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# VIEWPOINT

The completion of Pembury's two by-passes has marked a turning point in the village's history. The new-found peace and quiet in the High Street and Lower Green Road leads to the hope that a truly village life can be restored. But can Pembury withstand the pressures that will be put upon it within the next decade or so? Can it survive as a village?

The greatest pressure will be for more housing. In common with the whole of the booming south east of England, every square foot of land in Pembury is valuable, and we would be putting our heads in the sand if we thought that our by-passes have created a safe little "sea-less island" immune from development. Already there are small in-fill projects under way and no one can really object to the filling in of gaps in existing built-up areas. But what we do not want are large scale developments or estates on our rural fringes.

For one thing, Pembury just does not have the infrastructure (awful word) to support a great increase in populaion. There are not enough shops even now for the needs of the village's residents, particularly those without cars. The primary school might have problems coping with any large increase in its pupil intake, especially at a time when there is a decline in the numbers of teachers nationwide. There would also be pressure on the medical and health services; and there would be a justifiable demand for more sports and leisure facilities. If Pembury is allowed to grow too fast, in no time at all we will be living in just another example of suburban sprawl.

The other question mark facing us all is the likely effect of the Channel Tunnel, once it is in operation. The prospect of a vast influx of road freight traffic hangs like a sword of Damocles over many Kent villages unless British Rail can upgrade its south east network in time, which seems doubtful. The Kent Structure Plan long ago designated Ashford as a growth area and it is now also to be developed as the major rail terminal for the tunnel. So what will be the ripple effects of the inevitable industrial and commercial development around Ashford? Will the ripples spread as far as Paddock Wood, which is on Pembury's doorstep?

These are among the issues that are being considered by the Pembury 2000 Plus group, some of which were covered in their recent survey carried out in the village. The response to that questionnaire has now been analysed and a preliminary report is given elsewhere in this newsletter. Pembury is not alone in its concern for its future: for the whole of Kent this is a particularly vulnerable and crucial time and decisions made now by planning authorities could determine our quality of life for years to come.

Editor

### Pembury's new deacons

Pembury has two new deacons, both ordained this summer. They are the Rev. Annette Cooper, who is licensed to Pembury Parish as a non-stipendiary minister and is also full-time chaplain's assistant for Tunbridge Wells Health Authority, and the Rev. Bill Eason, who is a deacon under the catholic diocese of Southwark working in the parish of Paddock Wood, which covers Pembury.

Annette Cooper, who was ordained in Rochester Cathedral on 3 July, was previously a professional social worker. She graduated in social sciences from the Open University in 1980 and did her post graduate work in London from 1982-84 before joining Kent Social Services. Her theological training was with the Southwark Ordination Course.

She is the first woman assistant chaplain to be appointed to the Tunbridge Wells Health Authority, where her work takes her to Pembury Hospital, Kent and Sussex Hospital and Leybourne Grange.

Born in Newark, Nottingham, Annette Cooper also lived in Grantham and Lincoln before moving to the south east. She has been in Pembury for 10 years, and is married to Andrew, who is well known locally for his active involvement in church and community matters. They have two sons aged 15 and 11.

"Pembury is an exciting place for me to work," she says, "especially as church leaders are discovering ways of working together and serving the community. There's a real ecumenical spirit here."

The Rev. Bill Eason's ordination into the diaconate was on 22 June at Pembury's Catholic Church Hall. The Roman Catholic order of deacon, which had lapsed for centuries, was

re-established following a Vatican encyclical in 1969 and there are now just over 100 catholic deacons in Britain, many of them married and from varied career backgrounds.

Bill Eason was in the civil service until he retired six years ago and came to live in Pembury. He started training for the diaconate in 1985 at St. John's Seminary at Wonersh, near Guildford. As a deacon he visits the sick in hospital, the elderly and housebound, and is on call at all times, as well as assisting his priest in church services throughout the scattered parish.

Like Annette Cooper he feels that the churches work together very closely in Pembury. "We work together in the things that we can do together," he says.

