

Upcoming events

Alconbury Weald Community Association 7.30pm on Wednesday, 1 April at The Club and on Teams

Meet the new committee and find out about the plans and priorities for this year!



Teams meeting ID: 327 054 324 960
Passcode: yYADVj or scan the QR code

Alconbury Weald Church Easter 10.30am-midday on Good Friday (3 April) at Ermine Street Church Academy

Family trail with different images that tell the story of Easter around the school field, with clues and challenges along the way. Complete the trail and receive a small chocolatey prize!

10.30am on Easter Sunday (5 April) at Ermine Street Church Academy

All age service with Holy Communion in the school hall. For more information: www.alconburyweald.church.

Community Garden

There are a range of Saturday events coming up at the Community Garden:

4 April: Making Eco Bird Feeders and Mini Bug Hotels

11 April, 2 and 30 May: Gardening Club

Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just starting out, the Community Garden welcomes everyone to learn, share and grow together.

For more information and to book your free spot on any of these events, search for 'Alconbury Weald Community Garden' on Eventbrite. Hope to see you there!

Stages Musical Theatre Lab

9am-4pm on Wednesday, 8 April at The Pavilion

Take centre stage for a day of acting, singing and dancing through some of your favourite musicals. Suitable for ages 6-16yrs. To find out more and book, email stagescreativearts@gmail.com

Alconbury Weald Beer Festival Friday-Sunday, 10-12 April at The Pavilion

Organised in partnership with The Watch Office Bar & Kitchen, Alconbury Weald's popular Beer Festival is back:

- 5pm-11pm on Friday, 10 April
- Midday-11pm on Saturday, 11 April
- Midday-8pm on Sunday, 12 April (or until the beer runs out!).



The three-day event promises the perfect opportunity to relax and unwind with family and friends whilst enjoying beverages from local brewers and distillers as well as soft drinks, sampling barbecue goodies and soaking up the atmosphere.

Alconbury Weald Business Boosters 1.30-3.30pm on Thursday, 16 April at Swynford Coffee

Run by Invest in Huntingdonshire in partnership with Urban&Civic, these drop-in sessions on the third Thursday of the month offer free, friendly support for anyone starting, running or growing a business. Come along with your questions, ideas or challenges and get practical guidance, local insights and connect with other businesses. No booking needed, just drop in.

Save the date

- **Next Resident Forum meeting**
6.30pm on Thursday, 11 June in The Club
- **Alconbury Weald Food Festival**
Saturday, 13 June on Watch Office Green

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

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

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
www.homestartcambridgeshire.co.uk

Community Newsletter

The Warbler

April 2026



Alconbury Weald

Hello from Natalie



Welcome to our April edition of *The Warbler*. We're especially excited that Swynford Coffee will be opening this month. The former Swynford Stores has been transformed into a cosy coffee house and community hub. Pop along to support this fantastic new venture and try this month's specials!

We're also looking forward to events and activities this Easter, which include activities with Alconbury Weald Church, a bird feeder and bug hotel workshop at the Community Garden and this year's Beer Festival.

Other amenities are also progressing, and we've included an update on the new shops and health centre in The Glade and Prestley Country Park.

On Easter Sunday (5 April), British Cycling will be using The Boulevard for bike races. Find out more about the event and race start times on our What's On webpage.

Finally, we're aware of an issue with some drains in recent months and investigations have shown this has been caused by wipes and oils/fats. Even wipes that state they are safe to flush take time to biodegrade, so please only flush the 3Ps — pee, poo and paper! Please visit Huntingdonshire District Council's website for information on how to dispose of different oils/fats: www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins-waste.

All the best
Natalie

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Around Alconbury Weald

Swynford Coffee opens

A new coffee shop and community hub is opening by Swynford Park. Run by Alconbury Weald residents – Kayleigh and Jack — Swynford Coffee will be serving a range of hot and cold drinks, toasties, waffles and ice creams. This family-friendly hub will have comfy seats, a 'community shelf' where local businesses can display their products for a small fee (that will go to Alconbury Weald Community Association to support local events) and a dog-friendly seating area on the outside deck.



Swynford Coffee will be open on the Easter weekend: 8am–6pm on Friday, Saturday and Monday, and 9am–4pm on Sunday.

Follow on Instagram
[@SwynfordCoffee](https://www.instagram.com/SwynfordCoffee) for updates and other opening hours.

New shops

With the ground prepared, work is starting on the foundations for the new shops opposite the Co-op in The Glade. We do not anticipate any disruption for Co-op customers, but please follow safety signage around the construction site. The building is due to be completed and the shops available to fit out in late 2026/early 2027.

New healthcare facility

Work is also starting on the new medical centre on the first floor of the Co-op building to support patients in the local area. The new facility — which will include a waiting area, 10 consulting rooms and two treatment rooms — is expected to be completed in the autumn. The Glade Surgery will be run by Alconbury and Brampton Surgeries in partnership with NHS Cambridgeshire and Peterborough ICB.

Prestley Country Park

As part of a step change to introduce a more natural regenerative farming process and create more nature rich grassland and meadows, rotational grazing will be introduced to areas of Prestley Country Park from the spring.

Both sheep and cattle will be used as they graze differently. Sheep create an expanse of short grass that allows sunlight to reach the soil and make space for wildflowers to germinate, while cattle move differently and their weight causes micro disturbances creating damp hollows and a more varied grass structure to benefit a wide range of wildlife.

To support this approach, fencing is due to start being installed in late April and we'll be placing signs to provide advanced notice of where they are going up. Please follow the Countryside Code when enjoying these rural spaces — closing gates and keeping dogs under control — to ensure a safe experience for all users.

Cricket Club: new members welcome!

Sawtry & Alconbury Weald Cricket Club is looking for new cricketers for the 2026 season and beyond! With four Junior age groups and four Open Age teams that play evenings and weekends, there is plenty of opportunities to get involved in!

They would love to hear from anyone over 7 years old who would like to get involved in the game! Find out more at www.sawtryandawcc.play-cricket.com.



Regular activities

Alconbury Weald hosts a wide range of clubs and classes that cater for all ages and abilities. Find out what else is available at www.alconbury-weald.co.uk/whats-on

Mini Masterpieces

3.45pm on Thursdays at The Pavilion

Looking for an easy, creative after-school activity? Mini Masterpieces is a relaxed stay-and-create session for children aged 2.5–11 years old and their parent/carer. Explore five different hands-on creative activities each week and take home handmade creations. For more information and to book, email Helen@thecreativepalette.co.uk.

Sound Healing Sessions

8pm on Thursdays at The Pavilion

Feeling stressed, tired, or in need of some quiet time? This weekly sound healing session offers a peaceful hour to switch off and recharge. Using the calming tones and vibrations of crystal and Tibetan singing bowls, these sessions help quiet the mind, ease stress, support better sleep and guide the body into deep relaxation. Find out more and book via Instagram [@bodyandmindsoundhealing](https://www.instagram.com/bodyandmindsoundhealing).

Sonyoga

10.30am on Fridays at The Pavilion

A soothing weekly yoga flow session for the Springtime Season. If you are interested, or have any questions, message Sonya on 07748 869577 or email sonyaanneboo@hotmail.com.

The Gym

The fully equipped gym has everything you need to build strength, improve fitness and achieve real, lasting results. Summer is the perfect time to focus on you, boost your energy levels, feel stronger and confident.

If you'd like extra support, The Unit Fitness' personal training options provide guidance, structure and accountability to keep you on track and motivated. For more information, email zara@theunitfit.co.uk.