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## FEBRUARY 2015

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A very Happy New Year to you and our love and prayers for all that 2015 will bring. No doubt all the Christmas presents have now been unwrapped and the thank you letters written.

The Sundays in January and February remind us that giving is not just a Christmas phenomenon, but for God is a daily outpouring of his love to us and the challenge for us to respond with all that we have, in service to God and one another.

I always find myself moved by the words often used when receiving the Offertory- "all things come from you O Lord and of your own do we give you". It is a good thing to take stock at the beginning of a year and give thanks for all that God has given us and think about how we offer that back to God.

Our Gospel stories for the year will begin with the story of the Magi and the offering of gold, frankincense and myrrh – reminding us that our giving is reflected through our bank balance and wallet, (gold) as it is through our service to others (frankincense) and our giving of time and devotion to prayer and study (myrrh).

During the month we will, through our preaching, be reflecting on gifts and giving as a theme – as we prepare our sermons, can I invite you to prepare by reflecting on your favourite biblical stories about money and what those stories are saying to you at the beginning of 2015.

*Clare Sanders*

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## BENEFICE

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### REVEREND CELIA COOK

The Benefice warmly welcomes The Reverend Celia Cook as the new Incumbent, to be Rector serving our Four Parishes. The same welcome is extended to husband Dick, son and daughters George, Phoebe and Emily. The family will be taking up residence in Playford Rectory. Reverend Celia will be Licensed by the Acting Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, The Right Reverend David Thomson at 7.30pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February in St Marys' Church Great Bealings, refreshments will follow immediately afterwards in Playford Parish Hall.

Celia has been a member of the Anglican Church since birth, and an active member wherever she has resided. Celia took the same route of theological study as myself, training for the Priesthood on the Eastern Region

Ministry Course, whilst a member of St John's Church Woodbridge. Celia was Ordained in 2010, and Priested in 2011, serving her title at St Peter and St Paul's Church Aldeburgh, most of 2014 was spent working within the Diocese of Chelmsford with the team Ministry of the Benefice of Thurstable and Winstree.

Celia brings with her an outward going personality, who finds great joy in the Bible, a love of theological reflection and new insights into mission, and a desire to reach out to those on the fringes of the church. Celia has a degree in music and a career behind her as an Occupational Therapist. When speaking of her Ministry Celia deliberately uses the words 'our Ministry,' the family most wonderfully come as a package.

On a personal level I very much look

forward to working alongside Celia as the Assistant Curate to the Benefice.

The Benefice is grateful to all those who have 'kept the show on the road' so to speak during the 14 months of Interregnum; our reader Diana, The Ministry Team, all the Churchwardens and all the other many people who have worked hard and pulled together in a spirit of true Christian witness. Thanks go to all the visiting clergy who have brought a wealth of variety to our liturgy and worship, and an especial thanks to our Rural Dean the Reverend Canon Clare Sanders for overseeing our Benefice with such patience and diligence.

May God continue to bestow His blessings upon our Benefice as we move into a new phase of our journey of Christian witness. Amen.

*Philip Merry*

## **LICENSING SERVICE FOR REVEREND CELIA COOK 24<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2015**

As will be seen in individual parish notes, this service is being held in St Mary's Church, Great Bealings.

Even though this is the church with the greatest capacity, we still envisage potential problems in accommodating all those who may wish to attend. A significant number of clergy will necessarily be present, including, of course, the Bishop and the Archdeacon. There will also be a significant representation of Celia's friends and supporters.

This is very much her special occasion, as well as ours. While we need to make sure we have sufficient seating for these visitors, the service is of course open to all and we will do everything we can to accommodate as many parishioners from the four parishes as possible.

As you will understand, it will be impossible to set up overflow facilities

on a cold, dark February evening. It would therefore be very helpful if you could ***let your churchwarden know if you intend to come to the service.*** This will enable us to plan ahead, not only to make acceptable seating arrangements, but also to ensure that we have sufficient refreshments at Playford Parish Hall after the service.

If numbers look like getting out of hand, way beyond the comfortable maximum capacity of the church, it may be necessary to warn you of the difficulties and run a reserve list.

## **STIR – UP A MESSY CHURCH**

On the last day before Advent – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2014 – traditionally known as 'Stir-up Sunday,' and more recently as 'Christ the King Sunday,' for the second time on this occasion, a congregation of all-ages; 39 in total, came together at St Mary's Church, Playford to worship 'Messy Church' style.

Everyone left with a small Christmas pudding, having also had the opportunity to make a crown to celebrate our Lord as Christ the King. Informal worship was appropriately introduced throughout the service, as always to the Glory of God.

Thanks go out to all who made the occasion so joyful. After such a success there will be similar services in the future, watch this space.

*The Ministry Team*

## **GOOD FRIDAY WORKSHOP**

The annual Good Friday Workshop, for ALL AGES, will be held this year in All Saints Church, Little Bealings, on 3<sup>rd</sup> April. There will be the familiar activities, refreshments and worship. All are most warmly welcome.

*The Ministry Team*

## **COMPLINE at EASTER**

For those who enjoy a quieter, more traditional and contemplative worship, there will be a service of Compline held during the evenings of Holy Week; Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March-Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, at 7.00pm, spread over each of the four Benefice churches. More details of Easter Services will follow in next month's magazine.

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Almost all of our advertisers have now renewed for 2015, and we thank them for having done so. We do ask readers to support with your custom those who support this Magazine by advertising in it. The Magazine would not come to you free without the financial support of our advertisers and the Parish Councils.

We could still probably accommodate one or two more advertisements, should you wish to use this Magazine as an advertising medium. "Local advertisers, local customers" seems to be a format which works well. Readers would probably still like to see the contact details of a local plumber and a local electrician! We currently have no-one offering these services.

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In 2015 Suffolk Family Carers will be working with our hospice colleagues in Suffolk to offer an information and support programme for those people caring for someone nearing the end of their life. There will be a series of five informal sessions that offer information and an opportunity to reflect and gain support from others in a similar situation. The programme will run around the County with the first ones starting end of January. Its aim is to improve the Family Carers' own situation and that of the person they care for.

