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Which is the more important Christmas or Easter?

It's a question I am sometimes asked, and to some extent it is chicken and egg. Certainly Easter is the most ancient – significantly older than Christmas. We don't know when it first began to be observed as an annual festival. There is no reference to an annual celebration in first century writings- indeed the date for celebrating Easter varied considerably for a number of centuries and was not universally resolved until the 600s, but the proclamation "God raised Jesus" was central to Christianity from the beginning. Celebrating Sunday as the Lords Day – every Sunday- celebrates the resurrection, and reflects its central importance.

Easter is grounded in the experience of his early followers- who experienced Jesus after his death in a radically new way. They had experienced the pre-Easter Jesus as a human being, an extraordinary remarkable human being, but nevertheless as somebody who was in one place at a time, who ate and slept, who was arrested and killed.

After his death they experienced him very differently- Paul in a vision on the

road to Damascus- the disciples in a locked room- the friends walking to Emmaus as one who walked alongside them- the post Easter Jesus is no longer a corporeal figure constrained by time and space; he can appear anywhere, pass through walls, be unrecognised and suddenly vanish. Experiences like these led to the conviction that Jesus is not simply a figure of the past, dead and gone, but a living reality of the present. This is the meaning of the Easter we celebrate- "He is not dead - He is risen - Alleluia" (Luke 24:5)

Thomas is moved to proclaim on experiencing the risen Jesus "My Lord and my God"(John 20:28)- the post Easter Jesus is a divine reality- and who promises to his followers his abiding presence "Remember I am with you always to the end of time". (Matt 28:20)These words echo the Christmas word Emmanuel- God is with us. Like God, the post Easter Jesus is an abiding presence- omnipresent- may we abide in his love and know his living presence in each of us. A very Happy Easter to you all.

Clare Sanders

BENEFICE

COMPLINE DURING HOLY WEEK

A service of Compline will be held in each of the Benefice churches during Holy Week, at 7.00 pm, lasting approximately 20 minutes. Venues have changed slightly from those advertised in the March edition.

Sunday 13 th April (Palm Sunday)	St Mary's, Playford
Monday 14 th April	St Botolph's, Culpho
Tuesday 15 th April	All Saints, Little Bealings
Wednesday 16 th April	St Mary's, Great Bealings

Compline originated from the monastic tradition of prayer and readings as long ago as the 6th Century and is the last service of the day, taking its name from the Latin word completorium – completion. All are welcome to one or more services to reflect through prayer and word.

**GOOD FRIDAY
ALL AGE WORK-SHOP
10.00 A.M.**

ANGELA COBBOLD HALL

Once again we are running our craft based workshop which starts at 10.00 am. in the Angela Cobbold Hall, Little Bealings and finishes in Little Bealings Church at 12 noon, with refreshments during the morning. Everyone is most welcome from babes in arms to grandparents. If you have not been before this is not to be missed. We welcome you for some or all of the morning, just turn up, no booking required. For safety reasons we are unable to accept unaccompanied children.

Ministry Team

COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

**Bored of practicing on your own,
want to meet other musicians?**

**Not played your instrument since
leaving school?**

Anyone interested in playing an instrument in an ensemble is invited to come along to the Angela Cobbold Hall on Friday 25th April at 3.30pm.

Farran Scott will be inaugurating the Bealings Community Orchestra this summer as part of an ongoing education project involving The Brook Street Band and Bealings School.

All instruments, abilities and ages are welcome.

The music will be shaped by those that want to play so please come along and make yourselves known.

For further information contact

Farran on 01473 738352
or farran@douse.org



TOWN CONCERT

THE BIRKBECK SINGERS

Musical Director Be Bird

Corn Exchange, King Street,
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Thursday 10th April 1.00 pm to 1.50 pm

The Birkbeck Singers were formed in January 2011 with 11 members and in the last three years the numbers have increased to 48 members. The singers meet each Wednesday morning at the Ipswich Institute with accompanist Ben Groom and musical director Be Bird. A warm welcome is always extended to everyone who applies to join and no musical knowledge is needed – just energy, enthusiasm and a desire to sing! From a growing repertoire they are performing a selection of spirituals, popular numbers from Broadway musicals interspersed with seasonal readings.

Tea and biscuits are available from 12.30 the kettle will be on the hob at 12.30pm.

Although admission is free, a retiring collection of £2.00 will be appreciated. This is to defray expenses incurred in hosting the series.

