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# **WELCOME TO FIRST ISSUE OF THE FYNN - LARK NEWS THE MAGAZINE FOR THE PARISHES OF LITTLE AND GREAT BEALINGS, PLAYFORD AND CULPHO**

## **WHAT'S CHANGED**

Last month we published a full account of possible changes to this Magazine. 10 days later only one response had been received, and that was to offer an item for publication. This all-engulfing silence suggests either that no-one reads the Magazine, or that the readership as a whole is ready to accept change, or, indeed, welcomes it. Had there been a torrent of angry invective we would have had to reconsider our plans for change. Nothing happened - no response, one way or the other - so we have gone ahead, introduced colour, changed the cover, changed the name. We can always review this if anyone comes up with anything better, but the beautiful rivers and valleys of the Lark and Fynn flow through our villages, characterise them and bind us together. Hence the front cover! We have kept "News" - in line with the old title, rather than go for anything more fancy such as "Messenger, Courier, Grapevine etc."

## **CONTENT**

The content cannot change immediately. It has to evolve. But we will gradually introduce regular items. Editorials will be written by different people - 2 a year on behalf of the churches at Easter and Christmas, two a year from each of the villages. We will establish a template, setting aside space for specific contributors, and suggesting the number of words appropriate to the space. We hope to find support to publish a regular children's page, with a children's editor. We will introduce a format for Obituaries and Profiles. We would love to receive regular contributions from Bealings School, plus a young people's Section. Do send us occasional puzzles/jokes/crosswords, cookery items, occasional write-ups/

critiques of personal visits, ideas for school holiday activities. For some time the Magazine has been contributor-led. We would like to be more pro-active, inviting readers to contribute specific items, pictures and ideas. With more pictures and colour, we will need to find a picture editor.

## **FINANCE**

This has all come about because the Magazine made a loss last year, on top of a loss the previous year. We will now have our own bank account, our own Treasurer, and will be setting a budget. We will need income of over £2000 a year. As before this will have to come from Parish Councils and from advertising - (Donations always welcome too!). The rates for advertising will be more clearly advertised and we very much hope that the new format will be attractive to both old and new advertisers. There will also be an option for colour advertisements at a slightly higher rate. Do please help us to bring in more advertisers. The rates for a full year will be from as little as £35 for one sixth of a page, up to £150 for a full page.

## **TAKE OWNERSHIP**

This is YOUR Magazine and can only be as good as the contributions we receive. You, the readers, are also our contributors. Your Magazine is part of what binds our communities together, by ensuring that our local communications are effective and inclusive. Please support those who take it upon themselves to ensure that this Magazine reaches every single household free of charge: - contributors, editors, designers, distributors, parish councils and advertisers. We are evolving, and welcome further ideas. But - in the meantime - welcome to this first issue

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of the new chapter in the life of your local Magazine. We hope you enjoy reading it. There are probably those who never read it, those who use it just for reference, those who read occasional bits, and those who find it a decent over-all read. We

hope that, as we move forward, more and more of you will come into the later category.

I have offered to guide the Magazine through this initial period of change

## ***FUNDING OF THIS MAGAZINE***

The review of this Magazine, together with its functions, format and financing, was our collective response to two years of financial losses. We have addressed these issues. We have changed the presentation of the Magazine, while holding printing costs more or less at previous levels, despite the addition of our much enhanced colour sections. We now have to ensure that control is exercised over the size of the Magazine – last year it varied between 24 and 40 pages, with monthly costs swinging wildly between £132 and £222. From a budgetary point of view this is unsustainable.

We are moving from church finances to our own independent bank account, but the funds to be transferred are not sufficient to see us through to the end of the year. This makes it all the more important that:

- ◆ We seek help from **anyone** who can be, or might be able to identify, possible advertisers, to fill the pages allocated to advertising
- ◆ Parish Council contributions become all the more vital
- ◆ Any donation, from whatever source, will be greatly welcomed
- ◆ We attract sponsorship from business or private sponsors. (Any sponsorship would be acknowledged appropriately)

We very much hope that the re-vamped Magazine will, over time, attract more advertising, insofar as it becomes a more attractive read. If you or any potential advertiser would be prepared to help us bridge the gap until the end of the year, please contact Norman Porter, Advertising Co-ordinator ([nhp@rillcott.co.uk](mailto:nhp@rillcott.co.uk)), and a rate will be calculated to cover the final 5 issues of 2016. We start our 2017 advertising year with renewals in time for the February 2017 issue.

