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HAVE YOU VISITED GROTON CROFT ?



The Croft is the area of land in Groton which can be entered from Groton Street or Church Street, or via the footpath leading from Groton Church.

It is popular with walkers, with or without dogs, from Boxford and Edwardstone as well as Groton, and was visited even more than usual during the recent Covid 19 lockdown.

The Croft is looked after by the Trustees of the Groton Winthrop Mulberry Trust, a registered charity set up after the villagers of Groton raised over £11,000 in 1993 to acquire the 8.5 acres of land for the village and thus preserve the site of the historic mulberry tree believed to have been planted by members of the Winthrop family in the 16th century.

A leading authority on mulberry trees from the University of London visited Groton last year and confirmed that this is one of the oldest mulberry trees in the country.

Two present Trustees, Bob Bowdidge and Margaret Kent, have been Trustees since the inception of the Trust in January 1994 and both have made significant contributions over the years. Bob Bowdidge, Chairman since 1994, has been the inspiration for a number of memorable events.

Many residents remember the visit in 1999 of the American Ambassador, Phil Lader, on the occasion of the 350th anniversary of the death of John Winthrop, who led the great migration from England to New England in the 1620s, founding the city of Boston and becoming the first Governor of the Massachusetts Bay Colony. And in 2015 we received a visit from another US Ambassador, Matthew Winthrop Barzun, a direct descendant of the Winthrop family, who visited his one time family home at Groton Place with his uncle John Winthrop the Twelfth.

Other events have included a village picnic and fete in July 2010 and a Jubilee Party in July 2012. Trees have been planted from time to time to commemorate special events such as the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Much of the work to maintain the Croft is carried out by Trustees and volunteers under Bob's enthusiastic guidance, and their combined efforts have ensured the continuance of the Croft as a place to be enjoyed by the residents of Groton and surrounding villages.

And here you can see Bob relaxing on one of his latest projects, a seat to commemorate two well known Groton residents, Martin and Jane Wood, who sadly died in 2018 but who left a very generous bequest to the Croft, which they enjoyed visiting for many years.

JUST A FEW WOT'S ON

Harvest – A Time To Celebrate

In spite of all the challenges to daily life that we currently face, we remain extremely blessed that we live in a part of the world where essential supplies are plentiful. We also live in an area of outstanding beauty where our farmers lovingly care for our land and bring in the harvests for us all to enjoy. God has blessed us richly and it is important that we express our gratitude. As we draw nearer to our annual Harvest Festivals, a meeting of the Standing Committees of the Benefice was held on 1st September to discuss the implications of COVID-19 restrictions on what we may be able to offer. The confirmed dates for the All-Age Harvest Festival Services in our villages are:

27th September – St. Mary's Boxford

27th September – All Saints' Newton Green

4th October – St. Lawrence's Lt Waldingfield

11th October – St. Bartholomew's Groton

18th October – St. Mary the Virgin Edwardstone

All church services will adhere to the Government and central Church COVID-19 guidelines concerning Church Services.

Remembrance and Christmas Services 2020

A meeting of the Standing Committees of the Benefice was held on 1st September to discuss the implications of COVID-19 restrictions on what we may be able to offer for Remembrance and Christmas. The limitations on numbers to ensure social distancing, the restrictions on singing, our choir not yet being able to reconvene, the reduction in helpers as a result of them being in the at-risk category and the unpredictability of the future have all combined to present us with huge challenges going forward, especially as we try to plan for the normally large services at Remembrance and Christmas. It doesn't seem likely that such restrictions will be eased sufficiently in the near future. What is very clear this year will not be anything like that which we have become accustomed to. The limitation on numbers and the ban on singing in churches are especially problematic (though necessary for everyone's safety), and this means that we have had to re-think what we can offer. It looks very likely that we are going to have to conduct our Remembrance Services outside at our war memorials (not processing into church due to the added risk this would present) and our carol services will also be significantly affected. We are planning 'alternative' ways to ensure these special occasions can still be marked and we will provide further updates as more is known.

*** Ready, Steady Cook ***

The Benefice is constantly looking for new ideas where fundraising is key to maintain our Churches. So we have decided to make our very own Box River Benefice Cookbook. If you have any yummy recipes for either starters, mains, desserts or even a boozy cocktail please get in touch by emailing boxriveractivities@gmail.com. Watch this space for more information on when the book will be on sale. All proceeds to St. Mary's Church, Boxford.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 18th September 2020 from 9.30am at the White Hart Public House, Broad Street, Boxford we shall be hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning. Everybody is welcome to join us for a cuppa, slice of cake and a natter. All proceeds to the Macmillan Cancer Charity.

Guidelines of Wash, Face, Space will apply etc. relating to COVID-19

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THE OCTOBER LETTER BY FR ROB

Dear Friends,

I hope that you have been keeping well during these strange times. I have been keeping you all in my prayers regularly.

So much has happened since I last wrote to you around a month ago. We have now returned to church and begun offering services on a Sunday morning, which has been a tremendous joy to us all. We have been faced with many challenges along the way as we try and get our churches operational again and these challenges continue to abound. I am pleased to say that thanks to some remarkable volunteers we have been able to meet most difficulties head on and more than overcome them. Together with everyone who is involved in our churches, I am indebted to those who have been helpful and positive during what has been, and continues to be, one of the most challenging times that the church has known in living memory. We simply do not know what our churches will look like once we come out the other-side of COVID, but there is much to be positive about in the present. The 'bring and share' foodbank in the South Porch of St Mary's in Boxford has continued to be used widely, we have held a large number of meetings to try and plan as we look to move the benefice forward out of lockdown, we have put in place plans for further children's provision (as best we can in the current climate), continued to try and support those in the most need around our villages and also had quite a lot of fun along the way too.

Lockdown has clearly brought into sharp focus other longstanding issues with the current climate forcing us to think more directly about such things as the size and diversity of our congregations, the long-running financial concerns to do with meeting our costs, the unnecessary demands of our inherited organisational structures and the amount of needless bureaucracy this creates taking up too much of our time and stifling mission, ministry and outreach, how our church communities engage in our villages with those who do not attend regularly, and how we can open up the use of our buildings so that they become much more of a community resource beyond Sunday Worship. Many of these issues cannot and will not be answered overnight, and there will be some difficult things to address along the way, but we are being afforded an opportunity at this time to begin slowly tackling them in order to pave the way for a growth and outreach.

One of the things that lockdown inhibited was our plans to hold a widely consultative Vision Day in the Benefice in order to begin developing a vision and culture that would enable us to reach out beyond our walls and engage more with the outside world. It was hoped that we could use various mechanisms to 'hear' the voice of all those who have an investment in their local churches, especially those demographics that have been locked out of the discussion previously. In the not so distant future we will be picking up this agenda again and looking into how we can enable this to happen in the current COVID-19 climate. This will include a simple questionnaire to garner feedback the opinions of the wider community on a few essential points.

Despite all of the challenges and frustrations of these past few months, we have nonetheless seen some truly remarkable things happening in the Benefice these past weeks and we have also begun planning for some wonderful things to happen in the future. Below is an update on a few of the things that have happened in our Benefice recently, together with what we are preparing for in the future. Thank you very much indeed for all of your support and I hope and pray that we may see you in our churches very soon.

With every blessing, *Fr Rob*

Reschedule of our APCMS

Sadly, due to the immediate lockdown in March in response to COVID-19, the Annual Parochial Church Meetings for Lt. Waldingfield and Newton Green had to be postponed. These can thankfully now go ahead, albeit with limited numbers present.

St. Lawrence's, Lt. Waldingfield will be held on **23rd September 2020 at 2pm** with a limited number of 30.

All Saints', Newton Green will be held on **15th October 2020 at 2pm** with a limited number of 15.

Each year the churches have vacancies for 2 Church Wardens, 6 PCC Members and 2 Deanery Synod Representatives. If you would like to discuss these posts, or would like a nomination form, please contact Fr. Rob on 01787 201434 or email rparkermcgee@gmail.com.

Harvest Festival at Little Waldingfield

Sunday 4 October at 9.30am

We shall be glad to welcome everyone. Please bring gifts that are packaged or tinned, as they will be donated to a food bank.

