

TOFT VILLAGE CALENDAR

August 2025



DIARY DATES

The Parish Council Next Meeting:

There is no meeting in August. The next meeting will be Monday 1st September 2025 at 7.00pm in The People's Hall.

St Andrew's Church

Saturday 6th
September Celebrate
St Andrews from
10.30 – 12.30.

Toft Friendship Club

13th August at 2.30.
in Toft People's Hall
War is over, or is it?
The Friendship Club is
for over 50s.

Methodist Chapel

Table Top sale on
Saturday August 23rd
at 10am

Editorial

'The Prince honor'd me with the Leading of 2000 Horse, all Voluntiers.' Thus reads one of the earliest attested examples – dated 1651 – of the word *volunteer* in the Oxford English Dictionary. At that time, the word meant a soldier who freely enrolled to serve rather than one who was obliged to. Through mission-creep (spoiler: editor's pun coming!), the word then began to be used to refer to missionaries who willingly gave their time and service. It even soon extended to plants and trees that sprout of their own accord: self-set ash or *volunteer* potatoes in our gardens.

Whatever the context, the backdrop to the word *volunteer* is always something that takes place without obligation, freely given or spontaneously emerging. Remind us of anything? Well, where would Toft be without volunteers and volunteering? On the one hand, road repairs, street lighting, the water and electricity supply, the NHS, all vital services, are provided by remote authorities and we pay for them in our taxes. On the other hand, consider the many less visible threads of the intricate tapestry of our village life and we soon see that so much depends on those who freely and unpaid give their time and energy to making Toft a great place to live. Larger collectives such as the Parish Council, the Social Club, the Church in Toft, and the smaller groups and low-profile individuals who do myriad acts of kindness and service, together form the lifeblood and heartbeat of our village. Monitoring and cleaning Bourn Brook, making and mending things, planting trees, hedges and flower beds, mounting exhibitions, running a café, overseeing the People's Hall, providing classes, arts and crafts, music, sports and entertainment, ferrying people to church, surgeries and hospitals, decorating the village green or the bus shelter, popping in on the sick or the immobile, providing social hubs, archiving our rich local history, cooking meals and making enough cakes to feed five thousand, the list goes on and on.

Toft lives on its volunteer army, a metaphor which returns us to the original use of the word. Let us hope that, as the old soldiers hang up their helmets, swords and greatcoats, new young recruits will enlist and keep the heart beating.

TOFT SPORTSDAY JULY 2025



Early rain did not dampen the spirit of Toft Sports on Saturday 19th July. Tiny tots, teens, parents and grandparents competed in the races and activities. The day was rounded off with a barbeque and music. A great team of volunteers organised the day, which was enjoyed by many. Crisps and squash were provided by the Parish Council.

MINISTRY TEAM THE CHURCH IN TOFT

St Andrew's Parish Church

Assistant Curate

Revd Barnabas Leeke 07787 800 888

Lay Minister

Mrs Barbara Preece 263466

Churchwardens

Mrs Ann Mitchell 262516

Mrs Elizabeth Dolman 262574

Deputy Wardens

John Quenby 263949

Jean Verney 263557

Enquiries about Methodist Church during August

Diana Tebbit 263557

SERVICES OF WORSHIP all at St Andrew's

3rd August

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Prof. Michael Reiss

11.00am Morning Worship

Revd Charity Nzegwu

10th August

11.00am Holy Communion, St Andrew's

Revd. Barnabas Leeke

17th August

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Prof. Michael Reiss

11.00am Morning Worship

24th August

11.00am Morning Worship

31st August

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Prof. Michael Reiss

10.30am Lordsbridge Team Service and Ecumenical Welcome

Holy Communion - Revd Barnabas Leeke and Revd Charles Fraser

There will be morning prayer at St. Andrew's every Wednesday at **9.30 am**.

