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The Parish Magazine

For Higham, Stratford St Mary, Raydon and Holton St Mary

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Quartet Diary

Details of events can be found within the magazine.

October

- Green Gym, Holton
- Harvest Festival - Holton
Harvest Festival - SSM
Teas at Raydon Church
- Raydon Fair Trade Coffee Morning
- Raydon Club
- Social Club Holton
FFOTM Lunch Club Holton
SSM Chapel Children and Youth Clubs
- HSM Quiz Night
- Harvest Festival - Raydon
Harvest Festival - Higham
SVAM Concert - SSM
- Raydon Parish Council Meeting
- Raydon Club
- Social Club, Holton
SSM Chapel Children and Youth Clubs
- Raydon Club
- Slow Stitch Holton
- Social Club Holton
SSM Chapel Children and Youth Clubs
- Coffee Morning SSM
Raydon Club
- R&GDC Meeting

- Social Club, Holton
SSM Chapel Children and Youth Clubs

November

- Raydon Fair Trade Coffee Morning
- Raydon Club
- FFOTM Lunch Club Holton
HSM Bonfire Night
SSM Chapel Children and Youth Clubs
- Raydon Bonfire Night
Green Gym - Holton
- HSM Parish Council Meeting
Raydon Club
- Social Club - Holton
SSM Chapel Children and Youth Clubs
- SSM Parish Council Meeting
- Raydon Club
- Slow Stitch - Holton
Higham Village Meeting
- Social Club - Holton
SSM Chapel Children and Youth Clubs
- Raydon Club
- R&GDC Social Evening/AGM
Higham PCC meeting
- Raydon England V USA live stream

Editors Corner

As we finalise the Quartet for another month, the country is mourning the loss of our monarch and one of the most steadfast and faithful people any of us are likely to have known. We will perhaps be able to use a bit of space next month to commemorate her reign more fully. Please do email us if you have any remembrances that you would like to share.

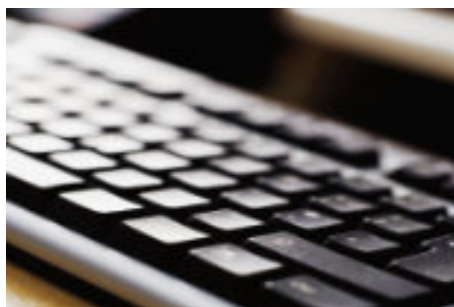
You may be a little surprised at the face appearing on the front cover this month, but there is a good reason! Harriet is sitting in front of the machine that has helped her move from poverty to a successful business woman - thanks to the Charity TWAM (Tools with a Mission) A speaker from the charity will be at Higham's Harvest Festival on Sunday 9th October. Although money goes a long way, they ask for tools such as sewing machines and garden implements that they ship out to places such as Lusaka to give practical help to communities - see more on page 12.

Our good wishes as well as to the Royal Family, go to Dave our Quartet distributor this month as he recovers from a recent hip operation. He has been wonderful over the last few months delivering the Quartet despite being in considerable pain. We wish him a speedy recovery. Thanks too to Jenny, Richard and Jeanette who have been helping out - and may well have delivered this edition too!

Happy reading

Anne and Jane.

Articles for the Quartet are included if we have room, and if, in the opinion of the editors, they are of general interest to our readers. Please remember all articles will be subject to editing. We prefer you to contact us via email where possible.



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Stratford St Mary

Parish Room

We are open for business, subject to any government restrictions of course.

Please contact John Taylor on 01206 323908 for details and to book.

Coffee Morning

We have recommenced the monthly coffee mornings which take place on the fourth Wednesday of every month.

10.30 am in the Parish Room Do come along and socialise - £2.00pp. Money raised to date has contributed to the purchase of chairs and garden furniture for the Parish Room

STRATFORD ST MARY INSTITUTE HALL

Please note that requests should be made through the bookings email address: ssminstitute.bookings@gmail.com Information supplied to book should include a name with contact details and the nature of the event.

This results in a natural queuing system which ensures that first come is first served. I check this address every day and will respond accordingly.

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In Stratford

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www.hallfarmshop.com

The mobile pizza co - 07982 427483

ABC Preschool - 01206 322466

Kate Baines, Virtual Assistant - 07799 391343

Orwell Electrical - 01206 322969

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Jackson Plumbing and Heating -
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maker. www.germain.co.uk

Gary Moye, plasterer - 07807 314911



Parish Maintenance

The Stratford St Mary Parish Council are seeking the services of someone to undertake general maintenance work around the Parish, as and when required. The work could include: footpath clearance; cutting back vegetation; repair and preservation of infrastructure items (e.g. benches, bus shelters and fences) and the occasional installation/ relocation of waste bins.

