

## Forthcoming events

### Summer Reading Challenge

Each year, Alconbury Weald community library takes part in the Summer Reading Challenge – with volunteers available from 10am-midday on Wednesday mornings during the summer holidays to listen to children read and hear about their latest literary adventure.

This year's events include:

- **5 August: Read to the Beat Crafts\***  
A fun-filled Read to the Beat themed craft session.
- **12 August: Storybook Village**  
Children aged up to 11 years are invited to choose up to three books to take home and keep, free of charge. All welcome. No need to book. Please scan the QR code to find out how to donate gently used books.
- **19 August: Drawing workshop with Matty Long\***  
Join the illustrator and author of the Super Happy Magic Forest series for a fun and interactive drawing workshop.



- **26 August: Koalas in Capes!\***  
Grab your best superhero (or villain!) disguise and join author Terrie Chilvers in this laugh-out-loud event full of interactivity and koala chaos!

\*Events are free, but spaces are limited and booking is essential. Find out more and book by emailing [Huntingdon.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:Huntingdon.library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk) or calling 0345 045 5225.

### Farmers' Market

**9am-midday on Saturday, 11 July at The Pavilion**

Discover an amazing selection of local food producers, fresh produce, artisan treats, baked goods and more.

### Youth Club

**From 6pm on the second and fourth Friday of the month at The Pavilion**

Alconbury Weald Youth Club for Yr 4-6 (6pm) and Yr 7-11 (7.30pm) will be running fortnightly from 11 September during term time. The Club provides activities, events and projects to enrich the lives of young people.

### Alconbury Weald Community Association

**7.30pm on Wednesday, 8 July in Swynford Coffee and 5 August in The Club**

Come along to hear the latest news and find out more about the events and activities planned for the community — and how you can get involved.

If you are unable to attend in person, you can dial in on Teams – Meeting ID: 327 054 324 960 Passcode: yYADVj or scan the QR code



### Save the Date

- **Resident Forum:** from 6.30pm on Thursday 10 September in The Club. Previous meetings can be viewed at [www.youtube.com/@alconburywealdresidents1432/videos](https://www.youtube.com/@alconburywealdresidents1432/videos)
- **Heritage Open Day & Family Fun Day:** midday to 5pm on Saturday, 12 September in The Club and on Watch Office Green
- **Octoberfest:** Saturday/Sunday 16/17 October in The Pavilion

## Key Contacts



### General maintenance

Including: grass cutting; clearing drains; gritting main roads in winter; repairing street lighting; trimming hedges and ensuring play area safety.

Managed by *Encore Estate Management*  
01223 866980 | [info@encoreestates.co.uk](mailto:info@encoreestates.co.uk)

### Housebuilders

Support once you've moved into your new home, to include outside lighting, electricity, water and network connections. Please contact your house builder with any queries.

### Alconbury Weald community and events

Including: community events; activities; facilities; and new resident information.

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### Health

*Alconbury Doctors' Surgery* | 01480 890281  
[www.alconburybramptonssurgery.co.uk](http://www.alconburybramptonssurgery.co.uk)

*Local Health Visiting Team*  
01480 418656

For a smooth healthcare handover, please remember to register at Alconbury Doctors' Surgery as soon as you can. If you have moved locally and are already registered at the practice, please remember to update your new address.

### Home-Start Cambridgeshire

Free, confidential, non-judgemental emotional and practical support to families with children under 5 experiencing a range of challenges.

01480 700242 | [office@homestartcambridgeshire.co.uk](mailto:office@homestartcambridgeshire.co.uk)  
[www.homestartcambridgeshire.co.uk](http://www.homestartcambridgeshire.co.uk)

## Community Newsletter

# The Warbler

July/August 2026



**Alconbury Weald**

## Hello from Natalie



Hello and welcome to the summer edition of The Warbler.

We enjoyed a record-breaking start to the summer, with the Food Festival attracting more than 2,500 people. Visitors enjoyed a fantastic array of food and refreshments, entertainment and activities, including a Dakota flypast. Celina and the Community Association did a great job, making it the biggest and most successful festival in the event's history.

I'd also like to give a special mention to Jacqui, who did an outstanding job organising the Community Association's Hidden Gardens event. With more gardens participating than ever before, the event inspired neighbours and visitors while raising funds for Magpas Air Ambulance.

This year's Summer Reading Challenge offers a range of activities designed to encourage children to discover the joy of reading over the holidays and spark their imagination.

