



## Next Event:

### **Remember, Remember – 10.15am till 1pm on 5<sup>th</sup> November in St Thomas's Hall, Ancaster Way**

Do come and join us.

10.15 – 10.30	Welcome
10.30 – 11.15	A talk by Mike Petty about the history of this area and how we can find out more. Plus questions.
11.15 – 11.30	Tea, coffee and home-made cakes – FREE!
11.30 – 12.30	Gathering your stories

Following our last newsletter, one of our neighbours in St Thomas's Sq has begun to write her history. She came here in 1948 and has seen lots of changes. She remembers when there were cornfields where St Bede's School is. She remembers the disgusting bad-egg smell from the cement works and the washing being covered in white dust. She remembers the orchard that backed on to St Thomas's Square – and scrumping there – and Coes Shop on Cherry Hinton Rd which was only big enough for two customers at a time but sold everything from bacon to shoelaces.

We want to gather together as many memories of this area as we can. Whether you have lived here for a long or a short time, you have something to contribute. It doesn't have to be earth-shattering – just interesting for people who live here now and who will live here in the future. It could be your own memories or things you've heard from people who have lived here – plus photos, old documents related to the area or old maps if you have them. Bring your stories along – or just come to listen to what others have to say.

We plan to make your stories into a booklet, put them on the BARA Facebook page (a work in progress!) and send them in to the 'Capturing Cambridge' project run by the Museum of Cambridge [www.capturingcambridge.org](http://www.capturingcambridge.org)

**There will be a raffle in aid of two local charities – the local branch of the Alzheimer's Society and the Blue Cross in Garlic Row.**

If you can't come but have a story to tell, please email us or put a note into 52 Birdwood Rd. **We really want to hear from you.**



Fill in and bring to this event to be entered into a prize draw.

Name

Address / phone number / email (so we can tell you if you've won)



To be drawn at the Mothers' Day event on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2017

## Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2017 – Mother's Day treats.

We'll be repeating our most popular event – with children making Mother's Day presents, plus tea and cakes, our AGM and a swap-shop.

### And a plea:

We do need more people. If you'd like to join our committee – we'd love to meet you. We're a happy, informal bunch who just want to help make our part of Cambridge a better place to live. We meet about four times a year and always finish with a good chat and a glass of wine. Contact [birdwoodara@gmail.com](mailto:birdwoodara@gmail.com) or put a note through the door at 52 Birdwood Rd.

### Please, please, get this by email!

It's much easier for us to send newsletters out by email. Also, you'll be kept up to date by the (very) occasional email with information that is urgent and can't wait for a newsletter. If you can receive it that way **PLEASE** send us your email address. **Send an email to [birdwoodara@gmail.com](mailto:birdwoodara@gmail.com)** with your postal address in the subject. Thanks!

### Opening of The Lakes

We are chasing this but still no news – but at least no pong or white dust to ruin the washing!

### From the new vicar at St Martin's Church:

My name is Johannes Roth and I would like to introduce myself to BARA as the new vicar of St Martin's and St Thomas' Hall. My wife, Catherine, and I have two children, Sophia (10) and Joshua (8). We're enjoying getting to know the community here, and we would like to say thank you for a very warm welcome. Prior to my arrival, I served my curacy in Northwood, north-west London after training at Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

Why not join us at St Thomas' for Good Companions, playing board games, chatting, enjoying tea, biscuits and soon mulled wine and Christmas bakery. We are currently meeting Thursdays at 2pm on even weeks of the year. Our church service is at 11:15am on a Sunday. We also meet at St Martin's at 9:45am and 6:30pm.

### If you need to contact our local Councillors, (Coleridge Ward) here are their details:

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If you think there is a general problem for the area, do contact us. And if you have ideas for future events or anything to increase neighbourliness, we'd love to hear from you.

Our aims:

to promote neighbourliness and a sense of community and to form a conduit to the City and County councils about issues relating to this area. We cover Birdwood Rd and all roads leading off it. Email address [birdwoodara@gmail.com](mailto:birdwoodara@gmail.com) This is our preferred contact point but if you would