He is married, with two sons, three daughters and two grand-children and in his work about his parish his wife Frances is very much part of the team. Because of his earlier career as a civil servant, first in the Ministry of Defence and then with the Treasury, he must surely be the only catholic deacon to be an Honorary Member of the Brigade of Gurkhas and to have visited Nepal many times.

### Friends' generosity

The Friends of Pembury Parish Church have raised over £43,000 to restore and maintain the fabric of the old parish church.

Repairs to the church following inspections by the architect to the diocese have now been completed and the cost amounting to £4,200 has been settled by the Friends. It is intended to redecorate the church in October and again the bill will be met by the Friends.

# PEMBURY 2000 PLUS

### Interim report on survey 1988

In the last issue of the Newsletter it was announced that a questionnaire would be circulated through the village and that various areas would be the subject of a house to house survey.

The house-to-house survey itself has now been completed and in addition over 250 households sent in completed questionnaires. Thank you to all those who assisted by answering the questions.

The interim results analysed show that: – 490 questionnaires were returned: half by door to door collection by a team of 9 and the other half put into collecting boxes or sent to parish councillors. This represents about 20% of the households in Pembury. It probably represents a fair sample and there is little reason to suppose that a bigger sample would produce significantly different results.

Specific results can be categorised as follows:-

Over 90% thought there was a need for Green Belt in Pembury; reacted favourably to the opening of the by-passes.

Over 80% wished to see trees retained as part of any developments; were not in favour of any development between either the A21 or B2015 by-passes and Pembury; owned their own homes.

About three-quarters thought Pembury a village; thought the future effect of the by-passes would be positive; reacted favourably to the Conservation Area; said no to further growth of Pembury.

About two-thirds owned their own transport; did not agree with the demolition of existing properties for development.

About half thought Pembury was lacking in shops and a Health Centre; about half were in employment, and 50% of those worked within five miles.

Between a quarter and a third wanted a Sports Centre, and a supermarket; were over 65 years of age, retired; went over 10 miles to work; had lived in Pembury less than five years.

Sixteen is the average number of years the compilers of the forms have lived in Pembury. Half of those filling in the forms have lived in Pembury for under 12 years and a quarter under five years.

About 21% would like to see some growth in Pembury. Most of these are looking for private starter homes and there is some support for every category. It will take a little longer to see whether there is any particular category of person who would like to see this growth.

Some of the comments included:-

 need for greater pre-school and/or nursery school facilities.

★ monitoring of the Bo-Beep access on to the new A21 by-pass.

\* regulation of traffic flow in the High Street by use of islands.

\* overall planning and design policy to enable young married couples to buy homes in Pembury.

It is hoped by the late Autumn that a public meeting can be held to announce the full results of the survey which will then be published as an illustrated document endorsed by the Parish Council.

### Looking at Pembury



# MEET YOUR GOUNGILLORS



Mr. Hugh Boorman Chairman Planning Committee Hugh Boorman has lived in Pembury since 1948. He and his wife Moira, who has lived in the village all her life, were married at Pembury Old Church in 1968. They have two daughters aged 14 and 18, both of whom went to Pembury Primary School and then on to the Weald of Kent School in Tonbridge.

Hugh Boorman was co-opted on to the Parish Council in 1987 and elected Chairman of the Planning Committee earlier this year. He believes most strongly in the need to keep Pembury as a village and to improve amenities such as shops and sporting facilities. Vandalism, violence, litter and the dereliction and neglect of certain areas are other matters that concern him.

He has been a member of Pembury Football Club for 30 years and other interests are gardening, natural history and walking.

# **Tree Fund**



An appeal letter sent by Dick Miles, parish council chairman, to village organisations asking for support for his tree fund is producing good results.

"I appreciate that most village organisations are run on a financial shoestring, so any donation, whatever its size, is received with grateful thanks and will be acknowledged," he says.

The parish council's environment committee will be meeting during the autumn months to discuss the spending of these donations. Mr. Miles says that not all parishioners want too many more trees and have suggested seats, litter bins and other improvements to parish grounds.