Also on Wednesday evenings at 8.00pm, via Zoom, a service of compline. ID: 899 215 191 or follow the link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/899215191>

Zoom services available at 11.00am on Sundays

MEETING ID: 823 1147 3640

BUILDING BLOCKS OF A CHURCH

'You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house.' 1 Peter 2.5

When I was younger, we used to sing a song in church that had the lines: 'The church is not a building / the church is not a steeple / the church is not a resting place / the church is the people.' As we mark the closing of the Methodist Chapel and look to the future of 'The Church in Toft', I think there is a wisdom in those words that we would do well to remember. The church in Toft has existed for so many years, not because of physical bricks and mortar (however important to the life of the community they have been) but because of the people who have come together in Christian community to seek to live out Jesus' example of love for one another in real and practical ways.

Some are still with us, many have passed on and live in our memories and memorials, others are yet to take up the baton and carry it forward to future generations. At the end of this month, on Sunday 31st August at 10.30am, we will have a Lordsbridge Team Service, when all the churches of the team will come together at Toft to give an Ecumenical Welcome to those Methodists who wish to continue to be part of the life of St Andrew's Church. This is a symbolic and ritual act because of course all are always welcome to join in with the life of the church, but it also shows our commitment to continuing to value their expression of faith.

One look at St Andrew's Church building shows that it takes many stones of all sorts of types, shapes and sizes to build a church. There is always room for new living stones to be built into the spiritual house that is the ongoing life of The Church in Toft; everyone is welcome.

God bless,

Barnabas

Friendship CLUB

13th August at 2.30 in Toft People's Hall

War is over, or is it?

Come and share memories of the post-war years – rationing, school milk, transport, music, books and so on. The Friendship Club is for over 50s. We meet every month on the 2nd Wednesday at 2.30pm at Toft People's Hall.

All welcome





THE CHURCH IN TOFT



YOU ARE INVITED TO

CELEBRATE

St Andrew's

06 SEPT | AT THE CHURCH | 10.30-12.30

TEDDIES FROM THE TOWER
LIVE MUSIC
GAMES AND PRIZES
COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS

On Saturday 6th September come and CELEBRATE St Andrews from 10.30 – 12.30 with refreshments, chat, some games, and bring teddy for a ride down off the tower from 11.00. See the poster! Donations can be made by card or cash.

It is with sadness we report the death of two of our older gentlemen this month.



On June 21st Brian Mitchell of 20 High Street. His funeral will take place at St Andrew's on August 12th at 11.00am led by Barbara Preece and there will be a Celebration of his life on September 20th also in St Andrew's.

More next month

On July 15th Richard (Dick) Barton of Holbein's Farm, Mill Lane. Dick, who died in hospital this week, was 87 years old. He was born in Lolworth, an only son of Bill Barton and Mabel Mary Cooper, and spent his childhood in Graveley. His grandparents rented Rectory Farm in Hardwick and lived and farmed there, as did his mother and father. He would bike daily to Toft from Graveley, where his mother was the headmistress of the school, to feed the animals as he was too young to have a licence to drive.

Dick bought both Rectory Farm and Holbein's Farm when he married, and his parents built the bungalow in Mill Lane, Toft and lived there. Dick and his wife Sally continued to live in Hardwick till his retirement. They had three daughters, Debbie, Sue and Jackie. Debbie and her husband, Rob, continue to live in the bungalow behind Holbein's Farm bungalow.

He had six grandchildren, three of whom live in Toft, and two great grandchildren.



TOFT PARISH COUNCIL

Who is on the Council?

The Parish Council is comprised of a Chair and Deputy chair and five other councillors, all of whom are volunteers. Currently these members are:

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The Council met on Monday 7th July 2025 in The People's Hall.

Next Meeting: There is no meeting in August. The next meeting will be Monday 1st September 2025 at 7.00pm in The People's Hall. All Welcome.

(This summary can be found on the Parish Council website: <https://tpc.toft.org.uk>)

There were no apologies for absence, declarations of interest or written requests for dispensations.