More details can be obtained from

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READINGS AND LITURGICAL COLOURS — APRIL

6th April

OT Lesson 10.00
NT Lesson 8.00
Gospel 8.00 /10.00

5th Sunday of Lent

Ezekiel 37.1-14
 Romans 8.6-11
 John 11.1-45

Purple
 RCL pg. 130

13th April

Gospel 8.00
 10.00 *Churchyard Gate* Matthew 21.1-11
NT Lesson 8.00 /10.00
Passion Reading 10.00

PALM SUNDAY

Philippians 2.5-11
 St Mark (on sheet)

Red
 RCL pg. 137

17th April

OT Lesson 7.30
NT Lesson 7.30
Gospel 7.30

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Exodus 12.1-4 (5-10) 11-14
 1 Corinthians 11.23-26
 John 13.1-17, 31-35

White
 RCL pg. 162/165

18th April

OT Lesson 2.00
OT Lesson 2.00
Gospel 2.00

GOOD FRIDAY

Isaiah 52.13 – end of 53
 Hebrews 10.16-25
 John 18.1 – end of 19

Hangings Removed
 RCL pg. 167/171

19th April

OT Lesson 7.30
 7.30
 7.30
Epistle 7.30
Gospel 7.30

EASTER VIGIL (1st Communion of Easter)

Genesis 1.1, 26-31 (on sheet)
 Exodus 14.10-31; 15.20,21
 Ezekiel 36.24-28
Romans 6.3-11
 Matthew 28.1.-10

White
 RCL pg. 196
 RCL pg. 205
RCL pg. 212
 RCL pg. 213

20th April

1st Reading 10.00/3.00
2nd Reading 8.00 /10.00
Gospel 8.00 /10.00 /3.00

EASTER SUNDAY

Acts 10.34-43
 Colossians 3.1-4
 Matthew 28.1-10

White
 RCL pg. 214/218

27th April

OT Lesson 10.00
NT Lesson 8.00 /10.00
Gospel 8.00 /10.00

2nd Sunday of Easter

Acts 2.14, 22-32
 1 Peter 1.3-9
 John 20.19-end

White
 RCL pg. 221

4th May

OT Lesson 10.00
NT Lesson 8.00 /10.00
Gospel 8.00 /10.00

3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 2.14, 36-41
 1 Peter 1.17-23
 Luke 24.13-35

White
 RCL pg. 225

COMMUNITY ACTION SUFFOLK

Partnership work improves community transport for Woodbridge and Framlingham

Community Action Suffolk is delighted to announce that its community car scheme is growing, with a new partnership initiative involving Framlingham and Woodbridge. It offers those with no access to transport, the opportunity to get out and about.

The Woodbridge Community Car Scheme will now follow in the footsteps of a similar scheme which CAS has been successfully operating in Framlingham for 15 years. Run entirely by local volunteers, it allows local residents the opportunity to go food shopping, attend medical appointments, collect prescriptions or fulfil any other daily needs. The experienced team in Framlingham will now also work with the scheme in Woodbridge, providing a reliable and quality service. CAS is proud to enable this joint working, a great example of what can be achieved across local communities, adding to its other existing community transport schemes operating in the Ipswich, Stowmarket and Shotley areas

Community transport schemes make a great deal of difference to the lives of people in Suffolk's towns and villages. Users of the Framlingham service regularly comment that without the Community Car Scheme they would be isolated and not be able to leave their house.

Billy Morton, Community Transport Co-ordinator at CAS, says, "I'm delighted we will be able to make a difference to the lives of people in Woodbridge who have no access to transport. I'm really encouraged by the community spirit of the transport schemes, especially of the volunteer drivers and coordinators who give up their own time and make such a positive impact to their local area."

If you would like more information about the Framlingham or Woodbridge Community Car Scheme or would like to volunteer as a driver, you can contact Community Action Suffolk on 01728 621210, or visit www.communityactionsuffolk.org.uk.

BEALINGS

BEALINGS WI

Warm woolly knitted hats in all sizes and colours made a bright display at the WI's Spring meeting – part of members' project supporting seafarers.

There was a welcome return of our speaker, Mr Chris Parfitt, whose subject "In Search of the Northern Lights" created much interest, especially as it coincided with the unusual sightings of the Aurora Borealis in Britain.

Mr Parfitt told of his adventure to snow and ice covered northern Norway where life goes on as normal despite extreme cold. Heated pavements in Tromso were most impressive. Those who had seen the Midnight Sun in the Arctic Summer were intrigued by familiar landmarks clothed in deep, deep snow.

Despite many hours watching for the elusive lights from land and the Hurtigruten coastal ferry, Mr Parfitt saw the lights during his time in the Arctic Circle only once.

A most enjoyable and well-presented talk.

Please note that Bealings WI meetings from April to September will be at 7.30pm in Bealings Village Hall. Come and meet us!

Jennifer Cook 01473 623985

GREAT BEALINGS

David Dow 1927 - 2014

David Dow died last month. Many of us have lost a dear friend and singular inspiration - his love of life and appreciation of earth's beauty set him apart. We arrived in Great Bealings around the same time. I was lucky enough to sail with him and treasured his choice of moorings in remote wild spots on the Suffolk estuaries. Here we would enjoy one of his special curries, watch the waders on the mud flats and – he was an avid reader - discuss his latest book find.

David lived every moment of his eighty six years with passion and enthusiasm. He was interested in everything and everyone around him and his thirst for knowledge and drive for better understanding remained undiminished to the end. His honesty, humanity and compassion shone brightly with every step he took and his sense of fairness permeated all he did.

