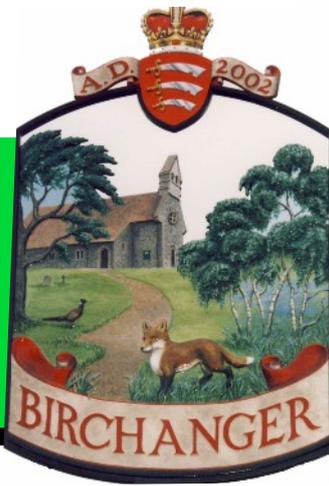


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Uttlesford Local Plan

At least that name is what most people use when they think about Council Planning Strategy or as we now are supposed to know it, the Local Development Framework. Most of us would prefer that it went away altogether, whatever it is called, as for so many people it means yet another load of houses where nobody really wants them. Last time round Birchanger faced the prospect of Forest Park. Now it seems it is Elsenham's, Saffron Walden's and Dunmow's turn.

Over the years we have become well used to Forest Park, and there are some really good houses up there, even if some of them seem to be squashed together. We have also met new friends and there are a lot more dog walkers about than there used to be across the fields between the two settlements.

There is a great deal more to consider besides the new houses. There are medical facilities, schools, employment issues and road capacity for a start. Here we all know that we have an inadequate surgery and GP provision, our roads seem to all be at capacity, we are besieged by rat runners, our schools are full or being amalgamated, so in the process many could fear that their lifestyle will be compromised.

The plan is for development to proceed in an ordered way, although it may not seem like it. The idea is that we know where the houses are to be built and the services are aware that they will have to make appropriate provision, at least that is the theory.

Whatever you may think, having a plan is better than no plan. This new plan is long overdue, which has meant that it has been open season for the developers in Uttlesford. They have had their way for far too long with disastrous results in some cases. Without an up to date plan the council has been unable to resist the onslaught from big builders with big money behind them, and has lost many cases on appeal as there was no plan and no five year land supply.

There have now been enough applications granted to give the council its five year land supply. The new plan is out for consultation and it is likely that inspectors will note its proposals from now on when they deal with an appeal and hopefully heed them, although not all of them will. This means that in some cases the council will be able to stop areas being developed unnecessarily although nothing is safe until the inspectorate has finally agreed the new development framework.

Not everyone will like all that is in the plan, I certainly don't. I will tell the council about this and exactly why I don't like their proposals, while the consultation lasts. I would urge everyone who has objections to do the same before it is too late. Birchanger on this consultation has little to worry about for the village itself, but with pressures from the massive development in East Herts and the concerns with Elsenham we shall certainly experience more traffic, difficulties in getting children into the Hertfordshire secondary schools and general pressures on all our services.

We have to have the Local Development Framework, the government's rules not ours, but we must try to see that it is the best plan for us, in the circumstances, as possible.



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Elizabeth Godwin

One of the best Springs ever?

I cannot remember such a lovely Spring in recent years. Perhaps it was because everything was out at once. There were some things which seemed later than usual, such as some magnolias and camellias, but the apple blossom, cherry blossom, lilacs and viburnums were mainly out well before their start dates, joining the end of the spring bulb show. The bluebells were particularly good and there were a lot of them mingled with aconites on our side of the road in Birchanger Wood.

Sadly there was the usual trail of bluebells left by the ignorant who pick them not knowing that unless they go immediately into water on short stalks, they will simply droop. Conservationists are anxious that they should not be picked at all, as our native species is endangered by the Spanish variety. Whatever their origins, the bluebells were particularly lovely. Perhaps they liked all that water?

Official crime rate is up!

Well not by much, but for the best place to live in England this has to be a matter for concern. We are all concerned now that policemen seem to be very thin on the ground these days and many crimes are simply not reported because the victims know that they are unlikely to get much attention.

The actual figure is 2.2% or 69 more offences. This is because Burglary of a Dwelling, Theft of Motor Vehicles, Theft and Handling, and Anti Social Behaviour crimes have all increased in the past year. The crimes which have actually decreased are violent crimes and theft from motor vehicles.

The police will claim that a great many of these crimes are committed by just a few individuals, with peaks noted in August and December in theft from houses. Perhaps this is not surprising given the summer holidays and the burglars need to stock up for Christmas. They claim that the rates drop dramatically when these individuals are finally caught.

Older vehicles are stolen more regularly as the advanced systems in new cars make helping yourself to one of these, considerably more difficult to do. Telephone fraud is increasing, and across the county victims handed over some £355,000. One individual was tricked into handing over his bankcards, but the taxi driver sent to collect them, realised it was a scam and the police were called.