The current hourly rate is £15.00. (Cost of required materials reimbursed) Applications should be sent to

parishcouncil@stratfordstmary.org.uk



Dog fouling is unpleasant for all who are unlucky enough to come across it. It is illegal and those owners who don't attempt to clear it could face a fine. The green litter bins can be used for dog bags and there are also four bins in the village exclusively for dog mess.

Most owners do clear up, but please make sure you are not the one who isn't bothering.

Also if you're passing through private land, make sure you keep your dog on the path, on a lead. Especially on the track beside the Swan.



Stratford St Mary

Community Fireworks Display

Saturday 5th November 2022

Stratford St Mary Primary School (Playing Field)

Gates open at 6pm

Online Tickets now available from www.ssmfireworks.co.uk




[@ssmfireworks](https://www.instagram.com/ssmfireworks)

(Please note that due to popularity and restriction on numbers this is a ticket only event so please purchase in advance to avoid disappointment)

THE DEDHAM EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Trustees invite applications from residents in the Parishes of Ardleigh, Bradfield, Dedham, Great Bromley and Stratford St. Mary for financial grants that are available in the following categories:

Secondary Schools & Sixth Form

Colleges Applicants must be at least 12 years old on the 1st August in the year of application.

Universities & Colleges of Further Education

Applicants must have lived in one, or more, of the five Parishes for at least 2 years prior to the application date. For an application form, or further details, please contact the Clerk to the Foundation, Mrs. Claire Arculus, at dedhamefclerk@gmail.com or 07752201441.

Closing date for applications:- 31st October 2022.

SSM Parish Council Meetings

14 November

LITTLE SPARKS

(Mums and Tots)

at

Stratford St Mary Chapel

9am - 11am every Wednesday
(Term Time)

Donation Request: £1 per family

Contact Beckie for more information at
sparksandignition@gmail.com

Have you considered joining the Community Speedwatch Team? We are still looking for volunteers who can spare an hour or so a week?



Speeding is a general problem. In Stratford St Mary we reported 519 vehicles speeding in the first 6 months of this year

In Dedham, the Speedwatch Team reported 1,453 drivers at speeds up to 65mph in the 30mph limits for the same period

In June alone, 3 families had to deal with the loss of a loved one on Essex roads and a further 70 families are having to adjust their lives to deal with a serious injuries.

Speeding is the biggest single cause of road traffic accidents and our rural roads have the highest level of serious accidents.

Please call the Scheme Co-ordinator Bill Davies on 01206 322990 or email billdav@hotmail.com to discuss further

HELP !

Your help is urgently required in assisting in the running of the Parish Room.

If you can help in any way then, please phone Don Umfreville on 01206 322 626.



Stratford St Mary Community Trust

The Trust's function is to manage certain properties bequeathed to the Parish, with the objective that any surplus income be used to provide short term financial help to Parish residents who may find themselves in temporary financial difficulty for whatever reason. This remit includes a particular focus on situations where individuals might require assistance to get into paid employment or transition to new skills.

If you are resident in the Parish of Stratford St Mary and find yourself in such difficulty, or you become aware of someone else who is, remember the Trust and contact us on:

Telephone: 07850668064

E-mail: trust@stratford-st-mary.org

We may be able to help.

All such contact will be in strictest confidence.

Board of Trustees
Stratford St Mary Community Trust (SsMCT)



STRATFORD ST MARY RAMBLING CLUB

Invite you to join them on their walks. Distances vary from 4 to 5 miles with shorter evening walks in the summer. Do join us on our walks

For more information, please phone Don Umfreville 01206 322626



Winners of SSM 100 Club

The winners of the September 100 club draw are

39 Derek Robinson £50
82 Michael Gotelee £10

For just £1 per month be in with a chance of winning £50.

All surplus funds go towards the upkeep of the Institute Hall. Each member can hire the hall for free once a year.

Contact either Norman Woodard on Norman.woodard@fatbloaters.com or Phil Brown on philipbrown123@hotmail.co.uk for details

Stratford Chapel

Upper Street, Stratford St. Mary

Pastor: Mr. Adrian Gates

Youth and Children's Pastors: Jamie & Beckie Wyncoll

We are an independent mainstream Evangelical Church of around 60 people encompassing and providing for all age groups. We particularly specialise in the areas of Children's and Youth work, Bible Teaching and Evangelism.