A number of residents attended the meeting, all of whom had come to comment on the issue regarding the noise level of the musical equipment. The Chair, therefore, moved item 3.7 Musical play equipment forward so this could be discussed before the PC meeting properly began. It was clear from the comments from residents that there was strong feeling felt in favour of retaining the musical equipment. Arguments for this included: the noise was pleasant and melodious, not continuous and that children and grandchildren found the equipment enjoyable. Councillors had also received 14 written responses prior to the meeting 11 of which were for retaining the equipment citing similar arguments to those expressed at the meeting and the Chair read out a further response, which was also in favour, making a total of 12 in favour of retaining the equipment out of the 15 responses received. While this was a clear majority in favour of retention, in order to show some support for the minority who find the equipment annoying, the PC voted in favour of seeking ways in which the noise could be ameliorated. The erection of a sound barrier around the equipment was proposed and as this would need

to be researched and hopefully a solution found, it was agreed that the matter would be re-visited in 9 months' time.

The meeting then continued with the minutes of the last meeting being approved.

Cllr Tebbit reported that she had been in touch with Finding Fitness, the organisation proposing the installation of a wall-climbing piece of play equipment on two occasions and despite leaving messages, she had had no response. She will continue to pursue this.

Regarding the replacement of the four remaining open bins in the village, a quote for the provision and installation of the bins and the removal of the old ones had been received from SCDC, which it was unanimously agreed to accept.

The street lighting issue will be discussed in September.

Further quotes are awaited regarding the tree survey so it was decided to discuss this in the September meeting.

A request for a second bin at Birdlings was sent to the Birdlings management company, who has replied saying it will consider the request.

The PC discussed the issue of dog walkers taking large numbers of dogs into the sheep field when there is no livestock present and allowing them to run loose. This can cause concern to some walkers who dislike dogs running up to them, particularly in large numbers. The PC does not want to prohibit responsible local dog walkers allowing their dog to run freely in this meadow but will seek suitable wording to put on a sign requesting walkers to keep dogs under control.

Given that CAPALC has issued new IT policy requirements as part of the Annual Governance Statement, this will require a detailed examination of our current IT policy and decisions about how we can comply with these new requirements. This will be investigated and discussed further at our next meeting.

It was agreed that the PC as a body would not respond to the Local Government Reorganisation in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough but that individuals could do so if they wished.

The Finance report and the payment of bills were approved.

No Planning applications had been received up to late in the afternoon but Cllr Harrison reported that he had looked at the planning website just before the meeting and reported that a planning application to put four glamping installations on the field off Comberton Road had been put in. As the PC does not reconvene until September, an extension to the deadline for comment has been sought.

Regarding village maintenance, it was noted that the verges on Comberton Road are managed by Highways and any rubbish left on them is their

responsibility. Cllr Darbyshire will inform Highways of a number of large bags which have been abandoned on this road for some time and ask for their removal.

Cllr Yeadon informed the meeting that the signs 'Dogs on Leads' to be placed at either end of the footpath going through the allotments have now arrived and these will be put in situ in due course.

Cllr Harrison informed the meeting that the bark ordered for distribution under the climbing frame had arrived. He and Cllr Yeadon agreed that they would spread this. Cllr Yeadon also reported that he had mended the gate into the playground and also repaired the net on the goal posts and the link fence which had been damaged. He also reported that the new slide had been delivered and was ready to be installed.

Regarding the musical equipment which has become loose, it is now considered that it is largely as a result of the clay soil shrinking in the extremely dry weather we are currently experiencing. It may be possible to wedge it in place as an interim measure.

Cllr Tebbit reported that she has recently checked the defibrillator and while there are new pads in the box, there is no expiry date on them. It was agreed

that there are a number of people in the village who would welcome another training event and this will be organised to take place in January 2026.

Cllr Darbyshire reported that the potholes along Church Road have finally been filled in. However, she is finding it extremely difficult to get responses to some other issues she has raised with Highways, among which the condition of the road at the junction of Brookside and School Lane, the issue of the trees affecting the power cables along Brookside and overhanging vegetation in various places in the village. She is attempting to get a face-to-face meeting so she can raise these issues and, hopefully, get the most urgent matters addressed.