If you would like to find out more or to book you a free place please call Carly on 01473 835420 or e mail [wellbeing@suffolkfamilycarers.org](mailto:wellbeing@suffolkfamilycarers.org)

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## READINGS AND LITURGICAL COLOURS - FEBRUARY

### 1<sup>st</sup> February

<i>OT Lesson</i>	10.00
<i>NT lesson</i>	8.00
<i>Gospel</i>	8.00/10.00

### Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Malachi 3. 1-5	Gold/White
Hebrews 2. 14-end	RCL p.60
Luke 2. 22-40	

### 8<sup>th</sup> February

<i>OT Lesson</i>	10.00
<i>NT lesson</i>	8.00/10.00
<i>Gospel</i>	8.00/10.00

### 2<sup>nd</sup> before Lent

Proverbs 8. 1, 22-31	Green
Colossians 1. 15-20	RCL p.497
John 1. 1-14	

### 15<sup>th</sup> February

<i>OT Lesson</i>	3.00
<i>NT Lesson</i>	10.00
<i>Gospel</i>	10.00/3.00

### Sunday next before Lent

2 Kings 2. 1-12	Green
2 Corinthians 4. 3-6	RCL p.500
Mark 9. 2-9	

### 22<sup>nd</sup> February

<i>OT Lesson</i>	10.00
<i>NT lesson</i>	8.00/10.00
<i>Gospel</i>	8.00/10.00

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9. 8-17	Purple
1 Peter 3. 18-end	RCL p.507
Mark 1. 9-15	

### 1<sup>st</sup> March

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

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Genesis 17. 1-7, 15-16	Purple
Romans 4. 13-end	RCL p.510
Mark 8. 31-end	

## FROM THE REGISTERS 2014

### WEDDING

2 <sup>nd</sup> August	Carl Anthony McGhee & Frances Anne Hart	Great Bealings
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Joseph Charles Rowles & Katie Harriet Sheppard	Great Bealings

### FUNERAL

7 <sup>th</sup> August	Victor Albert Crouch	Little Bealings
29 <sup>th</sup> December	Michael Edward Knappett	Great Bealings



## SUFFOLK COASTAL – LOCAL PLAN

Suffolk Coastal has produced two Local Plan documents -Site Allocations and Area Specific Policies Development Plan Document, and Felixstowe Peninsula Area Action Plan, covering a range of topics including housing, employment, community provision and the environment.

This is your first opportunity to influence the preparation of these documents which once adopted will be an important part of the Suffolk Coastal Local Plan, as they will direct future development into the most suitable locations over the next 10-15 years. The Council will be holding a series of informal drop in sessions that are planned to take place across the district, to enable as wide an audience as possible to have their say on the Issues and Options consultation documents. Officers will attend these drop in sessions to discuss the documents and how to respond to the consultation. The sessions have been arranged at a variety of locations and times across the district.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Address</b>
<b>Trimley St Martin Memorial Hall</b>	Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> January	14:00- 17:00	High Road, Trimley St Martin, Felixstowe, IP11 0RJ
<b>Kesgrave Community Centre</b>	Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> January	14:00- 17:00	Twelve Acre Approach, Kesgrave, IP5 1JF
<b>Walton Community Hall</b>	Thu 29 <sup>th</sup> January	10:00- 13:00	High Street, Walton, IP11 9DS
<b>Saxmundham Market Hall</b>	Thu 29 <sup>th</sup> January	14:00- 17:00	Station Approach, Saxmundham, IP17 1AF
<b>Felixstowe Town Hall</b>	Tue 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	17:30- 20:30	Town Hall, Undercliff Road West, Felixstowe, IP11 2AG
<b>Riverside Centre</b>	Thu 5 <sup>th</sup> February	17:00- 20:00	Great Glemham Road, Stratford St Andrew, IP17 1LL
<b>Council Chamber</b>	Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> February	10:00- 13:00	SCDC, Melton Hill, Woodbridge, IP12 1AU

Suffolk Coastal launched this consultation on Friday 15 December 2014, comments on the Issues and Options documents can be made until Friday 27 February 2015 at 5.00pm.

As this is the first consultation stage in the preparation of the documents, the Council wants the views of everybody, including town and parish councils, residents associations, businesses, land owners, service providers and other stakeholders before any decisions are made. So get involved and help us shape the future of Suffolk Coastal.

Copies of the documents along with draft Sustainability Appraisal information is available for inspection on the Council's website as well as at the Council Offices, Melton Hill, Woodbridge, IP12 1AU or public libraries during normal opening hours.

For further information relating to the Issues and Options consultation or any other aspect of the work and timescales for the Site Allocations and Area Specific Policies Development Plan Document and the Felixstowe Peninsula Area Action Plan, please contact the Planning Policy and Delivery Team on 01394 444558 or 01394 444761 or via email to [suffolkcoastallocalplan@eastssuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:suffolkcoastallocalplan@eastssuffolk.gov.uk)

## **TOWN CONCERT**

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## **BEALINGS**

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### **GRAHAM LEWIS 1934 - 2014**

It was with great sadness that the Benefice choir and congregation received the news of Graham's sudden death. Graham had been singing tenor with the Benefice choir since the early 1990's and was a very committed member and would be found singing in the choir stalls of Great & Little Bealings and Playford churches on most Sundays. At the time of his death, he was preparing to sing with the choir, all the Christmas music.

Graham grew up in the Ipswich area and was a boy chorister at St

Augustine's Church. In 1948 when he was 14 years old he sang in a Cantata by Britten called Saint Nicholas in which he played one of the three Pickled Boys. This was the first performance of the work by Britten and was used to open the first Aldeburgh Festival and was conducted by Britten himself. At the time Graham did not realise what an honour this was, but after the commemorations in 2013 of Britten's birth it really brought it home to him what an achievement and honour this had been.

After moving away from this area during his working years, he returned with Jean and their family to his childhood haunts and eventually settled in Martlesham Road, Little Bealings to enjoy his retirement. With his love for music and his now rich baritone voice he was soon welcomed into a number of choirs. He sang with the Gipperswyke Singers, the Strolling Singers (where he often sang solos), the Woodbridge Choral Society and our own Benefice choir as well as with a number of smaller groups of singers. After Jean's death he found great comfort in his love of singing with others.

In the summer of 2013 he was to meet up again with Helen, who with their respective spouses had been friends and neighbours during their early married lives. Love flourished and they were married just last spring when many of his choir friends sang at their wedding service. We were all so happy for them both and hoped they would have many years of happiness and companionship together. However this was not to be and they only had one year together.

Graham was a real gentleman, very thoughtful and caring and a fund of all knowledge. It has been an absolute pleasure to have had him amongst us in the village, always willing to join in the activities and to help with the organisation involved with running choir events. It could be selling raffle tickets or washing up, Graham was always there smiling and adding his bit of magic. He made time to talk to everyone and to get to know them. He is greatly missed by us all.

He died on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, which ironically is Saint Cecelia's Day, the patron saint of music. We hope he is up there singing with the angels.