The scam is continuing

Remember police and bank officials will never call you by telephone and ask for your full bank details, or ask you to withdraw large amounts of cash.

If you think this is happening to you, call the police but use a different phone number. You think they have hung up, they have not. Their next move is to pretend they are the police or your bank!

We all worry that the new policing arrangements and perceived cut backs have encouraged a rise in crime. For their part, the police want us to contact them more frequently when we see something suspicious. The problem is that they are now so inconspicuous to us, that we do not think about contacting them. Remember the old days when PC Kelly was about? It was easy to contact her then. I remain to be convinced that our policing is truly working for us right now.

Tour de Birchanger?

The Tour de France visit to our district in July has already sparked off a number of wannabee cyclists, a great many being under the impression that Birchanger Lane is a great place to get in shape. Trouble is, they don't know the lane and care nothing for its inhabitants and users.

The speed merchants are one thing. They fly round the bends and down the bridleways pushing all before them. Get in their way and there is absolutely no chance. They will knock you over, fine, but as long as they are ok, they certainly won't be helping you up. If the bike is damaged, it is of course your fault, for just having the temerity to be there!

Then there are the forty something overweight and under fit crowd. They ride in packs of six to eight. They talk and joke all the time, they ride a variety of bikes, which probably belonged to their kids but they wobble along the lane at some speed. Their main problem is that they don't look where they are going. One was nearly under a car at Duck End bend. It was the motorist who saw the cyclist and took evasive action, up the bank. The cyclist appeared to be too engrossed in chatting to his mates and was completely oblivious of the accident he could have caused. One of them bumped into a man pushing a buggy. No apology, just a glare. There seem to be plenty more where they came from as well. Having a good idea about getting fit over a couple of pints with your mates is one thing, but a little thought is needed when putting the

idea into practise. This lot won't last, but be careful until the real "tour" is over.

It is strange to be writing like this. It is normally the speeding motorists, not the speeding cyclists.

Don't put oil or fat down the drain

The problem that beset several houses in Birchanger Lane when raw sewage overflowed into people's houses when fat and wet wipes blocked the pipes completely has happened again elsewhere in the village.

Please wipe pans with kitchen paper after tipping all oil and fat into a separate container, before washing them up. The containers when full can be taken to the tip where they oil and fats are recycled into fuel oils, or if you are not conservation minded, placed in your black bin. This simple act could stop dangerous blockages in the future.

Community grants from the Airport up for grabs again!

Well we put up with the noise, additional traffic and poor air quality, so why should there not be some benefit to Birchanger from our noisy neighbour. In fact the village has benefited in the past, as both the school and the nursery have received money for specific projects.

The next round of grants is now open for bids and will remain open until August 31st. Last time a staggering £66,000 was awarded to a variety of local groups. The maximum that can be applied for is £2000, and this is not available to Parish Councils or individuals. To make an application please contact SACT, PO Box 11, County Hall, Chelmsford, CM1 1LX, email Cllr.susan.barker@essex.gov.uk or telephone 01245 231250 for an application form, or advice.

One's Company, Three's a Crowd!

So the saying goes, but I did not think it could also apply to ducks. For the past three years a pair of ducks have visited our garden in Spring Time. They expect their breakfast at 7am, regular meals throughout the day, peace and quiet with open access to the pond. They have all of that, I am not allowed to garden in the vicinity and even the dog knows he must not go near them. We have yet to see any ducklings, as they disappear usually in early May, presumably to nest elsewhere.

That has been the pattern up until this year. From Mr Duck's point of view anyway, that is, until another drake showed up. This duck appeared to be a younger slightly slimmer drake and he certainly attracted Mrs Duck's attention, but it was not long before the fight started. Mr Duck Senior was having none of this! It was his long term partner and he was determined to see off his rival. The fight was bitter. It is just as well ducks beaks are rounded otherwise the injuries inflicted would have been very serious indeed. Mr Duck Senior was successful at first, but gradually his rival got the better of him and he sadly withdrew.

The new pair honeymooned away for a few days and Mr Duck remained on his own, in and around the garden. Then the fickle couple returned. Mrs Duck tried to do her best to make up, but until now Mr Duck has remained rather aloof. The younger drake is around but keeps his distance. He is no doubt expecting to avoid all incubating and duckling care duties.