If you have any strong views or suggestions for improving the village amenities then please contact either Mr. Miles or the parish clerk, Mr. Plant, and your ideas will be passed on to the committee for discussion.

# Youth Club needs new members

Pembury Woodside Youth Club's new leader, Lorna Weller, is making a plea for more youngsters to come along and join. Since taking over the club in April she says it has been an uphill struggle to interest any new members.

She has written to 120 boys and girls in the village telling them about the club and its activities, and the response has been three new members.

"Does apathy take over so young," she asks. "Or does the Recreation Ground and cans of drink seem more inviting? Come on parents, this club is for your kids."

Following grants of £200 from the Prince's Trust to buy new equipment and £150 from another charity, she says the club is now beginning to look good.

She pays tribute to Arthur Bromwich who has been a tower of strength in the running of the club, and calls for more support from parents and children to make it all a success.

Club hours are: Tuesday 7.30-10pm, Wednesday 7.30-10pm, Friday 7.30-10pm.

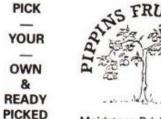
# Bully - Off

"Imagine the situation if you will . . . You wake up feeling a little confused after Saturday night's party. In due course you realise it's another day and ... good grief! ... is that the sun behind the curtains, or did Dad leave the outside light on? Your mind drifts back to the disco floor, producing a faint urge to do something active again. But what? A jog? Rather pointless. A cycle ride? But where to? Squash? No, it's sure to be booked up. Nothing going on in the village, I suppose, except that bunch of kids on the rec playing hockey. I wonder if that would be worth a try? I've noticed there's quite a nice clunk when the ball hits the back of the goal. Still, I'd be hopeless (especially as I haven't got a stick) - anyhow, I wouldn't know anyone . . . I might just give it a whirl though. When do they start? About eleven I would think, perhaps a shade earlier . . . Now, where did I last put my boots?"

Well, that's the advertising blurb. The fact is Pembury Mixed Hockey Club would like more young players, particularly teenagers, to join them. The club plays every Sunday and juniors are very welcome to come along to the Recreation Ground on any Sunday morning at around 11 o'clock. If you have played before but no longer have your hockey gear, or even if you're a complete beginner, don't worry – the club can provide hockey sticks.

So, just turn up and see for yourself. Or ring James Whitehorn on Pembury 4854 for further information.

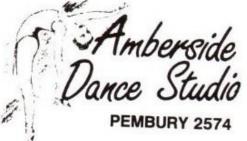




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The Eleventh Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Pembury Parish Church will take place in the Village Hall on Monday 21 November at 8.00pm. The meeting will be addressed by Dr. Paul Welsby on the topic of 'Rochester 2000'. All are welcome.

The Parish Council is considering taking advantage of the KCC's new definitive map to update its footpath map of Pembury. The Parish Council hopes to produce the new footpath map in book form, but the decision to go ahead with the publication depends on the cost.

Pembury Short Mat Bowling Club has just started its 1988/89 season. Meetings are held weekly in the Village Hall and all ages are welcome. Anyone interested in joining the club should contact Mr. Ruddell on Pembury 4498.

Vandalism in the village is causing concern. The two areas mainly affected are on the Recreation Ground where the pavilion has had windows broken and walls defaced with graffiti, and at the picnic site in Old Coach Road, where newly planted trees have been hacked and seriously damaged. The trees had been planted to replace those destroyed in last year's hurricane. The Parish Council is seeking advice from the police about the vandalism.

Pembury hopes it might be one of the demonstration projects for a Danish road scheme to slow speeding traffic. The Parish Council feels that the High Street between the Village Hall and Woodsgate Corner is becoming more

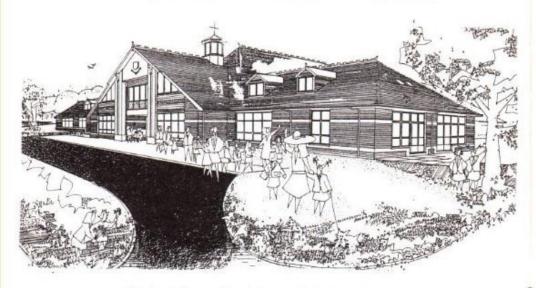
dangerous as traffic - though lighter since the opening of the by-passes - is moving faster. Many old people live along this stretch of road and a series of traffic islands with raised flower beds would make it easier for them to cross. The Parish Council has written to Kent County Council asking for Pembury to be put on the short list of villages for the test.