*Paddy Bills and Gill Peck*

## **PLANT SALE SATURDAY APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>**

A date for your new diaries for 2015. Bealings Annual Plant Sale will be on Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> at Bealings Village Hall 10.00am till noon. It will be the usual format and details will be appearing in this magazine during the next few months. Keep us in mind as you start to peep out into your gardens and pot up any surplus plants. Snow drops are always popular so as soon as the flowers fade thin out the clumps and put some into pots and replant the rest. They will make better plants in your garden if thinned out and we can have some plants to sell. I have a large number of empty pots if anyone wants them (just phone 01473 610219)

## **BEALINGS WI**

The grey days of winter were considerably brightened by Bealings WI's December and January Coffee Get-togethers as well as an afternoon "Help with Crochet" by Peter Carr.

"Remarkable Women of Ipswich" was the subject of Mrs Ann Day's illustrated talk in November. With many guests at the Christmas meeting, Gill Peck and friends delighted all with their seasonal entertainment followed by a festive tea. On a cold January afternoon Mrs Jennifer Jones' well-researched talk explored the life and times of Elizabeth Garrett-Anderson, one of the first women doctors and mayor of Aldeburgh, her home town.

February and we look forward to a visit to Norwich by coach, and for our afternoon meeting we welcome Mr John White, harbour master, whose subject is the Deben Estuary.

WI meetings are held in Bealings Village Hall at 2.30pm October to March and at 7.30pm April to September. New members and visitors are always warmly welcomed.

*Jennifer Cook*

## SAVE THE ADMIRAL'S HEAD

The Save the Admirals Head group will be mounting another Pop-up Pub on March 6th in Bealings Village Hall, under the name of Lady Hamilton (who continues to wait expectantly). We will be open from 6:00pm until 11:00pm with all the usual excitement you would expect from a village pub, including locally brewed beers, food and a pleasant atmosphere. We still don't appear to be any further forward in getting a real pub in the village, but trust that for the moment our pop-ups will make some sort of substitute.

**Lady Hamilton**  
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## GREAT BEALINGS

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### ST MARY'S

Welcome back to the first contribution of the New Year, and, most importantly, to the news of the imminent licensing service for our new Priest, Rev Celia Cook. When we last went to print in mid-November we didn't even know the name of the appointee, let alone the date of the Licensing Service, so much has happened over the past two months and we have much to look forward to once Celia is installed. We have a list of planned services stretching well into 2015, but it may well be that Celia will wish to bring in some amendments.

#### LICENSING SERVICE FEBRUARY 24<sup>TH</sup> AT 7.30 PM

Although this is a Benefice Service, it is being held in Great Bealings Church, primarily because it is the largest church in the Benefice, and because a large congregation is expected. Not only do we have to accommodate members of all 4 PCCs, and parishioners of all 4 parishes, but we also welcome on this occasion the family, friends and supporters of Celia herself, whose special occasion this is. There will also be a full representation of clergy from across the Benefice – plus, of course, the Bishop and the Archdeacon and our Patron.

We are doing our best to maximise capacity, and will do all we can to accommodate comfortably as many parishioners from the four parishes as possible. If you would like to attend do please email your churchwarden, Norman Porter ([nhp@rillcott.co.uk](mailto:nhp@rillcott.co.uk)) or telephone 01473 735565. As we are sure you understand, overflow facilities are not really an option at this time of year. While we very much hope that there will be a full turn-out, we also have to be realistic, so forgive us if we do our best to sort out numbers in advance of the service, rather than wait for people

to just turn up on the night. We do have to have some idea of numbers, not only in order to be able to fit everybody in, with a degree of comfort, but also to help estimate what is needed for refreshments afterwards. These will be served in Playford Parish Hall.

It is a rare problem, but a wonderful one to deal with, finding ourselves trying to square the numbers of those potentially wishing to attend with the maximum capacity of the church.

#### CHURCH MAINTENANCE PROJECT

As anyone who came to a service or concert over the Christmas period will have noticed, the first stage of the work is complete, and we were delighted to have had full use of the church over the Christmas period. The re-plastering is complete, and now awaits decoration. This will happen, together with the outside work, at a convenient time in the New Year, once the risk of severe cold weather has passed. We are really grateful to the contractors who have ensured close adherence to the planned schedule, and for leaving the church in a very clean state. It is not always thus! Our thanks too, to Charles Barrington, who has been monitoring the situation closely.

#### FILMING IN ST MARY'S

Tom Newman (Wood End, Grundisburgh Road), has a film company called *Summer Isle*. He and a team of 5 others, including local resident Craig Robinson, used the church for a morning in mid-January for filming an excerpt for a short film, to be entitled "Questions". The film was to be shot entirely in and around the village.

#### CHURCHYARD

It is still impossible to make your way round the east end of the church through to the churchyard as this area is totally taken up with scaffolding. Please bear with us, until the repairs are

complete and the scaffolding removed. In the meantime the snowdrops are now showing, so spring is on its way.

And what better way to conclude than – belatedly – by wishing all our readers a happy new year, and by thanking all those who, in their various ways, have ensured that the village church has come through the interregnum in good shape, and ready to give a warm welcome to our new incumbent.

*Churchwarden*

## **FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH CHURCH REPAIRS PROJECT**

Please see the churchwarden's report for more news of progress on the repairs project. Progress has been such that a full Christmas programme of services went ahead without any problem. The plastering appears to be drying out well, so should be ready for redecorating before too long. The scaffolding remains in place at the North end of the church, and has ensured that there have been no fresh falls of rubble from the area surrounding the window, while barriers ensure that pedestrians are completely safe.

## **CONCERT – THE STELLA QUARTET – THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

One of the highlights of the Christmas season was the return of the highly talented Stella Quartet to give a concert in our church. The concert was organised by the Friends of the Church and the programme included quartets by Mozart and Dvorak.

An audience of around 100 delighted in the wonderful music played to a professional standard by young musicians whose performances recently have included venues as prestigious as London's Wigmore Hall.

The girls are a wonderful cosmopolitan mix, one from France, one from Russia, one from Ireland, plus Little Bealings' very own Rosemary Hinton.

The girls make a country weekend of it before flying off home to Christmas. We do try to spoil them, as they perform for not much more than expenses. The second half of the concert, after a break for readily consumed refreshments, put the audience in full Christmas mode, as the girls treated us to arrangements of carols, and invited audience participation.

Before the start of the concert Churchwarden Norman Porter warmly welcomed the girls back to Bealings, following on their first concert in 2013. Word must have (deservedly) got around, as there was virtually no spare seating. At the end of the concert, FOGBC Chairman, Sue Prentice, thanked the girls for their wonderful performance and presented each of them with a small bouquet as a token of thanks for a privileged evening of music. And the even better news: the girls enjoy this engagement so much that, despite their other professional commitments, they would love to come back again next year. so we hope that they will indeed be able to make it.

It is a wonderful way of launching the spirit of Christmas within the wider community. – and the concert also raised £250 for church funds, channeled to the PCC via FOGBC. We thank all those who supported this concert, within and beyond our local community.

