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| **Living Conditions** (including **Childbirth, Childhood, Marriage, Death)**  | June 1955 | Rural District Council written to – re urgent need of piped water to various parts of the village |  |

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| **Household Management**  | 12-4- 194010-11-1939 | Sugar was distributed for preservingWaste paper collection was made in the village | Ladies were able to borrow a canning machine to can fruits for the winter.**Please see attachment on Jam Making** |
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| **Campaigning to Support Communities** **(**including campaigning locally and nationally – for education, health, social issues) **Supporting local Communities** | 11-1-1952October 195614 -6 -19358-12-3911-12-1942 | Packed Cake Mix was sent to Christchurch WI from a link in CanadaA letter was sent to Wisbech & March Council asking traders to remain open during lunch hoursEggs were sent to Wisbech Isolation HospitalDolls were sent to Addenbrooks HospitalToys made by members were sent to North Cambs. Hospital | This link continued for many years |

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| **Learning New Skills**  | May 193310-11-19399-2-194010-9-194310-9-194311-2-1944 | How to make a nightdress case with a rose in the middleDemonstration on making ShortbreadHow to make Wool & Chenille RugsDemonstration on Dress MakingMaking Rag DollsMend and Make Do |  |
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| **The Changing Cost of Living**  | 20-4-192820-4-192812-4-1940 | Rent for Hall10 shillings per yearMoney raised from a concert gave pensioners 1cwt coal33 people over the age of 70 received 1shilling and sixpence | **Equivalent to 50p in today’s money****7.5p in today’s money** |

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| **WI Women at War**  | 12-1-1940 | Scarves, socks & helmets were knitted and sent to the troops |  |

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| **Events**(including **visits; celebrations and commemorations**) | 1929193122-6-1932193410-11-19399-2-1951 | Beginning of the Parish Tea Silver Medal was awarded to Christchurch Drama group at the Drama festivalOuting to Great Yarmouth 6.30am startCost 5 shillingsWI challenge men of the New Institute to a Cricket Match Country dance Classes were set upFestival of BritainSpecial Train stopping at Stonea Station because of so much interest  | Still going today providing a hot lunch now & entertainment for everyone in the village over 65 who wish to attend free**Award has been Archived****25p today**Proved very popular |

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| **Some Things Never Change!** Competition’s | 10-2-19391956 | Best ironed handkerchiefNylon Flowers made from old stockings |  |