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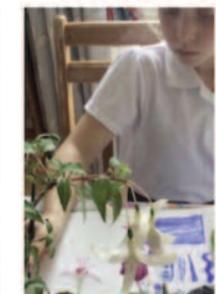
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NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

GROTON EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Trustees will meet on Thursday 1st October, 2020 at Mary's House Swan Street, Boxford at 4.30pm to consider applications for grant aid from residents living in Groton and those parts of Boxford which are included in the "area of benefit" as laid down by the Charity Commissioners - namely, Homefield, the east side of Swan Street south of Boxford Church, i.e. those parts which were included in the Tithe Map of Groton in 1881!

Details and application forms can be obtained from the Clerk to the Trustees, Anthea Scriven, Malting Lodge, Groton, Sudbury CO10 5ER Tel:- 01787 210263

We hope that newcomers to the area will be made aware of this charity by long time residents of Groton and Boxford who have themselves benefited from grants in previous years.

Peter Norris <peter.norris12@gmail.com>

Your Village Needs You !!

Boxford - I'm seeking your support as your Parish Council Chairman. I, like my fellow Parish Councillors past and present, feel passionate about giving the Village a voice in Local Council matters. I, like others, take pride in our beautiful Village with a heart. We have a vibrant community, businesses and organisations all working hard to enhance village life. At Boxford Parish Council, we are now down to only 4 members, which leaves 5 Vacancies. You will appreciate the considerable challenge involved operating with such low numbers and the likelihood of cancelled meetings as a result. Our meetings are currently held by video conferencing, so you can participate from home. We work closely with village organisations and provide grants for important village services. We are consulted on various matters affecting the quality of Village Life including Highways and Planning. The low numbers really limits our opportunity to pro-actively resolve and improve things important to the Village. So, if you ever think why can't the Council do something about? this is your opportunity to get involved. A strong Parish Council representative of the whole community has huge benefits to the Village and you could play your part. If you would like to get more of an idea on what the role would involve, why not take a look at our meeting minutes on:

www.boxfordsuffolk.com/BoxfordParishCouncil.cfm.

If you feel you could contribute to your Parish Council team, please apply to the Clerk on pc@boxford.suffolk.gov.uk. Full training from the Association of Local Councils can be provided, so don't be put off by lack of direct experience. I urge you to step forward to make a real difference to our Village, the village that very much needs your support!!

Julian Fincham-Jacques

Boxford Parish Council Chairman

BOXFORD & GROTON UNITED CHARITIES

Registered Charity Number: 207861

The Trustees of Boxford and Groton United Charities invite applications for grant aid from residents living in the three parishes of Boxford, Groton and Edwardstone, for educational, medical and general charitable purposes. Applications from organisations serving the above area are also invited and should be made in writing to Guy Godfray, Clerk to the Trustees, 17 Swan Street, Boxford, Sudbury CO10 5NZ. Closing date for applications 22nd November.

SECRETARY TO THE TRUSTEES REQUIRED FOR THE GROTON WINTHROP MULBERRY TRUST

The Trust, which is a registered charity, was set up to administer the land in Groton usually known as The Croft, details of which are given in the separate article on this page.

The Trustees meet once or twice a year and the main responsibilities of the Secretary are to organise and minute the meetings, and to work with the Chairman and Treasurer as required. The Secretary is also responsible for sending the annual return to the Charity Commission.

If you are interested in helping to run this much prized community asset, please contact the former secretary, Margaret Kent on 01787 210717 and she will be pleased to explain exactly what the role involves.

The Trustees will be very pleased to receive expressions of interest from people in Groton, Boxford or Edwardstone.

Suffolk Medical and Beauty Clinic

Staff at Suffolk Medical and Beauty Clinic in Boxford are thrilled to be fully open again for all Medical and Beauty treatments.

The current pandemic means some new processes and protocols at the clinic including a pre appointment wellness check, PPE and medical staff in full scrubs! These are just some of the measures being taken to ensure everyone's safety and comfort.

If you have any questions about the new systems please do call on 01787 211000.

Owners Dr. Anthony and Jenny O'Neill want to thank patients for their continued support and supportive messages over the last few months and look forward to seeing them all again very soon.

Jenny O'Neill RGN

Nursing Director

Suffolk Medical Clinic Ltd

Boxford Village Hall

Following the revised Coronavirus guidelines issued by the government on 9 September, the village hall has had to restrict the activities that take place there now we have freshly opened with effect from 1st September. This means that the AGM which was due to take place on 8 October is postponed indefinitely until the guidelines change again.

Some groups will be allowed to use the hall and these are the ones covered by the exemptions in paragraph 2.10 of the revised guidelines, which are accessible on line at:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-outbreak-faqs-what-you-can-and-cant-do/

The exempt users have all signed up to the Covid-19 secure protocols and agreement put in place by the village hall management committee.

Potential users who are not exempt from the new restrictions should stay abreast of any future government guidelines and contact the management committee if they think their group could safely return.

We look forward to the day when everyone can come back!

Joe Barrett

Boxford Fireworks 2020 CANCELLED

It is with great disappointment and sadness that we have had to cancel this year's Fireworks event.

Having taken government advice we have come to the conclusion that staging the event is both impractical and financially unviable. We are a small village charity and as such have limits on what we are able to do. It is a great shame for the village but we see no way around this situation, given the restrictions likely to be in force.

Rest assured, we will endeavour to be back bigger and better next year.

Please stay safe and consider others.

Our Community Hub is still functioning, so please make use of it.

Len Manning

It is with sadness that we report the death of Len Manning, at the age of 95.

Here in Little Waldingfield he was our village celebrity, much loved and respected. He gave talks on his experiences as a Rear Gunner in the RAF in World War 2, not only to local groups but to RAF stations all over the country, and was often a contributor on Radio Suffolk.

He bore his illness with great fortitude. His upright figure would be seen walking regularly in the village to visit friends until the last few weeks of his life.

We offer sincere condolences to his family in their bereavement.

LITTLE WALDINGFIELD CHARITIES

If you are over 65 and retired and have lived in Little Waldingfield for a year or more, you may be entitled to the Charity's Christmas Gift'

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Boxford: Peter Patrick (retiring Sept 2020) & Audrey Zuck (Designate)

Edwardstone: Vacant

Groton: Diana McCorkell

Little Waldingfield: Vacant

Newton: Vacant

Open for Private Prayer

St. Mary's Boxford – Tuesdays and Saturdays 10am – 3pm

All Saints' Newton Green – Sundays 10am – 1pm

St. Bartholomew's Groton – Mondays 1pm – 4pm and Fridays 10am – 1pm

St. Mary the Virgin Edwardstone – Saturdays 10am – 3pm

St. Lawrence's Lt. Waldingfield – Fridays 10am – 3pm

Daily prayers throughout the day and the Sunday Service will continue to be streamed online over our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/boxriverbenefice.

Please note that due to COVID-19 situation, that services may be subject to change at short notice. Our prayer list is prayed at services across the benefice and at home which includes people who are sick, those who have recently died and prayers for other significant concerns. If you would like someone or something adding to the prayer list, please call Colleen the Benefice Administrator. This list is renewed each month.

Divine Worship

Sunday 20th September 2020

9.30am – St. Mary the Virgin Edwardstone

11am – St. Mary's Boxford

Sunday 27th September 2020

9.30am – St. Mary's Boxford – Harvest Festival

11am – All Saints' Newton Green – Harvest Festival

Sunday 4th October 2020

9.30am – St. Lawrence's Lt. Waldingfield – Harvest Festival

11am – St. Mary's Boxford

Sunday 11th October 2020

9.30am – St. Bartholomew's Groton – Harvest Festival

11am – St. Mary's Boxford

Sunday 18th October 2020

9.30am – St. Mary the Virgin Edwardstone – Harvest Festival

11am – St. Mary's Boxford

The services from Boxford are available to live-stream from our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/boxriverbenefice, as are regular Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and other daily events during the week.

Off To Pastures New

It is with sad news that St. Mary's Church Warden Peter Patrick is to retire from this position in September 2020. Peter had served the Benefice for many years and we wish him all the best with his move to Cambridgeshire, where he will be closer to his family and to a happy retirement.

We welcome onboard Audrey Zuck, who has been appointed the new Church Warden for St. Mary's Boxford from September.

Fun, Fun, Fun

During the school summer holiday St. Mary's Boxford launched a Summer Holiday Lunch Club for children aged 6 – 11 years old.

