

# Box River News

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## MAN OF THE MATCH



On Easter Sunday, a group of old friends, former players of Boxford Football Club's youth team, came together for a community day on the village's playing field. During the event, a team, mostly of the former players together with a few guests, played what has become an annual match against the old boys of Nayland. In the final minutes of the game when Nayland were leading 2-1 the ball made its way to the feet of Edward Wagland, one of the guest players. Edward passed it out to his wing who immediately crossed it over to the goal. During a brief mele in front of goal Edward saw his chance and thumped the ball into the back of the net. All square and high fives all round. Well done Edward you saved the day.

The former players from the club of 40 years ago had come together for a community day at the Boxford Playing Fields to commemorate their visit to the USA by the players, then aged 12 and 13.

Boxford postmaster Richard Haining, who went on the trip himself, organised the day and 12 players from the original youth team, including Karl McDermott, who now lives in Mexico, attended.

Teams from other local football clubs joined in the fun, including a game of walking football, and there were stalls offering candy floss and face painting, as well as a bouncy castle.

Scores of villagers turned out to support, and take part in, the event. Richard Haining said: "The beer tent sold out, the barbecue sold out, as did the sweet stall. We could not have wished for a better day.

"Thanks go to everyone for their support."

## BOXFORD TORNADO 2019



The 2019 Boxford Tornado took place on April 29th in indifferent weather conditions. Approx 500 riders took part. Two routes were available, a 40 mile and a 60 mile route on predominantly quiet rural roads and travel through the beautiful rolling, tranquil Suffolk countryside. With free refreshments at the finish and splendid support throughout the event, a great time was had by all despite the poor weather conditions.

### NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

Boxford Parish Council  
are holding a public meeting  
in Boxford School Hall  
on May 23rd at 8.00pm  
to discuss the proposed  
**Catesby Development on Sand Hill**  
and the Boxford Neighbourhood Plan  
Make sure you are there

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## REV JUDITH IN REEPHAM



It was June 2010 when Rev Judith together with her husband Rufus, joined us to become our priest in Charge. Eight glorious years later Judith decided the time had come to retire and they moved to Reepham north of Norwich in Norfolk.

Reepham is a beautiful market town with 18th century houses and market place and is surrounded by stunning countryside between the Wensum and Bure Valleys. Dating back to just after the Norman conquest, Reepham has beautiful 18th century buildings lining pretty streets and alleys. The town is home to shops, a 16th century pub as well as plenty of places to eat and to three churches and legend says three sisters built the churches in Reepham, and this is reflected in the town sign. Today, there are only remains of one of the churches while St Mary's, open to visitors, is now the single parish church and St Michael's is mainly used as a community building. Judith and Rufus have settled in to their new home and have been receiving guests from the Box River Benefice including a recent visit from Liz Gardiner (left above) recently of Groton but now living in Sudbury and Pam Dodd (Right above) from Edwardstone. The pic was taken in the shed of a shop and tea room in Stiffkey, North Norfolk.

We do have a new Rector but the formalities are taking frustratingly longer than expected. We hope that an announcement can be made in the July BRN.

## FEEDBACK FROM JAMES CARTLIDGE MP MP for South Suffolk

It is sometimes said that we have a 'crisis' in our politics. Let's be clear, our world of Westminster is in an extraordinary frenzy over one big issue. But we should never lose sight of the true picture away from the bubble where there is much to be positive about. In particular, the latest figures on jobs would have made many Governments over the years scream with envy.

We now have the lowest unemployment – just 3.8% of the population - since 1974. This now means that the official count of jobless people has not been lower in my entire lifetime. Since 1974 we have had: a devaluation crisis and seeking support from the IMF to bail out our nation's finances; the winter of discontent; deep and dark recessions under Conservative Governments and the biggest of all under Labour in 2008; we have had John Major's Black Wednesday and Gordon Brown's credit crunch.

In all those years unemployment has generally been one of the biggest issues facing any Government. And today, amidst what is unquestionably an existential political crisis for my party, we oversee record low joblessness. But in addition, record numbers of women in work; 1 million more disabled people in work since 2010; and youth unemployment down by half a million in the same period.

Of course, the job for any Government is to avoid complacency and recognise that, whilst wages are now rising at the fastest rate since the crash, many still feel the pinch. We have also had high profile announcements that major factories are to close in South Suffolk – Delphi in Sudbury and Philips Avent in Glemsford being the most important examples.

That said, in evidence to the South Suffolk Taskforce that I set up in response to these closures, the most common concern we have heard from local firms has been difficulty in recruiting. We must do everything possible, as we are doing, to attract new investment into these plants and our wider area. Nevertheless, the statistics I have quoted represent real lives on the up, and we should recognise that there is much to be proud of.

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## FleeceJazz

at Stoke by Nayland Hotel

**Friday 14 June 8 £18;00.**

### Alina Bzhezinska Quartet

Alina Bzhezinska Harp, Tony Kofi Sax, Larry Bartley Bass, Joel Prime Drums

Ukrainian/Polish harp player Alina Bzhezinska is an internationally-renowned classical and jazz harpist of great flair and sensitivity. The release of her acclaimed 2018 album "Inspiration", which drew deeply from the music of Alice and John Coltrane, has seen her quartet perform at Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club and the Royal Albert Hall, and earn a nomination for Best Live Experience of the Year at the Jazz FM Awards. Alina reproduces Alice Coltrane's trembling flurries of high notes and swooping glissandos with uncanny accuracy, and her intensely physical relationship with her harp is mesmerising to watch.

**Friday 5 July 8 £18.00**

### Art Themen Trio

One of the most important saxophonists in the UK scene, a living legend

Art Themen Sax, Pete Whittaker Organ, George Double Drums  
Art started playing Jazz when reading medicine at Cambridge. In the 1960s London he was playing blues, with Alexis Korner. In the early 70s he was in interactive group of London musicians that included Don Rendell, Ian Carr, Michael Garrick, and Norma Winston. Art toured and recorded with Stan Tracy for 20 years, including with Don Weller, Peter King, and Henry Lowther. At the 2018 London Jazz fest he formed a quintet with younger generation trumpeter Laura Jurd.

**Friday 12 July 8 £18.00.**

### Joanna Eden's "Sondheim and Me"

"Bloody marvellous" Dame Cleo Laine; "The UK's answer to Diana Krall" Time Out; "Seek her out!" Sir Michael Parkinson; \*Brilliant\* Jamie Cullum; \*melody, mystery and bite\* Mojo Magazine  
Joanna Eden Vocals/Piano, Gerry Hunt Reeds, Russell Swift Bass, George Double Drums

Joanna Eden approaches the songs of Stephen Sondheim from a jazz- influenced perspective, backed by the George Double Trio. Acclaimed singer and mentor to Oscar and Grammy winner Sam Smith, Joanna Eden approaches the songs of Stephen Sondheim from her own, jazz-influenced and heart-filled perspective. Joanna has graced the Fleece Jazz stage with evenings of the work of Ella Fitzgerald, Jazz at the Movies. A beautiful voice and perfect intonation coupled with great musicianship make quite a singer.

**Friday 26 July 8 £20.00.**

### Hexagonal

Hexagonal play high energy music with African and Jazz influences  
John Donaldson Piano, Greg Heath Tenor Sax, Jason Yarde Alto Sax, Graeme Flowers Trumpet/Flugel, Simon Thorpe Bass, Tristan Banks Drums

The Hastings based Hexagonal collective was formed late in 2016, to feature the music of the composer/pianists McCoy Tyler and Bheki Mseleku. The group has performed at major festivals and clubs. Its first album, "McCoy and Mseleku" was released in September.

"The band is impressively hip, with the collective chops to glide through complex rhythms and gentle Latin grooves! - Peter Jones,

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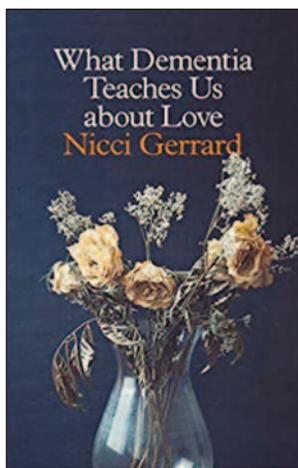
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## THIS MONTH'S GOOD READ

### What Dementia Teaches Us about Love by Nicci Gerrard



A powerful and beautifully written account, centred on the experience of the author's father, and identifying a crisis in care

"The terror of losing memories is the terror of losing the active self" ... Nicci Gerrard.

"Life without memory is no life at all," wrote Luis Buñuel on the plight of his mother, who by the end of her life had no memory left. Woven together over time, memories shape who we are, forming the unique narrative that is our identity.

According to the novelist and journalist Nicci Gerrard, dementia – which "feeds upon the stuff of the past" – is the illness we now fear the

most: "The terror of losing memories is the terror of losing the active self." There are many forms of dementia but more than half of people affected have the neuro-degenerative disease Alzheimer's. In 2015 some 850,000 people in the UK had dementia and a similar number were undiagnosed. It affects one in six people over 80: "If it's not you or me, it's someone we love." Globally there are 47 million people living with dementia and the cost of treating it is more than the cost of cancer, stroke and heart disease combined.

For 10 years, Gerrard's father struggled with it and she watched the person she loved "gradually disappearing, memories falling away, words going, recognition fading, in the great unravelling". He died in 2014 after a period in hospital when he declined rapidly after being separated from his family. Gerrard was so angered by the inadequacy of the treatment he received that she co-founded John's Campaign to fight for more compassionate hospital care: "A sense of the preciousness of every life should be designed into a system, a society."

Her powerful and beautifully written book takes the reader on a poignant voyage through the stages of the illness, from diagnosis (one person tells her: "I felt cold water running down my spine") through the terrible later stages that seem "like a ferocious de-creation of the self and an apocalypse of meaning", to the final days: "Death can be a friend. Enough is enough."

One in eight adults in the UK cares for someone with dementia – the toll it takes on their lives is largely unrecognised

On this journey Gerrard investigates the nature of memories and what it means to lose them: "Dementia makes us ask what is it to be a self, to be human." She meets the artist, Jenni Dutton, whose series of tapestries, "Dementia Darnings", explores her mother's illness. "We mustn't shy away from decline and decay", says Dutton. She also talks to Patricia Utermohlen, whose husband William painted a series of self-portraits that charted the gradual, pitiless stripping away of selfhood, until all that remained was "a scribbled death-head". Indeed, one of the inspiring aspects of her book is "the healing and transformative power of art": painting, poetry, music or dance can offer dementia sufferers solace and reassurance amidst the existential loneliness of the condition.

Gerrard encounters a couple in Holland, where assisted dying is legal, who have written living wills, appointing their partners to decide when they should "die in dignity" should they develop dementia. "My life is the life of a thinking person," one of them tells her. "That is me. If that ends, my body should also end." Impressed by their calm rationality, she admits that "we should be better able to choose when to take our leave".

Yet she also meets many other people and their carers who live with the illness, people such as Theresa Clarke whose "courage and determination" in the face of despair astonishes Gerrard. As the rich experiences of her varied life fade from memory, Clarke lives in the moment: "I'm still resonating, in the present. Now."

Gerrard raises important questions about how we look after those who have dementia. One in eight adults in the UK is a carer and the toll it takes on their lives is largely unrecognised. A friend who cares for her husband with dementia tells her: "It's a killer. It's savage." Afraid to confront the reality of a disease that dismantles our sense of selfhood, "we turn away ... society turns away".

• What Dementia Teaches Us About Love is published by Allen Lane (£16.99).

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## THE REV'D JOHN HEIGHAM STEGGALL - A TALK BY PIP WRIGHT

Little Waldingfield History Society was delighted to welcome Pip Wright, local historian, writer and master story-teller, back to the Parish Room to tell us the story of 'The Suffolk Gypsy', an autobiography written by Heigham Steggall and published with the help of the Rev'd Richard Cobbold (of Ipswich brewery fame) some 150 years ago.

To set the scene, Pip told us that he had been so intrigued by the story, which he didn't believe and which was no longer in print, that he decided to undertake his own research and rewrite the story, with some of the original words alongside his own. As he then said, surprisingly, most of it can be shown to be an accurate representation of a remarkable life.

I hope that I can do justice to this amazing story, which is available to purchase from Pip at <http://www.pipwright.com/gipsy.htm>

In 1854 John Heigham Steggall (JHS) visited Wortham rectory to meet Rev'd Richard Cobbold (RRC), of Ipswich brewery fame, and to ask for his assistance in publishing his autobiography. RRC agreed and edited the book, almost certainly romanticising it in the process; he also changed its name and ensured that the book cover just mentioned his name. RRC also got both JHS's birth place and date wrong, but as Pip said, there were no birth certificates at the time, so this probably explains the error. The book was finally published in 1857.