The Rev. David Freeland, who has been Chaplain at Kent College for the past 10 years, is moving with his wife to a new appointment at Hurst Green and Warlingham. He is to be succeeded by the Rev. Frank Topping, who is well known to many as a writer and regular broadcaster.

Although Age Concern, Pembury, has now officially ceased, there is still an active group of visitors working with Age Concern, Tunbridge Wells, caring for the elderly of Pembury. More visitors are needed to give just one or two hours a week to visit the lonely and anyone wishing to volunteer should contact Mrs. Harris, Area Organiser of Tunbridge Wells Age Concern, at Wood Street. Tunbridge Wells or telephone her on Tunbridge Wells 22591. This is also the number to ring if you are an elderly person and would like a visitor to come and chat, or to help with the shopping -Mrs. Harris will try to arrange it.

An attractive range of souvenirs of Pembury Parish Church is now available. at reasonable prices. This includes tea towels, paper weights, plaques, notelets, postcards and Christmas cards. Please telephone Pembury 2616 for details.

### **KENT COLLEGE TODAY**



Architect's impression of the new Junior School at Kent College

Kent College is situated alongside the Parish Church, at the bottom of Old Church Road. It was founded just over 100 years ago by the Methodist Church to provide a Christian education for girls. Until 1939, it was situated at Folkestone, but, already needing space for extra facilities, and with war imminent, the College moved into the peaceful Kent countryside to Hawkwell Place, Pembury. Since then Kent College has grown steadily in size and extended the scope of the education offered.

We are now an independent boarding and day school for over 400 girls, aged between 4 and 18 years. Although the majority of girls are local, amongst the boarders are several whose home is overseas, including some from parts of Africa and Asia. The Senior School (11 years upwards) is well established on the Pembury site, with full facilities for a wide range of GCSE and A level subjects, including CDT, business studies, computer studies and, of course, sciences, languages and humanities. The School also has a strong tradition in music.

sport and drama. Our recent developments have included new boarding houses, a library, Home Economics Department and a design centre and workshop.

The Junior School (4 to 11 years) has been situated in Kingswood Road, Tunbridge Wells. As numbers have grown and the curriculum developed, the accommodation there has become less and less satisfactory, and a new, purpose-built Junior School is now being constructed alongside the Senior School at Pembury. The new building has been designed to harmonise with the older buildings, and the approach and the surrounds to the School will be carefully landscaped so the view from Redwings Lane and from various parts of the village will be an even more attractive one than at present.

Although now separated from much of Pembury by the B2015 bypass, we feel part of the local community. Our girls do voluntary service at the hospital, visit elderly people in the village, and provide entertainment for several groups at

Christmas time. Perhaps most important of all is the link we have with the village through our shared use of the lovely old Parish Church in which we hold Sunday Services, sometimes on our own, and at other times, usually the third Sunday of the month, jointly with the local congregation.

Kent College is a busy community and a developing one. It is not our plan to increase the numbers of the school beyond the present total but we are anxious to provide the girls with a good, all-round education, together with the appropriate recreational facilities for a community, for two-thirds of whom this is home for much of the year. We are anxious too that as Pembury rediscovers its identity as a village we should play our part within it.

John Barrett Headmaster

### PEMBURY SCHOOL - A TIME FOR REFLECTION

The recent opening of the two Pembury by-passes has brought many changes, all of which have in some way or other affected those of us who live and work in the village. For the school the most obvious is the easing of the traffic situation in Lower Green Road; no longer do the children have to run the gauntlet of heavy lorries twice a day.