## **FORTHCOMING CONCERT –THE BROOK STREET BAND 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

On Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February, the award-winning baroque ensemble 'The Brook Street Band' will be treating Bealings to a concert with works by Bach, Telemann and Handel prior to their appearance at St John's Smith Square, London the following day. You may have heard them at Annesley in 2009, or on Radio 3 and Classic FM. Band members have been frequent visitors to the village over the past 2 years running a series of workshops at Bealings School based around their favourite

composer, Handel. This is your opportunity to hear The Band live in concert. Come and join us at Bealings Village Hall for an evening of sublime music making in aid of FOGBC. Tickets - see posters/flyers/box advert - are available on line:

<http://greatbealings.org.uk/tickets>

– or from Farran Douse, Chris Chestnutt or Norman Porter.

They cost £10 at the door, or £8 if purchased in advance. Ticket price includes refreshments.

#### **VILLAGE CAROL SINGING**

Two hours of Carol Singing on the evening of Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December resulted in a collection of £170 coming from both ends of the village. Our thanks to all who contributed, either by singing, or by listening, or by contributing, or any combination of those three. As a result of your efforts a cheque for £170 was sent to East Anglian Children's Hospices, and, subsequently, an appreciative acknowledgment and receipt received back from them. Our thanks to Pat Keep for organising the evening, and to

Charles and Ann Barrington for providing the singers with a warming glass to set them on their way.

#### **BARGAIN BIRD FOOD**

Our thanks to all who snapped up the substantial stocks of suet balls for the birds. The proceeds from sales added significantly to church funds and we are very grateful to Ali McEwan for having offered sales-rights to us. Unfortunately (from the point of view of would-be purchasers) supplies are now exhausted. There are no tubs left, so if stocks run out, you will have to revert to paying full price.

#### **MORE FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Saturday February 7<sup>th</sup>: Progressive Dinner** – over 40 participants now signed up.

**Saturday April 11<sup>th</sup> –Wild Life Morning** – churchyard – details in the March Magazine

**Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> – Plant Sale** – 10.00 – 12.00 - in the Village Hall

*The Friends*

## **Friends of Great Bealings Church**

### **CONCERT**

# ***The Brook Street Band***

**Bealings Village Hall  
Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00**

**Tickets £10 – (£8 in advance)  
- to include refreshments**

From: <http://greatbealings.org.uk/tickets>  
Or Farran Douse 01473 738352,  
Chris Chestnutt 01473 735343  
Norman Porter [nhp@rillcott.co.uk](mailto:nhp@rillcott.co.uk)

## **LET THERE BE LIGHT**

Oh Come All ye Faithful!

The spirit of Christmas came to the fore as Gina & Gordon Mutimer celebrated the First birthday of their twin granddaughters, Iola and Faith.

Then followed a bevy of Barnetts, Eric's birthday of multiple candles on his cake, their grandchildren, Harriet and James, also daughter in law's young daughter Ena Ayers and just to complete the occasion Eric & Christine's daughter, Sharon. Eric's forward planning skills seem to be in the family genes?

On 18 and 19 December, Norman lit the lights for the Concert and the first opening of the church since it was closed for the remedial work, now in progress.

On 20,21,22 a flock of lights shone as the Sheppards celebrated their wedding, and finally I lit them on 17 January to celebrate, after my nerves were shredded, the win by West Ham over Everton in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round Cup replay at Upton Park. Sadly Ipswich Town were unable to follow suit.

The lights also perform a special benefit for our resident Barn owl – if you are lucky you may catch a glimpse of one looking down from the roof for its supper – a flood-lit take away !.

Whatever the occasion – ring 01473 735153 OR pop your request in our letter box BUT watch your fingers, CoCo our dog has a liking for them!

*Roger Roseboom*

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

**Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> November**

### **POLICE REPORT**

The police reports that have been circulated show there was only one crime in August, September, and October. We have continued to press that the police carry on with speeding monitoring.

## **ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN**

It was resolved that Colin Hedgley carries on representing the PC on SAVID.

### **REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR TONY FRYATT**

Cllr Fryatt has had meetings with other Councils about Sites Specific Allocations but Great Bealings was not included as we are doing a Neighbourhood Plan.

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

A letter has been received from SCDC on the Local Plans Document regarding the removal of the physical limits boundary. The Chairman will reply to this. Notes have been prepared from the public meeting held in September, there is a Working Group meeting in November and it is hoped the draft Neighbourhood Plan will be ready by the end of January 2015.

### **COUNCILLOR VACANCY**

An enquiry has been received from Anthony Sheppard.

### **PLANNING**

**DC14/3185 – Land near Woodbarn Cottages, Seckford Hall Road – Change of use of land from agriculture to land for the grazing of horses and erection of stables**

It was resolved that the Council objects to this application.

### **HIGHWAYS**

The response received from SCC about outstanding items has been circulated to Councillors. There is one large pothole on Hasketon Road which has not been repaired and the two drainage culverts either side of the humpback bridge on Boot Street are full and need emptying. SCC will be contacted about these matters.

The footpath leading from Boot Street to Park Farm, Grundisburgh was damaged on 5<sup>th</sup> November, but this work was attended to very promptly. A letter of thanks will be sent.

### **FINANCE**

Cheques – Six cheques were



authorised to be signed for payment.  
Draft Budget – a draft budget for 2015/16 was discussed and, subject to one minor amendment, will be presented for formal approval at the next main meeting.

Cheque Signatories – it was resolved that the Clerk can become a signatory to the accounts for administration purposes only which excludes signing of cheques.

#### **MEETING DATES FOR 2015**

The following dates were agreed: 13<sup>th</sup> January, 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 12<sup>th</sup> May (Annual Parish Meeting and Annual General Meeting), 7<sup>th</sup> July, 1<sup>st</sup> September, and 10<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> November**

##### **CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR**

Anthony Sheppard was co-opted to be a Councillor of the Parish Council.

##### **PLANNING**

##### **DC/14/3316/FUL – Orchard House, Lower Street – proposed alterations and extensions**

The Council unanimously supported this application.

##### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

A letter has been received from Boyton Parish Council citing problems experienced with receipt and comment times for planning applications from SCDC, which the Clerk will reply to.

#### **Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> December**

##### **PLANNING**

##### **DC14/2917/VOC – Application to vary condition 2 of planning consent C12/2214 to read: The development hereby permitted shall not be carried out other than in complete accordance with drawings entitled Plot1 Farmhouse Style and Plot 2 Barn Style received 11.11.13 – site of former 1 and 2 Woodbarn Cottages, Seckford Hall Road**

It was resolved to object to this proposal as it adds an additional 76 sq. metres to the consent already granted by SCDC,

which the Parish Council had originally objected to.