JHS was born in May 1789 and privately baptized at Creeting St Mary. He was a grandson of the rector of Wyverstone, who died shortly after his baptism, whereupon his father moved them into the parsonage where John spent his childhood. At the age of seven he was sent to a private boarding school run by Mr Edmund Rogers in Walsham-le-Willows, about about five miles from his home. He hated the school, because Rogers terrorized the children with an extremely harsh regime where the rod and whip were liberally used, so he ran away home, to be immediately sent back again!

He remained at the school until the following June when he ran away again, in the early hours of the morning; not home, because he knew he would immediately be sent back, so he just walked away from both. After some time he was unsure what to do next, when a large dark skinned man yelled 'Boy, what are you doing here'? It was Jonas Gibson, an educated man married into a gypsy family, who suggested that he came back to their (primitive) camp for breakfast, where JHS told his sorry tale. The kindly gypsies understood his situation and suggested that he stayed with them a while.

To protect both JHS and themselves, John's long hair was cut short; his fine clothes were removed for storage, being replaced by rags, so that he would look the part of a gypsy child. Jonas spotted that his voice was too refined to be that of a gypsy, so John was told to pretend to be deaf and dumb whenever they met anyone else - good advice because the camp was soon visited by the local constable and his deputy Mr fake. Being fooled by John's appearance, they went away satisfied.

Pip advised that it is unknown how long JHS spent with the family, which may have been just a matter of weeks, but that he probably had a lot of fun as it was the height of summer. Whilst travelling around the family visited Norton, where the local gamekeeper knew the family and gave them a couple of rabbits, then the two men went off into the woods in search of something more. A little later, there was the sound of a gunshot, and shortly thereafter Jonas came running back saying that Tom Sealy had been shot and that the children needed to run off to get a doctor and a priest. All the children ran off except JHS, who Pip advised would not have understood the Roman this instruction would have been given in. Knowing that something was wrong, JHS asked if there was anything he could do to help; Jonas wasn't too keen, because he knew the accident would take some explaining, before finally saying that JHS should go off in search of clean rags for bandages.

John went off to Norton Hall, arriving just as the squire was returning home. Looking like a gypsy child he received a whipping, but managed to explain that the keeper had been shot and that they needed some rags for bandages. The squire came down to the wood to see for himself, whilst also thinking something was wrong, because gypsy children generally kept quite whereas JHS was quite voluble and well spoken.

There were now many people in the woods and no one could really understand how the accident, if it was such, had actually happened. Jonas explained that Tom Sealy (TS) had expressed a desire to marry his daughter, who being quite young Jonas wasn't happy about; seemingly TS then began remonstrating with his loaded gun, which somehow was dropped and went off. Not satisfied, the squire told Jonas that he and JHS would have to go before the local magistrate for him to decide the truth of the matter - at the court room in the Pykkerell Inn at Ixworth.

It seems that both Jonas and JHS spoke well, though of course John had not seen the accident so was repeating what Jonas had told him; however, there were two people present who had recently seen them both before - the constable and deputy Fake - who were not impressed. The magistrate was unsure what to do, enquiring 'will the keeper live'? As this was unsure, he remanded both into custody at Bury - probably at Moyses Hall - where Jonas and the boy were separated, being able to meet up just once a week when exercising.

Some time later Jonas became very ill, and fearing that he was dying, asked to see JHS, when he apparently told him his life story. Jonas claimed that he



was the son of a titled landowner in the south, who would have been married against his wishes when he had already fallen in love with his gypsy wife Mog, though Pip is unconvinced by this. Tom Sealy then recovers, to say that it really was an accident so both were sent home, from gaol, though sadly Jonas died soon after.

John is reconciled to his family and another school found, much more to his liking, in Botesdale. After completing his school studies he was articled to a surgeon practising in Bacton; this was a seven year apprenticeship and he soon became fed up with continually cleaning up after the surgeon, saying to an uncle that he was bored. The uncle being keen for him to go to sea, JHS was persuaded to take a berth on one of the uncle's whalers bound for the South Pacific Ocean, on a ship appropriately called Adventure, John becoming the ships surgeon. Now 18, John enjoyed his sea adventures, writing about the animals he had seen, but after completing the voyage, the ship returned to the Thames, and John wonders what to do next.

After spending several months at home he was offered a cadetship with the East India Company, bound for Madras in India. He was ill on the way to India but recovered to receive his commission as an ensign of the 15th Regiment of Native Infantry. III heath continued to afflict him so he was invalided home, but on the return journey took a large splinter in his thigh during an action with the French. He was honourably received at home, being a wounded soldier on full pay with a leave of absence for three years to decide his future. During this time he resigned from the army and began studies at Corpus Christi, Cambridge, being ordained as a deacon in June 1814, Diocese of Norwich, and as a priest the following year, even though he did not actually complete his studies - Pip advised there was a shortage of priests at the time!

JHS then married Sarah Weeding at Great Glemham in October 1815, but shortly after his father had a stroke and was forced to sell the living to pay for his care, rather than giving it to John. So John became a curate at Wyverstone, but because this didn't pay well, he also set himself up as a surgeon in Rattlesden. Popular with his patients, this didn't prove a good idea, because his cut price fees upset the other local surgeons; when a young girl had to have a leg amputated, he was blamed by them for providing the wrong diagnosis and effectively struck off - after 15 years' service to the local community!

Sometime later Lord Thurlow proposed that JHS and his wife should come and reside in the parish of Great Ashfield, where he would build them a house; it was an offer too good to decline, so John remained as a priest there for fifty years. His wife died in 1876 and in 1879 he married Elizabeth Syer, living until 1881 when he was died and was buried at Great Ashfield.

During his life JHS claimed to be a gypsy, a surgeon, a soldier, a sailor and finally a parish priest, mostly living in the villages of central Suffolk, but also

travelling to India and the South Seas, as well as spending time in Bury jail. Throughout his life John always tried to show gypsies in a favourable light, because of the kindness they had showed him when young and in trouble, and once again Pip enthralled his audience and LWSH guests heard a quite fabulous and amazing tale.

**Our next events will be at 7.30 in The Parish Room on:**

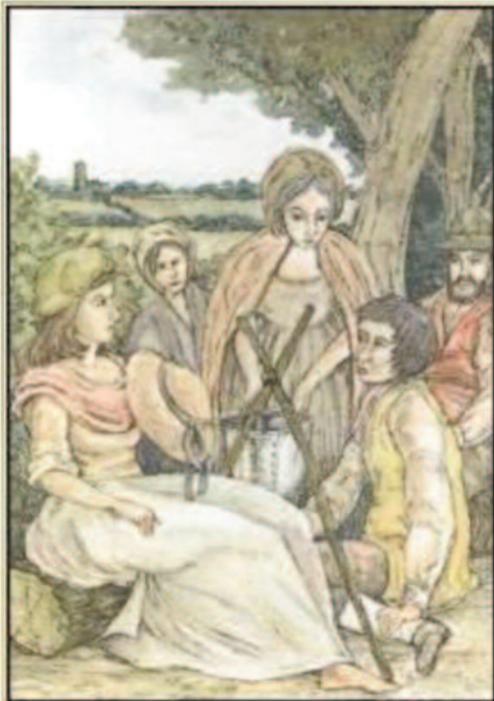
**22nd May:** The History of Landguard Fort, Felixstowe by David Wood  
First built nearly 400 years ago, the fort guards the Orwell navigable channel because Harwich Harbour was the best haven for large ships between the Thames & Humber.

**19th June:** Sudden Deaths in Early Nineteenth Century Suffolk by Geoffrey Robinson

Fireside hearths, pantries, village ponds and brewing rooms were dangerous places when death was never far away. Sudden deaths & their inquests were the lifeblood of columnists, whose reports fascinated readers with tales of misery and misfortune.

Both events are going to be great, and we very much look forward to welcoming guests both new and old to the Parish Room.

Andy Sheppard.



The Amazing Story of John Heigham Steggall,

**'The Suffolk Gipsy'**

revised & researched by Pip & Joy Wright

## RSPB BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH RESULTS FOR SUFFOLK'S GARDEN BIRDS

Over 10,000 people in Suffolk joined almost half a million people across the UK to spend an hour watching the birds that visited their garden or outdoor space as a part of the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch, counting more than 7.5 million birds in total.

For many people, garden birds remain an important link to nature and the RSPB wants to do more to increase this connection to help both wildlife and people.

The latest results from the RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch have revealed a mixed picture for Suffolk's garden birdlife with 16 of the top 20 species returning fewer sightings in gardens across the country than in 2018.

Now in its 40th year, the Big Garden Birdwatch is a chance for people of all ages to count the number of birds that visit their garden helping the RSPB build up a picture of how they are doing. This year, over 10,000 people in Suffolk joined almost half a million people across the country to take part, counting an impressive 7.5 million birds.

The event held over the last weekend in January revealed the house sparrow held on to its number one spot across the county whilst there was a decrease in garden sightings of wrens and long-tailed tits, two of the smallest species to visit our gardens. Long-tailed tits decreased by more than 17% and wrens by 26% in 2019 after being counted in particularly large number in 2018 across Suffolk. Populations of both species may have been affected by last year's 'Beast from the East' as small birds are more susceptible to spells of cold weather. But it's too early to say if this is a one year blip or the beginning of a trend.

Over its four decades, Big Garden Birdwatch has highlighted the winners and losers in the garden bird world. It was first to alert the RSPB to the decline in song thrush numbers. This species was a firm fixture in the top 10 in 1979. By 2009, its numbers were less than half those recorded in 1979, it came in at 20th in the rankings this year.

Daniel Hayhow, RSPB Conservation Scientist, said: "Over its long lifetime, the survey has shown the increasing good fortunes of birds such as the goldfinch and wood pigeon and the alarming declines of the house sparrow and starling. But there appears to be good news for one of these birds. While the overall decline in house sparrow numbers, reported by participants, since the Big Garden Birdwatch began is 56% (1979 - 2019), in the most recent decade (2009-2019) numbers appear to have increased by 10%. Giving us hope that at least a partial recovery may be happening. This year's survey also highlighted a rise in the number of sightings of redwings and fieldfares on last year's figures.

The house sparrow remained at the top of the Big Garden Birdwatch rankings at the most commonly seen garden birds with more than 1.2 million recorded sightings throughout the weekend. Blue tit held down the second spot once more, with the blackbird moving up one spot to round off the top three.

Throughout the first half of the spring term the nation's school children took part in the RSPB's Big Schools Birdwatch. The UK-wide survey of birds in school grounds saw close to 60,000 school children spend an hour in nature counting the birds. Blackbird was the most numerous species seen with an average of 8 per school; and was seen in 89% of all schools that took part.

Martin Harper, the RSPB's Director of Conservation said "Our garden birds should be a part of our everyday life. For many people they provide our only connection to the natural world and bring enormous joy. To have hundreds of thousands of people spend an hour watching the wildlife in their garden doesn't only help us build up a picture of how our garden birds are doing, but people who take part feel better."

To highlight the crisis that nature is facing and the loss of over 40 million wild birds from the UK in just half a century, the RSPB is releasing a specially-created track of birdsong titled 'Let Nature Sing'. The single contains some of the most recognisable birdsongs that we used to enjoy, but that are on their way to disappearing forever. A compilation of beautiful sound recordings of birds with powerful conservation stories including the Cuckoo, Curlew, Nightingale, Crane and Turtle Dove who form part of the dawn chorus choir. The charity is calling on the public to download, stream and share the single (available 5th April) and help get birdsong into the charts for the first time, spreading the word that people across the UK are passionate about nature's recovery.

Martin Harper continues, "Birds are such iconic parts of human culture but many of us no longer have the time or opportunity to enjoy them. The time we spend in nature, just watching and listening, can have huge benefits to our wellbeing, especially in these stressful times. The RSPB wants to help more people reconnect with their wilder sides and is bringing birdsong back into people's busy lives by releasing a soothing track of pure unadulterated bird song. We hope that by understanding what we have lost that we inspire others to take part in the recovery. Without nature our lives are so less complete."

The track is designed to help reconnect the nation with nature, helping people find a moment to relax and promote a feeling of tranquillity, as birdsong has been proven to aid mental health and promote feelings of wellbeing.

For a full round-up of all the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch results and to see which birds were visiting gardens where you live, visit [www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch](http://www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch)

## FEEDBACK FROM JAMES FINCH

Your Suffolk County Councillor for the Stour Valley

➤ **More than 98% of pupils receive a preferred primary school on National Offer Day** On 16 April 2019, the council reported that it had received 7,505 applications from parents indicating which primary school they would prefer their child to be educated at in Reception for this year.

Over 98.6% of children were offered a place at one of their parents' preferred schools. Some 7,037 children received offers for their first preference school and 7,403 children received an offer for one of their three preferred schools.

I am delighted to report that there were no refusals at Boxford CEVC Primary School. A council spokesman said:- "We have a good track record of offering places at preferred schools and this year is no exception. We are delighted that we have been able to give most parents a place for their child at one of the schools they want."

➤ **Suffolk's new school travel policy** September 2019 sees the implementation of Suffolk's new school travel policy for 5 to 16-year-old children. The new policy assesses a child's eligibility for Suffolk County Council (SCC) funded school travel to their nearest suitable school.

