

Events

**Christmas Market**  
*Midday to 4pm on Saturday 29 November on The Glade Plaza*

With stalls, twinkling lights, traditional tunes and Santa's grotto (pre-booked) there's something for everyone. Come along and join in the festive fun!


**Advent Windows Trail**  
*1 to 24 December around Alconbury Weald*

Each day, a new window — beautifully decorated by residents — will be revealed to celebrate the countdown to Christmas. Explore Alconbury Weald to find the windows on this epic advent calendar.

**Alconbury Weald Community Association**  
*7.30pm on Wednesday, 3 December on Teams*

Join the Community Association meeting to have your say on plans for the final section of Garland Park, and find out about the community events for 2026 and how to get involved.

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 7 January** — same time and login details.



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

**Alconbury Weald Resident Forum**  
*From 6.30pm on Thursday, 4 December in The Pavilion*

Join us for a chat with Timberplay about plans for the final section of Garland Park followed by a 7pm presentation. We'll also provide an update on the latest development and community news.

**New Community Garden Group**  
*10.30am on Saturday, 6 December at The Pavilion*

We are starting a new group to help shape the future of Alconbury Weald's Community Garden. It's a great way to meet neighbours interested in gardening, help shape and maintain the Community Garden, and share knowledge and inspiration.

Just bring yourself, and anyone else who's interested!

**Alconbury Weald Church**

Join Rev'd Rob for Christmas services and events at Ermine Street Church Academy:

- 10.30am on Sunday, 7 December: Christingle service (school hall)
- 3pm on Sunday, 14 December: Carols around the firepit event (school field)
- 3pm on Wednesday, 24 December: Christmas Eve InterActive family service (school hall)
- 10.30am on Thursday, 25 December: Christmas Day Communion service (school hall)

For more information: [www.alconburyweald.church](http://www.alconburyweald.church)

**Community Wellbeing Day**  
*From 9am on Saturday, 24 January*  
**TP: The Pavilion / TWO: The Watch Office**

- 9am: Unleash Barre Abs & Arms — book in advance at [unleashwitholivia.com](http://unleashwitholivia.com) (TP)
- 10am: join the football team for £5 bacon sandwiches or vegan alternative (TWO)
- 10am: Hot Shots tennis ages 3–12. 10.30am teen/adults walking tennis (TP)\*
- 11am: back pain and sciatica workshop — book in advance at [info@mooreperformance.uk](mailto:info@mooreperformance.uk) (TP)\*
- 11.30am: open session at The Gym\*
- 12.30pm: Tai Chi — book in advance [cambstaichi@gmail.com](mailto:cambstaichi@gmail.com) (TP)\*
- 1.30pm: meet at Swynford Park for a bird spotting walk for RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch\*
- 2.30pm: craft session (TP)\*

Join us for a packed Community Day: there's something for everyone!

\* Free events. No booking required unless specified otherwise.

**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

December/January 2025/6



**Alconbury Weald**



Hello from Natalie



Hello and welcome to the Christmas and New Year edition of *The Warbler*.

It's been a busy couple of months, with the ground being prepared for new shops in The Glade, steel-works going in for the new secondary school and work on the southern gateway connection to the A141 completing with fewer road closures than anticipated.

As we head into December, we are working on the final phase of Garland Park and are excited to share ideas for bespoke play areas at the Community Association meeting, Resident Forum and online.

This is always a special time of year at Alconbury Weald, with our Christmas Market (29 November) featuring a range of festive stalls. We'll also have singing from children at Ermine Street Church Academy, Christmas tree lights switch-on and Santa's Grotto sponsored by Co-op and John Adam's Toys respectively.

Following the festivities around Alconbury Weald, which include the Advent Windows Trail, we're looking forward to January's Community Wellbeing Day, which will include a bird spotting walk and craft session this year.

Wishing you a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2026.