Another less obvious and less immediate change will be the effect of the inevitable housing development to come. For the school change is something which is happening all the time. Ten years ago the effects of the housing boom which had occurred in Pembury were coming to an end. The school roll was still rising. reaching a peak of 650 in the Summer of 1978 and there were demands for a new school building. All the signs were, however, that in line with national trends these numbers would not be sustained and this has proved to be the case with the school roll declining to 395 in 1987. Numbers are beginning to rise again and the school roll shows signs of increasing over the next few years, although whether or not it will reach the 1978 figure depends largely upon how much development takes place in Pembury.

During the last ten years the school, staff, and governors, together with the help of many parents, have worked hard to modernise the school. There have been great improvements both to the internal layout of the buildings and their furnishing. The provision of equipment and facilities has also greatly improved and the school is especially proud of its Library, which is organised and run by parents.

The curriculum has seen many changes and, whilst great importance is still attached to English and Mathematics and such skills as handwriting, Science now plays an increasing role along with Craft, Design and Technology (CDT). In mathematics work with calculators has become an

important part of the curriculum and computers are used both as part of an information technology course and also as word processors.

The development of music within the school in the last few years is something of which we are proud. The school has a fine choir and orchestra. Many children now learn an instrument from the choice which the school is able to offer, including recorder, violin, trumpet, guitar and piano. Drama is something for which the school has been well known for many years and it is pleasing to be able to record a donation of £800 to the Great Ormond Street Hospital, raised from the sale of videos of the last production.

The success of our former pupils, whether they go straight into the world of work at 18 or on to University, is a tribute to the solid grounding we aim to give the children here at Pembury. At the present time we have six former pupils at either Oxford or Cambridge and many at other Universities and Polytechnics.

What of changes to come? The new Education Reform Bill, the changing role of the Headteacher, particularly with regard to the management and organisation of schools and the new National Curriculum will all have their effect. The policy of open enrolment will also have an impact upon the school and is in fact, already doing so, as parents from outside Pembury seek to send their children here.

Fortunately, in school we are well used to change – after all, the children are going to change in so many ways whilst they are here. For our part we shall continue to fulfil our main aim which is to provide the children with a good education and a sound set of values upon which to build their future life and career.

Richard Nisbet Headteacher

# Sun shines on celebrations



Pembury's scouts, guides, brownies and cubs formed a major part of the parade from the Green to the Recreation Ground for the village's annual fete and by-pass celebrations. Here, the brownies are seen marching along Lower Green Road.

Brilliant sunshine brought a crowd of some 4000 people to Pembury's Annual Fete and Bypass Celebrations on 16 July. Young folk turned out in strength in their uniforms of scouts, guides, cubs and brownies and made an impressive parade from the Green to the Recreation Ground. Junior majorettes, the Mother and Toddlers Group, Pembury Players and members of the Free Church also took part in the march past,

adding to the colour and gaiety.

On the Recreation Ground there was a whole range of stalls and side shows, while in the central arena there were displays put on by various local youth groups and bands. A tent erecting competition created a lot of interest, with the 3rd Pembury Guides coming out as winners after a close contest.

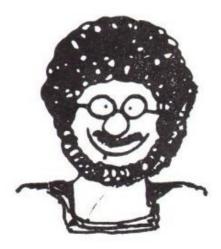
The fete was organised by Mr. John Russell, and altogether about £1500 was raised to go towards the cost of the new scouts and guides building on a site adjacent to the Recreation Ground.

The day's jollities continued on into the evening, with further events on the Village Green which were organised by Mrs. Donna Roberts. Pembury Hospital Radio made things go with a swing by supplying music for dancing and running games and competitions. The evening's entertainment was well supported and even the fact that rain started did not dampen the enthusiasm. Balloons were released on schedule for a race, and the 'winner' was later returned from Hastings.



A long-lasting memento of the by-pass celebrations will be the new horse chestnut tree on the village green, which was planted by Mr. Bob Ogley, editor of the Sevenoaks Chronicle. Watching the small ceremony were Mr. Dick Miles (left), chairman of the Parish Council, and Mrs. Phyllis Allen (not pictured) widow of the late Bob Allen who was the originator of the celebration plans.