Children who will be starting at a new school in September 2019 will be eligible for SCC funded school travel when they live over 2 miles (under 8 years old) or 3 miles (over 8) walking distance from their nearest suitable school that would have had a place available for them.

The new policy is being phased in to protect travel arrangements for children who are already receiving SCC funded school travel under the current policy. This means a child can continue to receive SCC funded school travel to their current school as long as they continue to live at their current address.

Parents of children who are eligible for SCC funded travel must also now opt-in (apply) by 31 May each year so school travel can be provided in the following school year. Eligible families are now being asked to do this because research by the county council has shown that some families, although eligible to SCC funded school travel, do not use their seat. Consequently, they are funding seats which are unused. To opt-in (apply) for SCC funded school travel visit

[www.suffolkonboard.com/optin](http://www.suffolkonboard.com/optin)

If a child is not eligible for SCC funded school travel, it's their family's responsibility to make sure they can get to and from school, accompanying them as necessary and paying for any travel costs.

For further information on Suffolk's new school travel policy visit [www.suffolkonboard.com/schooltravel](http://www.suffolkonboard.com/schooltravel)

➤ **Suffolk Domestic Abuse Champions Network needs you** The search is on for volunteers to join a network of Champions that will help spread the message of support for those experiencing domestic abuse. The aim of the Champions is to offer a consistent response to domestic abuse across Suffolk and support which is rooted in the community.

The Suffolk Domestic Abuse Champions Network is looking for people who are passionate about domestic abuse awareness raising and who are motivated to make changes.

The Champions will be provided with free training to equip them with the skills to spread awareness and share information of where to go for support within their organisations and networks. The Suffolk Domestic Abuse Champions Network will offer Champions a variety of support, knowledge, multi-agency links as well as access to training and events. Champions will be able to recognise the signs of abuse and will be confident in encouraging disclosures of abuse. They will respond in a professional manner, giving people the tools to stay safe and get the right support promptly.

Email [dachampions@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:dachampions@suffolk.gov.uk) for more information and to register interest



➤ **More Fostering and Adoption "Drop In" Sessions in the Stour Valley** Further to the success of the three sessions in the first three months of this year we are now organising another 3 sessions in May and June. These drop in sessions have now been confirmed in our locality as per the graphic below:-

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## FEEDBACK FROM BRYN HURREN

Your Babergh District Councillor

First of all I would like to say a very humble thank you to all the people of the newly formed Box Vale ward for electing me as their councillor for a sixth term, with 47.7% of residents voting in my ward and 78% for myself it was a very humbling experience for me and one which I will remember as I serve out these next four years which I sincerely hope will bring a more inclusive form of administration and some better decision making and less wholesale wastage of taxpayers hard earned council tax contributions.

We have to remember now more than ever that we are elected to serve our public and run the district to the best of our ability for all, we are not elected to achieve political ambitions and build little empires that in this election have been severely knocked aside anyway. During the next four years I will strive to see that expensive consultations and meaningless political publications at taxpayers expense are kept to a minimum and that every elected councillor attends meetings and contributes to the advancement of the area as they are elected to do.

My first priority of the new term is to see that the much delayed Local Plan is given priority for the sake of all our towns and villages that have been at the mercy of voracious developers for the last four years, this has been the last administrations biggest failing and has placed many rural areas at a complete disadvantage. I will also be ensuring that all major decisions are discussed by all members, across the Council to achieve the best decision for all, this applies especially to major developments in our larger towns such as Sudbury where wranglings about the bus station and Belle View House have maybe not produced the best decision or in some cases no decision at all. Decisions by a few people in a political cabinet have not served us well. In my ward of 2,400 electors I strived to visit every single household and I think I did achieve that, I did find some anger from many people regarding national issues, many are angry that we have not yet left the E.U. but on the other hand every single young person that I spoke to said that they did not want Brexit and saw the U.K.s future as part of Europe and leading from the front, I spoke to about fifty young voters on the doorstep and we ignore their views at our peril and we should remember that we are responsible for the world that they will inherit and their views should take precedence as they will be in charge sooner than we realise and their views are very important and we should listen to them very carefully.

Other national issues that featured on the doorstep were the environmental ones that are fast coming upon us now, what we are doing to the planet is now becoming a huge issue as if we do not have a planet to live on, nothing else matters. As one person who was not quite old enough to vote this time around said "we are turning our world into a very large dustbin." Concerns were also voiced about the lack of Police, shortage of funding for Education, Schools in general, Mental Health and the upkeep of our Highways and the way our general way of life seems to be under threat at this time.

With regard to the National Political scene I am so pleased that the Lib Dems have done so well and have become a force for good again, with the divided Conservative party unable to control its own leaders and M.P.s into any semblance of order and the very left wing Labour party with all its disarray seeming to be incapable of being an alternative opposition the national outlook is becoming very bleak and this feeling was very evident amongst voters who are just fed up with the squabbling and lack of any meaningful leadership, statesmanship and any certain direction for our great country. It is felt we are becoming a laughing stock at home and especially from our partners abroad who we should be engaging and trading with, and not isolating ourselves in the world market at our own expense.

This election was undoubtedly the most enjoyable one I have ever taken part in with most people willing to engage and discuss and debate their issues and concerns with good humour and frankness, it seems that voters were so totally disillusioned with national politics that it was a relief to them to discuss their concerns with someone who actually listened, this was reflected no doubt in the high turnout which was the second highest in Babergh and shows that the electorate will engage if they feel their vote makes a difference.

Thank you once again to all who made this election such a good experience for me. Bryn.

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# The Boxford societys response to the proposed Weavers Green development

**From:** The Boxford Society, 16, Clubs Lane, Boxford, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 5HN.

**To:** BMSDC Planning Area Team Blue [planningblue@babergmidsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:planningblue@babergmidsuffolk.gov.uk)

**Subject:** DC/19/01873 Outline Planning Application – Land to the East of Sand Hill, Boxford. Date: 25 April 2019

To Jack Wilkinson, Case Officer - Babergh Planning Control

Dear Mr Wilkinson,

## Planning Application – DC/19/01873 Outline Planning Application – Land to East of Sand Hill, Boxford

I wish to strongly object to this Outline Application on behalf of the Boxford Society and its Executive Committee of which I am the Chairman. The Boxford Society, with a membership of over 120 residents, supports the building of more housing within the village provided it does not detract from the heritage of this unique place or reduce the quality of life for those already living in it. This application fails this test on every count.

Our objections are as follows:

**Size and Scale:** The Application seeks outline approval of “Access” matters only according to the Application Form and the Design and Access Statement. All others matters including Scale are to be “reserved” for a later date. Surely the principle of whether a development of this size/scale should even be contemplated in the first place in an historic village must be a part of any such application at the outset. This is intrinsic to the whole Application.

It is proposed that 80 houses on 5.74 hectares of land should be located like a suburb outside the built envelope of the village. The recent adjacent development of Station Field outside the village envelope was accepted as a one off because it was comprised largely of essential affordable housing. An “exception” cannot be used as an excuse for another much bigger “exception” beyond it.

These 80 houses would constitute a village enlargement of urban character of around 15% in number of dwellings and about 20% by area of this unique, historic, medieval village. Surveys of local residents show support for small scale developments and affordable housing but not suburbanisation of open countryside on this scale. Selective quotation by the Applicant of responses at the January 2019 Consultation Meeting fail to cover this strongly held view, nor does it record the almost universal hostility to this development of the 150 or so residents present.

**Location:** The proposed site was not listed in the BDC April 2017 “Call for Sites” document and the SHELAA (August 2017) consideration of this document does not include this site. Clearly, only two years ago this was not considered a suitable site for such a development. The site has never been part of the BDC Local Plan and yet the application assumes it will be in the forthcoming Local Plan and that “its promotion as a potential housing allocation will be accepted”. BDC proved they have sufficient housing supply for the next 5 years to the Inspector’s satisfaction at the Goodlands Phase 2 enquiry.

We refute Para 2.14 of the Planning Statement. The site is NOT “immediately adjacent and well-related in visual and physical terms to the settlement of Boxford”. It is isolated from the village. The current saved BDC Local Plan identifies the site as being outside the defined urban area of Boxford. It should not be accepted against Policy CS11 Criteria. Neither can the site truthfully be described as “directly accessible to the centre of the village”.

There is no continuous footpath linking the site to the village and the proposed mitigating path extensions in the Application do not provide any detail about how they might be achieved. Opportunities for improvement are very limited indeed, as the Applicant ably demonstrates by the impracticable solutions proposed. For example, Drawing 19217-03B in the Travel Plan; the proposed 60m 1.2 m wide footpath extension on the south side of Ellis Street (not “Road” as in the document) and the enlarged bus stop area would involve a deep cutback into a steeply sloping bank belonging to adjacent private properties removing some of their land and destroying the current rural green feel of this major approach to Boxford. The historic character of this part of the conservation area with its cottages, many Grade 2 listed, would be lost. Why then spoil this still further by introducing white lining for parking spaces in Ellis Street, further urbanising the village? It would do nothing for the safety of this narrow village street.

**Sustainability:** This Statement is a list of highly desirable objectives, but it provides very little detail of how any of the objectives would be achieved in practice. The statement is considered both misleading and contradictory. For example it highlights that Core Strategy CS15 Renewable /low Carbon Energy requires all new developments to adopt a sustainable approach to energy use and that large scale development proposals will be required to use on site renewable, decentralised or low carbon energy sources with the aim of achieving a 10% reduction in the predicted carbon dioxide emissions. Yet the proposal for the development states that it is anticipated that the proposed new homes will meet the requirements of CS13, but will not include the provision of any low carbon renewable energy. It does not show how the 10% reduction in carbon emissions will actually be achieved.

Impact on highways and transport: The Transport Assessment concludes that the development will have “no material impact on safety or the operation of the surrounding road network”. We challenge that assertion. Sand Hill descends to a very dangerous almost blind junction with Cox Hill that cannot really be improved and the development will generate considerable extra traffic. The junction of the A1071 into Sand Hill is already very dangerous for those turning right into it. The so called “ghost island” on the A1071 is less than the width of a car and hardly leaves room for a 4x4 heading west past a car waiting there, let alone a heavy truck. These can travel at speed despite it being a 40 mph limit. One feels very vulnerable if one has to stop for long in that space, asking oneself will they actually stop in time? This junction needs significant improvement if it is to handle more traffic safely.

There would be two exits onto Sand Hill close together and close to the A1071 and the sharply inclined road bends, reducing visibility. The drawings included in the submission do not demonstrate that the potential safety issues have been properly addressed. It is considered that the proposed new site access would potentially create a dangerous junction.

The quoted data on which the Transport Assessment is based gives no confidence in its overall validity as, for example, Table 2 lists Average Speeds for an Earlswood Road. This looks like a “cut and paste” job as there is no such road in or near Boxford. How can one trust the relevance of the data contained therein? The figures may well be for some far away location. Similarly, Table 4 seems to have wrongly labelled columns of data since there are far more cars shown arriving at Brook Hall at the morning peak than leaving, and vice versa in the evening. This is surely unlikely! Looking at Appendix C data it becomes obvious that Table 4 is not right to anyone familiar with Brook Hall Road on a map, because SE bound means into the estate and NW bound means out of it! Again, how can one trust the Assessment when such elementary errors are made.

**SCC Strategic Development Response:** SCC makes a very good point when it says “proper consideration needs to be given to the cumulative impacts on essential infrastructure including highway impacts and school provision”. It makes clear that there are no surplus places at Boxford Primary School or the two local Secondary schools. The Applicant implies there are, presumably to avoid the cost of the additional buildings needed.

Even if there were places, the additional school morning and afternoon traffic in the centre of the village and around the school generated by this development would add to an already very congested situation with safety issues. It is not likely that the estimated 33 primary and pre-school children will be walked to school from this site given the lack of a proper pedestrian route to the village and the distance involved. There is a major parking problem already and no solution has been proposed. This will make the centre of the village “less safe, secure and attractive” and “increase the conflict of vehicle, cyclists and pedestrians”. (the criteria against which the proposal should be judged.)

The Doctor’s Surgery is full and has no wish to extend. This vital service cannot take the extra 200+ patients this site would bring.

Policy C21 cites that “all proposals for new housing will be required to make adequate provision for appropriate infrastructure”. The proposed very minor widening of the footpath in Broad Street is hardly evidence of commitment to infrastructure off site, neither are the other footpath extensions discussed above.

**Affordable Homes:** Whilst normally we would applaud the additional 28 affordable homes in this application, we cannot do so since it seems they will be made available generally and people already associated with the village and in need will not be given preference. This cannot be right.

**In short:** This proposed overlarge (for a village), suburban dormitory, physically isolated from the village, would contribute little to the life of the community and add greatly to its already considerable traffic problems.