**Please be fully aware that the situation is urgent. If we have no money in the account we will not be able to commission our printers to print any impending issue. Those responsible for moving the Magazine forward are confident that the future of the Magazine is bright, provided that we can move positively over the next few months. The future of this Magazine – or, at least, its free distribution to every household in our four villages - is in your hands, and in the hands of those who entrust us with the advertising of their wares and services.**

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## Town Concert

### The Birkbeck Singers Musical Director: Be. Bird

Museum Street Methodist Church Thursday 9 June 2016 1.00pm to 1.50pm  
Formed in 2011 under the direction of Be Bird, the Birkbeck Singers are a choral group affiliated to the Ipswich Institute. This friendly group enjoys singing a wide variety of songs from different eras, cultures and musical genres. The singers meet each Wednesday morning during term time and throughout the year, performing in various venues, with the aim of raising funds for their chosen charity. Today's programme includes familiar folk songs, songs from well-known musicals and some songs that the group simply enjoys singing!

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

Although admission is free, a retiring collection of £3.00 will be appreciated. This is to defray expenses incurred in hosting the series.

More details can be obtained from [secretary@ipswich-arts.org.uk](mailto:secretary@ipswich-arts.org.uk) [www.ipswich-arts.org.uk](http://www.ipswich-arts.org.uk) or Tel. 01473 836973

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## NEWS & GENERAL INTEREST

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### PLANT SALE 2016

The surge in income and the very positive vibes emanating from this year's Plant Sale are motive enough to produce quickly – and even proudly! - a very warm Thank You letter to all those who made it possible. Income was almost 25% up on last year, which is a fantastic result and a credit to all concerned. Well done. We did have a bit of a dampening shower right at the beginning but were otherwise lucky to have enjoyed very decent weather. Certainly nothing that deterred our visitors, who arrived in considerable numbers from quite a wide area. I did a bit of amateur market research and discovered that people had come in from Ipswich, Martlesham, Kesgrave, Sutton, Woodbridge Stowmarket and Bury St Edmunds and had been alerted to the sale through a variety of media, including our own signs designed to catch the eye of drivers-through. Ferial Rogers deserves a warm mention for her publicising efforts with the wider media – I even heard her name mentioned on Radio Suffolk, in connection with the Sale.

At our preliminary meeting we agreed that the Plant Sale formula was in need of constant freshening up. Thus was born the idea of the Children's Garden Hub. Margaret Roseboom picked up the idea and ran with it – with wonderful results. She and a team of talented helpers assured that our younger visitors had plenty to keep them occupied – and able to learn a bit about growing and living things in the process. A discrete exercise in educating future generations of plant growers, with the support of Bealings School. If this was the experimental launch of the idea then the future can be bright indeed. It makes the occasion more of a family day out.

We had an impressive number of plants this year, and it seemed that a much higher proportion of them were sold than

in recent years. Suffolk Wild Life Trust had leaner pickings– but we compensated for this with a few items of paraphernalia, and surplus cardboard boxes. Once again we had the attraction of a very special raffle prize, generously gifted by Colin Hopkins –a flight in the skies over Gt Bealings, and it was won by one of our stalwart helpers, Bob Tate. Very fitting.

We finished up with net income of just over **£2300** – a spurt upwards from last year. The Raffle takings leapt to just under £500 and for this we have to thank our new Raffle Team of Toby and Faith Chapman, who tapped into a whole new grapevine of possible donors. Their debut was nothing short of brilliant, and the quality of the prizes was exceptional. In the event **The Raffle brought in £457, the special raffle £90, Cakes £306**, and there must have been some 200 or so people enjoying the occasion. The rest of the money came from the sale of plants and paraphernalia. Special thanks too to our ever-cheerful refreshments team – a bonus, in that the ingredients are kindly donated. Very well done to all concerned, in whatever capacity. The value for money factor, compared with local Garden Centres, continues to be a main attraction.