Small group activities were set up around the church, keeping within the Government guidelines of social distancing, as well as all together activities. These consisted of Cross making with colouring lollipop sticks and attaching wool, modelling clay and decorating with ribbon and beads, making paper aeroplanes and much more. The children then had a flying competition, to see whose aeroplane was thrown the furthest down the aisle towards the nave.

After all that fun, the children were then handed a 'take away' lunchbox, with drinks and a choc ice to enjoy at home.

If you would like more information on future events over school holidays please contact boxriverbenefice@gmail.com.

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Parish Council Matters

MINUTES of the MEETING of BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL held on Monday 6th July 2020 at 7.30 p.m. by Zoom Video Meeting.

PRESENT: J Fincham-Jacques (Chairman), S Mattocks, M Wooderson, D Hattrell (Clerk) and 4 members of the public.

APOLOGIES: A Sargeant (Vice Chairman), P Wallis, J Finch and B Hurren (District Cllr).

DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY COUNCILLORS: Nothing was declared.

MINUTES OF 1ST JUNE 2020: Accepted as correct.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES: Nothing was raised.

PUBLIC FORUM: A progress report was requested in relation to the maintenance of the Churchyard wall. It was confirmed that the white lining on the road has been approved and once applied, the maintenance can be progressed. Following the Daking Avenue resurfacing, the yellow lines will require painting.

REVIEW OF ITEMS RAISED BY THE PUBLIC: In relation to the repainting of the yellow lines at Daking Avenue, it was agreed to seek assistance from J Finch if the lining doesn't appear in due course following the works.

COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT: County Cllr J Finch had sent apologies. His report out-lined Covid-19 related news including the critical test and trace. People undertaking journeys on buses are being encouraged to travel at quieter times if they can. The temporary relaxation of concessionary travel rules will end shortly. The County Council's Renewable Energy Fund is open to eligible businesses looking to reduce their carbon footprint through solar power. Virtual Events will take place on the subject of fostering and adoption as demand has increased significantly. He is pleased to report that the re-surfacing of Daking Avenue has now been completed and that it has been well received by residents.

DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT: District Cllr B Hurren sent his apologies. His report out-lined that the priorities from Babergh District Council is to get services running again. The brown bin collection has resumed and recycling centres re-opened. During the lockdown fly tipping increased along with the volume of refuse waste and glass at the bottle banks. Planning continues and Committee Meetings have resumed which included the Decision to approve the Sand Hill development despite the strong objections including from the Parish Council. Parking Enforcement has now passed to the District Council. Their main focus has been the fight against Coronavirus and he praised the work at District, Parish and local volunteer level and front line workers. Unfortunately scams and fraud are on the increase currently, so in his report he urged vigilance.

FINANCE: The Bank balances as at 1st July were £52822.50 in the Community Account, £13399.01 in the Deposit Account and £54363.57 in the Reserve Account making a total of £120585.08.

Members then considered a contribution towards the Footpath Leaflets - which included contributions so far from the County Council of £400 and Boxford Society of £100. This leaves a shortfall of £300. Members were minded to support, however, had a question as to whether the scheme could attract sponsors from local businesses in response to advertising. It was agreed for the Clerk to enquire with the Footpath Warden - Action Clerk.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING: There was nothing further to report at this stage as the Steering Group was due to meet that week. The Steering Group will need to consider their position following the disappointing Planning Committee Decision which did not give any weight to the Neighbourhood Plan in Boxford in view of its early stage.

CORRESPONDENCE: The correspondence report had been circulated ahead of the Meeting. No response has been given from Flagship in relation to preventing the driving along the croft. No action points resulted.

CEMETERY: Administration and grave marking is on-going. Our representative for the Cemetery, A Sargeant, has agreed to review the sycamore trees in the Cemetery with a Tree Surgeon.

UPDATES FROM THE COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESPONSE: Consideration is being given by Village organisations to the government guidance on re-opening Community Buildings and Play Parks. The Playground at the Playing Field has been re-opened with appropriate safety signage.

REPORTS AND QUESTIONS FROM CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS: Members were reminded that the August Parish Council Meeting only takes place if there is current Planning to consider. An extraordinary meeting may be required depending on developments with a potential legal challenge to the Sand Hill Planning Decision.

The meeting closed at 9.01 p.m.

Planning Meeting Held by Boxford Parish Council at Bell House, Boxford on Monday 6th July 2020

The following decisions were advised from the Planning Authority: -

A) Planning permission has been refused at Homestead, Hadleigh Road for a dwelling and detached garage - DC/19/04816 - this is due to insufficient ecological information. An assessment on bats would be required as there are plans to demolish the existing bungalow.

B) Consent has been granted to fell willow tree and replace with a feature tree

at Ramree, Clubs Lane - DC/20/02234 - In view of the condition of the tree, the Parish Council had No Objection to the felling. However, a comment was made that this was a magnificent tree in recent times and the reason for its sudden decline should be given. Obviously a replacement tree that should be equally magnificent in time is vital and the exact timing and specification for this should be made.

The following were discussed: -

1) Twelve, 12 The Causeway, Boxford. Application to reduce hornbeam by 40% - DC/20/02301. This was considered between meetings to comply with the deadline. There were No Objections.

2) Land At Orchard House, Roylands Lane, Boxford - DC/20/02336 - Outline Planning Application (some matters reserved, access to be considered) for the erection of 1 single storey dwelling and garage. There were No Objections.

3) Riverhall, Ellis Street - DC/20/02311. Trees in Conservation Area application. There were No Objections.

4) The Sand Hill Development Approval was then discussed. The meeting was closed to allow others to contribute. The village objector who spoke at Planning Committee had followed up with some questions to the Monitoring Officer. Members commented that the lack of face to face or even video contributions was a disadvantage compared to previous Committee procedures. A brochure provided by Catesby, the applicants, to the Planning Committee Members was discussed. Concerns were expressed that the Planning Officer demonstrated undue support to the scheme, the Planning Committee demonstrated a lack of knowledge of the Planning Policy team position and too readily dismissed their own relevant policies despite having adequate land supply. Consideration of a Community Building became central to discussion by the Planning Committee where the application only includes an allocation of land for such a Building (not a demonstration of need nor the funds to construct and manage a building).

The merits of other local Appeals were then discussed whilst the meeting was still closed. These included those at East Bergholt and Long Melford. .

The meeting re-opened and S Mattocks proposed that this Council seek legal advice on the merits of a Judicial Review to challenge the Planning Decision with costs up to the region of £5,000 to secure the opinion. This was seconded by M Wooderson and unanimously carried. We had already contacted B Hurren to see if the District Council could be asked to provide the meeting transcript. It was agreed for the Chairman to seek quotations for the legal work and others in the meeting will feed information into that process - Action Chairman. It was agreed to also seek information from East Bergholt Parish Council in relation to their legal challenge - Action Clerk.

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BOXFORD- WHY A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN ?

“Those of us privileged to live here today in this ancient and unique place are but fleeting custodians. We have a duty to secure this wonderful heritage and pass it to future generations with a plan for its further evolution and inevitable growth.” (from the early draft of our Plan)

The lack of a formal and agreed Boxford plan has limited our ability as villagers to influence recent planning decisions on major housing developments, despite strong and informed arguments made to Babergh planners by committed groups and individuals. As a result of their most recent decision, 64 dwellings are to be built at the top of Sand Hill. We need an agreed Neighbourhood Plan within the next two years if we are to influence further housing development approvals and to shape what our village and its surroundings look and feel like in future years.

A group of us have been working to produce an early draft of such a Plan and we want to share our thoughts with you and get your ideas at this early stage in its development. It is vital that as many villagers as possible contribute so that we get the best possible Plan and one that you approve of.

The work has already begun, led by a small volunteer steering group. Research, evidence gathering and drafting is already underway with the help of a wider group of individuals and you are welcome to join us. We will be consulting a wide range of people as we proceed and your ideas will make the Plan better. At the end we must gain the approval of a majority of the village if the Plan is to be accepted by Babergh. For such a plan must belong to all of us, young and old alike and crucially, while respecting the unique past and present of the village, chart a hopeful future as a much loved home for all ages.

