

# Love's Farm News

December 2022 - January 2023

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## **Connections to Monksfields**



An artist's impression of the proposed connection from Whiston Way to Monksfields

The next phase of building to the east — to be known as Monksfields — will be connected to Love's Farm at Clark Drive and Whiston Way. The developers are keen to hear feedback on the plans for these connections.

We know the 'wiggly path' is one of the most treasured assets of Love's Farm and there has rightly been a lot of concern that the linkages to the east will disrupt this. LFCA has made this point strongly with the developers. The plans — which you can see at www.ourlovesfarm.co.uk/connections — are intended to take these concerns into account.

### Clark Drive

The route from Clark Drive will provide pedestrian, bicycle and emergency access. Since emergency access is expected to be only rarely required, this should still appear as a pedestrian-friendly environment. There will be a drop-down bollard to prevent unauthorised access.

## Whiston Way

The connection to Whiston Way will give access only to pedestrians and bicycles and have a fixed bollard.

At this stage, these are draft plans, and this is an informal opportunity for us to make our views heard before a formal planning application is submitted. Once the plans enter the formal planning process there will be a further opportunity to comment to the planning authority — Huntingdonshire District Council

Please let us have your views via the form at www.ourlovesfarm.co.uk/ connections. We will collate and pass these to the developers ahead of their formal planning application.

### Christmas Carols and Christmas Cheers

Friday 23 December, 7pm at Station Square and 7:45pm at Love's Farm House

Please come along to Station Square on Friday 23 December at 7pm with your best singing voices, friends, family and neighbours for our annual Love's Farm Christmas carols. After a round of Christmas songs, ably accompanied by Chris Hatt on piano and any other musicians we can find to add melody to our efforts, please head for Love's Farm House from 7.45pm where mulled wine and other festive tipples will be waiting beside a virtual crackling log fire to add warmth and ambience to a



Christmas Cheers at the Farm House Bar

community Christmas evening! The Christmas Cheers drinks at Love's Farm House will include a space for your children to make a Christmas table decoration — what's not to love!



| Wednesdays, 10.30-11.30am from | 4 January 2023

Fitness Pilates will teach you skills to improve your posture, balance and mobility, and will focus on strengthening your core and preventing injuries. Each class is one hour long and includes a relaxation session at the end. All classes are mixed ability, with plenty of options to challenge you at the correct intensity.

Alongside live classes, you will also get access to over 60 online Pilates sessions that you can do from the comfort of your own home.

Visit www.njfitnessandmassage. com for more information and to book your place.

## **Repairs for Stone Hill**

The wobbly block paving on Stone Hill will finally be fixed in December. We are expecting the road to be closed while the work takes place — look out for further details on the LFCA website. Please continue to report any issues you spot with our roads online at highwaysreporting. cambridgeshire.gov.uk.

## **Farm House Update**

As the days draw in and the weather gets colder, your friendly community centre is here with plenty of indoor entertainment. We have a packed schedule including toddler groups, exercise classes, children's

uniformed organisations, health support and church activities. You can find our What's On Guide on the back page, with more details at www. lovesfarmhouse.com/whats-on.

As well as classes and activities, you can pop into Love's Farm House on Tuesday and Saturday mornings for a pastry and hot drink at our cafe in the foyer, or come along for a drink at the bar on Friday evenings. We have free Wi-Fi, a micro-library, and the heating is on!

Got a special birthday or life event coming up? Love's Farm House is available for private hire on weekend afternoons and Saturday evenings. We have a large hall, a well-equipped

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kitchen and a music system with disco lights to entertain your guests. For Saturday evening parties, we also provide a bar. Children's parties cost £82.50 for 12-3pm or 3-6pm, Saturday evening parties are £240 for 6pm-midnight, or you can hire the building from 12noon-12midnight for £380. Contact bookings@lovesfarmhouse. co.uk or call 01480 262626 for more information and to check availability.

