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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- 1940  10-11-1939 | Sugar was distributed for preserving  Waste 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** | 11-1-1952  October 1956  14 -6 -1935  8-12-39  11-12-1942 | Packed Cake Mix was sent to Christchurch WI from a link in Canada  A letter was sent to Wisbech & March Council asking traders to remain open during lunch hours  Eggs were sent to Wisbech Isolation Hospital  Dolls were sent to Addenbrooks Hospital  Toys made by members were sent to North Cambs. Hospital | This link continued for many years |

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| **Learning New Skills** | May 1933  10-11-1939  9-2-1940  10-9-1943  10-9-1943  11-2-1944 | How to make a nightdress case with a rose in the middle  Demonstration on making Shortbread  How to make Wool & Chenille Rugs  Demonstration on Dress Making  Making Rag Dolls  Mend and Make Do |  |
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| **The Changing Cost of Living** | 20-4-1928  20-4-1928  12-4-1940 | Rent for Hall  10 shillings per year  Money raised from a concert gave pensioners 1cwt coal  33 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**) | 1929  1931  22-6-1932  1934  10-11-1939  9-2-1951 | Beginning of the Parish Tea  Silver Medal was awarded to  Christchurch Drama group at the Drama festival  Outing to Great Yarmouth 6.30am start  Cost 5 shillings  WI challenge men of the New Institute to a Cricket Match  Country dance Classes were set up  Festival of Britain  Special 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 | 10-2-1939  1956 | Best ironed handkerchief  Nylon Flowers made from old stockings |  |