All the best  
Natalie



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Around Alconbury Weald

Garland Park: final section

Plans are progressing for the final section of Garland Park (Part C), which will pass through Heathcote Crescent, Margetts Close, Garth Close, Leukenor Way and Pedley Close and complement the existing section across Senliz Road.

It will include natural landscaping, trees and seating areas to create a welcoming and relaxing environment for all ages.

Timberplay has been appointed and will be sharing their vision and working with the local community to explore ideas for the play areas at the Community Association meeting on 3 December and the Resident Forum on 4 December (see *Events* section for details).

You will also be able to view the information and comment online from 8 December:  
<https://consultation.alconbury-weald.co.uk>

Please let us know what you think by 5 January 2026.



Southern Gateway update

The Southern Gateway connection to the A141 has been completed and will open when the first houses in Phase 2 are delivered. Until then, the junction will remain closed and the traffic lights inactive.

The central section of the road — which will connect the southern link road to The Boulevard — will be delivered over the next few years as part of the works to bring forward the central hub of the development.

Alconbury Weald Water Savers

As part of the ongoing initiative, local ambassador — Tim — will be out in the community throughout December, helping residents sign up to the Water Savers calculator.

So far, 115 households have joined and by making three simple hot water changes — shorter showers, eco washes and full loads — they're estimated to be saving as much as £75.92 on energy and water bills, and reducing household hot water use by an average of 1,815 litres per month.

With the festive season here, and New Year resolutions just around the corner, it's a great time to get involved. If you see Tim, please give him a warm welcome so he can help more homes start saving.

[alconbury-weald.co.uk/water-savers](https://alconbury-weald.co.uk/water-savers)

The Gym

This is the perfect time to set some new routines so you can enjoy the Christmas festivities and head into the New Year on track for an active, healthy 2026.

The Gym is fully equipped with everything you need to train confidently and see real results. If you're feeling unsure about where to start or would like some extra guidance, personal training is available to help support you from day one.

If you'd like more information, email [zara@theunitfit.co.uk](mailto:zara@theunitfit.co.uk)

Christmas Tree Recycling  
8 and 9 January 2026

The Just Helping Christmas Tree Recycling is back this year supporting East Anglia's Children's Hospices in our area. Donations will go towards caring for babies, children and young people with life limiting conditions, whilst also supporting their families. To register for a collection, visit: [just-helping.org.uk/register-tree/](https://just-helping.org.uk/register-tree/)

Activities

Alconbury Weald hosts a wide range of clubs and classes that cater for all ages and abilities, and we've highlighted a few that are being held in December/January. Find out what else is available at [www.alconbury-weald.co.uk/whats-on](https://www.alconbury-weald.co.uk/whats-on)

Walking Group  
12.30pm on Mondays, meeting at Swynford Park

If you want some company, fresh air and exercise join the Walking Group for a stroll around Alconbury Weald's green spaces. The Walking Group will continue to meet throughout the festive period. All ages and abilities welcome.

Kid's Yoga  
Mondays from 4pm at The Pavilion

Story-based yoga to help children unwind after school. With movement, mindful breathing and relaxation to help your child feel calmer, more confident and better able to handle big feelings. Little Stars (ages 4–7) and Rising Lights (ages 8–11).

Info: [gondor.agnes@gmail.com](mailto:gondor.agnes@gmail.com)

Alconbury Weald Netball Club (AWNC)  
8pm–9pm on Tuesdays at Hinchbrook school

AWNC is looking for new players! This is a fun and friendly club with adult players of varying ages and abilities. You'll have the opportunity to improve skills, get fit, make friends and play in matches.

Find out more and register an interest by emailing [admin@alconburywealdnetball.club](mailto:admin@alconburywealdnetball.club)

Little Cubs: Parent & Toddler Group  
9.30am–10.30am on Thursdays at The Pavilion

A warm, welcoming and friendly group for little ones (ages 0–4) and their grown-ups. With puppets and singing, musical instruments, story time, bubbles and sensory-themed play zones.

To find out more, email [littlecubs.aw@gmail.com](mailto:littlecubs.aw@gmail.com)