Our team of experienced **car parkers** again did a great job in keeping the customers happy – and moving. Quite a bit of their work is done in advance – putting up signs etc – and that works. Our thanks to the Ruffords for again allowing helpers to use the space in front of the Manor House and to Nigel Rolph for use of the drive. Eric Richardson once again promoted his wonderfully crafted walking sticks, and Gary Farmer (aka Remraf) added much colour to the occasion with his pictures and photographs. If you can think of further ways of improving things, do let me

know, while the memory is still fresh.

Much of the enjoyment of the occasion comes from the teamwork that goes into making a success of this event, so an enormous thank you is due to all who contributed – in whatever capacity. The **Village Hall Lunch** again brought together some 20 helpers, and really summed up the spirit of teamwork that makes for success. It also ensures that the Village Hall is completely restored to its original state before 2.00.

We once again hope that this year's team will be prepared to stay in place for next year. Most of us are surely still young enough! The heavy gang, responsible for the initial set up, needs recruits for the Friday morning; otherwise all departments were fully manned. Thanks to Peter Prentice and Bob Tate for use of trailers.

We normally have just one **pre-sale meeting** a year, and hope that team leaders will again be in place unless they let us know otherwise, so could we please put the provisional date of **Monday March 6th** (ACH) into the diary for the preliminary meeting, on the assumption that anything that needs to be done before then will have been done by those who have done it all before. **Easter Sunday next year is April 16th March** so I suggest that we go for the comparable date of **Saturday April 22nd for next year's Plant Sale**– giving the plants time to mature and, hopefully, to be as good as frost-proof. Hasketon have their sale a week later usually, and we don't want to tangle with them. Any counter-arguments?

Apologies for having just mentioned just a few of the many names of people who contributed to the success of the morning, but grateful thanks once again to **everyone** for all your efforts and achievements. Well done. Despite the usual challenges, and the need, as ever, to keep fingers tightly crossed, we achieved takings which were a tribute to the hard work of

all concerned, and enable us to pass over £1100 to each church once relatively minor expenses are paid for.

*Norman*

## **BEALINGS WI**

Bealings WI April meeting and Mr Ivan Potter told the story of his eventful life. Born in 1924 he grew up and worked in the countryside, then in wartime joined an Auxiliary Unit as a volunteer aged 17. He undertook many roles during the war and ended his talk with tales of Churchill's Secret Army; set up as Resistance Units should this country be invaded. He has a large collection of memorabilia from these times and for many years Mr Potter and friends took part in "Meet the Veterans" sessions at Duxford.

Bealings WI's next meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> June, at 7.30pm in the village hall, will welcome Mr David Phelan whose subject will be Sutton Hoo.

New members and visitors are most welcome.

*Jennifer Cook 01473 623985*

## **IT'S TIME FOR QUILTS!**

Now that the football season has ended and the Eurovision Song Contest has died its annual death, it is time we got back to more rural pursuits – I am of course speaking of the sport of Quilts which goes back some centuries to the Ancient Brits drinking honeyed wine whilst throwing sharpened steel horse shoe implements at imprisoned to the floor Romans whose cries were heard far and wide across the meadows of the Bealings. Thankfully cultural progress has altered that style of play – now we shall see maidens in patriotic coloured dresses, rural gentry, puffing gently as they bend down to take aim with soft rope rings, images that "Chopper Harris" of



Chelsea would no doubt frown upon, but today's Health & Safety Laws are such that there is no other choice. As part of Her Majesty's Birthday celebrations, I have been charged by Black Rod to organise once more the match between Great and Little Bealings ladies and gentlemen's teams for the Challenge Cup, presently held by Little Bealings thanks to an unbiased umpire. Teams will be of 4 a side, Ladies and Gents, with prizes for the best lady player, the best gent player, the most sartorial player and the most stylish player (Ladies, I will have my eyes on you!) Dress should be patriotic and on this special occasion hats should be worn. At 4 p.m. the battle will commence. I shall be the umpire and make up the rules as I go along. May the best Lady win!