As a boy he'd been captivated by sea passages to and from South Asia and Africa - the family were based in Sri Lanka and then Cape Town. Back in England he loved watching ships manoeuvring in and out of Felixstowe Docks. As a young man, he delighted in every opportunity to learn agricultural skills first in Suffolk and later when he worked abroad researching livestock in Canada and managing sugar and then cocoa plantations in the West Indies where he built his own house 'Cashew Ridge' and started 'Blue Mountain Tours' a local tour company.

His life was by no means easy, tragically losing his first wife and young son within a year of each other. His optimism carried him through. He met Jenny and they have been inseparable ever since, bringing up two boys Markus and James both now also well known in the village.

David took nothing for granted. He never failed to appreciate and respect nature's beauty and he took the time to see her wonders, in all their richness, whether viewing a moorhen busying on a stream in Bealings, witnessing autumn's golden-red foliage in Canada, watching birds in flight in Oman, or enjoying the power of the wind and the might of fickle seas afloat in his boat Drumler.

David was one in a million, a gentle man, who was humble, kind and caring. He was generous with his time and his affections and always put others before himself. His sense of fun and infectious enthusiasm for life was clear for all to see and David tackled life's many challenges with hopefulness and stoic determination. He never lost sight of all that was really important in life - people, his many good friends and his family.

James Firebrace, borrowing words read at a packed service in Grundisburgh Church

The David Dow Bird List

In 2004 when he first moved here, David started a list of all the birds spotted in Great Bealings, and sightings of each species were carefully recorded season by season. To date over 70 species have been recorded. It is planned to put this list on the village website and to update it as best we can on an annual basis. Any more unusual sightings or additions to the list, please let James know (jf@firebrace.com) along with date and location if possible.

See **Wildlife Group** article on Page 12
- Ed

BEALINGS PLANT SALE Saturday 26th April: 10-00 – 12-00

GENERAL APPEAL This event attracts people from far outside our villages, so once again we are very much on show. For some 20 years the income from this event has been vital to the financial well-being of our two churches. We need to keep up the standards of previous years and send our customers home happy. This is a collective enterprise, with collective benefits.

PLANTS we do urge you all look around your garden to see whether you can produce plants that we can sell: self-sown plants, seedlings, split clumps, cuttings, shrubs etc. It has been a mild and wet winter, but not one which will have killed off too many plants. We do need to continually identify fresh sources of plants. We will collect, if necessary – contact Norman Porter, otherwise deliveries of good, healthy plants will be gratefully received on Friday 25th April at the Village hall between 2-00 and 6-00. We do still have spare pots, by way of an incentive for you to do this. The pots can be delivered to your home.

Do please label all plants if you possibly can.

RAFFLE this is again being run by Vicky Carr. Further offers of prizes will be gratefully received by her (620213)

CARDBOARD BOXES – Do please collect these, as available, from stores, and deliver them to the Village Hall on the Friday –they are invaluable for people taking away large numbers of plants.

PRODUCE Please let us have any produce (cakes, rhubarb, jams, chutneys etc) for our cake/produce stall. This is usually the first stall to be sold out, so the more produce the better. Please deliver to the Village Hall on the Friday afternoon, or between 9.00 and 10.00 am on the Saturday, or deliver in person to Margaret Martin, Margaret Giblin, Sophie Robbins or Rhoda Lewis –see insert.

GARDEN PARAPHERNALIA: Last year we managed to recycle or re-consign to happy homes a considerable number of gardening implements and accessories. We shall again be pleased to receive any such items for resale.

CAR PARKING Our car parking team will be on duty, maximizing the space, and doing their best to ensure that most people can park close to the Hall. There will be spaces on and just off the drive leading to the Manor House, and a good number at the Village Hall, with priority being given to anyone with mobility problems. If you are collecting or delivering plants, please drive in and out around the turning circle. With the Pub still shut, we are having to find somewhere else for Helpers to park, and urge them to take advantage of the kind offer of the Ruffords at the Manor House to park there.

LUNCH Once again a picnic lunch will be provided behind the village hall at round about 12.45. This keeps helpers on site, so we can get the site completely cleared by early afternoon. Baguettes, cheese and ham, pork pies etc will be available, together with a glass of wine or a can of ale. Do come and join us after the sale. Helpers and buyers equally welcome. For £5 a head we'll bring in supplies, but do please let Norman Porter know if you would like to join us, so we have a rough idea of numbers. All help with the final clearing away at 12-00 and immediately after the picnic lunch will be greatly welcomed.

YOUR SUPPORT Do come and support us on the day. The playground facilities will be open for children to enjoy while you browse through what is on offer and/or enjoy refreshments and catch up with your friends – all for the price of a programme @ just £1, which includes refreshments.

Norman Porter 01473 735565 – nhp@rillcott.co.uk and Paddy Bills 01473 610219

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WILDLIFE GROUP

There are many people in the village who are interested in wildlife, both local and beyond. Our village church is a haven for wildlife, both flora and fauna. We have two barn owl nest boxes, awaiting prospective residents. The bats flit around in the twilight. Rabbits scuttle around. Muntjack deer, foxes, badgers, herons, little egrets, buzzards –all can be seen prowling or circling around the area.