Services and Groups:

Every Sunday:

10.30am Morning Worship and Junior Church

6.30pm Church Prayer Meeting

8.00pm Bible Teaching Group (currently on Zoom)

Monday: 8.00pm House Group (on Zoom)

Tuesday: 7.30pm Discipleship Group (at the Chapel)

8.00pm House Group (on Zoom)

Friday: 5.00pm "Sparks" Children's Club for ages 7 – 11 (at the Chapel)

7.30pm "Ignition" Youth Club for ages 12 – 16 (at the Chapel)

Other activities will be re-commenced shortly.

Web-site: stratfordstmarychapel.com

Enquiries: Children's & Youth: Jamie & Beckie (01206 323095) email: Beckie.w@live.com

General enquiries: Maggie Chapman (01473 311436)



Following the amalgamation of Village Life with the Jubilee planning group, we will be moving forward under the Village Life banner and will aim to keep the village community (*and others!*) up to date with plans and ideas for future events.

Dates for your diary!

- **Sunday 2nd October 11am -** Harvest Service 10am in the church followed by ploughman's lunch. Food donations are encouraged [*non-perishable please*] and will be given to the Colchester Food Bank (*details of shortage items required are given on their website*)
- **Sunday 9th October 3-5pm** in the church. Concert arranged by the Stour Valley Arts & Music Society featuring Kammerphilharmonie Europa
- **Friday 2nd December 7.30pm -** Village Quiz Night at the Institute Hall [teams of 6 or join a team on the night]
- **Tuesday 20th December 6pm -** Community Carol Singing - on The Millennium Green
Looking ahead to next year...

- 'Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat' - sing-along event (details to follow)
- Village Ball at The Talbooth (Black Tie) Friday 26th May (provisional date)
- Summer Fair / village picnic Saturday July 15th - including games / evening party / BBQ / karaoke
Interested in getting involved? - email us at: villagelife@stratford-st-mary.org and/or come along to our next planning meeting on Tuesday 15th November at 7.30 pm in the Parish Room.

Higham

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In Higham

Brett Valley installations - Oil boiler
servicer - 01206 337316

HC Smith Builders - 07468 456772

Derek Allen Fresh Fish (Thursdays)
07967 755771

Rmk Chisnall - mower repairs 07557
771721

Higham Church Maintenance Morning – Saturday 8th October

We are planning an Autumn cleaning and maintenance day at the church for Saturday 8th October between 9.30am and 1pm.

There are a variety of indoor and outdoor jobs to be done and we would be very grateful for some help from anyone who can spare a bit of time on Saturday morning.

Refreshments will be provided.

Many Thanks.

Harvest Festival and Lunch – Sunday 9th October

As you can see from the adjoining notice (see next page), there is a Harvest Festival service with guest speaker in the Church on Sunday 9th October at **11am**.

As in past years (at least, pre Covid!), there will be a lunch and refreshments in a marquee in the churchyard afterwards. This is an informal occasion which provides an opportunity for old and new families to the village to meet.

Everyone is welcome to the service, or to join us for the lunch which will begin a bit after **12 noon**. A £10 donation for adults for the lunch will be gratefully received and any children will be free of charge. Please let Caroline Parker 01206 337234, Jo Hutchison 07970 782087 or Caroline Lloyd 07790 012098 know in advance if you would like to come to the lunch.

Quiz & Curry Evening – Saturday 26th November

Please save the date for the 2022 Quiz & Curry evening to be held in the church on the evening of Saturday 26th November, with quizmasters Roger Finbow and Nathan Crame. Further details to follow.



Harvest in the 4-Mary's Benefice

This year harvest will be celebrated in our villages over the first two weekends in October

Sunday 2nd October

Holton St Mary - 10am Harvest Communion
Stratford St Mary - 11am Harvest Worship followed by a simple Harvest Lunch in Church

Sunday 9th October

Raydon - 10am Harvest Communion

Higham - 11am Harvest Worship including a speaker from **TWAM** (Tools with A Mission) followed by a Harvest Lunch.

Stratford St Mary - 3pm SVAM Concert with the Kammerphilharmonie Europa – Repertoire to include works by Corelli, Bach, Elgar, Rachmaninov and Mozart.

Donations of non-perishable foods for the local foodbanks may be brought to all of our services. Collections from the services to be split 50% to Ukraine Appeal and 50% to the churches where they are held.

We hope you will be able to join us!



We are delighted to welcome Jan Brown to the

Harvest Festival Service in St. Mary's, Higham on Sunday 9th October at 11am.

He will talk about the aims of the charity and how we can provide practical help and assist this charity based in Ipswich.

'TWAM are a Christian charity that collects unwanted usable tools, refurbishes them, sorts them into trade tool kits and sends them to the developing world for livelihood creation'.