*Roger the Dodger*

## **THE BATTLE OF THE SOMME**

100 years ago on 1<sup>st</sup> July at exactly 7.30

a.m. the British Army rose from their trenches to assault the prepared German lines near the River Somme. During the next few hours, what followed was the destruction in just a few hours of the new Kitchener's Army, with its brave young volunteers and the many Pals Battalions, one of whom The Sheffield City Battalion will be the centre of my talk. On July 1<sup>st</sup> The British Army's casualty list totalled 40,000 wounded and missing and nearly 20,000 dead. This was the largest number of casualties ever experienced by our Army – more in total on that one day than the number suffered in the Crimean, Boer and Korean Wars combined.

To remember and commemorate their sacrifice, I am presenting an illustrated and dramatized talk seeking to explain how and why such a disaster took place. There will be cine illustration of the action carried out on that day, details of the Generals involved and their battle plan, which had to be materially altered due to

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## ***GREAT BEALINGS***

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## **THE LIGHTS WERE ON....**

For Bill Boughton "on his would have been 95<sup>th</sup> birthday" with love from his daughter Margaret, followed on the 11<sup>th</sup> when my favourite football team, West Ham United beat Manchester United on the sacred turf at Upton Park. Sadly, a local Sunderland supporter had a loss of belief in his ex-West Ham manager, Sam Allardyce, now known as St Sam as he performed the miracle of keeping them in the Premier Division. Ipswich F.C. supporters can console themselves with visits to and from Norwich F.C. for next year's agricultural derby. Now that the football season is over, hopes of England lifting the European Cup are as realistic as the U.K. winning the Eurovision Song Contest – Now that's a referendum I would dearly vote exit on! Not to worry, there will be one official birthday to celebrate in June – Guess Who?

## ST MARY'S

This is a time of significant challenges, both for your village church, and for this Magazine. Both have for many years been part of the fabric of our community, and probably all-too-often taken for granted. We are not alone in facing these challenges – they are on the agenda of rural communities across the country.

To take the Magazine first: as most people know, the viability of the Magazine is now entirely dependent on income from Parish Councils and advertisers. In the past two years income has failed to match costs, with the inevitable result that an urgent review has taken place, as to how these challenges can be met. Despite the increasing use of digital media, this Magazine is the only hard-copy means of communication across our four villages, and, as such, performs a very important function. We need to do all that we can to keep it viable.

Secondly: our church. There is an inevita-

ble correlation between the size of congregations, the frequency of services and levels of income. The building is insured for around £2 million pounds, which gives you some idea of its structural and architectural value – but it is used for just two or three hours a month. This is totally disproportionate. We are faced with potential repair costs of close on six figures, with more and more churches desperately joining the queue for grants. On a more regular basis we have to pay a parish share to the Diocese of around £10,000 a year, in order to secure the services of a priest and to enjoy diocesan support. Income is nowhere near this level. So we face real challenges. The solutions are not yet clear, but the reality of those challenges needs to be spelt out and fully understood. These words are written in a combative rather than defeatist spirit, but they need to be written. Do please carry on the debate and share your thoughts with your PCC.

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### **New Church Mugs**

We have long juggled awkwardly with cups, saucers and chocolate biscuits and been dependent on china cups gifted many years ago to the church by benefactors now long since departed this life. For convenience and modern touch we have decided to buy a set of RSPB wildlife mugs – with four separate designs. This has cost the church very little, thanks to donations from the Barnett and Porter families, and also to a generous donation from Gary Farmer (Remraf), part of the proceeds of sales of photographs and paintings.

## LOOKING AHEAD

Celebration of the Queen's 90th birthday. Do read the item below. The Friends of the Church are organising a Garden Party which promises to be a memorable one. Although the event is primarily a celebration, we do have to cover costs, and as you will have seen in the opening paragraph extra income is always welcome, so there will be ample opportunities to lighten your purse/wallet.

### **Churchyard**

The recent spell of warm weather had led to a spurt of growth of virtually everything, ranging from buttercups to stinging nettles. The cattle are back in the water meadows. The limes are now covered with their light green foliage, and there are even more rabbits than before – all in all worth taking a walk around the churchyard.

*Churchwarden*

## FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH

**THE QUEEN'S 90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS –TO INCLUDE RESIDENTS OF LITTLE**

## BEALINGS

We are now able to give more detail about this special event. It is planned for the weekend set aside for events across the country, so our event will be part of nation-wide celebrations of the Queen's Official 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Many communities will be organizing Street Parties. We are organizing a Garden Party.