Alconbury Weald has more than 36,000 trees, as well as thousands of shrubs. If you notice trees or vegetation in public areas struggling during the hot weather, please feel free to water them, ideally first thing or later in the evening, using grey water where possible.

Finally, we have received reports of fly-tipping around the development. Fly-tipping is illegal and costly, with residents ultimately bearing the expense through the estate management service charge. For information about household waste and recycling services, please visit [www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins-waste](http://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins-waste)

With best wishes  
Natalie

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## Around Alconbury Weald

### Garland Park

Work is starting on the final section of Garland Park in July. The team will be working in 100m sections – starting at Senliz Road and working towards The Boulevard – along the 900m stretch of park.

Each 100m section is expected to take around three weeks and will require the concrete from the former taxiway to be broken up and removed. Work will take place from 8am-6pm Monday-Friday and 8am-1pm on Saturdays, with noise and dust monitoring in place throughout. We apologise for any inconvenience during this work.

The final section of Garland Park is due to open in spring 2027 and will provide an off-road connection between Ermine Street Church Academy and The Glade local centre.



### Prestley Country Park

Prestley Country Park is being created in partnership with Nene Park Trust. Nene's Shelley Cant is working with the Urban&Civic and Nene teams – as well as local stakeholders, community groups and residents – to project manage the delivery of the country park.

Prestley Country Park Working Group is being established to help shape the plans and establish a friends' group of volunteers to get involved. The first meeting will be **at 10am on Thursday, 16 July at The Club**. If you would like to join the Working Group, please email [natalie.leigh-brown@urbanandcivic.com](mailto:natalie.leigh-brown@urbanandcivic.com).

## Regular activities

Alconbury Weald hosts a wide range of clubs and classes, with some examples listed below. Find out more at [alconbury-weald.co.uk/whats-on](http://alconbury-weald.co.uk/whats-on)

### Tania Fitness classes

**6.45pm/7.40pm on Mondays at The Pavilion**

Pregnancy Fitness Pilates/Fitness Pilates

Find out more and book at [taniafitness.com](http://taniafitness.com)

### Alconbury Weald Netball Club

**7pm on Tuesdays at Ermine Street Church Academy**

Alconbury Weald Netball Club is looking for new players! Join this fun, friendly club – for adult players of varying ages and abilities – to improve your skills, get fit, make friends and play in matches.

Email: [admin@alconburywealdnetball.club](mailto:admin@alconburywealdnetball.club)

### Alconbury Brownies, Guides and Rangers

**From 6pm on Wednesdays at The Pavilion**

With a long-standing leader moving on, more volunteers are urgently needed. If you can spare a couple of hours each week to support sections, email [secondalconburybrownies@gmail.com](mailto:secondalconburybrownies@gmail.com).

### RightStart exercise classes

**9am on Fridays at The Pavilion**

Improve your strength, balance and confidence with RightStart. These friendly classes use a mix of chair-based and standing exercises to support mobility, independence and overall wellbeing. Find out more and book: [www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/rightstart](http://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/rightstart)

An Exercise Referral Scheme is also available at One Leisure gyms. People with eligible health conditions can self-refer for personalised exercise support.

For more information, email: [activelifestyles@huntingdonshire.gov.uk](mailto:activelifestyles@huntingdonshire.gov.uk)

### Yoga sessions

**10.30am on Fridays at The Pavilion**

Enhancing strength, flow and peacefulness. Find out more and book by calling 07748 869577 or emailing [sonyaanneboo@hotmail.com](mailto:sonyaanneboo@hotmail.com)

### Dance House of Goonji

**From 6.15pm on Fridays at The Pavilion**

Fun and energetic dance classes – Bollywood, Semi-Classical and Hip-Hop styles – 6.15pm for kids and 7pm for adults.

Plus, special BollyWorkout Fitness Workshops on selected Saturdays.

To book, call 07424 065351 or email [gunjansharmachoreography@gmail.com](mailto:gunjansharmachoreography@gmail.com)

## Update from Alconbury & Brampton Surgeries

We are excited to be able to share that we have been working with Urban&Civic at Alconbury Weald and Cambridge & Peterborough ICB to create the opportunity for our Practice to utilise additional healthcare premises at The Glade (above the Co-op).

Once open, we will transfer the existing 2,500+ residents from Alconbury Weald currently being seen at Alconbury Village to this new Surgery for their ongoing care. In doing so, the required allocation of clinical staff will also be transferred for the corresponding hours and number of patients to provide a full range of services from this location.

We will also be exploring opportunities in terms of additional services and alternative ways of working as we remain committed to delivering a high standard of patient care for our registered patient population.