One of Boxford's strengths is that it never stood still, despite periods of history when its outward and physical characteristics changed little. Growth and change are largely why it didn't become one of those rural villages that have become largely dormitories. Sadly there are many in East Anglia without a school, shop or a Post Office, a pub or sports facilities but with a disused church and a graveyard and neatly maintained houses from which residents emerge in the morning in their cars to make the journey to other towns or the metropolis. Commuters do set off early in Boxford of course but they are followed by schoolchildren assembling, their parents chatting at the school gates, shops opening and constant busy traffic of vehicles and people throughout the day and into the evening.

The ancient fabric of Boxford which estate agents call “desirable” must be maintained, but its real desirability is its continued vibrancy. This is expressed through its social life, school, shops, cafe, pub, clubs and societies, sport, church, and the diversity of its local housing communities and inhabitants.

Controlled growth, allied to sensitive preservation influenced by the views of residents in a Neighbourhood Plan, can ensure a village that retains its precious characteristics while contributing to a future for all. All the more reason now to strengthen the village's hand in future development and to ensure:

- A Boxford specific context helps to inform Babergh's planning decisions.
- Our own housing needs are addressed by giving Boxford a say in where and what any new housing should look like, who it should be for.
- Sufficient village amenities and services remain and flourish and that such community funds as may be made available for those amenities are used to Boxford's benefit.
- Boxford protects what it values today and wants its children and grandchildren to have the chance to enjoy.
- Boxford presents itself as forward looking and willing to take its share of appropriate future housing consistent with its classification as a “core village”. This should avoid undue expansion and enable all to join and move up and down the housing ladder.

Boxford needs a Neighbourhood Plan to both preserve its heritage and support its evolution for future generations. The alternative is that we do nothing and allow developers, those that determine planning applications on our behalf and a future nationally directed planning system to decide our future.

The Boxford Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, already hard at work on major elements of the plan, is David Burden (Co-Chairman), Hugh Phillips (Co-Chairman), Andrew Good and Roger Loose. They are being advised by Andrea Long, a professional consultant. Good progress is being made despite lockdown and it was planned to have a “walk in” meeting in the village hall in late October. Such a meeting has been prevented by recent announcements on group gatherings but it is hoped to keep the village regularly updated and invite views at every opportunity. A visual display for small numbers at a time will be staged and the BRN will regularly include information and invite comment. Participation, comment and input is essential by email or social media and this notice will also be in the Facebook page Boxford Noticeboard.

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The advertisement features a dark background with a white, hand-drawn style logo 'A.H.C.' at the top. Below it, the text '• HAIR DESIGN •' is written in a smaller, white font. The main text 'Unisex Hair Salon in Boxford' is in a larger, white font. At the bottom, the contact information 'To make an appointment call: 01787 211928' is displayed. The entire text is framed by a white, hand-drawn border that resembles a hair salon's layout or a collection of haircuts.



STARTER

Call for Recipes

St Mary's Church Boxford are creating a recipe book to be used as a fundraiser. Your participation and support can make this a success!

Please submit your favourite starter, main, dessert or cocktail recipe for inclusion in our recipe book.

You can do this by sending an email to Sarah at boxriveractivities@gmail.com

THE MAIN DISH

dessert

The Box River Benefice
Boxford, Edwinstowe, Givons,
Little Walsfield and Newson

The advertisement is a call for recipes for a fundraiser. It features a central text box with a white background and a black border. The text is in a mix of bold and regular fonts. To the left of the central text is a vertical logo that says 'THE MAIN DISH' with a blue circle around the word 'MAIN'. To the right is a vertical logo that says 'dessert' with a red cherry on top. At the top right, there are small icons of a cocktail, a glass of water with a lime, a glass of beer, and a glass of juice. At the bottom right, there is a logo for 'The Box River Benefice' with a blue circle containing a white cross.

GARDENING IN OCTOBER INSPIRED BY THE LATE HARRY BUCKLEDEE

Prepare the greenhouse now to house tender plants which are standing outside. To minimise the loss of light in winter, thoroughly clean the glass, using a solution of armillatox to remove all dirt and algae.

Cut down on heating by lining the glass with bubble polythene sheeting. The large bubble types, although more expensive, gives better insulation and admits more light. The ventilators should be covered separately to allow for opening. All electrical installations should be checked by an electrician as dampness and humidity in a greenhouse can damage insulation's. Where an oil heater is used, a ventilator should be left open one inch at all times to allow the fumes and moisture created by the heater to escape.

Plants which have been standing out for some time should be turned out of their pots and any worms that have got into the compost should be removed to prevent root disturbance.

Late in the month we can expect the first frost. Listen to the weather forecasts early evening and be prepared to protect any tender plants that are outside.

Dahlias are one of the first plants to have their foliage blackened by frost. When this happens, cut the foliage down to six inches from the base and lift the tubers carefully so as not to cause any damage. Wash the tubers free of soil and tie a label to each one. Tie the label round the tuber, not the stem - these stems can become brittle and break off during storage and you will be left with a lot of loose labels not knowing where they belong. If the weather is warm and dry they can be left outside for a few hours to dry out. They should then be brought indoors to a frost free place. Remember that the stems are hollow and can hold a considerable amount of moisture, so place them upside down for about two weeks to drain. Tubers can be stored in boxes of sand or peat under the staging of a warm greenhouse but on no account allow water to drip onto them. Examine them several times during the winter and cut away any portion of the rotten tubers, dusting the cut with sulphur powder. Any that are shrivelled should be plunged in tepid water for an hour or two to plump them up again.

Finish planting daffodils as soon as possible, but delay the planting of tulips until the end of the month. Lift half-hardy summer flowering bulbs and corms, dry them off thoroughly and store them in a cool dry, frost and

vermin proof place. Examine hyacinth bulbs which are being forced, and water if needed.

Spread a net over your garden pool to catch fallen leaves, and lift it off every week. If leaves fall into a pond and rot they will produce poisonous gasses which may be harmful to fish. Cut down the dead foliage of asparagus to ground level and clear away any weeds. Tidy the bed up and cover with two inch layer of well rotted compost.

Bare-root plants, such as fruit trees and roses should go in now. Autumn planting is best for container-grown plants too as the weather will probably keep them well watered, but, in a drought, watering must continue for newly introduced plants which have not had time to develop good root systems. Rather than frequent top watering for new trees and shrubs, they should have deep watering every five days. This encourages them to work hard for their water and develop deep root systems while top watering encourages shallow roots. At planting time insert a tube into the ground up to a metre's depth to get water down to the root. Do not do this for olives which do not like watering.

Now is the time to make sloe gin: Fill a litre pot a third way up with sloes, put in about 3 oz (75 gm) of sugar, top up with cheap gin to the brim, close the pot and stand in a dark place, turning the pot daily, until Christmas. Then drink the lovely red result. Ideally you should make three pots, one for this Christmas, one for the coming year and the third to mature for next Christmas.

The sowing of new lawns should have been completed by now, but you can start to lay turf from now until mid-February if conditions allow. Prepare the ground thoroughly before laying and make sure you do not tread on the prepared site whilst laying the turves. Use planks of wood to spread your weight and avoid damage to new turf and prepared ground. Apply a light dressing of sandy loam and water thoroughly.

The last of the beans should be picked now, compost the foliage but leave the roots with their nitrogen full nodules in the soil as a fertiliser.

Carrots can come up to be stored in sand or peat through the winter but leave the parsnips in the ground. They'll be sweeter after a frost.

Cabbages should come up now too, they'll keep remarkably well in that frost-free shed but beware the slug that may be lurking under the leaves. Sprinkling the outside with salt will deter them from eating away through the winter,

Soap Box

Did you take advantage of the Eat Out to Help Out initiative? We did, for all the weeks it was available, though only once a week, including the final opportunity on August Bank Holiday Monday. That's five trips out to a local pub or restaurant during a single month, which is probably more than we would undertake normally for meals, even when we're in Portugal. But we took the view that we would all be paying for it in taxes sooner or later, so we might as well enjoy ourselves after several months of limited social interaction.

And the hospitality sector needed a boost, so our motives could be interpreted as a little altruistic. Overall, it proved an enjoyable experience and a welcome diversion from the gardening and decluttering that seem to have dominated our lives since this pandemic took hold. Not that either of these ways of spending time during lockdown seem to have achieved much. Gardening is a necessity and the size of our garden means it is always pretty much a full time job once the growing season gets underway.