**This is a joint event open to families and friends of all living in Great and Little Bealings.**

### **Time and date**

2.00 – 5.00 on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Venue**

The Lodge, Lodge Road, Great Bealings, by kind invitation of Charles and Ann Barrington. There is plenty of space for parking, but if you can walk we advise you to do so. A programme and plan of the garden layout will be available at the entrance. Access also possible via the footpath off Orchard Rise.

### **Town-crier**

Loyal subjects will be summoned by a stentorian voice touring the villages before lunch.

### **Royal theme**

Face painting; bunting; patriotic red, white and blue attire. Visit by Her Majesty – chauffeur-driven, Lady-in-Waiting, and Equerry. Presentation of hand-held posies (named) – prize for the best. "Her Majesty" will be greeted by our host, to be followed by a rendition of the National Anthem and Happy Birthday.

### **Live Music**

Joy Spring –classic jazz for social occasions.

### **Cost**

Now FREE, but please return the right hand half of your invitation to whoever delivered the invitation to your home, giving us an idea of numbers, plus, hopefully, something for the TOMBOLA – now a major source of income.

### **Refreshments**

Appropriate to the occasion: barbecue, cream teas, drinks tent, champagne bar, ice-cream.

**Activities**

Tombola, various games and side-shows. children's drawing table (crowns, castles, Queens and corgis); nature trail.

**Inter-Village Quoits**

Roger Roseboom is arranging a re-run of this event. The Trophy is currently held by Little Bealings.

**Bealings Bake-Off**

– prizes to be awarded by our own Mary Berry for:

*a/ 7 inch Victoria sponge*

And

*b/ 6 cup cakes* – iced and decorated as appropriate to the occasion.

**Birthday Cake Raffle**

We will have 90 “numbered” cakes on sale @£1. There will be three prizes for holders of the winning tickets – but all will have cake for their money.

**Choral Finale**

You will be invited to join in a patriotic sing-song towards the end of the pro-

ceedings.

**Village Photo**

All will be invited to pose and to be fixed for ever into this moment of history.

**Seating**

A few chairs available, but you are advised to bring your own.

Facilities: There will be portaloos on site, and a medical presence

**Set-up and help**

Most of the setting up will be on Sunday morning. Help will also be welcome with stalls and activities. Please volunteer your services if you would like to help in some capacity.

**Tents and gazebos**

We need more of those. If you can offer us a tent or gazebo – and more particularly if you could erect it yourself, please let us know.

**Plan B**

In case of very wet weather – we have made a provisional booking of the Village

## ZEN TEACHINGS

- ★ Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
- ★ If you lend someone £20 and never see that person again, it was probably well worth it.
- ★ Some days you are the dog, some days you are the tree.
- ★ Never test the depth of the water with both feet.
- ★ Always remember you're unique. Just like everyone else.
- ★ Before you criticise someone, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticise them, you're a mile away and you have their shoes.
- ★ Good judgment comes from bad experience ... and most of that comes from bad judgment.
- ★ Generally speaking, you aren't learning much when your lips are moving.
- ★ If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.

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# ***LITTLE BEALINGS***

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## **CHURCHWARDEN**

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### **Community Lunch at the Angela Cobbold Hall**

Thank -you to everyone who supported the Community Lunch on Tuesday 3rd. April. £73 was raised for the ongoing running costs of the Hall.

The next Community Lunch at the Angela Cobbold Hall

Tuesday 7th. June

12.30-1.30pm.

This will be a celebration lunch to mark the Queen's Birthday. The menu will include:

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The collection of memories and events of the Angela Cobbold Church rooms continues. These can be dropped in to Corner Cottage or emailed to [pandvcarr55@gmail.com](mailto:pandvcarr55@gmail.com)

## **LET THERE BE LIGHT**

On May 28th. The lights will shone out to welcome Joan Moon's friend, Mrs Pamela Yule, visiting from Adelaide, South Australia.

If you have an occasion you would like to celebrate with 'Lights' please contact Peter Carr on 01473 620213.

For a donation of £5 you can light the lights for two hours of your choice.

