

What's On:

May

- **Saturday 8th – 4.30am**
Dawn Chorus Walk
- **Thursday 13th – 7.30pm**
Planting up evening & plant swap

June

- **Saturday 12th – 10am**
Meadow cut at Claypits Conservation Area
- **Sunday 13th – 3.30pm**
Village litter pick for Feast Week
- **Saturday 20th – 26th**
Feast Week activities – keep a look out for Natural Woodhurst activities & information during this week

All activities start out from the Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Look out for posters around the village during May & June for more details of these events.

Or:
Log on to the village website at: www.woodhurst-cambs.com

Offers:

Reduced price

- Compost bins

220L - £14 220 / 330 L
330L - £17

- Water Butts

100L - £27.95
190L - £37.95



Available to Cambridgeshire & Peterborough residents at:
<http://www.ccc.getcomposting.com/> or
Telephone: 0844 571 4444

NEWS

Village Consultation update:

Flyers were distributed to all households in the village at the beginning of April.

A walk took place on 11th April taking interested village residents around the various project sites in Woodhurst.

Received responses to the Consultation have been mainly positive, so the funding application will be able to go ahead, but will be adjusted to reflect concerns raised.

A number of new volunteers have signed up to become involved in the activities organised by the Natural Woodhurst group.

WHAT'S THAT?

Pollarding is a traditional way of managing a tree. It was done mainly in areas where cattle were grazing, or on field boundaries. The top branches of the tree were cut off at about 2-3m (above the height cattle can reach). The tree would then regenerate from the cut stems to form a multi-stemmed tree. The re-growth was used for basket-making, or fodder for livestock. Trees that have been pollarded for many years can be valuable for wildlife. Pollarded trees may live to a greater age than those not pollarded.



NATURE NOTES – SPRING

Look out for: Bluebells, swallows & swifts arriving, hawthorn (or May) flowering, orange tip / brimstone / peacock butterflies, apple & plum blossom.

Listen out for: chiff chaff & yellow hammer (“little bit of bread & no cheeese”).

OTHER EVENTS

Cherry Tree Survey: Do you have a cherry tree in your garden, on your street, or in your local area or school grounds? If so the Natural History Museum would like to hear from you. Find out more at:

<http://www.nhm.ac.uk/nature-online/british-natural-history/tree-survey/index.html>

Cambridgeshire County Show: Saturday 6th June, Wimpole Home Farm, Arrington, Nr Royston.

Abbots Ripton Hall garden show: Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th June 2010
10am-6pm Abbots Ripton, Huntingdon.