##### **DC/14/3355/FUL – Change of use of Former Pig Building to two Holiday Lets – Cherry Tree Farm**

It was resolved to support this application, whilst imposing a condition limiting the time of occupancy, and receiving assurances from SCDC regarding the adequacy of the water supply and the maintenance of the access track.

#### **Notes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> January**

##### **WAR MEMORIAL**

The Clerk reported some insurance figures received from CAS. Charles Barrington will ask the contractors who are currently working on the church to provide a quotation for a complete rebuild of the war memorial next time they are working in the area. Paul Norris will provide an estimate for the work on the plinth next week, together with some other names that can also be asked.

##### **REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILOR TONY FRYATT**

Cllr Fryatt reported that he is chairing a major exercise concerning Site Allocations and Area Specific Policies, the consultation is in progress and ends on 27<sup>th</sup> February. Parishes that have, or are preparing Neighbourhood Plans will be treated separately.

##### **REPORT BY COUNTY COUNCILLOR PETER BELLFIELD**

Cllr Bellfield reported on new gritters acquired by SCC, the Energy for Waste Plant, a new Youth Employment Office in Ipswich, high speed broadband, mobile phone coverage. He has proposed to SCC a maximum 40mph speed limit in the villages around the outside of Ipswich. Cost is the major obstacle to speed limits on individual roads.

##### **POLICE REPORT**

The police reports showed one crime in November and two in December.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The next meeting of the Sub-Committee is on 26<sup>th</sup> January and an updated timeline has been developed. The next step is bringing together the drafting of the various sections. Charles Barrington mentioned that we have received huge support from SCDC. As yet, he has not been able to clarify whether we lose the balance of funding if we do not spend it by the end of the financial year, he will check on this.

## **PLANNING**

### **DC/14/4132/FUL – Erection of two storey side extension and alterations – Garrods Hill, Lodge Road, Great Bealings**

It was resolved that the Council has no objection to this application, but it was stipulated that the materials used must match the existing.

### **DC/14/1941/PN3 – Appeal against refusal of planning permission for conversion of existing former agricultural barn to one residential dwelling and change of use of adjacent curtilage to garden area**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Council still objects to this application and maintains the views expressed previously.

## **HIGHWAYS**

The Clerk will write to the SCC Saxmundham office about the lack of adequate drainage at the junction of the B1079 with the Bealings/Tuddenham Road, and also the problem of flooding on the road near Rosery Farm. Martin Cripps reported that the two drainage

culverts either side of the humpback bridge on Boot St have still not been emptied.

## **FINANCE**

Six cheques were authorized for payment, the budget for 2015/16 was approved and it was resolved that the precept for 2015/16 remains unchanged at £4,400.

## **NEW PAY SCALE**

Councillors noted the new pay scale for the Clerk which came into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015.

## **TRANSPARENCY CODE**

The Clerk summarised the requirements of the new draft Transparency Code which is likely to become effective from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015.

## **EMERGENCY PLAN**

Little Bealings PC will be asked if they are interested in producing a joint Emergency Plan.

## **NOTICE BOARD**

The Clerk will write to Eric Richardson and thank him for his work in repairing the damaged notice board.

Full minutes of the Parish Council are available on the Council's website once they have been approved by the Council.

*Dee Knights – Clerk 01473 624240*

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*Website: [www.greatbealings.co.uk](http://www.greatbealings.co.uk)*

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## LITTLE BEALINGS

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### THANK YOU TO ALL OUR CHURCH HELPERS

I spent the first week of the New Year planning new rotas for many of the groups of people who help out in our church keeping everything up and running. Between the sidespeople, the altar flower designers and the cleaners I counted 24 helpers. There are also those who clean the brass, put the floodlights on, mow and keep the churchyard clean and tidy and, of course, the ministry team. I just want to say a very big thank you to all of you. I read in our visitors' book sometimes the comments saying what a much loved church it is and this is all down to our teams who keep it in such good order. So well done and I am grateful that you are all willing to support the church in this coming year.

*Paddy Bills, Churchwarden*

### PANCAKE SUPPER

Some of you may have been looking out for the date of this annual event which has been held around Shrove Tuesday for many years. Sad to say that due to the Angela Cobbold Hall having to close due to structural problems, we will be unable to hold it this year. There will be other fund raising events later, so watch out for these. I have not known what to do this January without all those hundreds of pancakes to make!!

*Paddy Bills, Churchwarden*

### COMMUNITY LUNCHES

We hope to continue a monthly lunchtime get together at Corner Cottage, until we can return to using the Hall.

The next lunch will be on Tuesday 4th. February between 12.00 -2.00 pm.

Menu

Macaroni Cheese / side salad

Apple Cake / cream

Tea/Coffee

All enquiries and bookings to 01473 620213 or [diana.carr01@btinternet.com](mailto:diana.carr01@btinternet.com)

### LET THERE BE LIGHT

The lights at All Saints Church can be lit to celebrate special occasions, birthdays, anniversaries etc. Just drop a note of date and event together with £5 into 'Corner Cottage' The Street, and Peter Carr will arrange this for you. For further information contact 01473 620231

### ANGELA COBBOLD HALL NEWS

Due to the collapse of the wall adjacent to the Hall, we are advised that the structure of the kitchen, toilet and office areas is compromised. Consequently the Hall will not be available for use in the foreseeable future.

### BENEFICE MAGAZINE

An additional volunteer is needed to pick-up the magazines from the printers at Chattisham, sort into bundles and distribute them to the deliverers twice a year.

Please contact:

Peter Carr 01473 620213 or [diana.carr01@btinternet.com](mailto:diana.carr01@btinternet.com) if you can help. Thank-you.

Grateful thanks to Ferial Rogers who has been doing this job for many years and is now retiring.

*Vicki Carr*

# LITTLE BEALINGS PARISH COUNCIL

## Notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 5 January 2015

### POLICE

PCSOs Krista Robertson and Jeanette Pither attended. Concerns about parking by parents for Bealings School between the Village Hall and the entrance to the Church were discussed. PCSO Sally Thomas would be visiting the School shortly to advise on road safety and parking.

### HIGHWAYS

#### FLOODING IN THE STREET

Neither SCC nor the Environment Agency was aware of any change of policy or lack of works which had caused recent flooding, or the need for any river dredging. SCC asked that records be kept of any flooding: dates, times, time taken to drain away, depth of water and the extent of the area flooded.

#### TREES IN THE STREET

SCC had undertaken works to leaning trees.

#### FOOTPATHS

Subsidence along FP3 had been repaired by SCC.