They send around 16 containers filled with a total of around 225 tonnes of tools every year. These tools range from sewing machines and knitting machines to carpentry tools and mechanics tools and garden implements.

To find out more ahead of the service please visit www.twam.uk

Do please come along and stay for the Harvest Lunch afterwards.

(Please contact Hugo Parker for further details about the lunch)



Raydon



In Raydon

Blackwell Barn Holiday Let -
www.cottages.com

Phil Avery Electrician 01473 311261

Ashley Short Carpentry 01473 311226

Gordon Short Decorator 01473 313053

SW Stiff Builders - 07811 005241

Earth&Turf Garden Services -
07922078241

DIY Livery - 07710 540926

Infusion Grill - 07584 573474

Swift Garden Services - 07947 322429

Rheal Coatings - 07539 377740

Franklyn Nevard - Architect 07515
351894

Fresh Eggs - Roadside stall Fox Farm

Katie's Little Beauty Box - 07802
847628

Tarbins Bakes and Cakes - 07922
129825

St Mary's Church, Raydon



Teas, Teas, Teas

Sunday 2nd October

St Mary's Church Raydon
3.00 – 5.00pm
Come and join us!



Poppy Appeal 2022

Collections for the 2022 Poppy Appeal will take place through the village from 27th October.

As well as poppies, collectors will have enamel badges, poppies for cars, wristbands, rulers and other items on offer. Remembrance Sunday is on 13th November 2022.

Thank you in advance for any donation you are able to make.

Mike Faulkner, local appeal organiser



*Raydon Community Lunch Club *

Lunch Club has moved until Raydon has a new Village Hall. Lunch club will be held at Holton St Mary.

We have changed the day to a Wednesday.

Autumn is here, so it's time for comfort food. We had Apple and Blackberry crumble, with locally foraged fruit, which was delicious.

We offer a two course lunch with tea and cake for £3.50 per person, A good raffle and lots of laughter

Everyone welcome, open to any villagers, in and around Raydon.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 12th October
Wednesday 9th November
Wednesday 14th December

To book email
raydonlunchclub@gmail.com
Telephone 07999018049
Hadliegh Road
Holton St Mary
CO76NW

Lunch served at 12.30pm
We look forward to seeing you.

LIVE SCREENING OF SPORTING EVENTS AT RAYDON PAVILION

Following successful trials, Raydon Pavilion is planning to host regular sporting evenings with live broadcasts of selected matches.

The bar will be open from 7:00pm offering a draught ale, in addition to the usual range of bottled / canned beers, wines and spirits. Entry is free for Raydon Sports & Social Club members (membership open to village residents).

Other planned events this year will include England's matches in the Football World Cup and next year we hope to broaden things out to show 6 Nations Rugby, FA Cup Football and Wimbledon Tennis.



DOG FOULING

Dog fouling in the village, and particularly on King George's Field, is on the rise. To combat this anti-social behaviour, the Parish Council have recently paid for and installed an additional dog bin to give owners leaving the playing field at each exit point the facilities needed but some owners are still not clearing up after their pets. We do ask that owners who enjoy walking their dogs in the village also respect the village. Additional signage has been installed, highlighting that it is an offence not to clear up after your dog, with a fine of £1,000 on conviction. Be warned!



NEWS FROM KING GEORGE'S FIELD TRUSTEES

As many of you may know the Raydon pavilion was erected in 2000 by a dedicated group of residents. The building is actually made up of several portable structures bolted together. These date back to the 1980's and unfortunately a recent survey, undertaken by a qualified surveyor, has uncovered corrosion to the metal subframe which means the building now has a very limited life expectancy. We are therefore facing an urgent need to develop a new building to ensure that the village is not left without a community space and so that we can all continue to enjoy the many varied activities which currently take place in the pavilion. A new structure will benefit us all and be there for future generations to enjoy.

We hope to keep everyone informed on how our plans are progressing by posting regular updates, especially as we start to talk with architects to draw up some concepts. We anticipate this project will require significant investment both in time and money with the potential cost likely to be in excess of £500,000 based on current estimates of building costs. Funds will need to be sourced from several different organisations and bodies to achieve this and the trustees are currently in discussions with a number of potential funding sources including the Village Hall Committee to try and pull together the budget needed.

Against this background, we have decided it does not make sense to spend what very limited funds we have on upgrading the

current facilities (toilets, kitchens etc) as it is unlikely this could be transferred to a new building.

We welcome any feedback and suggestions you may have so please do speak with any one of the trustees - we all live in the village and are happy to talk with you. The current registered trustees are:

Sue Newton
Nev Davenport
Mark Smout
Stephen Coe
Jo Brothers
Helen Abel



Fair Trade coffee morning

We had a very select Fair Trade coffee morning on September 6th the weather being very kind to us again. Several of our regulars were either on holiday, had hospital appointments, were in hospital or were recovering from a wedding with guests still staying with them.