Your sincerely,

Tina Loose

Chairman



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# 75th ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY

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Last year our community embraced the "There But Not There" campaign which commemorated the centenary of the end of the First World War, and which you very generously supported by contributing to the purchase of the iconic 6ft



Tommies that continue to grace our Memorials and War graves. Also, by buying the evocative 10" Tommies in memory of relatives or friends who died in the service of our Country. Equally as important, our schools used TBNT's educational resources in classes to ensure the reasons why so many gave their lives are not forgotten.

This year TBNT is commemorating the 75th Anniversary of D-Day and the Battle of Normandy, during which 22,763 British and Commonwealth servicemen and women died. This project was launched on the anniversary of the disaster at Slapton Sands in Devon, when 749 American soldiers died during Exercise Tiger, their D-Day rehearsal, when they were surprised by an E Boat pack during their practice beach landing. You will probably have seen the news and pictures in the National newspapers, which showed 749 footprints in the sand. In commemoration of this tragedy, TBNT has commissioned a "Bootprint" (a limited addition run of 22,763) - also made by veterans at RBL Industries, as is the 10" Tommy.

All the money raised from the sales of the 10" Tommy and the "Bootprint", will go towards supporting projects that help Service Veterans back into employment. TBNT is also continuing to generate further educational resources that will be used in primary and secondary schools to continue to educate the young. The link to both, is [www.therebutnotthere.org.uk](http://www.therebutnotthere.org.uk). It would be wonderful if you could continue to support our Service veterans.

You might be interested to know that "Remembered – TBNT" won the 2018 Sun Newspaper Award for Support for the Armed Services.



"Two Old Wrecks" (Photo Mark Kench) Photo taken on Mersey Island

That reminds me, it's our diamond anniversary this year. Ed.



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# NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

## 3PR Stats for April 2018

In April 2019 our responders covered 245 hours (34%) and attended 11 incidents.

Many thanks to our amazing volunteers who give up their precious time to help our community. We are in urgent need of more responders so that we can provide better coverage for the people of the local villages. If you are interested in joining, or have any questions about responding at all, please call the group's co-ordinator, Rich Wild, on 01787 210 946.

## EDWARDSTONE PARISH HALL:

We are in need of extra Committee Members to help us manage Edwardstone Parish Hall. The Hall is a vital asset of the village but, to take it forward, we must have more help.

Do you have ideas for future village events? If you do, why not come along and join us and help make them happen?

Please contact me for more information.

Daphne (Clark)

Chairman/Trustee

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## iphone screen and battery repairs

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## BOXFORD BOUNTY

The Boxford Bounty is a local lottery for Boxford, Edwardstone and Groton. Through the Community Council, the Bounty provides financial support for many local groups and interests. The following groups have benefited from direct grants in the past few years:

1st Boxford Brownies	Boxford Guides	Boxford Fireworks
Carpet Bowls Club	Boxford Village Hall	Breast Cancer Care
Boxford Bowls Club	Over Sixties Club	Boxford Tennis Club
Boxford Spinney	Edwardstone Mill Green Trust	
Friends of Boxford School	Sunflower Playgroup	BoxRiver Club
Boxford Bridge Club	Boxford Playingfields	Boxford Rovers
Boxford United Charities	Boxford Scouts	Boxford Cycle Club

Tickets are available at a cost of £10.00 per year, which guarantees entry to six draws.

### The prizes for each draw are:

1st Prize	£ 160
2nd Prize	£ 75
3rd Prize	£ 30
4th Prize	£ 15

If you would like to buy a ticket for the Boxford Bounty and have not been visited by a collector please apply directly by sending a cheque made payable to BOXFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL to the following address:

Boxford Bounty, 39, Daking Ave, Boxford, Suffolk CO10 5QA

Or ring Mark Miller on 01787 211596

e-mail [mark.miller@talktalk.net](mailto:mark.miller@talktalk.net) and we will arrange a call from your local collector. The Boxford Bounty is organised on behalf of Boxford Community Council *registered charity No 304862*

## Hadleigh & Boxford Patient Participation Group Community Connector Scheme

Did you wake up today and think "more of the same" and wish something different and interesting could happen in your life?

Has one of life's many challenges been thrown at you recently, and you are not quite sure where to turn for advice and information?

Have you received professional advice to take greater care of your health and wellbeing, to be more active, physically or socially?

Have you recently moved to the area or just find yourself alone because of bereavement, separation or your children growing up?

Then the Community Connector Scheme could be for you!

### What does the scheme offer?

The Community Connector Scheme aims to do just what it says! It will support you to connect with:

- social activities, clubs and groups and like-minded individuals in this community

- the right advice and information for your local situation

The Scheme does this by offering a private face to face discussion with a "Community Connector" to explore **what matters to you** and NOT **'What is the matter with you?'**

Together with the Community Connector over up to four appointments, you will build your own personal action plan around what is important to you and be supported to put this plan into action.

This may include access to:

- Debt, benefits, housing advice
- Health and fitness groups, such as walking, cycling and dance
- Peer support groups, arts, culture and history groups
- Local volunteering opportunities

### When and how can I see a Community Connector?

The Community Connector operates an appointment system to ensure you have personal time to explore what is important to you, to develop an action plan and review it over the next sessions. An appointment can be made by calling: **01473 835445**

The Community Connector has a mobile "office", which parks up in your locality and provides a private space to have your conversation. Where it is not possible to get to the bus, it may be possible to arrange a lift to help get you there or alternatively, you may be able to have a home visit. Why not come along to the bus to find out more, talk to the team and make an appointment with the Community Connector for a future date?

The bus will next visit Hadleigh at 10.00am on 26th June in the Leisure Centre car park.

An up to date list of dates and locations can be found at: [www.suffolkfamilycarers.org/communityconnector](http://www.suffolkfamilycarers.org/communityconnector)

### What else is going on?

You don't have to have a personal appointment with the Community Connector. You can simply turn up at the bus and have a chat, or get involved in some of the other activities and sessions that will be on offer. There will be opportunities to meet with other people working in your community, either offering advice, ideas, or new activities.

### What are the benefits of getting involved with the Community Connector Scheme?

- Improved mental health and wellbeing
- Meeting new people and developing new friendships
- Feeling healthier and fitter
- Learning new skills
- Opportunities for volunteering and employment

### How much will this cost me?

The Community Connector Support Scheme is free; however, some of the groups and clubs that you might like to get involved in may have a small charge. This can be discussed at your meeting with the Community Connector.

For more information about the Patient Participation Group, or to join our on-line Virtual Group, please email: [hadleighboxfordPPG@gmail.com](mailto:hadleighboxfordPPG@gmail.com)

## The Boxford Fleece

The Fleece had a Grand Reopening at 6.0 pm on Saturday 11th May. Even better it was being re-opened by the chef who was there with Jarrod and Clare about 8 years ago when the pub and restaurant were very successful. We need to use it or lose it as with so many services in the village.

## Remember

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# Wot's On

## Stowmarket Chorale's Summer Concert

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You will hear Rutter's Birthday Madrigals and Shearing's Songs and Sonnets, full of the spring, romp-ing love stories, flowers and melodious birds, accompanied by jazz piano. We have also selected some favourite Shakespeare lines to share with you.

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# Wot's On

## Boxford Gardens Open for the 22nd Year

Sunday 2nd June 2019

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Whatever the type of garden, wild or tamed, large or small, vegetable patch or kids garden

Whatever art you create in your studios, paintings, sculptures or crafts

We ask you to share it with your community and take part in an enjoyable and rewarding day.

All proceeds to St Marys Church, Boxford.

Please get in touch with me for further details or if you have any bright ideas for us to add to the day Sarah : 01787 210276 M: 07879 997640

Sarah.williams@rmcurtis.co.uk

## Keep Fit For All Abilities in Little Waldingfield

At 18.30 every Tuesday in the Parish Room, Church Road; lasting one hour and costing just £5.00. Everyone is welcome, no one is too old or too young. Meet new friends and get fit in the process - brilliant.

For more information please contact Nic Carter: T: 07886 124698

E: nic@niccarterpt.co.uk

**SPECIAL - For one night only!**

## Who killed the farmer

Set in the kitchen of Crows Skull Farm in 1954 there are more suspects and more motives than you could shake a stick at - but who actually did it?

Outrageous over acting throughout, everyone seems to have been involved. Come along, for one night only and try your luck in this classic Murder Mystery!

Saturday 18th May at 7.30. There will be a short fun quiz, raffle and of course a licensed bar! Choose your murderer carefully there are many trips on the way...

Tickets from Boxford Post Office from Wednesday 3rd April £10.00 including a Ploughmans in the interval

## Stoke-by-Nayland WEA presents its

Annual Day School at Stoke-by-Nayland Village Hall

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In answer to a number of queries based on last time, I can confirm that yes the two Moss brothers will be giving us plenty of laughs and there will be other favourites also performing, plus new talent to look forward to.

Make it a date in your diary, look forward to seeing you there.

Patricia Brindley & Emma Bishton.

## Little Waldingfield PCC Coffee Morning

Friday 7 June We invite you to 'Drop in for Coffee' at Little Waldingfield Church, 10.30-12.00. £1 donation. A little music, a little chat, do come.



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## Boxford Bounty Winners Jan – Apr 2019

The Boxford Bounty would like to thank members of the community for drawing the following numbers at the Community Council AGM on meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

### Jan - Feb

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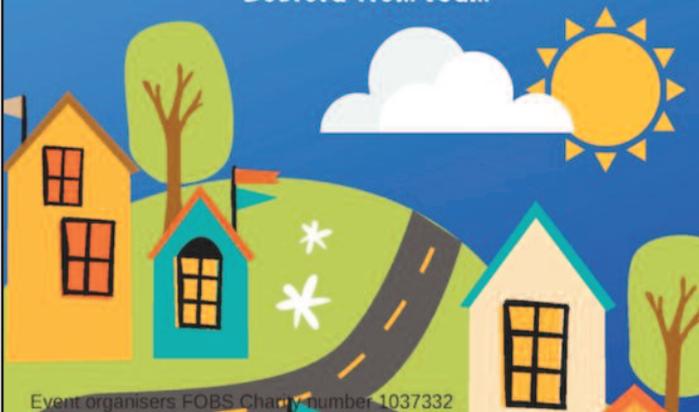
## BOXFORD SALE TRAIL 10-3PM Sunday 2nd June

To book your place on the map please contact:

[boxfordsaletrail@gmail.com](mailto:boxfordsaletrail@gmail.com) by Wednesday 29th May 2019

Cost: £10 for either table at your house or car boot at The White Hart car park

Maps of all sellers available for £1 from The White Hart Pub, Boxford from 10am



Event organisers FOBS Charity number 1037332

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# Wot's On

## Wormingford Annual Flower Festival

At St Andrew's Church which takes place over the Spring Bank Holiday weekend, May 25th, 26th and 27th this year. Our subject this year is 'Once upon a time' (Fairytales and Pantomime) which gives our team of flower arrangers lots of scope!

Our lovely Church in Wormingford is always transformed for this occasion, which is our main fund raising event of the year. Just across the road from the Church in the Wormingford Community Centre which occupies the old school buildings, we have lovely teas and cakes and other refreshments and our usual Bric-a-Brac sale, so there is really something for the whole family to enjoy

## Boxford Community Council Senior Citizens Outing Wednesday 12th June 2019

Once again this year we will be holding our Senior Citizens Mystery Outing which is on Wednesday 12th June. We will be setting off from the village centre at 5.30 and having a leisurely drive to our destination.

We will be providing refreshments this year, so would ask you not to have your meal before you arrive in the village.

If you would like to join us please put your name and address down on the list which will be put up in the Post Office, or telephone Ward on 210129 or Stephanie on 210444 to reserve your place. If you need picking up please indicate or tell us that also.

For any of you who are willing to drive would you please let Ward or Stephanie know; if you have driven in previous years please still let us know if you are available this year.

We look forward to seeing everyone again this year plus any new faces. The Community Council Committee plus volunteer drivers are running this event, so please come along and meet them, plus some familiar faces from previous years.

