I was able to share news that at CMC work was beginning on an extension to the toilet block in June. Everyone is very pleased with the work which has now been completed. A list of funders that we are grateful to can be found on the church website – see below for a link.

I also shared the news of a planning application for a community café. We had to withdraw the application in order that further exploration can be made with the planners as to what might work on the site. We hope to re-submit before too long. There is now a new section on the church website where you can find out about past and future redevelopment of the premises. You can find it at www.chestertonmethodist.org.uk/redevelopment

Like all Chesterton News readers we are hopeful that more community and church activities can resume in good time. We update the church website regularly with news of what is happening.

Lastly, just to mention the weekly foodbank distribution session at CMC which has now changed back to being open on Tuesday mornings, from 10am to midday. You will usually find me standing around outside the church entrance at this time – please say hello if you are passing or drop off any small amounts of donations for the foodbank – see their website for what is most needed https://cambridgecity.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/

Ian Murray (Minister)
Fund your community project with an Area Committee grant

Are you involved with planning a neighbourhood activity taking place between April 2021 and March 2022 which will benefit people who are disadvantaged through social or economic exclusion?

This activity may be eligible for one of our Area Committee grants, covering North, South, East or West Central areas of the city.

Grants will be awarded to non-profit, voluntary and community organisations or groups of local residents. Grants can be for activities which are aimed at reducing poverty, or items which enable an activity to happen e.g. venue hire for local community, arts or sports activities, transport for trips for younger or older residents or people with disabilities, materials for art projects, equipment for local sports sessions and much more. The maximum award is £5,000.

We want these grants to make a difference to the lives of City residents with the highest needs.

The application process will be launched in mid December. The deadline for North applications (covering Arbury, East Chesterton, King’s Hedges and West Chesterton) is likely to be in late January so start planning your activity and budget early enough to meet the application deadline. The application guidelines and other information will be available from www.cambridge.gov.uk/area-committee-funding from mid December.

Contact the Grants Team from December onwards for further information and to discuss your ideas on grants@cambridge.gov.uk or 01223 457857.
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