Up to now I had always assumed that ducks like swans paired for life. I had not expected Mrs Duck to have run off with a younger, slimmer model like some humans are prone to do. It is also quite possible that if and when the eggs hatch, there will be issues of paternity, but I hardly expect Mr Duck will be asking for the testing of the ducklings DNA. Perhaps if I install a Duck House for next year Mrs Duck will find him more attractive, but of course this will not be on my expenses!

It is community award time again.

Community Awards are offered by the District Council to those who have made outstanding contributions to their neighbourhood and have made someone's life somewhere just a bit more special, whether it is for children, the elderly, those in need, or the community at large.

Anyone is free to nominate a candidate to the Parish Council, but the actual proposal and seconding must be made by the Parish Council, or the CVS, Volunteer Centre or a District Council officer. Members of the Council are excluded from the process, as they could find themselves in a difficult position. All they can do is to pass on a nomination to the Parish Council, or an officer.

If you want to propose someone, I am happy to facilitate, to obtain the necessary forms and to pass the details to the Parish Council. You will need to tick one category into which most of the nominee's work falls. These are Service to Children and Young People up to age 18: Service to the elderly: Service to people with disabilities and Services to the Community and/ or the Environment. You need to say whether the individual's work has been honoured elsewhere, and whether or not that individual received any payment.

There is a separate category for nominations for Young People aged 15 to 18, who have contributed significantly to their local community. With the exception of the award for young people, the candidate must have done the voluntary work for at least 5 years for consideration.

All completed nomination papers must be with the District Council by noon on July 25th. You may well wish to keep your nomination to yourself or a small group, until it has been formally accepted and the candidate is invited to receive the award. This can be done.

Can you understand your Doctor?

You have unloaded all your symptoms to your doctor. Now it is his turn. The English spoken to you is fluent and precise, but you cannot understand a word of it.

Ram Raiders.

Despite the impeccable English the accent masks everything that has been said. Pardon, you mutter again and again. The patient is not just unwell but is also stupid, is the impression you fear you have left behind.

Yet the Doctor has passed all the necessary English tests with flying colours, on paper. The problem is that nobody has actually heard him speak. You are left with the problem. Patients emerge from the long awaited appointment more baffled than when they went in. What can be done? Well if there was a nurse present, they may be able to translate for you, you could complain to the Primary Care Commissioning Group, or you could ask the doctor to write it all down. Something which he will probably not be exactly over enthusiastic about, as it will take time and they are already over booked.

If you have a problem I would like to hear about it. I do meet regularly with the PCCG and will raise this and any other difficulties you may have.

We did not have any experience of Ram Raiders until earlier this month when they struck at the ambulance station, and then a few days later, the stables nearby. They did a great deal of damage, to premises, gates and property, but having caused their chaos and their vehicle became stuck, they finally decided to leave. The damage must have been caused by a powerful vehicle and must have happened at night.

There are sightings of many strange characters in the lane these days. If you do see anything suspicious, no matter how trivial it may seem, please report it as soon as possible.

The drug traders are back as well. If you see anything which might be drug dealing taking place, please inform the police on 101. If the circumstances are in any way immediately threatening, dial 999. Some sharp sighted people have already reported problems and car registration numbers to the police.

After the Olympics.

It was lovely weather for a large part of April, so in the holidays I decided to revisit the Olympic Park, with a test team of grandchildren. We all had very happy memories of the Olympics and had looked forward to seeing just what is actually happening now.

To us the site seemed greatly diminished. The stadium has lost its top tier and looks very ordinary. The Aquadrome has lost its wings, but is still an interesting shape. Some of the venues have disappeared entirely but mercifully the Velodrome remains intact, the BMX track is greatly modified and is probably a great deal safer. The original restaurants have gone and there are small refreshment stands and a café in their place. The site overall is a great deal smaller, but there are waterways and ponds around the canal, and as the vegetation grows up, will become increasingly attractive. All around the perimeter is a massive building project, and there will be literally hundreds of flats of all sizes. I did not dare go into the estates offices to ask the price. New roads which I certainly do not remember before, cross the site and there are controlled pedestrian crossings everywhere.

Work continues on the stadium, which West Ham will eventually take over. It will also be open for major Athletics events. These events will also bring their own impact when they are happening. Access is easy via rail direct from Bishops Stortford, tube, and Dockland Light Railway. You can also get to the continent as there is also the international station. Signs are confusing however and you may need directions.