Ward Baker  
Chairman Community Council

# The Disraeli Band

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019

The Playingfield Little Waldingfield

8 till late

Bar and Food

Tickets from: Trevor/Sarah Hurrell: 01787 247509

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Saturday 22nd June 2019

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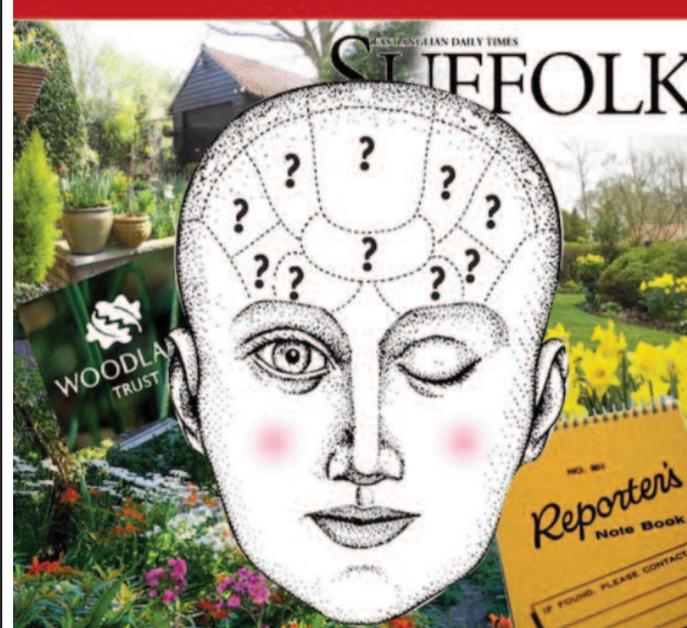
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# Wot's On

## 'Lavenham Airfield Walks'

Interested in the US Army Air Force's presence in East Anglia in WWII? Then spend a morning walking in the steps of the Mighty Eighth's 487th Bomb Group on Lavenham Airfield, Suffolk. You will be accompanied by guides who will take you to areas not usually accessible to the public, whilst painting a picture of operational life on the base in WWII and how the airfield will forever be associated with the creation of the film 'Twelve O'Clock High'. The walks take place on the second Sunday of May, July and September from 10.00 – 1.30. Places are limited so booking is essential. Adult tickets cost £10, under 16s £5 (sorry no dogs) and can be booked in person at Lavenham Blue Vintage Tea Rooms in Lavenham or by telephone on 01787-248295.

All proceeds go towards the construction of a memorial to those 487th Bomb Group personnel who lost their lives whilst serving at Lavenham Airfield.

## LITTLE WALDINGFIELD SALE TRAIL

After the outstanding success of last year's event, there will be a sale trail around the village on Saturday 13th July, between 10 am and 1 pm; all are invited to come along and hunt out those bargains. Maps, refreshments, tombola and further stalls will be available in the Parish Room in Church Road.

If you wish to sell, either from your home or from the hall, please contact Sue Sheppard on 247980, at the School House or email sheppard.susanm@gmail.com. There is a £5.00 charge to cover advertising, signs, maps and a donation to Parish Room funds. Donations to the tombola will also be gratefully received.

## Sudbury 1940's Vintage Revival Event

Come along and be a part of our Vintage Revival day on Saturday 22nd June from 10:00am till 5:00pm at The Delphi Centre Sudbury to raise funds for "Upbeat" Heart Support and The Delphi Centre refurbishment fund. This year is the 75th Anniversary of the 486 Bomb group USAAF which was based at Acton during the war. There will be a display of twenty 1940 military vehicles and pre-1960 vintage cars including American. Live music from event singer Sarah Mai singing songs of the 40's and 50's and Swing Jive dancers dancing to "Chocs away for Dancing" with John Farr. Find something different on one of the 20 Vintage Stalls selling clothes, jewellery, memorabilia, herbs, toys, sweets and accessories. Ladies why not have your hair styled to the 1940's and makeup done on the day, just pop into the Marquee and see the professional hair stylist. Why not dress up in clothes of the era, there is a great prize for Miss/Mrs Vintage and Mr Vintage. A memorabilia display from 8th Army and 486 Bomb Group together with the Women's Land Army (WLA) and the Sudbury Ephemera Society. Vintage Amusements for all ages and food will be available throughout the day, including a licenced bar and vintage tea room. Entry at the gate £4 Adults children under 16 free.

Stay on for the 1940's Evening dance with The Glenn Hurst Band tickets £10 from Sudbury Tourist office or Phil on 07909993799

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## NEWTON VILLAGE HALL

### DIARY DATES

#### JUNE 2019

Wednesday 5th	7.30 pm	Village Hall Committee
Saturday 8th	10.00 am	Church coffee morning and gift day
Tuesday 11th	2.00 pm	Fireside Club – Guide Dogs
Tuesday 11th	7.30 pm	Newton Green Trust
Wednesday 12th	7.30 pm	Parish Council
Saturday 15th	10.00 am	Seesaw – Table sale
Tuesday 25th	2.00 pm	Fireside Club
Friday 28th	9.30 am	Fireside Club outing – Palgrave music museum

### REGULAR EVENTS

Monday mornings (term time only): Yoga class (phone Sophia on 313662 for details). Monday and Thursday evenings: Western Partner Dance Club (call Chris 371006) Friday afternoons: Art and Craft club (call Anne on 312346)

Friday evenings: Sudbury and District Wargames Club (call Brian on 312160)

## Polstead Gardening Club meeting

**Cedric Morris : Plantsman, Gardener and Artist**

Thursday 9th May at 6.30pm at Polstead Village Hall, CO6 5AL. By popular demand, this is a repeat of the February meeting for those that missed it. Frances Mount, a retired gardener, worked and trained with Cedric Morris for 8 years. Coming from a gardening family and having worked in an art gallery, Frances appreciated his thoughts on form/shape in plants and gardens. She will share

insights on his garden and what he liked to grow. Frances will have plants to sell that originated from Cedric's garden. Members free, non-members £5, which includes a glass of wine, soft drink and nibbles. To book a place please call Susie Weston on 01787 211130 gardeningclubpolstead@yahoo.com Please note that we do not meet again until September.

## GROTON VILLAGE HALL

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 19th June 2019 at 7.30pm

The Annual General Meeting of Groton Village Hall will be held in the Hall (formerly the WI Hall) at 7.30pm on Wednesday 19th June 2019 for the following purposes:

1. To receive the Report & Accounts for the period to 31 March 2019
2. To elect members of the Management Committee
3. To conduct any other relevant business.

All residents of the Parish of Groton, aged 18 or over, are entitled to attend and vote at the meeting.



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# Wot's On

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## POLSTEAD SUMMER FAIR & DOG SHOW

Saturday 8th June 2019

Village Hall, Green & Playing field

12 noon to 5 p.m.

Stalls, Art show, Raffle, face paints, refreshments including cream teas

For more details contact Angela 01473 827462 or Julie 01206 263429

## BOXFORD ROVERS FOOTBALL CLUB

*Si*

on the 16th of June 1980 a meeting was held between David Elliott, the late Dave Fairburn, Graham Gooderham and Colin Raymond to form a new football club  
The following are ten minutes of the meeting

### BOXFORD ROVERS FOOTBALL CLUB

A General Meeting was held on Wednesday 16th July and the following were elected to stand on the Committee:

**Chairman:** Graham Gooderham

**Vice-Chairman:** Geoff Bennett

**Treasurer:** Terry Parker

**Secretary:** Angela May  
Angela Lambert  
Tin Clauson,  
David Elliott

**Managers:** Colin Raymond  
Dave Fairburn

It was decided that the club should change its name from Boxford Colts 'B' Team to 'Boxford Rovers Football Club' and so be independent of the other teams, and therefore, any funds raised would then be solely for the benefit of the 'Rovers' club.

The boys had been asked to submit designs for a club badge. A number of badges were sent in. The one chosen was designed by Fred Lambert who was presented with a small prize. Tim Clauson said that he would look into the possibility of getting the badges printed.

Colin Raymond informed us that a club he knows had two complete football strips for sale, one in yellow and one in blue, at a cost of £4-5 per strip. Although neither are club colours it was decided he should purchase the best strip. This would then be used in an emergency should the boys have a match on Saturday and Sunday of the same weekend.

A return football match with the London Club we visited in April is to be arranged for one Sunday in September. It is also hoped that a Netball match and Mens 5-a-side football match can also be arranged. Dave Fairburn is negotiating with the London club in question.-

*Colin Raymond*



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Kenny is searching for his buried treasure leaving me to give you a cat's eye view of life at SESAW. Although he had plenty to say about dogs last month, I can forgive the little upstart as he mentioned the sad fact that black and black/white cats are often overlooked. Even sadder are Betty, a black cat and a pretty tabby and white called Fat Cat. Please don't be put off, she does not have a weight problem. They came in last May when their owner died and need a quiet adult-only home as they are very timid. Can you offer them the love and time they deserve, maybe a new name too?

The Sanctuary should be looking spruce if the new paths are finished, ready for our Open Day next month. Meanwhile, we are holding a £1 at Newton Green Village Hall, School Lane, CO10 0QS on Saturday 15th June. Bargains include clothes, accessories, household, pet goods, collectables, books, DVDs, a raffle, homemade cake and other refreshments. We are also selling books at the 1940's Vintage Day, 10-5pm on 22nd June, followed by a Swing Band Dance in the evening at the Delphi Centre, Sudbury, CO10 2RR.

All great fun for you humans but I prefer the quiet life, shadowing Mother on her rounds each evening. The sun goes down, the geese go to bed and a cosy hollow in the topmost hay bale calls to me, Ollie (the

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The Autumn Term course will start on Thursday 19th September 2018.  
 The subject will be 'Revolutionary Britannia - Britain in the Age of the French Revolution 1788-1832' by Simon Doney

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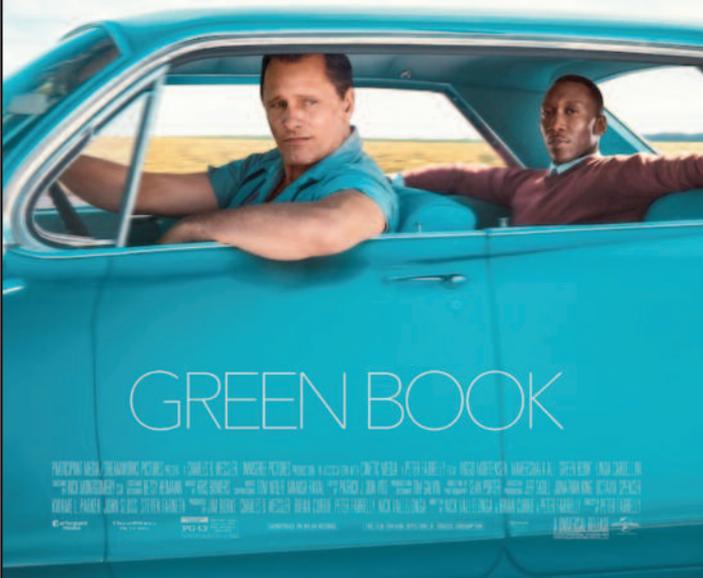


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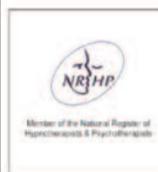


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## Forthcoming Events Diary

### June

2 Boxford Gardens Open	Boxford PCC	
4 Boxford Gardening Society	I wish I had known that before I started BVH	7.30pm
5 Boxford Wi	Whats that tune?	BVH 2.00pm
7 Little Waldingfield Coffee Morning		Parish Rooms 10.30pm-12noon
12 Senior Citizens Outing	Boxford Community Council	
19 Little W Hist Soc	Sudden deaths in 19th century Suffolk	The Parish Room 7.30pm
19 Groton Village Hall AGM		Village Hall 7.30pm
20 Boxford WI	Hearing dogs for the deaf	Pavilion 8.00pm
29 The Disraeli Band	Little Waldingfield Playing Fields	8.00 till late
29 Covent Garden Buskers	Edwardston PCC	Edwardstone St Mary's 7.30pm

### July

5 Boxford WI	Suffolk cheese tasting	Village Hall 2pm
13 Little Waldingfield Sale Trail		10am till 1.00pm
18 Boxford WI	All about Bees and honey	Pavilion 2pm

### September

18 Little W Hist Soc	St Audry's Workhouse and Mental Hospital - Victorian attitudes Examined	The Parish Room 7.30pm
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### October

16 Little Waldingfield Hist Soc	Goldingham Hall Archaeology and Manorial Records	Parish Room 7.30pm
26 Boxford Fireworks	Boxford Community Council	

First and Third Monday each month Boxford Parish Council Meetings in Bell House, Stone Street St, Boxford 7.30pm

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Tel: 01787 227407; e-mail: [steve.morley@btinternet.com](mailto:steve.morley@btinternet.com)

**Reader:** Christopher Kingsbury, Rose Cottage, Sherbourne Street, Edwardstone CO10 5PD

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**Lay Elder:** David Lamming, 20 Holbrook Barn Road, Boxford CO10 5HU

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*Please let any of the above or a Churchwarden know if you would like a home visit, home communion or a hospital visit, or of any cases of sickness or otherwise where they might be of assistance.*

**Benefice house:** Mary's House, 5 Swan Street, Boxford CO10 5NZ.

For much more information about the five parishes in our Benefice please go to our Church Near You web site at [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com).

Box River Benefice

## Café Church



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Boxford Church  
Sunday 2nd June  
11.00 am

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## THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

**Churchwarden:**

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**Assistant Churchwarden:**

*Michael Gray 07931043926*

*[boxford.warden@btinternet.com](mailto:boxford.warden@btinternet.com)*



**Cafe Church: Sunday June 2nd: at 11.00-** An informal service with lots of good coffee & pastries. Craft activities for children & adults too! Everyone is welcome.