Do you have a bit of time to spare to help out? We are always looking for volunteers who are willing to give up a few hours each month to help at Love's Farm House. Our cafés and events, such as the Halloween Disco, all rely on our amazing team of volunteers to keep them going. There are also plenty of opportunities

to put your DIY or gardening skills into action to keep the building looking spick and span. If you are interested, please call 01480 262626, email jenny@lovesfarmhouse.co.uk or pop in for a chat

#### Love's Farm Ladies WI



Love's Farm Ladies raising money for MAGPAS

Loves Farm Ladies are proud to say that we have recently completed this year's fundraising for our chosen charity, MAGPAS. We will be handing over a cheque for £400.

We held a Summer Fayre at Love's Farm House, a plant sale at the Farmers' Market and a toy sale at the Riverside Railway; all events good fun with added charity fundraising on the side!

If you fancy joining us in 2023; all women over the age of 18 are welcome. We meet at the Football Club on the third Thursday of the month. As well as charity fundraising, we have speakers, quiz nights, bowling and anything else the ladies fancy.

Find us on Facebook or at www. lovesfarmladieswi.co.uk for a better idea of what we get up to. We look forward to welcoming you in 2023.

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## Christmas with Love's Farm Church

| Sunday 25 December, 10:30am



Christmas cooks working hard

Love's Farm Church will gather on Christmas day at Love's Farm House at the slightly later time of 10.30am for a light Christmas day breakfast before celebrating the best story ever! Once breakfast is eaten the Christmas story will be retold, carols sung and prayers prayed before we clear the decks and set up for lunch. You're welcome to join for any or all of the festivities — just drop Helene a line on community .chaplain@yahoo.co.uk if you'll be there for lunch so we know how many Brussels to buy and how big a turkey (or veggie roast) to cook.

### Love's Farm Runners

Our Tuesday sessions for all abilities of runners continue right up until the Tuesday before Christmas and will restart in the New Year. If you wish to join any of these sessions, please book at groups.runtogether.co.uk/LovesFarmRunners

Claire, Caz, and Claire all look forward to meeting you!



## **SMART Day**

| Sat 10 December and 28 January, | 11am or 2pm at the Pirate Ship

SMART is our community litter pick initiative. Please join us on Saturday 10 December and 28 January — gather at the Pirate Ship at 11am and/or 2pm to collect a hi-vis, litter picker and bag before heading out to clear our shared spaces and green places.

## Love's Farm Community Garden

As December dawns there will be some extra treats in the community garden at 76 Stone Hill as 'Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus' find their place outside of the 'inn'. Come and have a wander and a wonder, and while you're there, peruse the mini library box and choose, or leave, a book. On Christmas Eve from 4-5pm and 5-6pm there will be Campfire Carols with homemade mince pies and cookies, mulled wine, spiced apple juice or hot chocolate! You are very welcome to sing, celebrate, eat and drink around a campfire.

### **Advertise Here**

Advertise your company or event with a half-page, quarter-page or classified advert. This newsletter is delivered to 1,500 homes on Love's Farm. Please contact Jenny on 01480 262626 (9am-3pm Monday-Friday) or email jenny@lovesfarmhouse.co.uk.



#### Get In Touch

#### **Love's Farm News**

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## Love's Farm Community Association (LFCA)

info@ourlovesfarm.co.uk Chair: Lara Davenport-Ray chair@ourlovesfarm.co.uk www.ourlovesfarm.co.uk

#### Love's Farm House

Bookings and general enquiries (Monday to Friday, 9am to 3pm): Jenny 01480 262626, jenny@lovesfarmhouse.co.uk Chair: Andy Hill chair@lovesfarmhouse.co.uk www.lovesfarmhouse.com

#### **Town Councillors**

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#### **District Councillors**

Marcus Pickering, 07796 617868 marcus.pickering@ huntingdonshire.gov.uk Lara Davenport-Ray, lara.davenport-ray@ huntingdonshire.gov.uk

### **County Councillor**

Stephen Ferguson, 07525 987460, stephen.ferguson
@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

#### **Financial Difficulties**

Love's Farm Community Money Advice: www.lovesfarmchurch. com/moneyadvice 01480 260234, moneyadvice@lovesfarmchurch.com