## **THE BEALINGS COOKBOOK**

We still need your recipes and/or handy hints.

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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY



*Garden Party to celebrate the  
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**The Lodge, Great Bealings**  
**Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup> 2 – 5 pm**

Live jazz, barbecue, tombola, cream teas, games, quoits match, bar, champagne, ice cream, nature trail, drawing, red, white and blue royalty theme, the best of Bealings company, village photograph, patriotic finale.

Free entry. Tickets delivered to homes in Little and Great Bealings. Return, with names and numbers, plus tombola prizes to local ticket-distributors, if you intend to come.

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chairs.

***This is a joint event open to families and friends of  
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# YOUR MAJESTY



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## **PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 26 April 2016**

A minute's silence was held before the meeting in memory of County Councillor Peter Bellfield.

### **PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY**

Jenny Shaw had resigned from the Council due to work commitments. Anyone interested in becoming a Councillor is invited to contact the Clerk.

### **PLANNING APPLICATION**

SCC\0086\16: Laying of block paved hard standing (retrospective), erection of flood lighting and temporary stockpiling of aggregate material to assist in reorganisation of stockpiling: Kesgrave Quarry

During the period of public participation residents expressed their objection to this application, which replaced an application which had included bunding to reduce noise and light pollution from operations at the site. This had been as a result of the County Council objecting to the bunding on the grounds it was partly on its land, would be structurally unstable and



would affect its monitoring of a Sinks Pit gas burner. County Councillor Christopher Hudson agreed that residents should be involved in discussions about the site and offered to arrange a meeting with the County Council officer, also to be attended by the applicant and Parish Council.

It was resolved to object to the application and ask the County Council to seek a solution which would address residents' concerns, including attending a meeting of all parties.

### **HERITAGE PLANNING TRAINING**

Toni Cornish and Colin Hopkins would attend this free training arranged by the Suffolk Preservation Society, on behalf of the Parish Council

### **HIGHWAYS**

#### **20mph Speed Limit in The Street**

It was expected that, while the three local District Councillors' allocations would be confirmed for increased amounts during 2016/17, it was not possible to secure further County Councillor funding until a new Councillor was elected in place of Mr Bellfield. The County Council would be asked to confirm if the project could proceed notwithstanding this.

#### **Footpaths - Cutting**

SCC had recently issued a purchase order and confirmation was awaited regarding insurance. The first cut was due in May/June.

#### **Definitive Map and Statement of Public Rights of Way**

A new working copy map had been received and would be included on the Council's website once an Ordnance Survey licence query was resolved

### **DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

District Councillor Colin Hedgley's report contained information about an increase in Council Tax for 2016/17, the possible merger of Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Councils, publication of the East Suffolk Business Plan, proposed devolution of power to East Anglia, proposed SCDC funded affordable homes, the sale

of the Melton Hill offices, building of new offices and SCDC Customer Services in local libraries, a new SCDC website, the continuation of a free brown bin collection, the installation of 'intelligent' street and footpath lighting, the development of Sizewell C and communities supported by the local district councillors through the Community Enabling Budgets during 2015/16.

### **POLICE**

Two crimes had been reported in the parish: attempted theft of oil from a tank in Playford Road and overnight entry to a vehicle in Playford Road, although nothing was taken.

### **FINANCE**

Cheques were signed for the Clerk's salary and for PAYE for April.

### **BENEFICE MAGAZINE FUNDING**

The Council was sympathetic to the provision of funding to enable the Magazine to continue to be distributed free to every household in the parish and would consider increasing its annual donation, if this was still necessary in view of proposed new printing arrangements, once a new governance structure was in place.

### **EAST ANGLIAN AIR AMBULANCE**

It was agreed to make a donation of £25 to this charity in memory of Andrew Keep of Great Bealings.

### **POWER CUTS**

Leaflets enabling vulnerable residents to sign up for priority service in the event of power cuts would be distributed by Councillors and available from the Parish Council Noticeboards. Please contact the Clerk if you would like a leaflet.

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be the Annual Parish Council meeting to be held on 23 May.