It is not altogether child friendly. The roads are potentially dangerous, and although traffic is currently minimal, it will not be when the flats are occupied. The parks have some great innovative play equipment, but there is not enough of it and it will be very crowded indeed in the future. If you go, take a towel and a change of clothes, water is one of the prime features throughout.

There are some bonuses, or not depending on your take on this. If the park disappoints, you have to go on the edge of the Westfield shopping Centre to access it. Gone is the row of expensive shops which featured Prada, Chanel and the like when the Olympics were on. In their place are several reasonably priced restaurants featuring food from many countries. If you are lucky, you can even get to eat outside or in the shared pergola.

It is a fast growing piece of London and well worth a visit in the months to come. For quick access to London it may also become the smart place to live.



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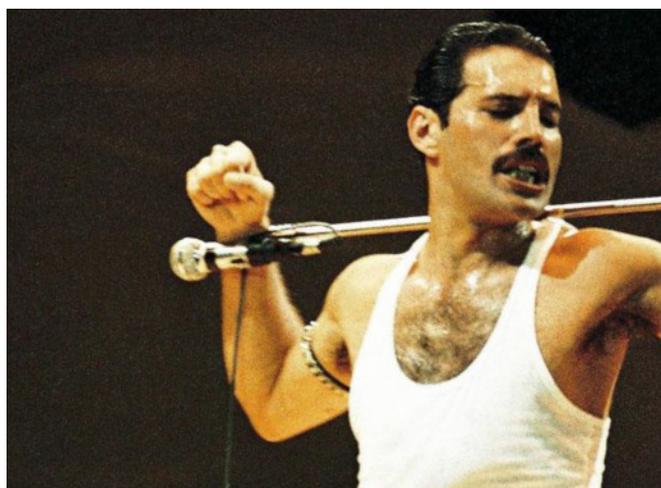
BIRCHANGER'S BEST OF BRITISH

Nothing is a prouder British institution than the local sports and social club. All over the land they offer great value food, drinks and entertainment for the hard working people of this country. We're not afraid to let the continent influence us with our great and varied wines and international cuisine, but this month we thought we'd showcase some of the very British things we can offer. Hope you enjoy, but any comments please get in touch via our facebook page.



CRICKET BACK ON THE MENU

Nothing says quintessential Britishness better than the sound of leather on willow and polite cheers as grown men embark on one of the world's least understood games. It's true that we Brits have a tendency to create world-beating sports claiming football, rugby and tennis as our own, but whoever invented cricket surely had one incredible sense of humour, from sticky wickets, golden ducks to LBW, this is a much loved, little understood national pastime. But the club can offer novices the chance to get up-to speed and enjoy the game. At the club we have a thriving cricket scene with two men's teams playing local fixtures. It's not surprising when you consider the quality of our pitch and facilities. So if you want to come along and enjoy the sun, with a glass of your favourite tippie one Saturday, or go the whole hog and don your cricket whites, then come on down to see us.



BANK ON THE CLUB THIS BANK HOLIDAY - 24th MAY CLUB TO HOST FREDDIE MERCURY TRIBUTE AND BLOW UP BAND

Queen remains one of the most popular and innovative bands to come out of Britain, having spawned a number of cult classics that travel the world. This May will see the club host its very first cabaret evening, with a whole host of entertainment including a blow up band alongside one of the world's leading Freddie Mercury tribute acts, who will help bring that Queen sound to life. So if you want to break free this bank holiday weekend then bring your 'Mamma' or the 'Love of My Life' because 'The Show Must Go On'. What can we say, 'We Will Rock You'!



FISHY BUSINESS

What could be a better example of British cuisine than the humble Fish and Chips. At the club we pride ourselves on the excellent and great value of everything that comes out of our kitchens. The Fish and Chips is no different and extremely popular, so make sure to give us a call in advance if you're keen to secure your favourite battered delight!



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ENTERTAINMENT/ SPORTING FIXTURES

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Treasure Chest Draw – 6th June



The prize keeps growing, but you got to be in it to win it

Jamie Callis – 21st June



It's easy to knock England's record over the last few decades, but maybe this year will be ours. Perhaps the land of sun-soaked beaches, carnival and the surgically enhanced derriere will egg our team on to victory. Whatever happens come along to the club to view the matches on our giant screen as we'll be running a sweepstake so even if England do get on the plane home a little early, you could still be a winner, with Carlsberg England shirts to be won

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News from St Mary's

Good Friday Service

So much has happened over the last couple of months but before I say anything about this, I would like to share with you my thoughts on yesterday's Good Friday Service.