Cllr Miles reported that the Hedgehog Awareness event had been extremely successful and that she will be liaising with Judith Large from the Shepreth Hedgehog Hospital regarding the release of some tagged hedgehogs and how best the money made from the event can be spent. A donation to the hospital will be made from the proceeds.

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Table top sale at The Methodist Chapel

Due to the Chapel closing, there will be a Table Top sale on Saturday August 23rd at 10am. We shall be selling an assortment of surplus objects from the Chapel. All monies raised will go to Action for Children.



Toft Methodist Chapel circa 1940

Toft Shop Announcement

We wanted to let our customers know that we have decided to put Toft Shop up for sale. We are actively looking for new buyers and will announce any news on that front in due course.

It has been a difficult decision in many ways, but after recent health issues, we feel that the time is right – and retirement beckons! We have enjoyed a wonderful 12 years here and we will be very sad to leave a village whose community has generously welcomed and supported us.

We would like to thank everyone who has given us their support over the years. We have been grateful for both your custom and friendship and are sure that the new owners will receive a similarly warm welcome and continued support.

Thank you.

Justin and Jenny



Dining table in need of a good home

There is a table at present standing in the Methodist Chapel in need of rehousing.

It is too good to end up in a skip. The table is G-Plan and a full history of its life can be given to anybody interested. The size is 1.47 m closed by 0.89 m, opening to 1.93 m with an additional leaf. Anybody interested should call Peter Johnson on 01223 262708 for more details.

Toft Parish Boundaries

The present-day parishes of Toft and Hardwick are much smaller in area compared to the neighbouring parishes of Caldecote and Comberton, which extend from the brook to the top of the north slope of the Bourn Valley.

The sides of the valley would have been heavily forested during Saxon times, when the woods were being cut down for agriculture and both Toft and Hardwick came into existence. Both settlements are mentioned in records from 991 AD. The lower slopes of the Bourn Valley would initially have been cleared as the soils there were more readily accessible and more easily worked than the very heavy clay upper slopes so Toft would have been established first. As the woodland clearance continued, people from Toft very likely constructed the first settlement in what would later become Hardwick. Hardwick was assessed as part of Toft in 1066 for the Toft entry in the Domesday book (1086) so, for administrative purposes at that time, Toft parish stretched to the top of the ridge.

By the 13th century the two villages had developed the open field system of the medieval period (as shown in the enclosure map from 1836) with Hardwick having three 'big fields' (Brook, Wood and Comberton) and Toft having two (West and East) with a third (Middle Field) recorded from 1700. Even as late as 1496, the Hardwick lands were still substantially woodland whereas Toft was mainly farmland by then. Hardwick had been acknowledged as a community by the early 12th century but it was, curiously, not formally recognised as a separate parish from Toft until 1815, when the enclosure laws began to be applied in the Bourn Valley.

The boundary between Toft and Hardwick appears not to have been officially delineated until then and indeed there was no made road between the two villages until 1836. The official boundary was established during the enclosure process, when a strip of land called the Intercommon Furlong, stretching north-eastwards from Hardwick Wood to what is now the Hardwick Road, was divided up between the two parishes and the Toft section of this furlong is indicated on the map.



KEY	
Parish Boundary	—●—●—
Field Boundary	-----
Common land

The Garden Wrangler



Keep dead-heading roses, dahlias and other repeat-flowering plants so they don't waste energy. Reduce the long growth of wisteria if you're lucky enough to have it and cut back lavender flowers but not into old wood. Any areas of grass or meadow that have been left to grow can be mown down.

Look around other gardens to see what is surviving and resilient without watering. I can highly recommend a visit to the Serge Hill Project near Bedmond in Hertfordshire, set up by Tom Stuart-Smith, for planting ideas.

TOFT RECORDERS

If you have enjoyed the music played by the recorder group at the bi-annual concerts given by Toft choir and Toft Session in Saint Andrew's church (especially the amazing recorder 'bird medley' at the recent summer concert), then put the date 21st September at 4pm in your diary, when the recorder players will give a concert at the church. Look out for further details in the next issue of the Calendar.