We had a lovely selection of cakes and scones again but sadly we were without our "Frinton Friends". We send very good wishes to them and hope to see them again soon.

Cindy was searching out people who had not yet sponsored her "Team" of exercise bike riders for the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust ride on September 10th. This is an important event both for our Church and the Trust as we share the funds raised. I hope everyone who took part either on bicycle or vintage car had a lovely time and we look forward to hearing how you got on and how much you all managed to raise.

Do come along to our next Fair Trade coffee morning on October 4th when we hope for yet another warm and sunny day. Many thanks as usual

Wendy Mumford

Raydon and District Garden Club

October is a month of change, both in temperature's (cooler) especially at night, and colours fading. The fantastic greens from Spring through Summer start in Autumn to go from green to yellows, orange, reds & bronze & then they drop off and cover the ground. Frosts and stronger winds of course can shorten this very colourful time of year. I am sure most of us when school children loved walking through the leaves & possibly still enjoy this simple pleasure so enjoy it when the time comes again.

Another change which happens in autumn is nature which by now is providing for birds & mammals to fatten up for winters worst, flowers have finished but seed heads if left are essential for the smaller birds & mammals so don't be in a hurry to "TIDY UP". Nature needs our help for survival, & of course we need nature for our survival in the future.

Autumn is still a great time for walking out & about especially in the wider countryside but of course the daylight is getting shorter. As writing these notes we have had almost 1in rain over September. Nowhere near enough that's needed, but some better than none, however the lawns are just starting to turn green again since May & dare I mention you might soon be cutting the grass once again.

I am sure I speak on behalf of all members to say how saddened we all have been over the loss of our wonderful Queen Elizabeth. Her Majesty enjoyed gardening & especially loved roses as possibly most of us gardeners do. The good news is that King Charles III also loves gardens, with his "Highgrove House" garden when seen on TV has always been inspirational, also his strong support for nature countrywide. Long may that continue & "God save the King".

Our last meeting in September was hopefully a successful gardening evening on a subject called "Call of the Wild" (appropriate at this time especially) by Jan Michalak, based on William Robinson of Gravetide Manor.

Unfortunately, because of Quartet printing deadlines (19th of each month) it's always before any of our meetings so we are always playing catch up on news.

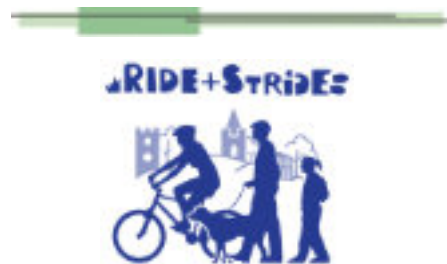
As you read these notes in October our next meeting will be on Thursday 27th by guest speaker Ian Limmer from Peter Beales Roses highlighting Climbers and Ramblers. This should be a very interesting & informative evening & you will be able to ask those very important questions about anything "Roses". I am sure it will be a great evening once again & hopefully we have a full house in support. Refreshments & raffle will be available as usual. Donated raffles prizes are always welcome & gratefully accepted & raffles each month help to improve our funding & play a part in allowing us to get such good speakers & very interesting subjects for us all to enjoy.

Advance news is already bringing us to November & on Thursday 24th it will be our social evening with short AGM (max 1/2 hour) once again.



Just a reminder that if any of you members have either a favourite subject or speaker you would like your committee to consider for next year (2023) please let Darren Andrews know or tell any committee member as soon as possible. We are now looking to book 2023 events, dates, guest speakers, shows including judges, hopefully garden visits & coach outing (none since 2019). Your committee are always looking ahead which means you members always get to enjoy all events. Information for all new members: November is the last evening meeting for 2022 (winter break Dec & Jan) & membership renewal for next year is payable, also of course if joining the club for the first time. Paying in advance means we know what funds we have available & helps us decide which guest speakers we can afford. More members, more funds, good quality speakers & many more enjoyable evenings for all members.

Looking forward to your continued support for R&DGC into 2023.
Geoff Horrex. 310422 / 07810086143



Bike Ride in Margaret's Memory.

Well, after accepting the challenge again, we managed to do **100 miles** on Margaret's exercise bike and raised £710. Our effort would be no good without the sponsorship and support of friends and neighbours, so thank you all very much. Cindy and family.