As for decluttering, aside from the fact that such an exercise can be a serious thief of time as you argue with your partner over the merits or otherwise of retaining aunt Agatha's seriously untrendy Christmas gift, we soon discovered that the charity shops - those that were open at any rate - were full to the brim with donations from other households conducting a similar exercise. And trying to sort out photographs that have stayed in the envelopes in which the chemist delivered them for up to 35 years always takes far longer than was planned.

So, dining out and getting a modest, but nonetheless useful, discount on the bill helped brighten what was turning into a somewhat dull summer. Not only has entertainment been thin on the ground, but the weather failed to measure up to the promise that hot conditions encouraged earlier in the year. While an Indian summer remains a prospect (as I write this the weather forecast for the next few days has perked up considerably), there is a real risk that, just as temperatures rise and the sun starts to shine, we will all be back in some sort of lockdown.

While it is possible to pretend that the coronavirus has really made little difference to our lives in the pleasant rural situation we find ourselves in the Box River benefice, the reality is that it is overturning plans, disrupting lives and creating considerable uncertainty. As if that was not enough by itself, Brexit - or, more accurately, the terms under which we leave the European Union in just three months' time - is rushing towards us with all the considerable unknowns that make planning a nightmare at present.

As a regular traveller to the Continent, I felt it advisable to check the government website to find out what is likely to change in 2021 and beyond. It did not make comfortable reading. We usually drive as we take our Jack Russell terrier with us, but it seems that pet passports may no longer be valid after 1st January 2021, so travellers with animals are advised to plan their trips at least four months in advance. Hardly a relaxing prospect.

Then there is the insurance that might have to be applied to foreign travel. Do you remember Green Cards for travelling in Europe with your British car? There is every chance the scheme will be reintroduced and it is likely to represent an additional cost to the driver. Medical insurance could rise too as travellers from the UK would no longer be eligible for treatment under the EHIC scheme, whereby EU citizens are entitled to use the local health service on the same terms as residents of the country in which they are staying. I can't imagine Covid-19 has done much for medical insurance premiums either.

To all this added aggravation can be added the extra hassle likely to be experienced crossing borders into Europe, plus the ending of the cap on data roaming that can make it cheaper to access your smart phone on the Continent than back home. Of course, all this could be sorted out in some all-encompassing agreement that covers trade and all the other aspects of life that come into play once you move from one country to another. But I'm not holding my breath, particularly given the new measures introduced into Parliament aimed at undermining certain aspects of the Transition Agreement. I doubt this approach will endear us to the negotiators from Brussels. How I wish Eat Out to Help Out had been extended.

Brian Tora

I'll tell yew sarfin' now, but ut man't goo na fudder

Growing up in Lindsey, Suffolk in the 1920s by Harry Buckledee Final part 11

11, "I say to he, I say..."

A Dialect on the Verge of Extinction

There are a number of reasons for the fact that the East Anglian dialects have practically disappeared: the influence of radio and television, much greater social mobility and, of course, the spread of the Cockney influence throughout the south-east, the so-called *Estuary English*. In the 1920s most people lived their entire lives within a few miles of the house they were born in; I remember hearing old people say things like "I int bin na fudder'un Ipswich", and they probably didn't travel that far more than half a dozen times in their lives. A lot of families didn't even have a radio (or wireless, as we called it in those days) and we spent all our time with other local people, so, of course, we all spoke Suffolk dialect.

The Suffolk accent varied from one part of the county to another; you could tell if someone was from Ipswich or Sudbury or Bury St Edmunds. Right up until the 1960s Hadleigh had an accent of its own that people from Lindsey or Kersey could recognise immediately. Certain dialect words were restricted to specific areas: in a town like Lowestoft, where men made their living from the sea, they had words related to fishing that were unknown in West Suffolk, and I imagine we said things in Lindsey that people on the coast had never heard of. As soon as someone opened his mouth you knew if he wasn't a local. My father-in-law, Pop Martin, used to say 'He int from about here; he's from the shires' (pronounced as *shears*) for someone who might be from as far away as Essex.

The title of this chapter contains three typical features of Suffolk dialect. It was normal to use the subject pronouns *he*, *she* or *they* where in standard English *him*, *her* or *them* are used. So we said "I say to she", "I went to school along a he" and "It int me, it's they others".

We normally used the proper past tense forms of verbs but for some reason *say* and *see* were exceptions and were used for both the present and the past. Occasionally we had irregular past forms for verbs that are regular in standard English; instead of *snowed* we said *snew*, and for *jaw* (which we pronounced as *jeow*) we had the past tense *jew*, as in "We jew for an hour or more".

When reporting a conversation it was common to repeat *I say* or *he say* as you see in the title above.

In imperatives we used the auxiliary verb *do* and an explicit subject as you would in interrogative sentences; instead of "Be careful" or "Wait there" we said "Do you be careful" and "Do you wait there". There was never any risk of confusing an imperative with an interrogative even though they were syntactically identical because a command didn't have the rising intonation of a question. Often as not the pronoun *you* was pronounced as *yew*; people would say "Do yew be ruled by me" to mean "Do as I tell you", an order that was more likely to be ignored than obeyed.

Even such basic words as *yes* and *no* had dialectal alternatives: *shis* and *ho* (or *heow*) respectively. People would say "shis, boh" or "ho, bah" with *boh* or *bah* as terms of address for either a man or a woman. When addressing a woman we also had *moh*. I'm not sure about this but I suspect that *moh* is related to the dialect word *mawther*, which meant woman or girl but was already getting quite rare by the 1920s.

For greeting people we had *woop* (pronounced with the vowel used in words like *book* or *foot*), *woocha* or sometimes the sing-songy *wey-yup*. When you saw a friend you might call out: "Wey-yup! How are ya gorn orn, bah?"

In one respect our dialect was richer than standard English. Variations of the archaic pronouns *thou* and *thee* are still used in Yorkshire but in most of the English-speaking world the only second-person pronoun is *you* whether we are speaking to one person or a group of people. In Suffolk we signalled that we were using a plural *you* by adding the word *together* (i.e. *together*), so "Yew jist watch what yew say together" was a warning to a group of people.

As an intensifier to mean *very* or *really*, we said *hoolly*, which rhymed with *woolly* or *pulley*. "He look hoolly savage" meant "He looks really angry". *Savage* was generally preferred to *angry*, and sometimes we used the expression *as savage as a bear*. Instead of *hoolly* we could also use *wachacall*, which probably derives from *what you call*. I remember Tev Partridge commenting upon a job his men had just finished by saying, "You've wachacall made a mess o' that together." That doesn't mean what you think it does; what he was really saying was that they'd done a very good job. *Sarfin'* (*something*) could also be used as an intensifier, so "He looked angrily at me" would be "He looked at me sarfin' savage".

There were two really emphatic ways to say "Certainly not" that you might still hear today if there are older people about. One was "T'int so loikely!" and the other was "Doubt not!". If you asked someone a favour and got either of those as an answer you knew you had to look for

someone else to help you out.

If someone was not in good health we said "He int too sharp" or "He int a muccha". For a really serious health problem the word was *queer*, as in "They say the owd boy's hoolly queer". *Queer* was nearly always used in this way rather than as an offensive term for a homosexual or to mean *strange* or *unusual*. For the latter we said *rum*, so "U'ss a rum ow do" meant "It's a funny business" or "It's a strange affair". For someone who behaved strangely or was psychologically not quite normal, we said "He int roight".

Most of the time we were quite healthy but we didn't make too much of a show about feeling well. If someone asked how you were the typical answer was "Half tidy". That was the understated response even if you were feeling in top form. *Tidy*, pronounced more like *toidy*, also meant *big*, as in "Tha'ss a toidy owd job you've got on there, boh".

Sichus (such as) was used to mean "someone like", as in "U'ss all right for sichus Albert to laugh; ut int his problem."

Some vowels were very different from those of standard English. The long vowel in *shirt* was shortened so that men would talk about putting on a clean *shut*. Other examples were *burn* pronounced as *bun* ("That wood'll hoolly bun"), *dirt* as *dut* ("Coh, he's a dutty ow bugger"), *church* as *chutch* ("I was perished o'cold in chutch this morning") and *hurt* as *hut* ("Mind yew don't hut yarself"). Earlier in this book I mentioned a vehicle known as "the tud cart".