#### 20 mph SPEED LIMIT FOR THE STREET

SCC had not yet finished its data gathering to establish whether The Street met the criteria for a 20mph limit. County Councillor Peter Bellfield had requested that SCC consider a 40mph policy over a rural area – where a lower limit did not already apply.

### PLANNING

#### POLICY

SCDC was consulting on 'Site Allocations and Area Specific Policies'. It was noted that, as previously advised, no new land outside the physical limits boundary had been allocated for new housing and no demand for new housing had been identified. The

boundary was proposed to be amended to designate the area around the junction of Holly Lane and The Street as an Area to be Protected from Development. It was also noted that the parish was included in the 'Indicative Housing Provision Eastern Ipswich Housing Market Sub-Area 2010-2017' but no new housing was proposed to be allocated to the parish in this context. Retail centre development at Martlesham was also noted. The public are invited to respond to the consultation by 27 February. The documents can be viewed at the SCDC offices in Woodbridge or at: [www.suffolkcoastal.gov/yourdistrict/planning](http://www.suffolkcoastal.gov/yourdistrict/planning)

#### SINKS PIT

There was still some concern that an aggregate business at the site was operating outside the permitted hours. Residents are asked to collect details of any dates and times when this is considered to be happening. This should include the nature of the noise and the length of time it continues. Permitted working hours for the aggregate business are 7am – 6pm Monday to Friday (excluding national and bank holidays) and 7am to 1pm on Saturdays.

#### FIRECREST NURSERY, HALL ROAD Erection of a tractor and implement store

SCDC had advised of this agricultural/forestry development.

#### WORKS TO TREES PROTECTED BY PRESERVATION ORDERS

It was noted that SCDC had received applications for works at three properties: Suncroft and The Oak Walk in Martlesham Road and Finches Hill in The Street.

#### FINANCE

Cheques were signed for the Clerk's salary and PAYE. Two charities requesting donations had been asked if they were active in the parish. It was noted that the external audit would be replaced with a Transparency Code,

requiring the Council to publish financial information on line, including that in the current Annual Return. Mr Gardiner had advised that he would be able to undertake the internal audit for 2014/15 but not for future years.

#### **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY**

Mrs Toni Cornish was able to resume her role as a Parish Councillor and the Council was pleased to co-opt her back. Anyone interested in joining the Parish Council in 2015, an election year, is asked to contact the Clerk.

#### **COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN**

Details of Community Emergency Planning had been received from SCDC. It was agreed to consider this further at the next meeting. Anyone interested in helping to prepare the plan, or helping in the event of a local emergency, is asked to contact the Clerk.

#### **DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next scheduled meeting will be held on 2 March. In view of local Council elections to be held on 7 May it was agreed to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on 11 May, the same date as the Annual Parish Council Meeting. Any resident who would like an issue or initiative considered at the Annual Parish Meeting is asked to contact the Clerk. Future Council meeting dates are 6 July, 7 September, 2 November 2015 and 4 January and 7 March 2016. 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.

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## **INAUGURAL LITTLE BEALINGS SUPPER CLUB**

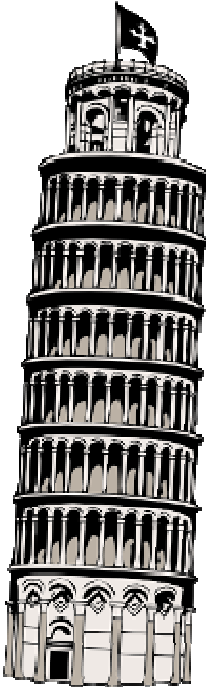
### **– a great evening for a great cause!**

We are delighted to report that the first Supper Club was a resounding success. With food provided by Ann Tate, Fran Hopkins, Helen Clarkson and Peter Kidd, and raffle prizes generously donated by Denise Merry and Kathy Price, the evening was lively and filled with laughter, especially when trying to complete the quiz compiled by Colin Hopkins!

The menu included nibbles and prosecco, followed by poppadums, chutneys and a trio of mixed appetisers. Main courses included homemade chicken Jalfrezi, prawn Bhuna, and an assortment of delicious vegetarian curries, along with Nan and Paratha breads, Dahl, and kulfi ice cream with mango puree for pudding.

Ann and Bob Tate were very gracious hosts and 20 of us enjoyed a very special evening with lots of lovely food and convivial company in a beautiful setting. In total, £316 was raised for the Church Roof Repair Fund and we look forward to the next evening, which will be held at Leawood House, Sandy Lane, Little Bealings on Thursday, March 12th. For more information, please contact Helen Clarkson on 078899 07615 or [hellionese@yahoo.com](mailto:hellionese@yahoo.com). We look forward to seeing more of our friends and neighbours at future events, including a garden evening to be held this summer.

*Ann Tate*



Please join us at  
**The First Little Bealings Supper Club of 2015!**

***An intimate dinner  
for fans of all things Italian!***

Leawood House, Sandy Lane, Little Bealings  
**Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**7:30 pm**

£20 per person

Complimentary first drink

Four Course Gourmet Meal inspired by Italy!

*We invite you to bring your own alcoholic drinks to accompany  
the meal - non-alcoholic drinks will be provided*

Fun Italian-themed Quiz

All proceeds will benefit the Little Bealings Church Repair Fund

For more information and tickets, please contact  
Helen Clarkson: 078899 07615 or [hellionese@yahoo.com](mailto:hellionese@yahoo.com)

**Hurry – very few places left!**

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## PLAYFORD

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### ST MARY'S NEWS

It was with great regret that we heard the news of the death of Derrick Gosling. Village resident and stalwart for many years as well as running the Post Office which was a focal point for local people he will be sorely missed. Our prayers and thoughts are with his family.

I think most people will agree that our Christmas services were a great success, with 116 people in the congregation for the crib service. Apologies to those that had to stand, I hope it did not spoil the service for you.

Of course the big news is the thunderbolt that struck the outside loo in the churchyard. Suffice to say it was completely destroyed and razed to the ground. The fire brigade attended but all was lost. We are now in the process of corresponding with our insurers and a loss adjuster would have paid a visit, so to speak, by the time you read this. Luckily there was no one inside at the time or they may have thought that they had done something wrong and not followed the instructions properly.

It does underline the reason an outside loo is sometimes called a Thunderbox. Never linger too long in an outside loo as my old grandma used to say.

Please read the notes in other parts of this magazine re the licensing service for our new vicar.

*Colin Hedgley, Churchwarden*

## FOOTNOTE TO THE NEWS .....

Thunderbox toilets were commonly found in working class communities in the 1920s. Unfortunately on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January St Mary's Playford was blessed with the updated version for the 2000's – the "Thunderbox and Lightning" toilet.