Notice of Vacancy In Office of Councillor

PARISH OF RAYDON

Notice is hereby given

that a casual vacancy has arisen in the Office of Councillor for the Parish Council. If by 5th October 2022 a request for an election to fill said vacancy is made in writing to the Returning Officer at the address below by TEN electors for the said Parish, an election will be held to fill the said vacancy, otherwise the vacancy will be filled by co-option.

If an election is called, it will take place not later than 8th December 2022.
Dated 14th September 2022

Proper Officer

RAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Clerk Jane Cryer	01473 824287
raydonpc@gmail.com	
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Councillor Faith Backhouse	07999 018049
Councillor Keith Lovering	07939 075143
Councillor Jim Lowe	01473 313094
or 07923 546669	
Councillor Amanda Pyall	07925 108373
Councillor Jayne Tann	01473 828283
or 07887 767478	
Councillor Jo Brothers	07875 329901
Councillor Colin Chapman	07731 477971

RAYDON PARISH COUNCIL

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2022
(all at 7.30pm in the KGF Pavilion)

Please refer to website below

NB: if you would like to see copies of the minutes of any Raydon Parish Council meetings, please visit www.raydonpc.org, or contact Jane Cryer, Parish Clerk.



Raydon Village Presents

Bonfire Night

at King George's Playing Field, Raydon

Saturday
November
5th

Bonfire lighting
at approx.

7pm

Please kindly
DONATE
to our buckets

Firework Display
Bonfire
BBQ & Bar

Burgers, hotdogs &
vegetarian/vegan options
will be available.

*let's Get
Party &
Warmth*

BULLET POINTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PC MEETING HELD ON 13 SEPTEMBER 2022

- Babergh DC**
 Cllr Ward confirmed the discretionary fund for those unable to access financial support through the Council Tax Energy Rebate Scheme had now closed. Babergh was planning to allocate a dedicated Locality Officer to groups of parish councils.
- Suffolk CC**
 Cllr Hall said SCC was working on a list of ways to help residents with the energy crisis.
- Parish trees, hedgerows and wildflowers scheme**
 Cllr Ward confirmed that this scheme was not the same as Babergh's own trial of wildflower verges - part of an effort to tackle biodiversity and climate change. It was agreed to consider trees and hedgerows when the 2023 scheme was launched. In the meantime, the Clerk would apply to Babergh for some wildflower seed mixes.
- Fireworks**
 It was agreed to make a donation towards the annual KGF fireworks display on 5 November; this had been allowed for in the budget.
- Lga Councillor Code of Conduct**
 It was agreed to formally adopt the new LGA Councillor Code of Conduct. It was also agreed to consider putting in place a Social Media policy.
- CIL expenditure**
 It was agreed that addressing speeding through the village was a priority and the October meeting would consider the purchase of a Speed Indication Device (SID) - a speed survey would be required before any action could be taken; Cllr Hall said she might be able to help with some locality funding. In the meantime, JC would write to the KGF Trustees to ask for their views on new play equipment for the Playing Field, and possibly some fencing to keep dogs away from the play area.
- Insurance**
 The Clerk's paper was noted; the current insurers had withdrawn from the market and she had obtained three alternative quotes. It was agreed to accept the quotation from Zurich Municipal for twelve months commencing 1 October 2022.
- Litter bin for Playing Field**
 It was agreed that, subject to approval from the KGF Trustees, the Parish Council would purchase a litter bin for the Playing Field.
- War Memorial**
 It was agreed in principle that the War Memorial should be cleaned professionally before Remembrance Sunday; the Clerk would obtain quotes.
- Resignation**
 It was noted that Trevor Sayer had resigned as a Parish Councillor, owing to increased business commitments. The Notice of Vacancy from Babergh would be displayed for the requisite period before considering co-option.

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Slow Stitch

The Slow Stitch group is meeting again on the third Thursday of the month at 2 - 4pm in the Village hall, Holton St Mary. Whether you sew, knit, crochet, embroider, or enjoy tapestry, you are all welcome to join our drop-in group. We are not providing refreshments at the moment but you are welcome to bring along a cup of tea.

The aim of the group is to take our time as we enjoy stitching and we are happy to help beginners. Thank you for all the donations of wool that the group have received this summer. This is much appreciated as we complete a number of community projects to support the Marie Curie Charity and Women's Refuge in Ipswich.

For more information contact Jeanette Appleton 07768418942

First Friday of the Month Lunch Club



On the first Friday of every month there is a Lunch Club in the Village Hall for past and present residents of the village of Holton St Mary. All ages welcome!

A Light Lunch will be served between 12.30 - 2.00 pm at a cost of £3.50 per head.