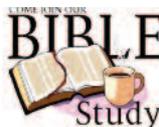
**BOXFORD OPEN GARDENS 2019** is on *Sunday 2nd June*. Pick up a garden entry ticket at any open garden. Open **11.00am-5.00pm** with stalls, refreshments & the church tower open for tours.

**The Madriglia Choir** will be singing in St. Mary's Church at 1.00pm

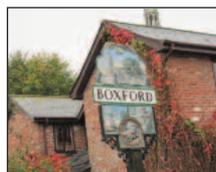
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For information call 01787210276 or 07879997640 or [sarah.williams@rmcurtis.co.uk](mailto:sarah.williams@rmcurtis.co.uk)

Gardening is a wonderful, peaceful occupation & there can be nothing better than exploring and admiring other people's gardens.



**The Bible Study Group** meets at Russets, 47 Swan Street on 2nd & 4th Monday each month by kind invitation of Margaret & Peter Holden.. All are welcome to this hour of fellowship.



**Boxford Calendar 2020.** We are considering producing a calendar for 2020. Please take lots of photos of Boxford & its surroundings, & look up those in your collection & send them to [ChrisKingsC@aol.com](mailto:ChrisKingsC@aol.com), or on a memory stick or CD

## General Church News

**'CHURCHES TOGETHER' PRAYER BREAKFASTS:**

**SATURDAYS 8.00 AM TO 9.30 AM.**

CTIS&D prayer breakfasts in June, to which all are welcome, will be held at the following venues:

- 1st Suffolk Road Church, Sudbury
- 8th TBA
- 15th St Andrew's, Great Cornard (at Wells Hall Old School)
- 22nd St Lawrence's Church, Great Waldingfield
- 29th Holy Trinity Church, Long Melford.

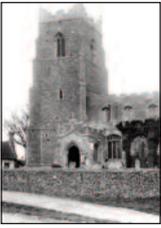
Please look at the Churches Together website for details of other forthcoming events:

[www.churchestogetherinsudbury.org.uk](http://www.churchestogetherinsudbury.org.uk).

## Copy Date for Church News in the July Box River News:

**Please, NO LATER THAN 11th June**  
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**Thank you. Eddie Kench 01787 211507**  
**email address: [ed.kench@btinternet.com](mailto:ed.kench@btinternet.com)**



## THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

### Churchwardens

Sandra Harbord and Timothy Harbord  
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E-mail: t.harbord@btinternet.com

### Rotas

	Sidesmen	Flowers
2 June	Mrs. Eddington and Mrs. Harritt	Mrs. Roser
9 June	No service	Mrs. Gregor-Smith
16 June	No service	Mrs. Squirrell
23 June	No service	Mrs. Squirrell
30 June	No service	Mrs. Duffy

On 25 April a large congregation gathered for the funeral of Anne Miller of Newman's Hall. The Rev. Richard Titford who knew her well officiated. It was a beautiful and very moving service. Anne was well known by all and respected by all. She had served the church well during her long life, and was for several years a Church Warden. We pray her family will receive loving care from all her friends during their bereavement.

On Sunday 5 May we were delighted to welcome the Rev. Stephen Morley from Bures, and now our Rural Dean, to our church. He celebrated Holy Communion for us, and we were able to get to know him a little during our refreshment time.

On Saturday 11 May we held our annual Coffee Morning for Christian Aid. It was well attended, and our thanks go to all who made cakes, organised the raffle and generally helped on this successful occasion. We raised £94.15.

### A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 7 June We invite you to 'Drop in for Coffee' at Little Waldingfield Church, 10.30-12.00. £1 donation. A little music, a little chat, do come.

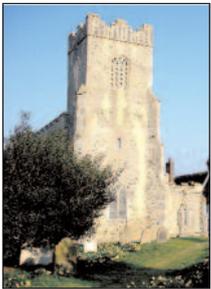


## THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

Churchwarden:  
Vacant

### Rota for June

Cleaning	Ineke Morris and Marlene Clarke
Flowers	Tessa Gregg
Coffee	Alex Nevill
Sidesman	David Saddleton



## THE PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW, GROTON

Churchwarden:  
Diana McCorkell

Primrose Cottage, Parliament Heath, Groton,  
CO10 5ER Tel: 01787 210927  
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### ROTAS FOR JUNE

Sidesman	Mrs Pat Kennedy Scott
Flowers	Ms G Payne
Cleaning	Ms G and Mrs D Payne

**JUNE SERVICE:** We welcome back the Revd Chris Ramsey (vicar of St Andrew's Church, Great Cornard) to take our service of Holy Communion at 9.30 am on Pentecost (Whit) Sunday, 9th June.

**RE-ORDERING UPDATE:** The timber frame for the WC building is in place and has been approved by the building inspector. After some delay, completion and fitting out of the building should now proceed apace. In the church, the kitchen (though with some details to be completed) is fully operational and was in use for the first time for serving coffee after the morning service on 12th May, having been duly blessed by the Revd Henry Heath

The hymnbooks are now on the new shelves and the flower-arranging and cleaning materials in the new cupboards. Only the new frontals cupboard

and tower ladder remain to be installed

**Groton Flower Festival** – We are holding a meeting for all who are interested in helping with a Flower Festival at Groton Church on the August Bank Holiday Weekend. No you don't have to be able to flower arrange but lots of help and ideas if you want to have a go, we also need lots of helpers over the weekend. Anyone interested in taking part/helping is invited to tea, coffee and cakes prepared in our new kitchen on the 31st May at 2.00pm. If you cannot make that date just give Jayne 211360 or Sheila 210494 a ring. Looking forward to seeing you



## THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, NEWTON

Churchwarden:  
Vacant

21st APRIL : Our Easter Service of Holy Communion was taken by Revd . Gerald Drew who was making a welcome return to our church during the present Vacancy. He had as his theme The Power of Transformation and this was carried through the Readings and the hymns. We were delighted to have the opportunity to chat with Revd. Drew and his wife and share a Simnel cake by one of the congregation Thank you to Nancy Roser for playing the organ and for all helpers 28th April : Our Service of Holy Communion was led by Revd. Liz Law who came to help us during this Vacancy time. She had as her theme -- Doubting Thomas . We were given a card with a painting showing the moment when Thomas had to feel Jesus's wounds to believe. We must at some time in our lives been like Thomas. Thank to Revd. Law for being so helpful with fitting in with our Service but still bring her own approach . Thank you to Nancy Roser for playing the organ and to all who help in any way

### Benefice

**NEW RECTOR:** We're sorry that it is not yet possible to announce the name of our new rector. For any new appointment, a fresh DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check is required. The delay (some may say, understandably, bureaucratic delay) is not unusual but, in these days when the church (rightly, albeit belatedly) is treating safeguarding as an important aspect of its mission, we have to be patient, frustrating as it is for everyone.

### Deanery

**DEANERY SYNOD:** The summer meeting of the synod is on **Wednesday 12th June, 7.30 pm.** Venue to be confirmed (look at the New Wine). Refreshments from 7.00 pm.

### Diocesan

**DIOCESAN SYNOD:** The Synod will be meeting on Saturday 8th June, 9.30 am at St Edmundsbury Cathedral. Details of the agenda will be The New Wine nearer the date.

Join us at the Suffolk Show – 29th and 30th May 2019

Stand White 603, Flowershow Avenue

The Diocese says: We are really excited about being at this year's Suffolk Show. This year the theme of our stand is 'Connect...' The question we will be asking people is "how do we connect with you?". Please do come along and see us at the show where our stand will include: Cafe Church, Messy Church, puppet shows, live music, arcade games (batak and table football), face painting and more.

You will be able to join in with us via our Facebook and Twitter feeds where we hope to post live films, questions and polls throughout the days. Follow us on #cofeconnect.

### Catching the Fire

**Sunday 9 June, St Edmundsbury Cathedral**

You are warmly invited to 'Catching the Fire' followed by a picnic. This Pentecost worship for all, led by Bishops Martin and Mike, will be the culmination of the 10-day wave of prayer 'Thy Kingdom Come'. Before arriving at the cathedral Bishops Martin and Mike will be visiting some of the places in the county where creative prayer and mission is taking place.

Worship will be sung by the Cathedral choir as well as a choir and musicians drawn from across the diocese. As a sign of the light of Christ with which we are called to shine in our world, we will distribute and light candles which will continue to be used in churches, fresh expressions and small groups in prayer in the months ahead. The service will include the Bishop's commissioning of leaders in Lightwave, our new county-wide Fresh Expressions Community. Please come to your Cathedral and hold this exciting new initiative in your prayers.

4.00pm – Worship in the Cathedral

5.00pm – Picnic outside the Cathedral

Bring your own picnic, or contact

cathedralinvitations@stedscathedral.org by 3 June to book a picnic with Pilgrims' Kitchen.

**June 2019**

**Church Services in the Box River Benefice**

<b>Sunday 2nd</b> Lt Waldingfield Boxford	<b>Seventh Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension Day)</b> (W) 09.30 Holy Communion 11.00 Café Church	Revd Richard Titford Revd Liz Law
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Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>  
Boxford 10.30 Informal Holy Communion at Mary's House Revd Stephen Morley

<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></b> Groton Boxford	<b>Pentecost (Whit Sunday)</b> (R) 09.30 Holy Communion 11.00 Commemoration of the 75 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of D Day 6 <sup>th</sup> June 1944 in the context of Morning Worship	Revd Chris Ramsey Christopher Kingsbury
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Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>  
Edwardstone 14.30 Wedding of Marc Parish and Sarah Andrew. Revd Mary Cantacuzene

<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b> Edwardstone Boxford	<b>Trinity Sunday</b> (W) 09.30 Morning Worship 11.00 Holy Communion	Revd Henry Heath Revd Henry Heath
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Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>  
Boxford 10.30 Informal Holy Communion at Mary's House Revd Stephen Morley

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Edwardstone 15.00 Wedding of Adam Clark and Maree Jacob. Revd Richard Titford

<b>Sunday 23rd</b> Boxford Newton	<b>First Sunday after Trinity</b> (G) 11.00 Matins 11.00 Holy Communion	Dr John Symons TBA
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<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b> Newton	<b>Second Sunday after Trinity</b> (G) 10.00 Five Villages Service of Holy Communion	Revd Gerald Drew
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## Soap Box

Living, as we do, next door to the only pub in Little Waldingfield which has been closed for over a year now, we were encouraged, if a little surprised, to see scaffolding erected around the building. Encouraged because, like many in our village, we are anxious to see this resource reopened. Surprised, because we had expected to be warned before any work commenced on bringing the building back up to scratch.

On talking to the new owner, we learned he was as surprised as we were that the scaffolding had been put in place in order to replace the leaking roof as he was still waiting for planning consent to be granted by the local authority. Because the pub is Grade II listed, the Heritage Department of the District Council was keen to ensure that appropriate materials were to be used in the repairs needed to restore the building to its former glory. All well and good, but in the planning application it was presumably made clear that materials would be used that recognised the need for a sympathetic restoration. I detect the dead hand of unnecessary bureaucracy here.

Of course, I have no details of what has passed between the various parties in this particular set of discussions, but I was minded of a story told to me recently regarding some building work that had taken place on a listed building. Apparently, a damaged wall had to be rebuilt and the owner, believing no planning permission was needed to replace an existing structure, proceeded using materials that matched those used in the listed structure. While planning consent was not strictly necessary, listed building permission was and the authority insisted that the wall be demolished, appropriate consent gained and then rebuilt, almost certainly using precisely the same materials as before.

Perhaps this story is exaggerated, but I do wonder about the application of common sense in such matters. As it happens, the only consequence of the wrangling with the heritage people is likely to be a delay in completing the building work, but that means a further delay before we regain a pub in our village, while inclement weather is likely to add to the damage suffered by the building which is sorely in need of proper protection from the elements.

The litany of pubs put out of business by the changing habits of consumers shows that the good old-fashioned village boozier is very much an endangered species. For some weeks Boxford, which had three pubs when first we arrived in the area, was totally pub-less. There is only

one open as I write this and two look like being the maximum. In LittleWaldingfield there were two pubs until just a few years before we arrived in the village. Twice our local has been closed – the first when Greene King tried to de-license it more than a quarter of a century ago – and now, with the new owner endeavouring to create a viable establishment.

I wish him well. Truly. The village local can and does play an important role in the community. We miss it, as do many of our fellow residents. Hats off to the Playing Field committee for establishing a pop-up pub in their pavilion. It provides a meeting point for the village and doubtless adds much needed revenue to help maintain this local resource. But life has changed dramatically for the pub community. Drink driving laws, unquestionably appropriate and necessary, have reduced demand from casual drinkers travelling by car, while the smoking ban – a big plus in my non-smoking opinion – has also had an adverse impact, according to those in the licensed trade. These days a pub needs to offer more to remain viable, like food or accommodation. Perhaps both.

Many pubs have changed hands over recent years. Not a few have disappeared. The small pub management company that ran the Greyhound in Lavenham, the Swan in Long Melford and the Ram in Hadleigh recently went out of business, despite spending significant sums in improving the ambience and facilities of these establishments. As I write, two of the three have new people operating them, presumably much to the delight of Greene King, which owns all three.