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# LOOK BACK

### **Favourite haunts**

Fifty years ago, when I was a child, the Coach Road was a favourite walk and playground for many who lived in and around the Hastings Road. Originally people could walk or ride their horses as far as Bayham Abbey, but when I walked it with family or friends we could only go as far as the Dundale road.

The most popular walk was from the Chalket Lane end along to where a footpath turned off to the left alongside a hop-garden, through a narrow strip of wood, over a stile and down by Martin's Field, coming out almost opposite Canterbury Road. Families, courting couples, dog-owners, all used this walk frequently.

We children nearly always used the Martin's Field approach. In the spring it was our favourite place for bluebells, the narrow strip of wood was carpeted with them. I remember hearing my first woodpecker there, tap-tapping away at the trunk of one of the many beautiful beech trees.

On summer days we loved to play in the sand-pit which was to the left, a little below where the footpath joined the Coach Road. We would slide down the steep sides of the pit or play imaginary games in the little caves among the tree roots. It was a good place for hide-and-seek too. Some of the beech trees lining the Coach Road had lovely branches for swinging and, of course, climbing.

As well as the beech trees there were coppices of chestnut, grown to provide poles for the hop-gardens, and so the autumn saw us scrabbling among the leaves for the nuts.

In the autumn too we went to look for blackberries over on the Brooms, another marvellous place in which to picnic and

play games. The Brooms was a large expanse of uncultivated ground on a slope facing the ruins of Bayhall - the haunted house. We didn't go near there, and the Brooms was far enough away for us to feel quite safe. Here there were large patches of brambles which had the most luscious blackberries. There were also many bushes of gorse and broom, the latter giving its name to the place. In between the bushes were quite large expanses of close-cropped grass, lovely and springy to the feet. Again, it was a marvellous place for hide-and-seek. It was also lovely to run down the hill to the stream which ran along the bottom.

We would fill our baskets with the ripe blackberries, eat our picnic tea and then slowly wend our way homewards. Slowly, because it was uphill through the Brooms and then the cornfield to reach the Coach Road, which went along the ridge. It was a little easier as we came down by Martin's Field, and home was in sight.

In the winter, of course, we did not go along the Coach Road very much but I do remember taking our sledges on the Brooms once, during the War. Martin's Field was the best place for sledging though, as the slopes were more gentle and you had a good long run.

Whatever the season, the Coach Road was one of the nicest places in Pembury and had been used by the villagers and travellers from further afield for centuries. It is said that the monks used to come along the Coach Road from Bayham Abbey to take the services at our old Parish Church. (This is not the church on the Hastings Road, but the one by Kent College.) I hope the ghosts are not too disturbed by the by-pass!

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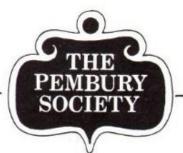
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### Your Clerk Reports

Now that the two bypasses are open, Pembury is enjoying a quieter existence with less traffic around and the ability to walk across the High Street without the

aid of the pelican crossing.

However, whilst we are getting used to this freedom, we are now being subjected to motorists using the empty roads to speed through the village. This problem has been highlighted at Parish Council Meetings and it was with what was seen as a good sense of timing, that the Kent County Council are investigating a scheme, originally from Denmark, whereby roads are re-designed by the inclusion of refuges, planted areas and parking bays to reduce speeding cars.

The Parish Council has written to the Kent County Council to see whether the Parish could be used as one of the first demonstration areas for the project. Whilst the chances of the Parish being accepted are low, it must be said that the High Street along to Woodsgate Corner would fit most of the County Council's

criteria.

The County Council's investigations are in a preliminary stage – I will keep

you informed of any progress.

Changing the subject slightly, now that the dark evenings are creeping in, may I take this opportunity to request parishioners to report any lamp standard failures - either lights out or on and off at the wrong times - either to Seeboard or to me as soon as possible. Most of the faults to lighting arise when there have been breaks in the electricity supply to the Parish. Whilst the Seeboard try to reset the lights as soon as they can, it must be appreciated that this can take some time but any information from you on unlit lamp standards in what you consider to be dangerous areas, would be most helpful.