The enjoyment of wildlife is something that can both be shared by young and old, and enthusiasm for it passed down the generations. It was the passing of David Dow, and his wildlife legacy in the shape of an authoritative list of local bird life that made us wonder whether there is scope for a local wildlife group, using David's list as a cornerstone of any such enterprise.

Please contact Norman Porter if you are interested in putting together an interest group on the following lines:

Open to: young and old enthusiasts – Great Bealings and beyond – children from other villages very welcome. Two or three adults could form the core of the group.

Meet: half a dozen times a year – based on Great Bealings church, chats, short talks, exploration, discovery, with local visits and rambles.

ST MARY'S

We make no apology for opening this month's offering by reminding you of our Annual Parish Meeting, scheduled to take place in the church at **7.30 on April 2nd**, and chaired by Clare Sanders, our Rural Dean. This will be YOUR opportunity to contribute to discussions as to how we should move forward in the search for a new priest for our Benefice, and to help us to identify ways in which the church and those who subscribe to the Christian faith can more effectively contribute to the life of our

community. All the members of your current PCC are active members of the community, and are determined that the life of the church should not be limited to two or three services a month, with no out-going involvement in the life of our community. Those two or three services a month amount to a mere 50 hours use of our church in a year, which, even factoring-in its attraction to visitors, amounts to an extraordinarily poor use of our only public building.

The Great Bealings appointments team, working alongside those from the other three villages, has been elected: Norman Porter and Eric Barnett will represent the parish of Great Bealings. Norman Porter is also putting together the Benefice profile, with the help of representatives from other parishes. This profile hopefully will be the means of attracting suitable candidates to the vacant post.

We do reiterate that we greatly value the thoughts of all in the village, so do please come along to the **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** on April 2nd, or, indeed, if your interests are more secular and concerned mainly with the history and fabric of our church, come along to the gathering of the Friends of Great Bealings Church on **SATURDAY APRIL 12TH AT 11-00 AM**. Refreshments will be served on both occasions. These are opportunities for fresh thinking as to what the role of the church, its members, and Friends should be in village life in the 21st century. These two meetings will help to determine our path into the future, so please make a special effort to be there.

LOOKING BACK

We are reassured that the routine life of the church has continued without interruption, and that the full range of services has been made possible by the Ministry Team, with the help of Ministers from outside the parish. We are grateful to them all.

CHURCHYARD

The rain-soaked countryside has very quickly dried out during the last couple of rainless weeks, and the bright weather has brought the best out of the snowdrops and daffodils, which have thrived. The nettles will quickly take over, and the paths will become overgrown if we are not vigilant. The seats in the churchyard are well situated for looking out over the valley, observing birds and other wildlife, and even for a quiet read of a good book. Do drop in for a quiet moment or two.

LOOKING AHEAD SERVICES

We are now well into Lent, so Easter is already on the horizon. Not only do we have our annual Good Friday meditation with words and music, but we also hold the Easter Day Morning Service at St Mary's.

Looking even further ahead, we confirm that the service on August 3d to commemorate the start of WW1 is now well advanced, and that the search for any appropriate memorabilia is on-going. Do please contact Norman Porter if you have anything which may be suitable for the Exhibition to be held before the service.

PCC MEETINGS

To round off this month's contribution, and to pick up the theme of the opening paragraph we would like to remind readers of our **ANNUAL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 2ND** to be held in the church. Our Rural Dean, Rev Clare Sanders, will be in the Chair. This is an Open Meeting and we very much hope that non-PCC members will come along, enjoy refreshments, hear about the year just past, and let us have their ideas for the future.

Churchwarden

FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH FIND OUT MORE – ON-SITE COFFEE GATHERING

Don't forget that we are having an on-site meeting at 11 o'clock on **SATURDAY 12TH APRIL** and that this will be an opportunity for everyone interested in the work of the Friends to join us in the church for coffee and refreshments. Charles Barrington, who is leading the repairs and maintenance project will explain what needs to be done, while our Chairman, Sue Prentice, will explain why we need the support of the Friends and their help in ensuring the future of our church. We cannot state too often how every contribution in time, effort or money, no matter how small, really does count. Please come and hear about what we do.

BEALINGS OPEN GARDENS

We now have approximately a dozen people who have offered to open up their gardens between **2.00 and 5.00 on Sunday June 15th**. The cost is expected to be £6 per family to go around a dozen gardens, with various items on sale/offer at some of the venues - all meeting up for final refreshments and barbecue at 5-00 at Rosery Farm. All families living in the Benefice and their friends are warmly invited to enjoy this insight into some of the hidden gardens of the village. Mid-June should see the gardens looking at their best.

Tickets will be available from Sally Johnson, Sue Prentice and Norman Porter. It will be a good opportunity to get the bikes out, and follow the route as illustrated in a specially prepared map of the village.

ANNUAL BEALINGS CRICKET AFTER- NOON. SUNDAY 22ND JUNE

Jonathan and Farran Douse have once again kindly offered to stage a cricketing afternoon on their meadow. As before, rudimentary coaching will be available from 1.00 until 2.00, and matches starting immediately after that. Refresh-

ments will be available. The date is set to be Sunday 22nd June. Last year the event coincided with the Andy Murray Wimbledon final. Hopefully such a clash will be avoided this year. We wonder whether there might be scope for at

least one of the matches to pit the talents of a Great Bealings team against a Little Bealings or Playford team – just a thought!

