

CAMEO Church Report 2026

Background:

CAMEO is a come and meet each other group which started in 2006 with an aim to be a place for the bereaved to find support and friendship.

This aim continues today but the group is now open to all members of the community. Our numbers have grown and we are pleased that new members find us welcoming and want to come back.

Location:

Church Hall, Smallfield

Time:

2pm-4pm, normally every first Friday of the month

Format:

Tables are laid out with tablecloths, flowers, home-made cakes and tea and coffee is provided. It is free of charge but we ask for voluntary contributions. Each month we have different activities, such as craft or a speaker or a musical event. An event sheet for 2026 is attached.

Organisation:

It is led by a team of approximately 8 helpers, who are all hard working, friendly and community minded and I owe huge thanks to all of them for many things, which include giving lifts to guests who can no longer drive, putting out tables and chairs, making cakes at their own cost and washing up.

Funding:

We were very grateful to the Henry Smith Charity for funding the minibus to take us to Denbies Vineyard last August and will apply for monies in 2026 to help fund our two lunches out in the summer and at Christmas.

In January – March 2026, all voluntary contributions have gone to charity. We raised £35.64 for Action for M.E. in January, in memory of Rosemary Hind, £45.95 for Arthritis UK in February and £56 for Evermore Dog Rescue in March.

Helen Goudie

(Poster of 2026 events attached overleaf)

Come And Meet Each Other: 2026



CAMEO is for anyone who would enjoy some company, home-made cake and drinks in a small, friendly environment. Everyone is welcome. There is no charge.

We normally meet on the first Friday of the month at 2-4pm in the Church Hall, Redehall Rd in Smallfield.

*9th January: Roger Hind on keyboard

6th February: Poems from Angela and Craft by Sandy– Make and take home

6th March: Talk from Beth on fostering rescues dogs and meet her dog Willow

*10th April: Handbell ringing

1st May: Visit from the Fire Service: Safety in the Home

5th June: Tunes from The Windmill Songmen

3rd July: Afternoon tea in the Rectory garden

7th August: Summer Lunch out, Cherry Tree, Copthorne 1pm

4th September: Tax, Care and Toy Boys, Co-op Legal Services

2nd October: Wimbledon Ukulele Band entertains

6th November: Remembrance

4th December: Christmas crafts and handbells

*11th December: Christmas lunch at Horne Golf Club

Any queries: ring or message Helen on 01342 843550 or 07762632620

*2nd Friday of the month