One of the ways to overcome these problems following a break in the electricity supplies is to instal photo-electric cells in each column. This is one of the options that the Parish Council might discuss in their annual budget for next year. If this is accepted then this would save not only valuable time and money but would also go a long way to ensure that the problems with Parish lighting are kept to a minimum.

Clerk to the Council

### **COMMUNITY CHARGE**

Following our last 'Viewpoint' on the proposed community charge, **Derek Hawes Richards**, county councillor for this area, writes:

"Whilst on the face of it, the poll tax system would appear to be more equitable when considered on the basis of each individual, what is actually going to happen is that the raising of finance for local services is going to be completely taken away from the control of the local council-

lors elected to provide those services.

"The borough council will become purely a collection agency for an amount of money decided by central government as being necessary to run our borough. There is also the alarming matter of the collection costs of this new system which are likely to be astronomical and which will in turn have to be borne by the community. This then raises the question of the use of the electoral register of voters for the purposes of collection and the avoidance by a substantial number of people of the

the form each October.

"In my opinion this is a thoroughly retrograde step and constitutes one more nail in the coffin of the future of local government. A ready made alternative system for collection exists with personal income tax. A combination of a local income tax to reflect the individual's ability to pay, and a property tax relating to the premises they occupy is much fairer and keeps democratic control of the finances within the elected borough and county councils.

poll tax by virtue of not completing

"Finally, there is also the change in business rates looming which again is going to become centrally assessed and redistributed, combined with a complete revaluation of

business premises."



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# FOR YOUR DIARY

OCT 1 Pembury Footpath Walkers, walk starting from Bo-Peep corner, 2.15 p.m.

6 Afternoon W.I. "Songs and ballads old and new", Mrs R. Sandford, Village Hall 2.30 p.m.

7 Evening W.I. "Homemade wine" talk by Mr Simmons, Village Hall 7.45 p.m.

10 Horticultural Society Floral Art Group, Village Hall 8 p.m.

11 Darby & Joan Club sale of work, Village Hall 2 p.m.

17 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8 p.m.

25 Darby and Joan Club, RNLI Christmas stall, Village Hall 2 p.m.

27 Horticultural Society – illustrated talk by Ticka Burr "Gardens we have visited", Village Hall 8 p.m.

NOV 3 Afternoon W.I. Annual Meeting, Village Hall 2.30 p.m.

4 Evening W.I. AGM and "Call my Bluff", Village Hall 7.45 p.m.

5 Pembury Footpath Walkers - Walk starting from Stonecourt Lane 2.15 p.m.

7 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8 p.m.

8 Darby & Joan Club, Village Hall 2 p.m.

14 Horticultural Society Floral Art Group, Village Hall 8 p.m.

22 Darby and Joan Club, Village Hall 2 p.m.

24 Horticultural Society – Illustrated talk by Mr G. Buck, MIEE on "London's Mainline Termini", Village Hall 8 p.m.

28 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8 p.m.

DEC 1 Afternoon W.I. Christmas Party, Village Hall 2.30 p.m.

2 Evening W.I. West Peckham Handbell Ringers, Village Hall 7.45 p.m.

3 Pembury Footpath Walkers – Walk starting from Camden car park, 2.15 p.m.

6 Darby and Joan Club Christmas Party, Village Hall 2 p.m.

12 Horticultural Society Floral Art Group, Village Hall 8 p.m.

19 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8 p.m.

20 Darby & Joan Club, meeting and carols, Village Hall 2 p.m.

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Upper Church

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

9.45 a.m. Parish Communion and Junior Church

6.30 p.m. Evensong

Parish Church

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Wednesdays)

11.15 a.m. Matins and sermon (except first Sunday, Holy Communion)

Every Friday – Pembury Village Market – V. Hall 9.45–11.15 a.m.

Every Monday – Pembury Sequence Dance Club – Catholic Hall 7.45–10.15 p.m.