Vowel shortening also occurred with the words *sheep* and *feet*, which were pronounced as *ship* and *fit* respectively. In cold weather someone might say "Me fit are frawn" ("My feet are frozen"). Other examples were *sid* for *seed* and *fild* for *field*. The same short *i* vowel sometimes replaced *e*, as we have seen with *together* for *together*. Other examples are *git* for *get*, *midder* for *meadow* and *head* pronounced as *hid*, so to announce that you were going to bed you could say "I'm gonna git me hid down". But sometimes *skull* was used instead of *head*, particularly if you had a *skullache*. For someone who did a lot of reading you could say "He's ollus (i.e. always) got his skull stuck in a book". A parent might threaten a naughty child with "I'll flack yar skull" (I'll box your ears).

The *oh* diphthong of the words *road* and *bone* was changed to the short vowel we hear in *could* or *wood*. *Road* was pronounced *rood* (rhyming with *hood*) and *bone* became *boon* with same vowel sound. A mother angry with her child might threaten to "break every boon" in his or her body. *Stone* was pronounced as *stoon*, and for a really argumentative person you'd say "He'd argue with the stoons".

As far as consonants are concerned, we have already seen that the two *th-* sounds were sometimes replaced by *f* (*sarfin'*) and *d* (*fudder*) respectively. But this only happened with certain words and everyone was perfectly capable of producing a proper *th-* sound if they wanted to. You might hear the dialect version and standard *th-* in the same phrase, as in "fudder 'an that". Another example of *d* replacing *th-* was *fardin'* for *farthing*, both for the coin and the surname.

Occasionally a consonant was omitted entirely. A very common example was *arter* for *after*, as in "arter dinner" (which meant after lunch) or "half arter six" (half past six).

It really was a dialect and not just an accent because we had words that you won't find in the dictionary. A *coney* was our word for a rabbit, *dag* meant dew, HUBBRA was holly, a *sookey* was a kettle (although we also said *kittle*) and we talked about *slud* rather than mud. We didn't go upstairs to bed but "up the wooden hill". If a man was spouting nonsense you'd say he was talking "a lot of owd grunt". Our own meanings were attributed to standard English words: *bait* was a snack rather than something put on a fish hook, while at harvest time, when men worked overtime, they had another snack in the fields at about 5.00pm which we called *beavers*, then at the end of the week they were paid a bonus called a *largess*, with the stress on the first syllable. If you'd got the *screws*, it meant you were suffering from a backache, while in cold, windy weather you'd say it was a "rafty ow day".

Three interesting verbs were *spuffle*, *nannick* and *hance*. You might still hear someone say "He's ollus (always) cutting and tearing about", but seventy years ago we were more likely to say "He's ollus spufflin' about"; both expressions meant to be in a rush. To *nannick* meant to act the fool, so to reassure someone you might say "I int gonna nannick". On the other hand, if you were *nannickin'*, somebody would probably tell you to "cart yer barrer" (barrow), the Suffolk equivalent of sling your hook. To *hance* was used to describe someone standing around unable to decide what to do and probably getting in people's way. *Hance*, or sometimes *hance-gut*, could also be a noun to refer to someone unable to get on with anything useful: "Coh, he's a right owd hance-gut; he niver git anything done."

The adjective *botty* was used for someone who thought he/she was a bit better than everyone else, and for someone who stood erect or walked in a straight-backed way we had the expression “upright like a fart in a bottle”.

Occasionally someone would misinterpret a word in standard English because it had a different meaning in Suffolk. I remember Arthur Baalham reading in the newspaper about someone who lost an eye while fencing without a faceguard. He knew nothing about swordplay; as far as he was concerned *fencing* meant cutting hedges, so he assumed the unfortunate accident had occurred when a bramble caught the hedge-cutter in the eye.

There were plenty of idioms too. On a bitterly cold day people said, “It’s cold enough for a walking stick.” I have no idea what a walking stick had to do with low temperatures.

One of my favourites was “Will’s mother’s”. There was no such place as Will’s mother’s but people talked about it as if we all knew exactly where it was. If there were dark clouds suggesting a storm was on its way, someone might say, “The sky’s hoolly black over Will’s mother’s.” Or you might hear this sort of conversation:

“Ted’s late this arfternoon. Said he’d be here afore three.”

“Take no notice o’ he. He’ll goo all round Will’s mother’s to git here.”

Instead of *late* in the above exchange, the first speaker could instead say, “Ted’s on the drag this arfternoon.” I’ve heard that “on the drag” in the sense of running late is still used in Norfolk but it seems to have disappeared in Suffolk.

Since most men worked on the land, the weather was always an important topic of conversation. On those early mornings when you couldn’t tell whether we were in for decent weather or a downpour, people would say “U’ss a sly ow day”. I remember Herbert “Crongie” Frost telling me something that struck me as daft at the time but years later it started to make sense to me: after a longish spell of dry weather, the sky clouded over, but Crongie said, “Ut ’on’t iver rain in a dry time.” I said something to the effect that it wouldn’t be a dry time if it rained, but he just said, “Ah, yew don’t git what I mean.” Many gardening years later, when I’d had a lot of experience of observing the weather, I did get what he meant: in prolonged spells of dry weather you really do get moments when the sky darkens and you think there’s going to be a real storm, then an hour later the clouds disperse and not a drop of rain falls. Rain was obviously important for farmers and gardeners, but working on wet land was a problem for the simple reason that the wellington boots we all take for granted today didn’t exist. Men wore leather working boots, which were OK if the ground was merely damp, but if there was standing water the risk was that you’d “git ya fit sodden wet”. People improvised solutions, however. Good drainage was important, so ditches had to be cleaned out each year. But if there were two inches of water in the ditch, how could you work without ending up with cold, wet feet? Pop Martin explained to me how they used to make faggots to stand on when they were in the ditch.

There was a lovely proverb involving the tools men used when working on the land: “The fork ollus foller (follows) the rake.” What this meant was that a man might work hard all his life to rake in money, only for his son to fork it all out again.

People could be quite inventive with their use of language. To a scruffy person you could say, “You wanna smarten yarself up; you look like you’ve bin dragged through a bush fence back’ards.” If someone was forgetful, my great great uncle Frank Howe would say, “I’ll hedda buy you a ha’p’orth o’ think on’t.” Sometimes people said the opposite of what they meant: for a man who started work as a shopkeeper’s errand boy and ended up running the shop, I remember someone saying, “He rose from the top to the bottom.”

New terminology represented a challenge. The first sheds of prefabricated materials that could be assembled and dismantled again were called sectional sheds. One day “Speary” Elmer from Lindsey wanted to refer to one of these sheds but couldn’t remember what they were called. Undeterred, he found a way to explain what he meant: “Ut’s one o’ they what goo to take to pieces hool.”

Plenty of people were sharp enough to come up with a good answer. When Bert Pryke was stockman for Everett “Evvie” Partridge, he tried it on by saying, “I dropped a pound note the other day an’ that ow pig et it.” Evvie had the wit to answer, “I should give it a shilling now, Bert, then you’ll make it into a guinea pig.”

The way of life I knew in my youth has gone and the dialect we all used has to all intents and purposes disappeared as well. If I wanted to speak broad Suffolk now I’d have to talk to myself, and even then I’d have to go to Will’s mother’s to do it. Unfortunately, a lot of colourful expressions have been lost, but I won’t pretend that everyone appreciated our dialect. When I was a boy, if you had a strong Suffolk accent certain people thought you were stupid, and it would ruin your chances in a job interview if you wanted to do something other than work on a farm. The

barriers of social class were hard to overcome in those days, which meant that highly capable people were held back just because they were half tidy instead of very well.

So that’s that: I’ve told you sarfin’ about what it was like to grow up in a Suffolk village between the wars. I said in the Introduction that this book is not meant to be “misery lit”, but Lindsey in the 1920s was no rural idyll either. It was a hard life in many ways, but most people were reasonably contented. People used to sum things up like this: “We work ourselves to death to keep ourselves alive.” That was the sort of humour that helped us get through life.

Of course, all this man’t goo na fudder. In practice, when we said that to somebody before telling them something in confidence, it was often a guarantee that your secret would be known to every man, woman, child and farm animal before the sun went down. And having read this book, if you now want to “flop ut all out” to everyone you know, I won’t make too much of a fuss about it.