The Friends

LITTLE BEALINGS

ALL SAINTS

EASTER SERVICES

The Benefice rota of services this Easter leaves our church in Little Bealings with only a Holy Communion service at 8.00am on Easter day, perhaps a little early for some folks! However there will be a special communion service here on Maundy Thursday 17th April at 7.30pm, when at the end of the service there will be the stripping of the altar when all the vestments are removed in preparation for Good Friday. We do hope that you will want to come to this service which comes in the middle of Holy week and is being held in our church in Little Bealings. You will be most welcome.

Also during Holy week, Philip is leading a service of Compline throughout the Benefice and it will be held at All Saints on the Tuesday of Holy week (15th at 7.00pm lasting about 20mins). Please come along to support Philip.

All the Easter Services in the Benefice churches are published elsewhere in this magazine so you can make your choice where to attend.

PANCAKE SUPPER NIGHT

A successful and profitable evening was held at the Angela Cobbold Hall on Saturday March 1st when around 40 friends gathered to enjoy jacket potatoes followed by plenty of pancakes. Along with the quiz and raffle over £200 was made. A proportion of this will be sent to The Wynaud Trust, a charity which supports a community in Kabulamena in Zambia,

which we donate to annually and the rest will be put to our repair fund for the church building. We are already getting estimates and applying hopefully for grants for the remedial work needed to the tower and reroofing the north side. These last few bad winters have caused damage to vulnerable areas of the building which need addressing.

So, thank you to all who supported the supper and a very big thank you to the team who so ably put all the food together and helped in every way. It was a great evening

*Paddy Bills
Churchwarden*

LET THERE BE LIGHT

The Lights of All Saints helped us to make our way home after a delicious Pancake Supper on Saturday 1st March – many thanks to the organisers.

Michael Field celebrated his birthday in Sydney, Australia on Monday 3rd March and his wife Wendy celebrated hers on St Patrick's Day, 17th March.

John Parkin was lovingly remembered on his birthday on Tuesday 9th March.

The lights shone on Friday 14th March in loving memory of Richard Stone on his birthday.

“Treasured memories of a dear son Patrick on his birthday 31st March” will light the lights on that day.

Cheque or £5 note will mark your special day in light.

Parkside Cottage, Little Bealings O1473 626845

Joan Moon

PARISH COUNCIL

A CONSERVATION AREA FOR LITTLE BEALINGS?

Before the Annual Parish Meeting Robert Scrimgeour from SCDC explained the meaning of Conservation Area status, its implications for residents and the process by which SCDC determines applications.

Residents are invited to consider whether an application should be made. A leaflet giving further information is being circulated to all residents of the parish with this edition of the Benefice Magazine and can also be found on the Parish Council's website.

Please respond to the Parish Council by 30 April 2014 if you have a view on whether Conservation Area status should be pursued.

Notes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 3 March 2014

The Annual Parish Meeting was held in Bealings Village Hall. Parish Council Chairman Ferial Rogers reported on the year's activities. Mrs Rogers thanked all those who had carried out work on behalf of the Council. The Council had met 11 times and been consulted on 16 planning applications. Issues pursued following last year's Village Review had been the re-opening of the Admiral's Head, a mains sewer for The Street, speeding traffic, and the condition of The Street. Reports were also given by County Councillor Peter Bellfield, District Councillor Tony Fryatt, and the Village Hall Management Committee. Written reports were received from the Police, Parish Council Footpath and Tree Warden, Parish Council Webmaster, the Benefice Magazine and the Women's Institute.

The Chairman of the Parish Council thanked all those who attended the meeting.

Notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3 March 2014

PLANNING

DC/14/0449/FUL: Erection of agricultural field shelter for cattle at Lux Farm, Playford Road, Playford

It was resolved to support this application.

DC/13/3408/FUL: Erection of new headquarters building for vehicle and plant hire operator, comprising workshop, offices, associated vehicle parking, drainage infrastructure and landscaping to allow for the hire, storage and sale of vehicle, plant and machinery at Sink Gravel Pit, Main Road, Kesgrave

SCDC had approved this application with conditions. A letter of complaint had been sent to SCDC about the way in which the application had been dealt with.

FOXHALL STADIUM

No new agreement was yet in place to control the number of events, but as planning permission already existed it was unlikely that any concerns about noise would be accommodated.

NOISE FROM MOTORBIKES AND QUAD BIKES

It was noted that current use at two sites in the parish appeared not to require planning permission. Residents concerned about the noise should therefore contact SCDC Environmental Health Officers on 01394 444624 or email

environment@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk

HIGHWAYS

Mr Ball had installed the new sandbox near the level crossing.