Is God guiding the church towards technology upgrades? Possibly we could build on God's initiative by providing background music by Queen e.g. verses from Bohemian Rhapsody "Thunderbolts and Lightning very, very frightening" or extracts from the Flash Gordon film score "Flash – aha"

*Paul Gardiner.*

*(Thunder & Lightning Polka? - Ed)*

## PLAYFORD PRAYER CORNER

Do you wish to have a friend, relative or event remembered in our Sunday prayers? Visit our prayer table at the back of the church, drop your prayer into the box provided and we will ensure it gets included. Prayer requests can be anonymous and you do not have to be a regular churchgoer to submit one. Remember prayers can be used for thanksgiving, asking forgiveness, praising or asking for something either for ourselves or others. All prayers are welcome

## PLAYFORD LESSON READERS

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank all who read either on a regular basis or at our special services. Our congregations appreciate your dedication and professional approach. I am extremely grateful to those who help out so willingly ensuring each service is covered - thank you.

## PLAYFORD POSADA

Once again our nativity figures travelled around the village during December returning to church at the Crib Service on Christmas Eve. A big thank you to Liz Royle who once again masterminded this popular activity and to all those families who took part.

*Alison Baker*

## PLAYFORD CHURCH LIGHTS

7<sup>th</sup> December – sponsored by Trish Laws to celebrate the life of her Mother, Violet Price, who died on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2012 in her hundredth year and also for her birthday which was on 21<sup>st</sup> October. A much loved Mum, Nan and Great Nan.

10<sup>th</sup> December – sponsored by Charles and Veronica Bunbury

14<sup>th</sup> December – sponsored by Katherine and Nathan Ashton to celebrate their daughter, Elizabeth's 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday.

24<sup>th</sup> December 2014 – 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015: The Twelve Nights of Christmas (plus Christmas Eve so 13 in fact) sponsored by the Baker family, the Swards, Brian Buckles and Wendy Wilson, Colin Hedgley, the Bunburys and Lilian Heard in memory of David.

25<sup>th</sup> January 2015 – sponsored by the family of Mrs Catherine Broadbent (Sheila, Christine and Jean) to remember her 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.

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

## FROM DIANA GARDINER

As some of you may know my husband Paul has been very ill since 2002. For health reasons he has moved away and been working with animals on a smallholding.

I am living at Playford and will be for the foreseeable future and very much looking forward to the licensing of Celia this month and working with her and the rest of the ministry team as she settles into her new job and we all get to know each other. Exciting times ahead for us all!

*Diana Gardiner*

## PLAYFORD WI

On November 4<sup>th</sup> we held our Annual General Meeting. The following members were unanimously voted in for another year.

President	Sally Herrington
Treasurer	Liz Royle
Secretary.	Sue Bruce

Our December meeting was hosted by Sue Beech at her home. We watched a DVD about John McCarthy's Woodbridge and afterwards we all enjoyed mulled wine and mince pies. Thanks to Sue and John for allowing us into their home.

On December 11<sup>th</sup>, 6 members and friends joined Bealings WI for their Christmas meeting. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon.

Coming up on January 6<sup>th</sup>, John Royle will present his record of a previous meeting in July when we presented personal memories to him which were recorded. We all look forward to the outcome with interest!

*Sue Bruce, Secretary*

## FOOT CLINIC

A reminder to our regulars that the next foot clinic is Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>. We welcome anyone from within the Benefice who would like their feet attended to and we can always accommodate people in need.

The clinic is held in Playford Parich Hall (approx every 7 weeks) and we start at 9.15 am and go on until we are finished—approx 1.00 pm. A visit includes; care of feet and nails by a professional chiropodist, foot and leg massage, a 'cuppa' with newspapers whilst you are waiting and, most important, a chat with friends.

If you wish to book an appointment, or need further information, please contact *Astrid Llewellyn Ips 610635*

## PARISH COUNCIL

These are condensed notes of the proceedings of Playford Parish Council meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> Jan 2015. A full version of the minutes appears on the website: [www.playford.org.uk](http://www.playford.org.uk)

### ACTION POINT REVIEW

We have been promised two new yellow grit bins to be installed very soon (hopefully before they are needed) to replace the smashed ones in Butts Road. Repairs to Byway19 have been hampered by further damage being done by a large tractor—Highways dept. Saxmundham is currently liaising with the necessary parties to resolve this. We are still awaiting repair of the bridle path sign on C324 opp. Church Road and the clearance of undergrowth on FP no. 20. The clerk is liaising with SCC over an unregistered FP between C330 and U3311 to the north of the village. FP no 8 to Lt Bealings school has been cleared of nettles but a fallen tree is now blocking the path— this has been reported.

See Action log appended to the Minutes on the website for more details of these items.

### COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

County Councillor, Peter Bellfield reported that there are currently 39 gritters serving the area and that main priority roads can be gritted in 2½hrs. The new Energy from Waste Recycling plant at Great Blakenham is in action and should power itself plus 30,000 homes, also providing two large greenhouses with its excess heat. SCC has proposals to extend speed limits on roads in the area. The £10m allocated to better Broadband recently should result in 95% coverage by 2017 and mobile phone networks are also being encouraged to improve their coverage.

### DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

District Councillor, Steven Hudson stated that the annual governance report was currently being worked on.



He also assured us that Playford is designated for zero development in the Local Development Framework. Funds are still available in the Enabling Communities Budget for improvement projects up until the end of the financial year.

#### **POLICE REPORT**

PCSO Sally Thomas sent apologies for her absence. There are reports of thefts from motor vehicles in Kesgrave, one assault reported in Playford in November and two people charged with 'going equipped to steal' in Playford in December.

#### **FINANCE**

Cheques were authorised to HMRC for tax on clerk's salary, Old Parsonage Garden Services for grass & hedge cutting, Joan Metcalfe was reimbursed for a Break Glass kit for the field gate key at the village hall and the clerk's expenses were paid. The budget for 2015/2016 budget was agreed and it was decided to keep the Precept at the same level as last year and to transfer £1500 to the NS&I savings account as contingency for any emergencies. The clerk has received a small increase in salary in line with SALC recommendations. Changes to audit procedures from April 2017 have been announced – small parishes will be exempt from the external audit but will be obliged to publish certain information regarding the accounts on a freely accessible website.

#### **RISK ASSESSMENT**

The list was amended to include checking the village sign, notice board and benches and to ensure that the dog litter bin was emptied regularly. Also the financial risks are currently being assessed. Funds will be earmarked for emergency repairs or specialist treatment of any eventuality which may arise. A reminder has been circulated to people using the glass recycling facilities in the village hall car park, asking them to use this responsibly and

not to leave broken glass on the tops of bins etc.