The author goes back to his old school, now Lindsey village hall, December 2016



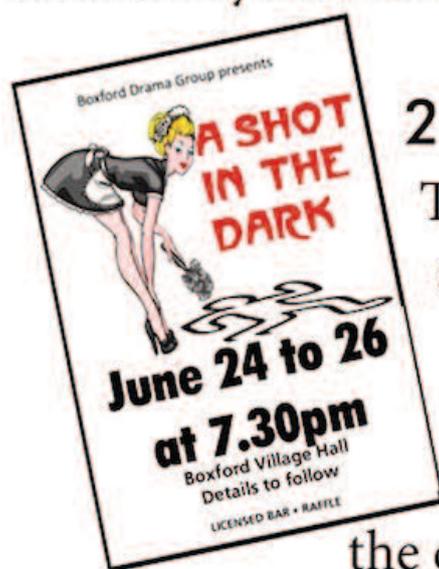
Harry at his book signing party held at St Joseph’s in Sudbury

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We are planning 3 shows next year-Corona Virus permitting. GO/NO GO are the dates by which we have to decide to begin rehearsing or postpone yet again!

1. The Good Old Days. March 2021

A music Hall entertainment written and directed by Ward Baker. We will have a Master of Ceremonies to keep the audience in order and you will probably see old time favourite performers as well as new faces to entertain you. **GO/NO GO by February 2021**



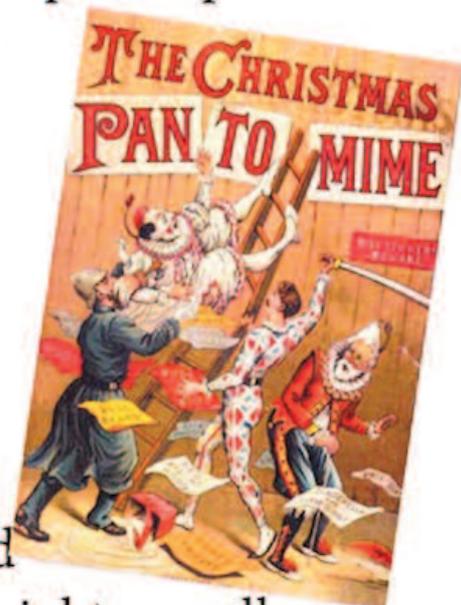
2. A Shot in the Dark. June 2021

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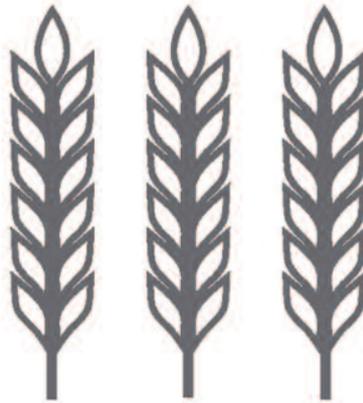
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September's Advice Column

I am aged 77 and have been told I will have to start paying for a television licence as new rules which came into effect on 1 August 2020 mean free television licences are limited to over 75s receiving Pension Credit.

I receive a small state pension, live alone and find paying all my bills a struggle. The television is a lifeline to me, and I do not know how I will pay for a licence. Am I eligible to claim Pension Credit?

It is always a good idea to check. Pension Credit is an income-related benefit aimed at people over state pension age offering a top-up to their income.

There are two types of Pension Credit: Guarantee Credit and Savings Credit. To be eligible for Guarantee Pension Credit, you must have reached state pension age (currently rising from 65 to 66 for men and women). Since 15 May 2019, most couples will only be able to start claiming if both partners have reached state pension age. If you receive income less than £173.75 a week for a single person or £265.20 for a couple, you may be eligible to claim Guarantee Pension Credit. This amount could be higher if you're disabled, a carer or have certain housing costs. On top of that you may also get help with rent, a reduction in your council tax, a warm home discount worth £140 a year, help with the cost of glasses and contact lenses, help with travel costs to and from hospital, and if you are aged 75 or over a free television licence worth £157.50.

You can only get Savings Credit if you reached State Pension age before 6 April 2016, or you have a partner who reached State Pension age before this date and was already receiving it.

With this type of help available it's more important than ever to check you're not missing out on Pension Credit. Lots of people could be missing out on Pension Credit because they wrongly think it isn't meant for them. It only takes a few minutes to check to see if you qualify. Citizens Advice will be able to help you do a check and help you claim. It's a good idea to gather details of earnings, benefits, pensions and savings and investments before you contact them so that you have the information to hand.

If you would like a pension credit check or need help or information about another issue, you can telephone Sudbury & District Citizens Advice on 01787 321400 (answerphone) leave a message and someone will call you back. We will attempt three times to call you back, so please expect a call from a withheld number.

Alternatively, telephone Suffolk Adviceline on 0300 330 1151 from Monday to Thursday between 10am and 3pm or the national Adviceline on 03444 111 444 from Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm.

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Please note we are no longer seeing clients face to face until further notice

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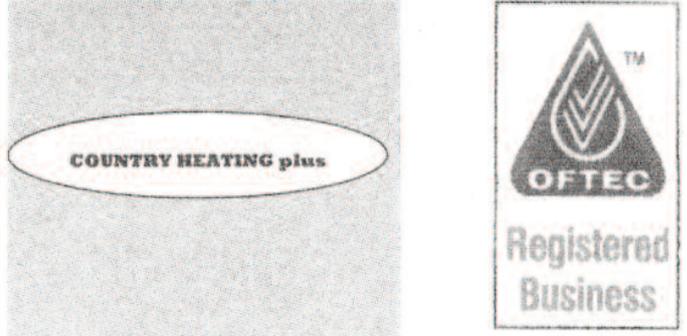
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FEEDBACK FROM JAMES FINCH

Your Suffolk County Councillor for the Stour Valley

➤ **COVID-19 related news: Testing update in Suffolk** – from Stuart Keeble, Director of Public Health Suffolk: “There is currently a high national demand for testing. As a result, Suffolk residents may experience difficulty in securing a test. Given this current situation. **More tests are made available throughout the day at www.nhs.uk or by calling NHS 119.**

If you can't get a test? If you have difficulty getting a test on Day 1 of having Covid-19 symptoms, or the location or time are not convenient, be patient and try again a few hours later or the next day. You must get tested in within 5 days of first experiencing Covid-19 symptoms. Public Health Suffolk is currently working with partners and the Suffolk Health Protection Board to explore how we can increase testing capacity, particularly for key workers in Suffolk.

➤ **Preparations are finalised for SCC funded school travel for the new school term**
Suffolk County Council (SCC) have made preparations to ensure all pupils who are eligible for SCC funded school travel are transported to school safely for the start of term. SCC transports approximately 12,000 pupils, which is around 12% of the school population.

On 11 August 2020, the Department for Education published official guidance on the measures that need to be in place to ensure that school transport is COVID-19 safe. SCC have been working closely with bus operators and schools to put these into place.

There are three types of school transport that children travel on - either a dedicated closed contract, shared route, or public transport route. The guidelines for these routes are slightly different.

The majority of eligible pupils travel to school on dedicated, closed routes. This means that the vehicle only carries school children. On these routes, social distancing will not apply. There will be other measures in place to ensure pupils' safety. For example, children need to make sure they wash their hands before and after travelling, and no eating and drinking will be allowed on these vehicles. Face coverings are also recommended for children aged 11 and over.

Some children travel to school on shared routes. This is where most passengers are pupils going to school or college, but there are also a few members of the public travelling on the vehicle. SCC have worked closely with operators to ensure that there is enough space on these shared transport routes. Pupils should observe social distancing guidelines with members of the public and sit in the seats marked; they can sit next to members of their family or fellow pupils. On these routes, face coverings will be mandatory unless a child is exempt from wearing one, in line with guidance.

For pupils who travel to school by public transport, where routes are used mainly by the general public, social distancing will apply and face coverings will be mandatory unless the child is exempt from wearing one.

For pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) most of their routes are dedicated, so this means there is little change to their transport. Where changes are being made, we are getting in touch with the families to explain the arrangements for the new term.

A child must not travel on any of these routes if anyone in their household has symptoms of COVID-19, which are a new persistent cough, high temperature and/or a change in their sense of taste or smell. If the child or anyone in the household has these symptoms, then public health advice should be followed as usual.

Spare seats - Planning school transport has been complex, as SCC has to plan transport across the three types of school travel routes. This involves, trying to predict how many fare-paying passengers there will be on shared and public routes. This has an impact on dedicated routes and how many spare seats will be available. We may need to use some of the spare seats for entitled pupils, but this will not be known straightaway. Therefore, spare seats will still be unavailable, to enable SCC to monitor capacity. Parents will be able to apply for spare seats from October half-term, subject to availability.