Schoolroom Café News

Open on Wednesday mornings during the school holidays

The Café and 'Funtime for Little Ones' will stay open every Wednesday from 10.30am to 1.30pm throughout the school holidays in the People's Hall and families with children are very welcome. Families with babies and toddlers are especially welcome to join the half hour of singing and stories at 10.30am. It's free and there's no need to book. Home-made biscuits at 2 for 50p are available every week and are particularly popular with children. We also have highchairs and safety mugs for hot drinks and a variety of toys to keep the little ones happy when rhyme time is finished.



If you would like to know more about helping in the Café, or making soup or baking cakes for the Café, please talk to one of the team leaders, or email Gill at: gill.ppugh@gmail.com.

Toft Club News

The famous **Club Barbeque** takes place on Saturday 2nd August – this is a hugely popular event! Please check at the Club to see if there are any tickets left!

Our new **Monthly Games Evening** continues on Friday 1st August. This is an evening of playing new and interesting board games - forget Monopoly, Scrabble and Cluedo! Players of all ages are welcome to join – free entry and doors open at 7:30pm. The bar is open from 8pm.

The **Film Club** will be showing the 2024 film *Paddington in Peru* on Saturday 16th. Paddington returns to Peru to visit his beloved Aunt Lucy, who now resides at the Home for Retired Bears. With the Brown family in tow, a thrilling adventure ensues when a mystery plunges them into an unexpected journey. Doors open at 7:30pm and the film starts promptly at 8:00pm. Film Club membership is £12 for the year, or evening membership is £3.00.



Our monthly **Open Mic Music Night** is on Saturday 9th. This is an evening of music from talented local musicians – free entry. If you are interested in performing, please get in touch either via the website or our Facebook page.

Please note: there is no Toft Art this month. All our other regular events take place, **Carpet Bowls** on Friday 8th, **Table Tennis** on Thursday 14th, **Toft Quiz** later this month on Thursday 21st and **Toft Bingo** on Thursday 28th.

The **19th Toft Beer & Cider Festival** will be over the weekend of **5th - 7th September**. There will be a choice of local real ales and ciders and our fabulous range of homemade food over the whole weekend. Saturday night will feature local bands, along with local music on Sunday afternoon. Entrance is free. We are open from 4pm on Friday 5th and noon on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th. There will be a Roast Dinner available at lunchtime on Sunday 7th – tickets will be on sale in the week before the Festival. Check out the website for full details.

The Club is hosting a couple of music gigs later in the year: **Kathryn Roberts & Sean Lakeman** are here on Friday 3rd October, and **While & Matthews** return on Tuesday 14th October. Full details are on the website.

The Club is always open on Thursday and Friday evening from 8pm, plus most Saturday evenings and there is always a warm welcome where you can meet up with friends and enjoy a drink.

Keep up to date here:

Website: <https://toft.club>

Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ToftSocial>

Barton playgroup

We wanted to share a bit about Barton Playgroup as we have had many children from Toft come and join this pre-school over the years.

We have a wonderful, small and friendly pre-school setting over in Barton, which runs from 9-1 each day. We have had a great team of 2 run it for many years and they are now retiring so we are entering a new chapter, with hope and enthusiasm! Here's a word from our new manager Jodie, 'Hello, I'm Jodie, and I'm really excited to be joining Barton Playgroup as the new manager. I'm a mum of three and have over five years of experience working in early years, which is something I'm truly passionate about. I'm looking forward to getting to know all the children and families and being part of such a lovely village community'. Jodie will be sharing what they are getting up to on our new Facebook page from September, so do look it up if you are looking for a pre-school for your children, from 2 years old. Government funding accepted. A warm welcome will await you, as ever! Feel free to email for further info and to book a visit barton.playgroup.chair@gmail.com



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Summer activities at Comberton

- ★ SRC CD Clock Making Wed 6 Aug 10.30-11.30am
- ★ SRC Board Games Fri 15 Aug 3-4.40pm
- ★ SRC Painting Stones Fri 22 Aug 3.30-4.30pm
- ★ SRC Award Ceremony Fri 12 Sep 4-5pm

Book your tickets in Comberton library or email:

cambourne.referral@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

For further details of these events, scan the QR code



Opening hours (excluding bank holidays etc.)