#### **Breakfast Church**

Helene Tame, 07938 803501 community.chaplain@yahoo.co.uk

#### **BPHA**

Contact Customer Services on 0330 100 0272 www.bpha.org.uk

#### **Hartbeeps**

Ages: 0 to 4, £7 per child. Contact Sarah on 07872 331260 sarah.armstrong@hartbeeps.com, www.hartbeeps.com

#### **Kidslingo French**

Ages: 4 to 8, £38 for 6 week block. Call 07707 027640 or email harriet.ward@kidslingo.co.uk

#### Lift Lean, Zumba, Fitness Pilates, Bootcamp & Fit Mum

Contact Nicola at njfitness andmassage@outlook.com, www.njfitnessandmassage.com.

#### **Baby Sensory**

Birth to 13 months, £37.50 for 5 classes. 07538 502587 beds@babysensory.co.uk, www.babysensory.com

#### St Neots Business Hub

Contact Charlie Ashley-Roberts on charliecareers@gmail.com.

## Shining Stars Children's Charity

Contact Natalie on natalie@shiningstars.org.uk or www.shiningstars.org.uk

#### **Pilates with Laura**

£78 for 12 classes. Contact Laura on 07900 242904 or laura@pilateswithlaura.co.uk

#### **Healthy You**

Call 03330 050093 or visit www.healthyyou.org.uk

#### Youth Café

School years 7 to 13. Email Adele at adele.jones@elydiocese.org

#### Love's Farm Tang Soo Do Karate Club

Ages: 6 to adult. £4.50 per person / £9 per family. Contact Paul on 07790 217170

### **Pregnancy Relaxation**

Contact Jessica at Whole Birth & Beyond on wholebirthandbeyond @gmail.co.uk or www. wholebirthandbeyond.co.uk

#### **Broadway Boogie**

Contact Lynne on dsmdancewithlynne@gmail.com or facebook.com/dsmdancewithlynne

#### **GPC Mixed Martial Arts**

Visit www.gpcmma.com.

## Love's Farm Rainbows, Brownies & Guides

www.girlguiding.org.uk

#### **Mama Baby Bliss Yoga**

Yoga for babies, toddlers, mums and dads. Contact joanna. miller@mamababybliss.com call 07904 374212 or visit www. mamababybliss.com/classes/book-a-class/biggleswade-stneots

### **Junior Youth Club**

School Years 3 to 6. Contact Helene on 07938 803501, community.chaplain@yahoo.co.uk

#### **Love's Farm Book Club**

Join the Facebook group at www.facebook.com/lovesfarmbookclub

#### **Street Dance**

Various classes for ages 4+, £4 to £5.50 per class. Contact Katy on 07500 875060, www. katynorthdanceacademy.com

## Footsteps Dance Academy (ballet, tap & modern)

Contact

missjemma@footsteps.co.uk **or** www.footstepsdance.co.uk

### Love's Farm Ladies (WI)

lovesfarmladieswi@gmail.com

#### **Love's Farm Runners**

Visit www.facebook.com/

#### 2nd St Neots Beavers, Cubs and Scouts

tinyurl.com/lovesfarmcubs





What's December Events are at Love's room, Round House a * mean just turn up Visit www.lovesfarm more information. Monday	Farm House foyer, School or out and p. For others, please	about. Events with book in advance.	* Little Loves 9.30 - 10.30am St Neots Business Hub 12noon - 2pm GPC MMA 4.30pm, 5.15pm Brownies 6 - 7.30pm Guides 7.30 - 9pm	Hartbeeps 9.30am, 10.30am, 11.45am Youth Club 5pm, 6pm * Karaoke & Cocktails @ the Farm House Bar 8pm - late	* Lazy Breakfast 9.15 - 11.15am Street Dance 9.15am, 9.45am, 10.30am, 11am Brownies 12.30pm Footsteps Dance 8.45 - 4.30	Love's Farm House is available to hire for private parties. Please call 01480 262626 or email bookings@lovesf armhouse.co.uk
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