Wow! That's is how I feel this morning.

In previous years, I have found the service to be very dark (not surprising when you think of the subject) and afterwards I have been left feeling low and, if I am honest, a bit depressed. Then just 2 days later we have had our Easter day celebrations and all has seemed right with the world.

Well this year, although the theme of the Friday service was the same, Paul in my mind surpassed himself. The story may have been dark and horrific; the players aggressive and barbaric but somehow Paul conveyed an underlying message of love and hope for humankind. We were drawn into the whole event, not a magical story about good versus evil, but something almost tangible and whether I knew it or not, my mind has been reflecting on what Paul said and this morning, I feel at peace with myself. Not hurried or concerned about what the day may bring or what I may have forgotten to do.

Just at peace and what a wonderful way to start the day.

Pam.

Churchyard Regulations

Just a short reminder that there are fixed rules about the type of headstones that can be erected in the churchyard and about what can be placed upon graves. Local undertakers know about the headstone rules and we usually do not have a problem there. However, I do remind you that:

Only one small pot plant or case may be placed on each grave and it must sit within the headstone base. It must not stand on the grass or soil. Nothing can be planted in the ground.

No artificial flowers or arrangements are permitted save for Christmas wreaths. All artificial arrangements will be removed and destroyed without any prior warning. Please do not put them on or around graves. Also, please remove all wreaths and dead flowers as soon as they become unsightly. Take them home. Do not leave them for one of us to clean up.

Church Hall Tea Room

This is open each Wednesday from 2 pm to 4 pm and anyone can drop in for a hot cuppa, cake and chat. Thus far, it has been well supported and I thank you for coming along. I also thank all of those ladies who have given so generously of their time and efforts by baking cakes and then serving them. This is truly a community effort with all proceeds going towards refurbishment of the main hall which has already had a fresh coat of paint and with the floor newly sanded, it is looking lovely. Come along on a Wednesday afternoon to have a look - you will be made most welcome.

Enterprise Birchanger

There are many so far unsung heroes in Birchanger who are quietly working away at home, many of them are incredibly talented and creative.

One of them is Donna St Pierre, who is one of our three resident artists who has found an outlet for her work and the work of many other local artists and craftsmen in Manuden. She has just opened a small gallery in Manuden opposite the Yew Tree Public House and alongside Bonney's Engineering Works.

There are many paintings to buy there, or to simply look at. I particularly liked the work from a local jewellery maker who specialises in making her own stones out of glass, in bright jewel colours: ideal for a treat or for a very unusual birthday or dare I say this early, a Christmas present. There are handcrafted animals, cards, specially created ornamental plates, and much more: in fact it is an ideal place to be shopping for presents. These are just some of the things which caught my eye, you have to see for yourself.

You could round off your trip to Manuden with a visit to the newly refurbished Yew Tree pub, now under new management. There are full meals and bar snacks readily available. There is also a function room to hire and a terrace to sit and enjoy a drink in fine weather. It all makes for a pleasant day out. The shop is closed on Mondays and Tuesdays, while the pub keeps normal pub hours.

School News

New Head teacher appointed

Birchanger School is to have a new Head Teacher. Her name is Mrs Helen Coop and she is currently deputy head at Sheering School. She is very experienced in the role of Head Teacher, having acted as head teacher previously in her current school. She will be visiting the school throughout the summer term, before she takes up her post full time in September. She lives locally and has a very good understanding of the school and the community.

The interview process was rigorous and involved the children as well as the interviewing panel. Those who did not meet Mrs Coop then, will have the opportunity to do so later in the term as the hand over process gets under way.

Meanwhile the school is under the leadership of Mr Bradford, following the retirement of Mr Slide for health reasons. Mr Bradford brings energy and enthusiasm for the school to his role as acting head. He will liaise with Mrs Coop throughout the term.

Teaching has become a very stressful job, thanks in part to measures brought in by those who are not teachers and who do not understand how hard working and dedicated teachers actually already are. We need to value them and support them for all they are doing, as they all have the children's best interests at heart. Their main role is to teach, not just to tick the boxes.

Birchanger School 10 k Run Beats the Weather.

The morning was wet, there was a strong cold wind, but that made no difference to the 170 runners who lined up for the annual 10 kilometer run around Birchanger. The runners who were a combination of parents, locals and really good club runners from nearby Athletic

Clubs, made a mixture of those running for sport or just for fun. They were all raising money for the school.