Monday	10am – 5pm
Tuesday	10am – 1pm
Wednesday	10am – 1pm and 2.30pm – 5.30pm
Friday	2.30pm – 5.30pm
Saturday	10am – 1pm

Mobile Library – Visits Toft on the third Friday of the month, 2.00 to 3.00pm by the Village Green.



Wildlife Trust for
**Beds, Cambs
& Northants**

Do you know a young person interested in nature? We have Junior Wildlife Ambassadors who contribute photos, articles, and ideas for our family newsletters, Youth Rangers, who attend regular practical and social activities and our Young People's Forum, a group of advisers helping the Trust work better for young people. This year our annual Youth Week runs between the 8th and the 17th of August and we will be encouraging young people interested in conservation with events and workshops across our three counties, especially 11-25 year olds.

Find out more on our website: wildlifebcn.org/youth-week

August events (charges apply.)

(Find the complete list on our website: wildlifebcn.org/events)

For children and young people

- ✿ Friday mornings, 9.30-11ish: Little Bugs pre-school sessions, Cambourne
- ✿ Family sessions are the same theme for Cambourne (Wednesdays) and Trumpington Meadows (Thursdays)
- ✿ Friday 8th Aug, afternoon: Wilder Stories at Rock Road Library, Cambridge
- ✿ Friday 15th Aug: Youth Rangers night walk, Cambourne
- ✿ Saturday 16th Aug, 10-12ish: family session on moths and bugs, at Trumpington Meadows

For adults

- ✿ Sat 9th Aug, 1.30-3.30pm: Nature and Natter: butterfly walk and cuppa at Trumpington Meadows
- ✿ Sat 16th Aug, 12.30-1.45pm: Seasonal stroll at Trumpington Meadows
- ✿ Fri 29th Aug, 8.30-10.30pm: Cambourne Night walk

BOURN WINDMILL OPEN AFTERNOONS

August 17th and September 14th, 2pm - 4pm

A rare opportunity to see inside one of the oldest windmills in the UK. Have a go at pushing the windmill round on its post and riding in it! A fantastic day out for all ages. There is also a replica of the mill to see, restored by Cambourne Men's Shed, which was featured in a recent ITV Anglia broadcast and on the BBC website. Experience hands-on corn grinding with a quern. The guides will take you around the mill, recounting its unique history, showing you the machinery, graffiti marks and much more.

Refreshments available (homemade cakes, teas and coffee or cordials). Entry £4 adults, Children £1 (under 5s go free). CPPF members are free. Free parking in front field: Mill Cottage, Caxton Road, Bourn, Cambridgeshire CB23 2SU.





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Sunday - 10.00am to 11.00am

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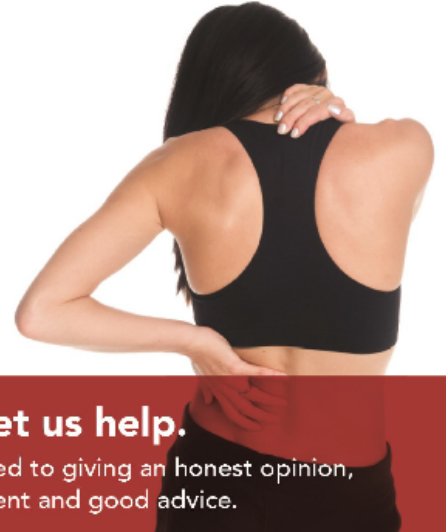
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Many thanks.

And, finally...

Please remember that contributions for the next issue of the Calendar must reach the Editor by 18th August.

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