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Events

We are hoping to organise a coach trip to Norwich on Saturday 15th September for Heritage Day (when the castle and other venues have free entry). The subsidised cost will be approximately £10 (although additional donations are welcome!) To express an interest please email birdwoodara@gmail.com or put a note through the door at **26A Ward Rd by Friday 6th July** saying how many places. If there is sufficient demand we'll book the coach.

Have you ever thought that you would like to organise a small group with your very local neighbours? A reading group, scrabble, knitting or just a regular coffee and chew the fat morning? **If you would like to try, go for it!** And let us know if you think we can help.

Pavements

The contractors from the County Council filled in the really big holes, ignored the others and went away. I wrote to ask how we could do the rest ourselves and got no reply!

City Council Boundary Review – consultation – please respond!

Two years ago there was a boundary review for the County Council wards. We were not informed about it and Coleridge Ward disappeared for County elections. Our corner was put into Cherry Hinton Ward and our County Councillor is now the representative for Cherry Hinton. Had we been informed, we would have said that we have more in common with Romsey than Cherry Hinton (although our Cherry Hinton councillor has been very helpful with pavements and buses.) There is now a review of City Council wards and we have been informed. The consultation runs until **6 August** and it would be helpful if lots of people responded.

The consultation page for this review is <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/12865>

You can respond on-line – or write – saying you are responding to the Cambridge City Council review consultation:

Local Government Boundary Commission for England
14th Floor, Millbank Tower
London SW1P 4QP **Telephone:** 0330 500 1525

If you have any queries, please contact the Commission or Electoral Services at the City Council. 01223 457049 elections@cambridge.gov.uk

Copied from the technical advice on the Local Government Boundary Commission website:

‘ In broad terms, in making recommendations, we are required to have regard to:

the need to secure equality of representation;
the need to reflect the identities and interests of local communities; and
the need to secure effective and convenient local government.

Included in the community identities and interests criterion is the desirability of fixing boundaries which are and will remain easily identifiable, and which will not break local ties. Our aim is to identify clear and long-

lasting boundaries for ward division. We also take into account factors such as the location and boundaries of parishes and the physical features of the local area when drawing boundaries.'

Website www.baracambridge.org

Lots of useful information about local events and news. Do have a look and tell us if you have anything to add or what else you would want to see there.

Buses

We have complained many times about the buses since the change in timetable. Please join in if you are having problems – the more people who complain, the better. We have a meeting with Nigel Tarrant and representatives of the City and County councils on 18th June. The trouble is, no-one seems to be able to take control and responsibility for this. We'll let you know the outcome – if there is any!

If you want to give feedback or complain to Stagecoach, contact Nigel Tarrant

Telephone: 01223 433 250 between 08:30 and 17:30, Monday to Friday.

Fax: 01223 433 275

Email: Nigel.Tarrant@stagecoachbus.com

Address: Stagecoach, 100 Cowley Road, Cambridge, CB4 0DN

Community Action Day

Everyone agreed that this was really worthwhile. The City Council said it was their best yet. It costs them about £3000 so this is a benefit we should value. They anticipate that they will be able to repeat it in 2020. The raffle made £47 for Romsey Mill, Glyn took 20 good quality bikes to Camtrust, several pieces of furniture and electrical items went to charity shops and a great deal of rubbish was disposed of. Next time we will encourage people to use freecycle beforehand to dispose of their good, used items.

BARA Committee for 2018/9

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Lesley Hughes Gray Rd

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If you need to contact our local Councillors, here are their details:

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Our email address is birdwoodara@gmail.com This is our preferred contact point but if you would rather you can put a note through the door at 52 Birdwood Rd. And please register to get