➤ **Working together to ensure a safe start to the new school year**

This is a paraphrase of an article by Councillor Mary Evans, Cabinet Member for Children's Services, Education and Skills; published 25 August 2020.

“The start of the new school year can present challenges for families and schools alike. The prospect of walking back through the school gates for the first time since mid-March may feel both exciting and daunting.

COVID-19 has impacted on all of us in different ways and for many children and young people this has affected their education, with thousands not being in school for five months. Parents and carers across Suffolk have done a wonderful job educating their children at home. I thank them for all their hard work. It is important that we get children back into schools, nurseries, and colleges as it is the best place for their education and wellbeing.

I would like to reassure them that we have been working very closely with schools to make sure safety measures are in place for the start of the new term. These include staggered start times, staggered breaktimes, increased hygiene and children remaining in consistent groups. These steps will all contribute to minimising the risk, while allowing teachers to get back to teaching children. Each school is different and will have put specific systems in place, based on individual risk assessments. School leaders will be in contact with parents prior to the start of term to advise on the arrangements. If parents do have any concerns, I would recommend they have a conversation with their school.

I would like to thank leaders and teachers across the childcare and education sector for the huge part they have played in the COVID-19 pandemic response and their hard work in getting everything organised and ready for the start of term. I wish children and young people and all school staff the very best as they return for the new school year.”

FEEDBACK FROM BRYN HURREN

Your Babergh District Councillor

I am writing this report while listening to Ipswich Town's first home league match of the season which seems so strange as I would normally be listening and watching from the stands.

This will be just one of the many changes in all our lives that we will have to handle and come to terms with along with a more cautious way of living and engaging with friends and others. The biggest change for myself is the lack of personal engagement which I miss and the new remote engagement with constituents and council officers alike which does work well but just takes some getting used to, it can also be harder to get a point of view across or to always judge how sincere another person is without seeing the whites of their eyes.

While I personally have always been largely non political in my council role I am finding it ever more increasingly difficult to do so in the face of such deteriorating standards from our government who seem to be ever more inept and unable to show leadership, competence or even a modicum of humility or common sense. What ever has happened to our proud country and the democracy that we used to value so highly? It is a fool who blunders on despite scenes of mayhem and increasing dissent and I feel so sorry for my many friends who are silenced in total disbelief at what we as a nation have become.

On a local and district level, I have to try to concentrate on seeing that Babergh council continue to do the best job that they can and to somehow serve the people who need our services and dedication. Unlike national government we are not allowed to run a deficit budget and we have to count every penny and would not dare to squander and waste money on false promises and sub-standard products and white elephants. Also, our standards are regulated well and quickly called out if we fall short in any way. Such a difference and breath of fresh air.

Planning and development are still at the forefront of all our minds as we try to get to grips with the new government white paper which could see the number of required houses to be built in Babergh almost double. If these were to be local houses for local people it might be welcomed, but large houses for highest bidders worries me greatly and will be difficult to fit in.

Another worry is the lack of real attention to our environment and global warming which is now reaching the point of no return, while easy to preach and for individuals to live differently, it has to come from the top to make real decisions to secure any sort of secure and comfortable future for us on this planet.

All very frightening I know but please all help me to make these points to those that represent us at a higher level. Our MPS and even government ministers are all contactable at the House of Commons for everyone to make their voices heard.

May all your Gods be with you whoever he or she may be. Bryn.
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➤ **Suffolk celebrates 1,000 miles of newly surfaced roads**

Suffolk Highways has completed its 1,000th resurfaced mile, following the Council's commitment to relay new road surfaces on a quarter of Suffolk's road network over 4 years. In April 2017, Suffolk County Council's Cabinet committed to resurfacing 1,000 miles of road across Suffolk over a four-year period; in a bid to improve the quality of roads, reduce the number of potholes and to help stop potholes from forming in the first place.

The commitment also makes sound financial sense, as preventing the deterioration of road surfaces by machine surfacing or surface dressing helps reduce the need to spend more money on reactive maintenance repairing potholes now, and in future years. The 1,000th mile was laid at Horham Road in Eye on Tuesday 4 August 2020.

➤ **Suffolk and Norfolk businesses set for extra boost for apprentices**

Apprenticeships Suffolk and Apprenticeships Norfolk are launching a reward package, Recruit Retain Reward, providing £1,000 grants for businesses taking on new and/or redundant young apprentices, aged 16-24.

In a bid to give small and medium-sized Suffolk and Norfolk businesses as much support as possible, the project aims to offer a flexible 'Apprenticeship Incentive Fund' of £1000, giving businesses a boost to recruit their workforce for the future. Employers who take on apprentices can experience a wide range of benefits. Developing apprentices' skills to be relevant to the organisation, along with improved productivity, better quality of product or service, and higher staff morale are benefits highlighted by around three-quarters of employers. More than 8 out of 10 employers recommend an apprenticeship to others - Data source: GOV.UK publications

The new incentive scheme across Suffolk and Norfolk, will complement and enhance the new Government apprenticeship incentives announced recently by the chancellor Rishi Sunak (£2,000 for 16-24, £1,500 for 25+), and also the existing age incentives of £1,000 for 16-18s (19-24 with an Education Health Care plan).

In addition to the one-off financial payment, there will also be continued support for organisations who are new to apprenticeships. A collection of online resources is being created to support businesses employing an apprentice for the first time. This includes practical guidance and useful information from existing, local apprenticeship ambassadors to help add real value to the business.

It is hoped that the project, which is sponsored by the East of England Employer Ambassador Apprenticeship Network, will encourage apprenticeship starts across Suffolk and Norfolk, post COVID-19. Apprenticeships Suffolk and Apprenticeships Norfolk provide an impartial service to all employers, providers, apprentices and stakeholders. Further details of the project can be found here: www.apprenticeshipssuffolk.org

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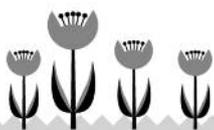

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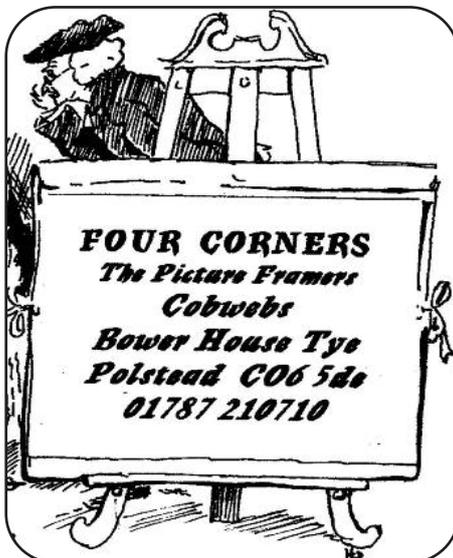
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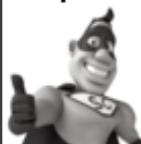
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Put into bat, visitors Edwardstone were in all sorts of trouble at 37 for 6, courtesy of some rash strokes and accurate bowling by David 'Tabs' Willis who took four of the wickets, all bowled, and two smart catches at gully by Ed England. A last-wicket partnership of 17 by old-stagers Tim Bevan and Ray Gibbons helped lift the total to 73, but extras still top-scored with 17. Willis finished with figures of 4 for 8 from 6 overs.

With 40 overs to score the 74 needed for victory, Milden's opening batsmen, Andrew Simmons and Ed Peters, were unfazed by a slow start, scoring only four runs from their first six overs. A clatter of wickets then saw the home side slip to 22 for six before an innings of 22 by Tom Offord partnered, initially by captain Alex Cunningham (7) and then Tabs Willis (19 not out), took Milden to the brink of victory. However, with the scores level, Offord was bowled by Tim Bevan and England went the same way next ball: 73 for nine. Matt Archer survived the hat-trick ball and in the next over Willis hit the winning boundary to loud cheers from the boundary. For Edwardstone, Sam Whymark finished with the impressive bowling figures of 10-8-3-3.



Edwardstone's Ray Gibbons hands the cup to Milden's captain Alex Cunningham



Above: Milden's 9th wicket falls with one run still needed

Bottom Right: Edwardstone's Sam Whymark bowling



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