ELECTORAL REVIEW OF SUFFOLK COASTAL

It was noted that draft proposals placed the parish (and Great Bealings and Hasketon) in a ward with Woodbridge. While this was better than being aligned with Ipswich, the Council considered that it should be a part of a rural ward consisting of parishes west of the A12 and north of the A1214. It was agreed to pursue this, and to support Dr Dan

Poulter's suggestion of a rural Fynn Valley ward. Public consultation on the boundary changes runs until 28 April. Details are on the Parish Council notice boards and available at www.lgbce.org.uk

POLICE

Speed checks along Martlesham Road had taken place weekly and 11 offences identified. PCSO had visited Bealings School and spoken about road safety.

FINANCE

Cheques were signed for the Clerk's salary and expenses, payment to Mr Ball, PAYE, for the new sandbox (£141.05 plus VAT), for hire of the Village Hall for meetings for last year (£153.75), Data Protection Act registration (£35) and membership of the Suffolk Preservation Society (£30). The Council reviewed its internal financial control and audit procedures and considered them effective and appropriate.

WEBSITE

A required statement about use of 'cookies' would be added to the parish website.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 12 May 2014, and will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting. During the first 15 minutes of all Council meetings the public are welcome to raise any matters of concern with Councillors. The public may also speak for a maximum of 3 minutes on any item on the Agenda at the beginning of that item.

The approved minutes of Parish Council meetings are available on the Council's website.

Carol Ramsden - Clerk

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PLAYFORD

CHURCH LIGHTS

- 27th February sponsored by Hilary Legard in loving memory of her Mother, Eve Hughes who died 27th February 2013. Greatly missed by her children, Robin, Joanna and Hilary Legard
- 12th March sponsored by Hilary Legard in celebration of the life of Eve Hughes born 12th March from her children, Robin, Joanna and Hilary Legard
- 15th March sponsored by the Grimwood family in memory of Geoff Booker for his birthday, 16th March
- 29th March sponsored by the Grimwood family in memory of Jose Booker on this Mothering Sunday weekend

Requests to sponsor lights to: Veronica Bunbury at Church Corner Cottage
Tel: 01473 623366 or email: vronx@btinternet.com

NB if the request is for the same day or at very short notice, it is advisable to telephone, or ring the doorbell if posting a request, to ensure that Veronica will be at home to switch on the lights.

PLAYFORD WI

We had another fascinating talk by Mr. Hopper on the art of paper sculptures. He brought along many clever examples that he has made and talked us through the making of them. We had two guests join us.

On the 1st.of April our speaker' Ann Day, will be talking about 'The Heart of Ipswich' Do come along and join us at the Parish Hall, 7.30pm.

Sue Bruce

PLAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

These are condensed notes of the proceeding of the Playford Parish Council meeting held on 5th March, 2014. A full version of the minutes appears on the website: www.playford.org.uk

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DC/14/0326/FUL Ms Gina Corani, 4 Church Lane, Playford. Proposed single storey side extension & alterations. No objections; acceptance recommended.

DC/14/0444/FUL – Mr Nigel Roome, 2 The Courts, Playford. Proposed front, side & rear single storey extensions. No objections; acceptance recommended.

DC/14/0449/FUL – Mr William Stennett, Lux Farm, Playford Road. Proposed: Erection of agricultural field shelter for cattle. No objections; acceptance recommended.

Permission has been granted for alterations at Sonnet House, Butts Road, Playford ref. DC13/3369/FUL.

Permission for the proposed house in the grounds of Sevenoaks, ref. DC/13/3353/FUL has been refused as it would represent an overdevelopment of the site.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Mr Steve Hicks was appointed Vice-Chairman.

ACTION POINT REVIEW

The two grit bins smashed by verge-trimming operations last June have still

not been replaced –this is now in the hands of David Chenery, Road Safety Group Manager SCC. Clearance of FP no. 20 has been further impeded by a fallen tree (which has been reported). Byway 19 is heavily rutted and unusable by pedestrians, Voluntary Restraint Notices have been placed at either end by SCC & repairs will be effected when the surface is dry enough. See Action log appended to the Minutes on the website for more details.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Council Tax remains the same for the fourth consecutive year. A new head of Education was appointed last July to improve Ofsted ratings. An extra £5m is to be spent on improving Broadband coverage in the area. The state of local roads is causing much concern but many potholes cannot be repaired until the surface has fully dried out. Recommended Boundary Commission changes will see Playford reassigned to the new Rushmere ward. Individuals may have their say at <https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk>.

Dr. Dan Poulter is suggesting a new ward (to be called Fynn Valley), comprising seven local rural parishes.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Relocation of SCDC offices is still under debate – the present premises at Melton are outdated and unsuitable. Cedar House, home to the Disability Advice Centre is on the market.

POLICE REPORT

There were no reported crimes in Playford during February.

FINANCE

Cheques were signed for Parish Hall rent, Hedge & Ditch clearance, Website domain name registration, HMRC and Clerk's expenses.

HIGHWAYS

Several complaints have been received about damage to roadside verges by large farm vehicles. Letters are to be sent to local landowners asking them to

request that their contractors take more care in future.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION

Electoral Review. A letter will be sent on behalf of the council expressing deep concerns at the proposed changes and supporting Dr Dan Poulter's suggestion of the creation of a new ward called Fynn Valley, comprising seven small rural communities including Playford, Tuddenham and both Bealings.