NEXT LUNCH

If you would like to join us for lunch please contact

Frances Torrington: 312046/
familytorrington@btinternet.com
or

Sally Thurlow: 312080/
salthurlow@gmail.com

We are also looking for volunteers to help run the lunches and help on the day.

Holton St Mary Village Hall

The Hall is back in use and taking bookings again. Please contact Tanya Kunz on 01473 311570

Holton St Mary Social Club Update

It has been a busy few months for the Holton St Mary Social Club with a very successful Platinum Jubilee celebration held on the 4th June on the millennium green. The bulk of the costs were covered by the Holton St Mary Social Club and it was wonderful to see so many of the village turn out to celebrate. There was also the progressive dinner held on 9th July throughout the village. A huge thank you to everyone that took part in these events to make them a huge success.

For anyone that would like to become a member, it is free for those in the village, and all are welcome. Come to the club on a Friday evening and let the barman know or contact Bob Holmes on 07966 266293 or bobholmes55@icloud.com to sign up.

As a reminder, the Holton St Mary Social Club open the bar in the village hall on a Friday evening from 17:30 to 22:00 and everyone is welcome to come and chat and catch up on village life.

There are a number of events planned for the rest of the year, but the committee are very open for ideas on events to run, so please don't be shy, let Louise Dolan know on 07446 870025 or louise.dolan@me.com and we will try an accommodate suggestions.

Hold The Date(s)

- 8th October - HSM Quiz Night in the village hall where Vaughan Vanniekerk will be quiz master, as with previous events there will be a fish and chip supper and further details will be available shortly
- 4th November – Bonfire Night on the millennium green
- 31st December – New Year's Eve Party in the village hall

One final reminder, there are two party tents available to hire from the Holton St Mary Social Club, for those in the village,

these are free to hire, but we do ask that they are returned clean and in good order.

Please do keep an eye on the Quartet and the Holton St Mary Facebook group for updates on the events above.

We hope to see you at an event or in the village hall soon.

The Holton St Mary Social Committee

Holton St Mary Parish Council -

The next meeting of Holton St Mary Parish Council is to be held on the 14th of September at 8pm in Holton St Mary Village Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend. There is an opportunity to ask questions in the Public Forum Section of the meeting.

Dates for Meetings

Parish Council Meeting	November 9th
2023	
Parish Council Meeting	January 11th
Parish Council Meeting	March 8th
Annual Parish Meeting	April 12th
Parish Council AGM	May 10th

Holton St Mary Parish council are looking to appoint a **Footpath Warden and a Tree Warden** who will be responsible for reporting back any issues to the Parish Council. These are voluntary positions and If you would be interested then please contact the Parish clerk via email - hsmparishclerk@gmail.com

Thanks & Regards
Faye

Holton St Mary Social Club Fireworks Display Friday Nov 4th 7pm



Millennium Green Holton St Mary

Burgers, bangers & beer at the
Village Hall after the display
Donations on the gate please

Holton St Mary Bonfire

Due to the extremely dry weather the Millennium Green Trustees seek to reduce the size of the bonfire for safety's sake.

The Green itself needs a great deal of tidying which will provide plenty of material and therefore the Trustees and the Social Club Committee have agreed that there will **NOT** be a collection around the village this year.

The Millennium Green Trustees
Holton St Mary Social Club

Holton St Mary Millennium Green

Winners of the last 3 Century Club Draws are:

July: £30 No 63 Marjorie Haste, £15 No 66 Samantha Evans, £10 No 76 Riet Howard, £5 No 61 Sue O'Connor

August: £30 No 116 Paul Oliver, £15 No 17 Steve & Sharon Sleight, £10 No 10 John Holt, £5 No 108 Lee Rose

September: £30 No 20 Peter & Sally Longmate, £15 No 104 Frank Swallow, £10 No 121 Chris Gentry, £5 No 21 Debbie Wilson



Green Gym

Our next session is Saturday, 1st October and we meet at 10.30 in Church Square. We may start some bulb-planting that day, but we will also be doing a general tidy-up around the village. All are very welcome to come and join us.

SESAW NEWS

Life can be up one day and down the next. Before the sad loss of our Queen last month, our ladies were enjoying running a Rummage Sale in the middle of another heatwave. They raised over £1500 and some of the visitors were also interested in acquiring a new pet, much to Mum's delight.

Now, in keeping with the melancholy mood, Autumn has arrived and our thoughts turn to the months ahead. The Christmas Fair in November is our last event of the fundraising season and volunteer numbers have dropped so we have stopped accepting donated items until next year. Some of our supporters sell online so if you have anything special, please leave a message on the answerphone or email sue.wilson317@btinternet.com before bringing them in. We will, of course, continue to accept CLEAN bedding and towels but NO PILLOWS, CUSHIONS or feather duvets.