Stopping over in Portsmouth recently, we sampled a new pub close to our hotel. As well as being dog friendly (an essential in our book), the establishment offered an interesting approach to food. Gone were the pub staples. Instead a collection of sharing platters and so-called lite-bites provided an opportunity to graze over a glass or two, or assemble a full meal if that was what you were after. The Greyhound in Lavenham now provides a tapas menu that, on first sampling, was quite delightful.

Far be it from me to suggest all pubs should eschew the traditional approach. We did, after all, stop at a very traditional village pub, complete with open log fires and the obligatory fish and chips on the menu, on our way to Portsmouth. However, to succeed these days, a degree of inventiveness is needed. The very best of luck to our benefice pubs in their efforts at revival.

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# GARDENING IN JUNE INSPIRED BY THE LATE HARRY BUCKLEDEE

For good healthy roses with good clean attractive foliage and an abundance of blooms throughout the summer, it is necessary to keep up a programme of spraying against the three main diseases of roses - Rust, Black spot and Mildew. Rust and Black spot are the most serious - a severe attack can completely defoliate the bushes causing shoots to shrivel and after a few successive attacks may die. Fortunately spraying with Nimrod T or Murphy's Tumble blight or similar will give your roses the protection needed. In addition to spraying, good cultivation is essential. A well-grown, well fed, and well watered plant will withstand an attack better than one that is poorly grown. Feed with a good rose fertiliser containing all the nutrients and trace elements necessary for healthy growth.

June is the month when all plants need plenty of moisture to maintain good growth. Plants transpire at a greater rate and moisture is lost from the soil by evaporation as the sun's heat increases. Vegetables and fruit in particular need to be well watered if the weather is dry, otherwise they will not make sufficient growth to produce a worthwhile crop for harvesting in summer and autumn.

It is now safe to plant out all half-hardy plants. Tomatoes can be planted outside in a sheltered position -each plant will need a good strong stake to support it when laden with fruits. Plant tomatoes in a depression so that this can be gradually filled in with good compost. Roots will form from the stem of the plant making a stronger root system.

Ridge cucumbers should be planted on a mound to prevent water settling at the base causing stem rot. Roots often appear on the surface and should be covered with compost to prevent them being burnt up by the hot sun. Keep a four foot diameter circle free of grass around newly planted trees. Grass robs the tree of moisture and rain is unable to penetrate a thick mat of grass.

The hoe should be used regularly to keep down the weeds and prevent them flowering and seeding, also to prevent the soil from capping after watering or rainfall. Do not hoe or cultivate too deeply around roses to avoid damage to the roots which will cause the growth of unwanted suckers.

Cut back brooms after flowering to keep them in shape and to prevent seeding - but be careful not to cut back to the wood.

Aubrietia should be cut down close to ground level as soon as flowering

is over to encourage a compact mound of growth for next spring flowers.

Tall bearded irises are at their best this month. When flowering has finished, the stems should be cut down and a dressing of general fertiliser given to build up sturdy growth for the following year.

Cut back with shears the leaves of *Iris unguicularis* (often called *Iris Stylosa*) to nearly soil level. This is necessary to expose the rhizomes to the suns ripening process.

Outdoor chrysanthemums set out in May will now be ready for stopping. To get good flowering plants the growing tips need to be removed by the middle of June. Do not delay this later otherwise the flowers will be late and of poor quality, sometimes too late to avoid early Autumn frosts.

June 21 is the longest day of the year, and the extra light and warmth encourages the garden to put on an exuberant burst of growth. But this extra light and warmth also means weeds will sprout up from seemingly nowhere. Keep on top of them by hoeing regularly in dry conditions.

## Top 10 jobs this month

- 1 Hoe borders regularly to keep down weeds
- 2 Be water-wise, especially in drought-affected areas
- 3 Pinch out sideshoots on tomatoes
- 4 Harvest lettuce, radish, other salads and early potatoes
- 5 Position summer hanging baskets and containers outside
- 6 Mow lawns at least once a week
- 7 Plant out summer bedding
- 8 Stake tall or floppy plants
- 9 Prune many spring-flowering shrubs
- 10 Shade greenhouses to keep them cool and prevent scorch

Regularly mow lawns to keep them in shape - removing 'little and often' is the key to a good quality sward. Continue cutting lawn edges with a half-moon edging iron to ensure they are neat.

Add grass clippings to the compost heap in thin layers (too much grass all at once is likely to be very wet and poorly aerated, resulting in smelly slime rather than compost).

Apply a high nitrogen summer lawn fertiliser if not done last month to encourage a healthy-looking lawn - always follow the manufacturer's instructions carefully, as any over-use or runoff can cause water pollution. Move garden furniture and other objects regularly to allow grass to recover and prevent yellow patches.



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We attend sessions around the County throughout the year either holding informal Information Events, or attending events such as County Shows. We are working with Councillor James Finch, to highlight this opportunity to the residents of his division in the Stour Valley.

Following the interest in the "one to one" drop in sessions locally during February & March, we are now planning further ones throughout the coming year. The second group have been booked for early evenings, but if you would like to attend at a different time, then please email [Jade.Cuckow@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Jade.Cuckow@suffolk.gov.uk) or [Emma.Whitten@suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:Emma.Whitten@suffolk.gov.uk)

**The Church Hall, Bear Street, Nayland, - Monday 20th May: 19.30 – 21.30**

**Mary's House, Swan Street, Boxford – Thursday 6th June: 19.30 – 21.30**

**The Garrad Room at the Bures Community Centre - 24th June : 19.30 – 21.30**



# Parish Council Matters

## Minutes of Newton Parish Council Meeting

Held on Wednesday 10th April 2019 at Newton Village Hall at 7.30pm

All Present: Councillors: Paul Presland (Chairman), Rita Schwenk, Lee Parker and Phil Taylor.

Attending: James Finch (Suffolk County Council), Adrian Beckham (Clerk). No members of the public were present.

**Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs. Poole, Crawte, and Bower sent their apologies.

**Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensation:** None.

**Minutes of meeting held on the 13th March 2019:** The minutes of the meeting were approved by the councillors and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**Public Forum:** Cllr. Parker (Babergh District Council) said he would give a full report at the Annual Parish Assembly on 24th April 2019

Cllr. Finch (Suffolk County Council) provided a report. Items covered included:

a. All of Suffolk's Recycling Centres will open from 9.00am to 5.00pm everyday from April to September. On Thursdays from May to August, all sites will be open until 7.00pm.

b. 96% of pupils receive a place at their Preferred Secondary School. Some 7130 applicants received their first preference and 7651 applicants received an offer for one of their three preferred schools.

c. 900 children are in care in Suffolk! Previous meetings have been well attended and it is hoped some will progress to become foster carers. There will be 3 further "one to one drop in sessions": The Church Hall, Bear Street, Nayland - Monday 20th May 19.30 - 21.30 ; Mary's House, Swan Street, Boxford - Thursday 6th June 19.30 - 21.30 ; The Garrard Room at the Bures Community Centre - 24th June 1930 - 21.30.

d. There are on-going problems with Broadband in Newton. Please let the Clerk know your name and landline phone number; if you can receive superfast broadband but have not been connected.

### Clerks Report and Correspondence:

a. Clerk to contact Suffolk Highways about the possibility of installation of further speed limiting signs at each end of the village.

b. Repairs to the Bus shelters will be considered at the next meeting.

c. A request for installation of a bench in the memory of Denise Scammell has been received. The Councillors approved the idea of installing a bench at the far end of the playing field. Details and costs will be presented at the next meeting.

d. The councillors agreed with the Clerk's action of purchasing a replacement lap-top for £616.18 19/34

### Planning:

a. NPC supported the application: DC/19/01498 & DC/19/01499 (Fenestration & change of materials) The Little Bungalow, Sudbury Road, Newton.

b. NPC supported the Planning Application - DC/19/01381 Listed Building Consent. Brooke House, Sudbury Road, Newton.

c. NPC objected to Planning Application - DC/19/01636 Outline Planning Application (some matters reserved) - Erection of detached dwelling and vehicular access. Land At Rotten Row Newton Suffolk. The application was objected to as it is outside the Built-Up Area Boundaries (BUAB) and there is insufficient information on what is proposed.

d. Updates on existing applications are contained in the Appendix.

e. Complaints have been received regarding the red boundary fence at Red House Farm. The chairman has been in contact with them and it has been agreed that the fence will be re-painted green.

### Finance:

a. The councillors noted the income received since the last meeting, agreed the Reconciliation of Accounts against the Bank Statements and reviewed the Statement of Accounts against the budget.

b. All cheques signed and due for signing, as itemised in the RFO Report (See Appendix), were authorised by the councillors.

**Play Area:** Applications for grants (CIL / Calor Rural Community Fund) to help with the improvement of the play area are being drawn-up. There will be progress report at the next meeting.

Installation of defibrillator The Village Hall Committee have agreed that the NPC can place a defibrillator on the wall of the Village Hall - Clerk to action the installation.

### Reports:

a. Newton Trust - A New Village representative will be elected at the Annual Parish Assembly.

b. Newton Village Hall - There are on-going problems with the Gents toilets!

A solution will be found

as soon as possible.

c. NNPT - The latest Newsletter has now been distributed. Thank you to Graham Parry for his work as Treasurer.

### Questions to the Chair:

a. Cllr. Presland requested that the clerk contact all clubs and societies to provide a short report at the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on 24th April 2019, 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

b. It was brought to the Councillors attention that a mobile home had appeared at Lingfields, Rotten Row, Newton. Cllr. Parker to contact Babergh District Council regarding enforcement.

c. Clerk to contact the relevant authority regarding Grass Cutting in Pamplin Close.

**Next Meeting:** The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday 8th May 2019 starting at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.03pm



**Boxford Bottle Bank update:**

Due to some exciting changes planned for The White Hart pub in the New Year, we have had to find a new home for the bottle banks within the village of Boxford. Mr Chaytor (who owns the White Hart) along with Babergh Cllr Bryn Hurten, Boxford Parish Council, the Playing-field Committee, Babergh DC Waste Services, Indigo Waste Services and Boxford Community Council, have all been working hard behind the scenes to identify a new site for the bottle banks.

Happily, a new site has been found up at the Playing Fields car park (CO10 5PB), which can be accessed by car via Homefield, and on foot via a footpath off Broad Street roughly opposite The White Hart.

The new bottle bank site will be managed on a day-to-day basis by the Boxford Playing Fields Management Committee, which is a subcommittee of the Boxford Community Council. ([boxfordcommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:boxfordcommunitycouncil@gmail.com))

The new bottle bank site will be overseen by Babergh District Council Waste Services team ([recycling@baberghdistrictsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:recycling@baberghdistrictsuffolk.gov.uk) 0300 1234 000 option 4)

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## BY THE WAY NS BRISTOW

Hadleigh is a fine small country town still embodying the features and character of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries when it was, no doubt, a destination for many Boxford inhabitants. Like Boxford, the centre of Hadleigh is full of interesting houses and well worth a walk. Fortunately, the footpaths still exist that were used to link the two places. The many stiles on this walk are a reminder of another feature of a bygone Suffolk- the presence of animals in the fields.

To make a round trip allow approximately four hours walking and about eight miles for the complete walk. You can also walk one way -out from Boxford, or back from Hadleigh, using the 91 service on any day bar Sunday. Check the timetable next to the lock-up in Broad Street, Boxford, to plan your walk.

1-Leaving Boxford, walk along Broad Street with the Fleece on your left past the garage. After the garage turn left into Clubs Lane and continue ahead, crossing a narrow roadway where the path veers to the right between fences, until you can turn right up a path beside a brook to get to a road. At the road turn right and then immediately left onto a path which you follow below a field edge, with the brook and houses on your left until you have passed through a small spinney and reached a field. (The path can be wet along this stretch)

2-Here you turn left then follow the path round and up the slope on a track until you continue past fences on your left to a T junction. Turn right along a bridleway here and follow the path ahead through trees with buildings on your right until you join a drive.

3-Continue down this drive until at its end you cross one road and then immediately another (the busy A1071) to a path beside a gate opposite. You now follow this path along field edges, crossing a lane, continuing ahead, crossing fields and over a small bridge until you reach a road where you turn left.

4-Walk approximately 200m until you can turn right over a footbridge onto a footpath which you follow to a field. Continue, and after a while you will see a path leading left across the field. Take this path over the field towards a distant house and over a bridge into another field. Walk along the hedge until you can turn right onto a road by the house. Walk up the road to a farm beside a junction; bear left, along the road towards the A1071 in the distance. Well before reaching it take a footpath on the right. You will now follow a well marked and used path across fields and along field edges including crossing a footbridge through a hedge until you come to a lane with a house next to a pond. Turn right and then almost immediately left into a field.

5- Now continue until you reach a broad farm track where you turn right and then left to descend into the valley down a stony drive to a farmhouse and buildings (Holbecks Park Farm).