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

It was decided to re-think the location of the proposed basketball facilities on the playing field and additional funds will be required for extra hard-standing to be provided – this may come from the Enabling Communities Budget. Paint samples taken from the river bridge railings have been found to contain lead and expensive precautionary measures are required to deal with safely removing the paint and refurbishing it – a fund may be set up to raise money for this. There is currently a consultation on the government's intention to modernise regulations regarding Parish Polls, more details can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/parish-polls> and the deadline for comments is 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 2015. There is also a public consultation on two planning documents at Ipswich Borough Council regarding the proposed development to the north of Ipswich – for more details please visit: [www.ipswich.gov.uk/consultations](http://www.ipswich.gov.uk/consultations)

#### **AOB**

Thanks go to William Stennett for cutting hedges in the Butts Road area, to Gill & Edward Morgan for cleaning up the village telephone box and to Ted Herrington for cleaning signposts in the village. And finally, a reminder that Parish Council elections are due in May and if anyone is interested in putting themselves forward as a candidate, then please contact the clerk for further details.

#### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 7.00 pm

*Marian Rosling – Clerk 01473 738648*

*e-mail: [playfordpc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:playfordpc@hotmail.co.uk)*

*website: [www.playford.org.uk](http://www.playford.org.uk)*

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We currently have vacancies on the Council which we are looking to fill at the earliest opportunity.

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## PLAYFORD BOTTLE BANK

A reminder to anyone using the bottle bank in Playford Parish Hall car park that **only** bottles and clean food jars may be put in these bins. No other glass whatsoever may be left on top of, or at the base of the bins.

Glass such as broken panes may be safely recycled at the County Council Household Waste Recycling Centre at Foxhall Road.

Opening times are:

October – March: 9.00 am – 4.00 pm Monday to Saturday

April – September: 9.00 am – 5.00 pm Monday to Saturday

Every Sunday and Bank Holiday: 10.00 am – 4.00 pm all year round

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## CULPHO

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### ST BOTOLPH'S

#### WELCOME

The 24<sup>th</sup> February sees the Licensing and arrival of our new Vicar, the Reverend Celia Cook and a warm welcome is extended to her and her family. Celia will be responsible for all four Churches within the Benefice and we look forward to her ministry amongst us. Her first service at Culpho will be the Holy Communion service on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at the new time of 9.30 am and thereafter the first Wednesday of each month. Details are on the Church Notice Board. If you are able to join us on the 4<sup>th</sup> March, or indeed for any other service, you will be made very welcome and there will be an opportunity to meet our new Incumbent.

#### THANKS

In welcoming our new Priest we offer our grateful thanks to The Rural Dean, Clare Sanders and all members of the Carlford Ministry Team who have looked after us so well during the Interregnum. Their help and support made the last twelve months pass by quickly with commensurate ease and our sincere appreciation is sent from all at St. Botolph's.

#### SPONSORED LIGHTS

On Christmas Day and Boxing Day the lights were sponsored by Shirley and John Grey and Guy and Rosemary Hartfall to celebrate the birth of Christ. The Church always looks lovely when lit and it costs just £5 to remember a loved one, celebrate a birthday, anniversary, congratulations or give thanks for someone or something special which has happened. In doing so you are helping to support the church in a tangible way which is very much valued. Details through the letter box of No. 19, to Shirley Grey, will ensure the lights are lit especially for you and your family.

#### HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

With effect from 4<sup>th</sup> March, the Holy Communion service will start at 9.30 a.m. The service is taken from the Book of Common Prayer, lasts just half an hour and all are most welcome.

#### NEXT P.C.C. MEETING

This will take place at 5.30 p.m. on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2015 at Abbey Farm, Culpho by kind permission of P.C.C. member Christine Pearce.

*Margaret Gornall*

### PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The collapsed part of the C323 in Culpho (currently under traffic light control) will be subject of repair from the 9<sup>th</sup> February until 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2015. The entire stretch of the road will be closed and diversions in place. There will no doubt be increased traffic on the single track road, Farrows Lane at its junction with the Bealings Road, and extra caution will be required.

*Parish Councillor and Churchwarden Guy Hartfall*

## **NEW TO THE VILLAGE?**

**Great Bealings:** For a Welcome Leaflet please contact  
Norman Porter on 735565 or [nhp@rillcott.co.uk](mailto:nhp@rillcott.co.uk)

**Little Bealings:** Please see the parish website for information:  
[www.littlebealings.onesuffolk.net](http://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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 07925 181390
KEEP FIT	VH 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>Lesley Nash 07759 308856</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>

*Please submit corrections/additions to editor*

## MARCH NEWSLETTER

Contributions for the March Newsletter should be submitted by:

**5.00 pm Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February.**

The newsletter will be ready for distribution by **Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> February.**

**Please be aware that this magazine will be available online. Names of children 16 and under must have parental/guardian approval before inclusion in the newsletter.**

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### **REMINDER**

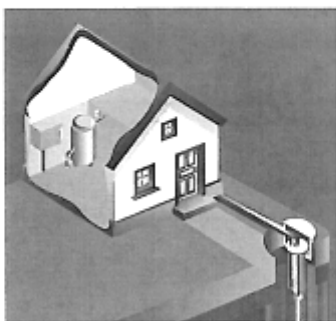
- ◆ May we please ask contributors to submit items using **MS Word** with Spelling set to **English (UK)** and font **Arial size 9**.
- ◆ **Please also ensure that you check your contribution before you submit it using the 'Spelling and Grammar' facility. (press F7 !)**
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## CHURCH DIARY - FEBRUARY

**SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup>**

**PRESENTATION of CHRIST in the TEMPLE**

	8.00	Holy Communion	<b>Little Bealings</b>
	10.00	Choral Morning Prayer	<b>Playford</b>

WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup>

	10.30	Holy Communion	<b>Culpho</b>
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**SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup>**

**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY before LENT**

	8.00	Holy Communion	<b>Great Bealings</b>
	10.00	Sung Eucharist	<b>Playford</b>

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**SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup>**

**SUNDAY next before LENT**

	8.00	Holy Communion- shared service	<b>Grundisburgh</b>
	10.00	Family Communion	<b>Great Bealings</b>
	3.00	Evensong	<b>Culpho</b>

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**SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY of LENT**

	8.00	Holy Communion	<b>Playford</b>
	10.00	Sung Eucharist	<b>Little Bealings</b>

TUESDAY 24<sup>th</sup>

	7.30	Licensing Service for Reverend Celia Cook	<b>Great Bealings</b>
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**SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MARCH**

**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY of LENT**

	8.00	Holy Communion	<b>Little Bealings</b>
	10.00	Sung Eucharist	<b>Great Bealings</b>

WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup>

	10.30	Holy Communion	<b>Culpho</b>
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