OTHER MATTERS

The grass cutting contract is being renewed with The Old Parsonage Garden Services.

An auction is to be held in the Parish Hall to sell off the Pocock paintings, dates to be arranged.

Quotes are to be obtained for a basketball net including concreting & surfacing to use the Outdoor Playspace funds.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, 7th May 2014 7.00pm, – Annual Parish Meeting.

The Annual Parish Council Meeting (AGM) will follow immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting.

Refreshments will be served prior to the first meeting.

Marian Rosling – Clerk 01473 738648

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of the same!!

PARISH HALL

The Annual General Meeting for 2014 of Playford Parish Hall will be held in the hall at 7.30 pm on Thursday 15th May.

Please come and meet the committee and hear about the activities and events available in the hall.

Join us for a glass of wine and refreshments and let us know your views on current facilities and activities, any ideas for future events and any other issues you wish to discuss.

All villagers are welcome—*it is your hall!*

*Tim Llewellyn
Secretary*

CULPHO

ST. BOTOLPH'S CHURCH ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

This took place on Sunday 16th March, following Evensong Service and was chaired by Rural Dean, the Rev'd Canon Clare Sanders from St. Mary's Church, Grundisburgh.

Election results are as follows:-

Churchwardens

Richard Garnham and Guy Hartfall

Deanery Synod Representative/P.C.C. member

Melanie Brooks

Treasurer

Derek Lowther-Wilson, Assistant Treasurer Adrian Melrose

Secretary/P.C.C. member

Margaret Gornall

Parochial Church Council Members

Shirley Grey, Christine Pearce, Harry Hedley

The Archdeacons Visitation for the Admission of Churchwardens will take place on the 20th May, 2014 7.30 pm at St. Mary's Church, Grundisburgh. All are most welcome to attend.

EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE

Just a reminder that on Sunday 20th April at 3 p.m. there will be an Evensong service at St. Botolph's Church and a warm welcome is extended to everyone on what is one of the most important dates in our Church Calendar. St. Botolph's has rarely held a service on Easter Sunday (the dates just haven't coincided in the past) which will make the occasion all the more special.

CHURCH FLOWERS

Grateful thanks go to all those who have kindly signed up to providing and decorating the Church throughout the year. The Church relies heavily on the kindness of both church and village community who never fail to provide such lovely displays. Thank you.

*Margaret Gornall
Secretary*

NEW TO THE VILLAGE?

Great Bealings: For a Welcome Leaflet please contact
Norman Porter on 735565 or nhp@rillcott.co.uk

Little Bealings: Please see the parish website for information:
www.littlebealings.onesuffolk.net

Playford: A Welcome Leaflet can be obtained from Mrs Veronica Bunbury
at Church Corner Cottage, Church Lane, Playford. For more
Information please see the parish website: www.playford.org.uk

GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME - Services for those with Mobility Problems

This local Scheme is now up and running. If you need help with things like:

- lifts especially to doctors' surgeries and hospital appointments
- getting prescriptions
- minor domestic repairs, such as checking smoke alarms and changing light bulbs
- short term help with pets

phone 01473 857796 and leave a message – someone will call you back.

For those who need regular transport, the Coastal Accessible Transport Service is a charity which provides lifts. Tel 01728 830516 for details.

BEALINGS AND PLAYFORD NEWSGROUP

An e-newsgroup operates for residents of Great and Little Bealings, Playford and Culpho. If you would like to receive emails about local events and items of interest from the Parish Councils and other groups, please send your email address to: bealingsplayfordnews@googlemail.com

Please say which village you live in so that you can receive the most appropriate information. Your email address will not be shared with others. The newsgroup can also be used to send information that residents would like distributed. BUT-please note that the newsgroup does not distribute any information involving commercial ventures or for the sale of goods and services, other than for charitable fund raising relevant to the parishes.

LOCAL CRIME INFORMATION

The Police Direct scheme sends phone messages/texts/emails with the latest information on local crime, warnings about bogus callers, crime reduction advice and updates from the Safer Neighbourhood Team. Sign up at

<http://www.suffolk.police.uk/Services/Police+Direct/Welcome+to+police+direct.htm>
or phone 01473 613997.

Report Anti-Social Behaviour to SCC call 08456 034715

NEED TO REPORT A PROBLEM?

Road repairs and Maintenance – potholes, overhanging vegetation, signs, flooding, verge cutting etc – contact the County Council on their customer service number: 0845 606 6067 or email: customerservice@csduk.com

In an emergency contact the police.

Public Rights of Way Footpath **problems** can be reported to the County Council East Area office at the same customer service number or via a 'public rights of way report a problem' form available at:

<https://www.csduk.com/CSD/Transportandstreets/Public+Rights+of+Way>

Fly Tipping and Litter: Contact Suffolk Coastal Services on 01394 444000 or email scsLtd@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk.