You now have a choice: down into Hadleigh for refreshments; into Hadleigh for the bus or back to Boxford from this point. If going into Hadleigh, walk down the farm drive cross over the junction at the bottom, cross the road bridge ahead of you and go along the road (Duke Street) until a left takes you into Hadleigh centre.

### Hadleigh back to Boxford.

If you are only walking the return from Hadleigh you will get off the 91 bus in Hadleigh by the Magdalen Road Car Park behind the Co-op and cross the road to walk down the passageway by the Co-op or by Partridges to get to the High Street. Turn Left, and walk down the High Street, crossing where you can, until you come to Duke Street on your right. Go down Duke Street until you cross a bridge over the River Brett just before a junction: ahead of you on the corner is a house and to its right is a concrete driveway. Walk up this driveway then bear right and ignore a cattle grid and entrance to walk up to Holbecks Park Farm. You have now reached the point where you had some choices and you now turn left in front of the farm into the field and follow the directions from 6

If you are not going into Hadleigh you turn right at the farm buildings to follow these directions.....

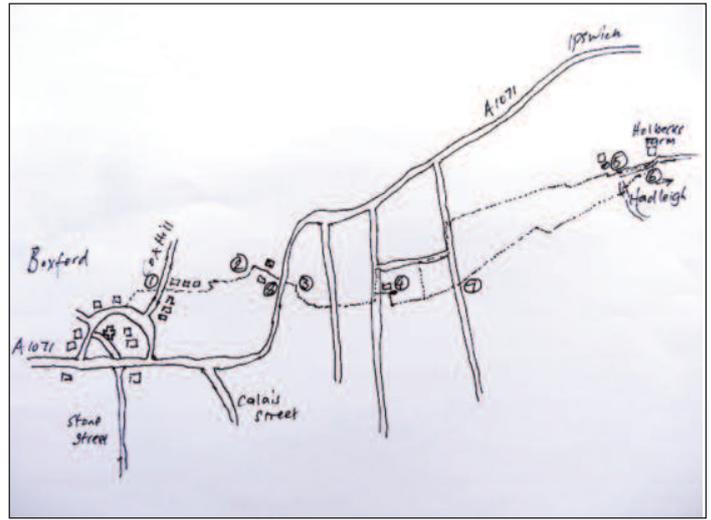
### Back from Holbecks Park Farm

6-Opposite the end of the buildings there is a gate into a field: a path crosses this field at a diagonal and rises to stile in the distance. Walk to the hedge, climb the stile, turn left into a lane and then right onto a field path. Follow this path along hedges until a left turn around a field brings you to a stile in the corner of a field. Crossing the stile you will descend into a narrow valley with a short descent followed by a brisk climb and a walk to a hedge gap, keeping the coppice on your left.

7-Once through the hedge follow the path, crossing a lane to continue with a hedgerow on your left to turn right at a field corner onto a stretch of newly restored footpath. Turn left at the end of this section of path and walk on to reach the road where you turn left again. After about 200m, turn right onto a footpath which you follow over fields, over a small bridge through a hedge. You then cross a lane and follow the path around field edges until you can turn left for a short walk to a gate beside the A1071.

8-Cross the road carefully here and walk up the drive ahead until you see a footpath, and sign, to your right. Continue on the path to a junction of paths and take the grassy bridle path to your left beside a stretch of fencing. Continue along, leaving the fenced enclosures, the grassy surface and travel down the valley until at the bottom corner you turn left, and then right, along a path that can be muddy

at times. Walk along this path until you reach houses and a road. Cross the road to a footpath, between fences, which you continue following, always ahead, until you reach a busy road where you turn right back to the centre of Boxford.



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# Parish Council Matters

**MINUTES of the MEETING of BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL held on Monday 1st April 2019 at 7.30 p.m. in Bell House, Stone Street Road, Boxford.**

**PRESENT:** J Fincham-Jacques (Chairman), V Strafford, R Balls, A Sargeant, H Phillips, D Hattrell (Clerk), J Finch (County Cllr) and 1 member of the public.

**APOLOGIES:** Apologies were received from P Wallis, S Mattocks, M Wooderson and B Hurren.

**MINUTES OF 4TH MARCH 2019:** Accepted as correct.

**QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:** Items raised by the public included:-

- Concern was expressed about the Annual Parish Meeting in relation to the lack of police reporting and the low attendance by residents.
- It was suggested that the Parish Council writes to the garage owner to encourage him to keep the footway clear of vegetation following the recent voluntary clearance
- The bus shelter was reported as in need of decoration and removal of ivy and a tree branch obstructing
- The drain at the bottom of the croft is still blocked
- The promised lines in front of the bus shelter discouraging parking are still not in place
- The Cygnet Court properties appear larger than planned

**REVIEW OF ITEMS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC:** It was agreed to ask our Cemetery Contractor to clear the ivy and cut back the tree obstructing the bus shelter - Action Clerk. V Strafford is happy to represent the Parish Council at the Meeting about the Boxwood Hall planning decision, however, sought views from members on any potential future challenge.

**COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT:** County Cllr James Finch attended and reported on changes to the opening hours of Recycling Centres, further investment due on business broadband and 96% of Suffolk students receiving their Preferred Secondary School place. Analysis of the Care Quality Commission data shows Social Care locations in Suffolk rated above the national average. Further fostering and adoption drop in sessions are being arranged. J Finch advised that the cost of signage preventing HGV's from the Sand Hill/Cox Hill junction is estimated around £6k to £7k. It was agreed to include as an Agenda item for the May Meeting - Action Clerk. Daking Avenue is on the list for re-surfacing and R Balls suggested give way lines are necessary for exiting Goodlands onto Daking Avenue in view of safety implications. J Finch agreed to investigate - Action J Finch.

**DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT:** District Cllr Bryn Hurren attended and confirmed that he has asked for the Wash Lane sweep and for repairs to the Broad Street sign. The Meeting to discuss the Boxwood Hall planning decision had been arranged and V Strafford was representing the Parish Council. He was following up the Cygnet Court queries. He has been approached about the Ellis Street light not working and the Clerk agreed to report - Action Clerk.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:** The next meeting is scheduled for 8th April. M Wooderson and H Phillips agreed to run the meeting. The Neighbourhood Plan would enable the Village to have a say in how the village is to develop in the future. Now we are on the Neighbourhood Planning route, the onus will be for developers to discuss their proposals with the Village.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** The correspondence report had been circulated ahead of the meeting and members had noted the on-going progress of each item. The Clerk was thanked for reviewing and delivering the Election Forms.

**FINANCE:** The Bank balances as at 1st April 2019 were £29845.21 in the Community Account, £13370.70 in the Deposit Account and £49710.04 in the Reserve Account making a total of £92925.95.

**Street Cleaning Contract and Cemetery path treatment:** The Parish Council agreed to press ahead with the new Street Cleaning and other services contract with Sudbury Town Council. The budget will increase to around £5000 per year and it was agreed to ask for the contact to treat the Cemetery path. It was agreed for V Strafford to make contact with Sudbury Town Council and ask for an interim arrangement whilst the final contract is being agreed - Action V Strafford.

**CONSIDER SUGGESTIONS TO PROTECT CHURCHYARD WALL:** The options to protect the wall were considered and members favoured the build out option on the wall side with yellow lines opposite. It was agreed for V Strafford to ask the County Council to cost out this option for further consideration - Action V Strafford.

**CEMETERY:** It was agreed to proceed with the original quote for the sycamore, holly and elder in the Churchyard. Notification is required to the Planning Authority as in the Conservation Area - Action Clerk.

**JOINT AREA PARKING PLAN:** There were no comments to be forwarded in response to the Joint Area Parking Plan consultation.

**REPORTS AND QUESTIONS FROM CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS:**

H Phillips reported that he has cleaned the War Memorial. The work at the Playing Field Pavillion continues and the Section 106 application is being pursued with B Hurren. A Sargeant agreed to remove the Christmas Tree from the Churchyard and retain the lights to be stored at Bell House.

Meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.

**Planning Meeting Held by Boxford Parish Council at Bell House, Boxford on Monday 1st April 2019**

The following Decisions were advised from the Planning Authorities: - Boxford House, Stone Street DC/19/01038 - Work can commence to beech and yew trees as proposed.

The following were discussed: -

- 1) The Paddock, School Hill DC/19/00203 - Application for external roof alterations, finishes to walls and roof and alterations to windows and doors. The

Parish Council had No Objections.

2) Riddelsdell Bros Garage, 4 Ellis Street, Boxford DC/19/01480 - Application for part two-storey, part single-storey garage and workshops with associated storage/ancillary space. The following response was agreed: -

Boxford Parish Council objects to this application for similar reasons to the previous application and specifically: -

- 1) As a two storey building it is imposing on the rear of the site and on neighbouring properties. This would impact on neighbour amenity and would not be in keeping with the pattern of development in the vicinity.
- 2) There are regularly around 5 cars from this business parked on The Causeway and others parked outside the garage on the pathway. An expansion of the business and also a reduction in parking areas within the premises would increase the problem. This currently obstructs the junction for drivers and pedestrians which has obvious safety implications.
- 3) The Parish Council still has concerns that the upper floor area could be used for residential purposes.
- 4) We would urge you to undertake a site inspection to fully appreciate the impact of this proposal on its surroundings.
- 3) Other Planning matters - The arrangements for the Conference Call with **Catesby Estates** were put in place. J Fincham-Jacques agreed to dial in from Bell House on a speaker phone for all who wanted to attend. Others could dial in from other locations as agreed.

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# Readers Letters

*Sir*

**Bill Horne**

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A huge influence in my life with lots of laughs. Bill was a fine man, a great friend with everyone treated exactly the same and a true gentleman. I shall miss him. I send my condolences to all his family  
Goodbye Bill

I am sure your putting on an extravaganza up there

*Derek Butler*

*Sir*

A new site for the bottle bank is now at the Boxford Playing Fields, but I wonder if thought has been given to people like myself and others, elderly and without transport. Carrying bags of bottles to the new site is difficult for us

When we lived in Bath all glass was collected on the blue bin day. We left our bottles by the bin. The lorries used for that days collection had two receptacles at the side, one for clear glass and one for coloured. The men collected our bags and put the bottles in the right compartment.

If, as we hear, glass bottles are to replace plastic ones, I think further thought should be given to make the glass collection possible for all, and from all the furthest parts of the village

*Vera S James*

*Sir*

On Sunday 28th April I broke down with a puncture on Brick Kiln Hill and waited for over two hours, from about 5.30 to 8pm for the pick up vehicle to get to me. This was at the tail end of long and tiring day in London. During that few hours of waiting three very kind men stopped and asked if they could help in any way but as my car has no spare wheel they couldn't.

I'm afraid I have no idea who you are, or if you live in Boxford, but I would like to say here (in the hope you will read this or get to hear about it) how immensely grateful, and touched I was for your kind efforts. Whilst I was not in any danger or discomfort (well, not much) it made a huge difference to my mood. You were all brilliant and whoever you are THANK YOU!

Best wishes,  
*Jane Lewis*

*Sir*

I would like to say a massive THANK YOU to the Boxford Community Council for acknowledging the bravery of Jack and Josh Evans and Louise and Lucy Watling when my son Joel Bullock had his accident at the Boxford playing fields in February. If it hadn't been for the quick thinking and actions of the above teenage children I dread to think what might have happened to Joel.

The teenagers of this village have had quite a lot of negative comments made against them but the actions of these teenagers show they are good children and there for each other, and I know they would have done the same for anybody who needed help. For the Community Council to commend the actions of these children means a great deal to me and I know they all appreciated the gifts as well. It's times like these that make me glad to live in our village and appreciate all that we have.

Joel is now on the mend and has all sensations in his fingers, we are still having regular checkups at Broomfield hospital but they are positive he will have full use of his arm again if he continues with the exercises they have given him.

*Jo and Colin Bullock*

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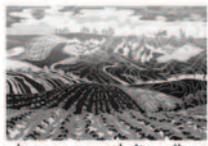
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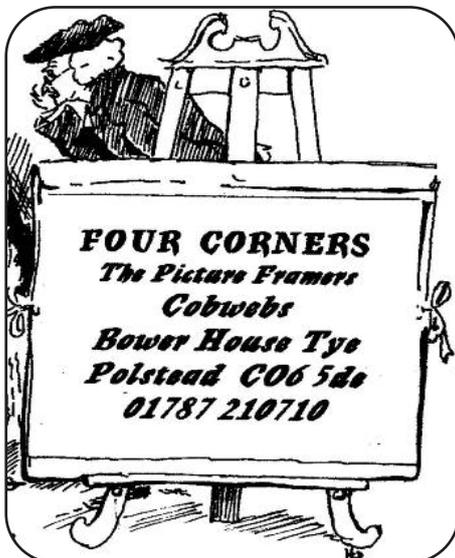
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Above: Golf Tuition at Stoke by Nayland Club Driving Range

Below: Tuition with youngsters at the Stoke by Nayland Club driving range



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