Our Volunteers enjoy their days at SESA W as can be seen in the photo. If you would like to help care for the cats, dogs, rabbits or chickens, please leave a clear message with your name and number on 01787 210888 or email info@sesaw.co.uk. New volunteers can be sure of a warm welcome from all of us, including me, Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua!



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Households urged to get Food Savvy and plan ahead to save money and avoid waste

As the cost of living continues to bite a new campaign has been launched in Suffolk to help families reduce food waste and save money. Back To Savvy is a Suffolk Waste Partnership initiative which advises people on how to reduce food waste through planning out meals and storing them effectively. The campaign will advise on planning meals and batch cooking, storing prepared meals so they are ready for work/school, and repurposing leftovers into new meals.

The three main top tips are:

1. Cook today, eat tomorrow - cook multiple meals together using batch recipes and store in a fridge or freezer for later
2. Love your leftovers - turn dinner leftovers into tasty lunches or even remix them into fun new recipes.
3. Plan ahead - organise your lunches by planning and buying in advance. Even a minute planning your meals will save you a tonne of time and money.

Back to Savvy launches on Monday September 5 and is part of the wider Suffolk and Norfolk Food Savvy campaign, which offers a range of advice and information on how to save food and money.

Households across the UK waste 6.6 million tonnes of food annually, of which it is calculated 4.5 million tonnes are good to eat. In Norfolk and Suffolk, this equates to 118,000 tonnes of wasted food across the two counties annually. The average family with children could save more than £730 per year if they were to reduce their avoidable food waste. Food waste also contributes to climate change as the greenhouse gases associated with food

waste in the UK are the equivalent of those produced by ten million cars.

Councillor James Mallinder, the chair of Suffolk Waste Partnership, said: "Family budgets are under huge pressure, so this is one way of helping ease the financial burden. With a little forethought and planning it is possible to make what we buy go further, last longer and help protect our environment."

For more details go to the Food Savvy website.



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Caroline Favell

Area Organiser, SHCT Ride and Stride



Manningtree & District Photographic Society

We started our new season in September with an enjoyable evening when club members shared their images taken during the summer. Our first digital competition of the season 'Open Colour' attracted a good number of entries and we enjoyed an interesting presentation 'The Printed Image' by Roy Essery.

We continue to run our Facebook Challenge to keep us motivated. Andy Soar won our latest challenge with this month's featured image 'In Amongst the Lavender'.

Future Meetings in October

Thursday 13th October – PDI Open Mono Competition – Judge: George Fossey.

Thursday 27th October – Presentation by Damien Demolder 'Photography as a means of communication'.

Our full programme can be viewed on the website.

We are a small and friendly group of photographic enthusiasts who meet up on the Essex/Suffolk border. The club aims to provide a pleasant environment for members to enjoy the development of their photographic skills through a variety of activities in the company of like-minded individuals. There is a broad level of skill within the club, from those that are just starting out to those that shoot at a more professional level.

We are always keen to welcome new members and we invite you to come along to a free club meeting. We meet at our new and larger venue, Mistley Village Hall, on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Thursdays of the month between September and May at 7.30pm.

For further information please contact our Secretary Viv Scurrall on 01206 393751 / Email: madps@post.com

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The weekly Newsletter, with Mass times, is always displayed in the cabinet alongside the Church's front door and may also be read on the regularly updated website www.stmarksparish.org.uk together with other Parish news. Fr Bineesh Elenjikkal is the Ipswich Hospital Catholic Chaplain assisted by Deacon Rev Clive Brooks (01026 396319)

All are very welcome to attend Holy Family services; it is not necessary to be a Catholic and enquiries about the Catholic Faith are always welcome. Please contact The Priory, as above, or a local person whom you know is a Catholic.

Services planned for October

Sunday 2 ORDINARY TIME 9am	27th SUNDAY IN Mass
Tuesday 4 9.20am 10am	Eucharistic Adoration Mass
Sunday 9 ORDINARY TIME 9am	28th SUNDAY IN Mass
Tuesday 11 9.20am 10am	Eucharistic Adoration Mass
Sunday 16 ORDINARY TIME 9am	29th SUNDAY IN Mass
Tuesday 18 9.20am	Eucharistic Adoration

10am	Mass
Sunday 23 ORDINARY TIME 9am	30th SUNDAY IN Mass
Tuesday 25 9.20am 10am	Eucharistic Adoration Mass
Sunday 30 ORDINARY TIME 9am	31st SUNDAY IN Mass

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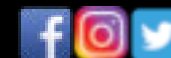
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