Although for the first time in its four year history the sun failed to make an appearance, the runners didn't and a record entry of 170 head out on a rainy Sunday morning to complete the two loops around Birchanger village that make up the Birchanger 10K.

The race was organised by Birchanger Primary School PTA to raise funds for additional learning activities to support the children's education. The amount raised from the race was £2500.

First man home was Richard Hynning in a time of 39:05 and first lady home (and fourth overall) was Megan Evans in a time of 41:18 an event record.

The children's race followed, and they showed that they could match the prowess of their seniors anytime. Some of the parents who had just completed the 10k race, ran the shorter course with their children. This was the first time in the history of the race, that the weather let the runners down, but the enthusiasm is still there, and despite the increasing numbers, there is still space for serious and not so serious runners, to join in.

The prizes included meals for two at local pubs, tickets for the gym and various other goodies. All the athletes had supplies and water in a goody bag. Even the course marshals had their own bag. So next year, you can join in as a runner, or a marshall and whichever you choose, will be very welcome

Next years race Sunday 10th May 2015.

Birchanger's Big Event

It is time to dust off that dinner jacket again, as you are invited to join the Birchanger All Girls for the biggest event of the year. This will be in the form of a black tie dinner, with all locally cooked fresh food. The dinners has come to be known as the Birchanger Ball.

This is the first event of its kind in the village since the old Burn's Night Dinners which benefited SSE. This time the event is being hosted by the newly formed Birchanger All Girls Society. All the money they raise will be for Birchanger. All the local Birchanger groups who have projects in the village which they are working towards, will be invited to bid for a share in the money which the BAGS hope to raise.

The date is Saturday July 26th and tickets are now available, but be warned, they are selling out fast. They are still available, at the time of writing from,

Dee Goodwin, at 219 Birchanger Lane, telephone 07764179680, email deegoodwin@outlook.com
An event not to be missed.

Help Wanted

Uttlesford CAB is looking for volunteers to join their Disability Benefits Home Visit team. This specialised service operates across the district offering continuity of care, confidentiality and reassurance for those living with long-term conditions. Volunteers help with the often complex applications for Attendance Allowance, Disability Living Allowance (DLA) and the new Personal Independent Payment (PIP). They also provide advice on financial issues or care needs such as purchasing aids and appliances, getting a blue badge, or lowering fuel bills.

For people living with disabilities getting access to advice can be difficult and many people in Uttlesford do not claim the benefits to which they may be entitled. As a client put it, 'I felt extremely intimidated by the DLA form, but by having my adviser to fill in the form, it allowed me to answer the very challenging and personal questions honestly and with less distress.' A disability benefit award allows people to pay for services that aid independence and substantially improve their quality of life.

Members of the team need to commit to a minimum of three hours a week and have access to a car. Full training is given and travel expenses are paid. One volunteer said, 'Being a volunteer in the disability benefits team feels like a privilege. I can use many of the skills developed during my working life, and really help people to express the problems they are facing. And the positive feedback evident in the success rate of my clients is an added bonus. The role is also flexible and can be easily adapted to fit in with my life.'

If you are interested in joining the team and would like to know more, please call us on 01799 618840, email volunteer@uttlesfordcab.org.uk or visit www.uttlesfordcab.org.uk for further details and an application form.

The team often works with clients who have been referred by health professionals or the social services, but if you, or someone you know, might benefit from this service please call 01799 618840. Our general team can cover questions on benefit-related issues but can pass you onto the Home Visit team if their help is needed.

Sudoku

Here is a simple sudoku puzzle.

The rules for solving the puzzle are :- each horizontal row and vertical column must have the digits 1 to 9 with no digits repeated.

The grid is also divided into 9, 3 x 3 boxes which must also contain digits 1 to 9 again with no digits repeated.

The solution is on the back page.

1	4	5						3
		9	2		7			1
3					1	6		8
	3		9				7	
9	1						8	2
	5				8		6	
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2			7		6	8		
4						2	1	7

Birchanger Bags

Come along and join us on the last Wednesday of every Month
Meeting Room in Village Hall
Doors open at 7.30. for 8 – 10 p.m.

Forthcoming meetings

Wed. 25th June – Fun 'n Games Evening
Wed. 30th July – Barry Kaufmann-Wright 'The Wildlife Man' (Retired Wildlife Crime Officer for the Police Force for 22 years and Author)
Talking on 'Wildlife in the Garden'

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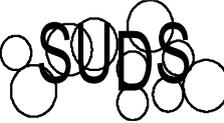
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