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ACTIVITIES/SERVICES

BEALINGS

VH: Village Hall

ACH: Angela Cobbold Hall

AGE UK		Village Representative	<i>Jenny Shaw 07962087205</i>
ANGELA COBBOLD HALL BOOKING			<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
BADMINTON	VH	Thu 7.30	<i>Martin Yates 07710187722</i>
BALLROOM DANCING	VH	First 3 Tue 7.30	<i>Teresa Rudd 07929310480</i>
BENEFICE CHOIR		Fri 7.30	<i>Gill Peck 625077</i>
CARPET BOWLS	VH	Tue 1.30/Wed 7.00	<i>Nigel Abbott 611005</i>
DANCE CLASS	VH	Tue 9.30 am Fri 9.30 am	<i>Debbie Watkins-Jones 403513</i>
FRESH FISH		Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	<i>Catherine 07971970836</i>
GUIDES	ACH	Tue 6.30 - 8.30	<i>Jo Slim 01394 448846</i>
JOHN BELSTEAD SPORTS COURT			<i>http://bealings.ibooka.com/</i>
	VH	Or via Volunteer Administrator	<i>07925 181390</i>
KEEP FIT	Joyce	Thu 10.00	<i>Joyce Bradley 726392</i>
LIBRARY		Thu (every 4 weeks) 2.15 – 2.30 mobile library at Boot St, Great Bealings 2.35-3.00 at Admiral's Head, Little Bealings	<i>07809594685</i>
REMOTE CONTROL TOYS	ACH	Bookable	<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
SNOOKER	VH	Any day <4 hours	<i>Margaret Wilson 07769195132</i>
TABLETENNIS	ACH	Bookable	<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
VILLAGE HALL BOOKING			<i>Margaret Wilson 07769195132</i>
WI	VH	Thu (3rd in month)	2.30 Oct - Mar 7.30 Apr - Sep <i>Jennifer Cook 623985</i>
WOLSEY MINIATURES	VH	Tue (4th in month) 7.30	<i>Tricia Pitcher 624580</i>

PLAYFORD

PH: Parish Hall

AGE UK		Village Representative	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
ART CLUB	PH	Thu 10	<i>Mary Spillett 01394 385295</i>
FRESH FISH		Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	<i>Catherine 07971970836</i>
FOOT CLINIC	PH	Fri (every 8 weeks)	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
LIBRARY		Thu (every 4 weeks) 1.50 – 2.05 mobile library at phone box	<i>07809594685</i>
MILK		Tue, Thu, Sat Mon, Wed Fri	<i>Dairy Crest 747272</i> <i>Co-op Dairies</i>
NEWSPAPERS			<i>Grange News 01394 384082</i>
NOTICE BOARD	PH	See for art, bridge & social events	
PARISH HALL BOOKING			<i>Gina Corani 620696</i>
TODDLERS	PH	Fri 9.30 toddler group	
WHIST DRIVE	PH	Tues (4th in month) 2.00 pm	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
WI	PH	Tue (1st in month)	<i>Sue Bruce 738265</i>
YOGA	PH	Tue 9.30	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
	PH	Thu evening 'Yoga for Mums'	<i>J Lawrence 738104</i>

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Contributions for the May Newsletter should be submitted by:

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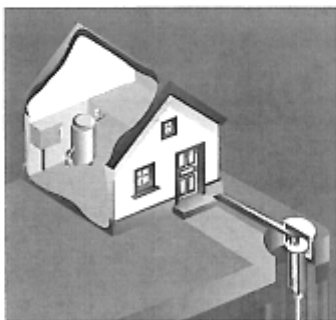
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WEDNESDAY 2 nd	10.30	Holy Communion	Culpho
SATURDAY 5 th	14.30	Baptism	Playford

SUNDAY 6th		5th SUNDAY OF LENT	
	8.00	Holy Communion	Little Bealings
	10.00	Morning Prayer with Hymns	Great Bealings
WEDNESDAY 9 th	10.30	Holy Communion	Culpho

SUNDAY 13th		PALM SUNDAY	
	8.00	Holy Communion	Great Bealings
	10.00	Procession of Psalms & Sung Eucharist	Playford
	7.00	Compline	Playford
MONDAY 14 th	7.00	Compline	Culpho
TUESDAY 15 th	7.00	Compline	Little Bealings
WEDNESDAY 16 th	10.30	Holy Communion	Culpho
	7.00	Compline	Great Bealings

THURSDAY 17 th		MAUNDY THURSDAY	
	7.30	Maundy Service	Little Bealings

FRIDAY 18 th		GOOD FRIDAY	
	10.00	Workshop	ACH Little Bealings
	2.00	Readings & Music	Great Bealings

SATURDAY 19 th		HOLY SATURDAY - EASTER VIGIL	
	7.30	Sung Eucharist with Revd Dr John Hare	Playford

SUNDAY 20th		EASTER DAY	
	8.00	Holy Communion	Little Bealings
	10.00	Sung Eucharist	Great Bealings
	3.00	Evensong	Culpho
WEDNESDAY 16 th	10.30	Holy Communion	Culpho

SUNDAY 27th		2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER	
	8.00	Holy Communion	Playford
	10.00	Sung Eucharist	Little Bealings

SUNDAY 4th May		3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER	
	8.00	Holy Communion	Little Bealings
	10.00	Sung Eucharist	Great Bealings