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

*Carol Ramsden - Clerk  
01473 610088*

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## PLAYFORD

### PARISH COUNCIL CLERK

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Mrs. Eileen Stennett, Lux Farm, Playford Road, Playford

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### CHURCHWARDEN

Mr Colin Hedgley, The Coach House, Playford Mount

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### ST MARY'S

So far so good with the church loo. No graffiti or at least none that I understand. Once we get into the continual warm weather season I will have a closer look at the raised tiles and see what can be done. A huge thankyou to the person(s) that cut the grass at the front of the church, a really good job. If anyone else would like to help with grass cutting please give me a ring on 738468.

The roof fundraising plans are now established and again if anyone would like to help with our fundraising please give me a call. The new times for Church Services on a Sunday have now settled down and appear to be popular but I will still have a vote on the changes later in the year.

### BINKY AND CO

Mrs Stickleback was a very community minded woman. Not only was she Chairman of the Sailors Welcoming Committee but also artistic director of her local Amateur Dramatic Society. She was renowned for putting on shows "that made one think". Ibsen and Chekov were not a challenge to her; it was run of the mill and exactly what people wanted.

Last year it was 'The Importance of being Ernest' and it was generally agreed to be the funniest production ever.

Luckily Binky used to assist quite a lot and in fact it was his job to order all the props and back cloths for the show. He used a well-known theatrical firm, The North Suffolk and East Somerset Theatrical Hire Company to provide everything

required for whatever shows his (darling) wife was putting on.

They were prompt and helpful and all ordering was done on line with a simple tick box ordering form. Binky was good at ticking boxes.

So with her husband taking full control of that side of things Mrs Stickleback could concentrate on producing, directing and coaching the wonderful array of mistaken talent that stood before her.

But rehearsals went surprisingly well. The usual after rehearsal trip to the local pub had been replaced some years previously with a 'let's start at the local' booze up in order as Mrs Platt said "to calm the nerves". Or as old Ted Biffen commented, to get them through two hours of Mrs S more like it.

Anyway all went smoothly right up until opening night. Nerves were certainly jangling and it didn't help that old Ted and his son, young Ted, had all the appearance and demeanour of a couple of drunks. To be very truthful, they were drunk. Sloshed. Out of their minds. Mrs S was not too happy. In fact she was livid. My husband would not behave like that on the stage she thundered. He is a professional gentleman. Mmmm there is some truth in that. He was too scared to drink more than one babycham and he had to watch his Ps and Qs all the time.

So the play opened on that auspicious night. The opening scene was in Lady Bracknell's study. The curtain went up and the backdrop came down. To reveal what could be called a clearing in the

forest with a large vine going skywards. Yes it was Jack and the Beanstalk. Old Ted improvised for as long as possible before collapsing in uncontrollable laughter and an alcoholic faint. Cecily Cardew burst into tears and Lady Bracknell threw her handbag at young Ted. The audience retired to the bar at the back of the hall and Mrs S screamed for Binky. He explained later that the order form on his computer screen was very small and that obviously he had ticked the wrong box. Mrs Stickleback's well aimed foot then caught Binky in a place it shouldn't and that, as they say was that.

*Colin Hedgley  
Church Warden*

## **PLAYFORD WI**

Our meeting on 3rd May was to discuss the WI resolutions for this year. We all felt they were both badly worded and woolly but we decided that you have to start somewhere so we voted for them both giving our delegate discretion to change the vote if other information came up.

Avoiding food waste seemed to be aimed at supermarkets but we all felt that there were other outlets that also wasted food. The other resolution was to get appropriate care for people in hospital with dementia. This was in fact already being covered by 'John's Campaign' so perhaps WI would join in with that.

Our meeting on 7th June is a talk about Mercy Ships and we would be delighted to welcome visitors-7.30pm in Playford Parish Hall.

*Liz Royle*

## **PLAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

**These are condensed notes of the proceedings of the Playford's Annual Parish meeting held on the 4th May 2016. A full version of the minutes appears on the website: [www.playford.org.uk](http://www.playford.org.uk)**

The Annual Parish Meeting was held in

Playford Village Hall and attended by councillors and residents. Refreshments were served. Joan Metcalfe took the Chair and read out her report on the year's activities. Following the unfortunate death of Peter Bellfield, a joint County Councillor and District Councillor report was presented by Robert Whiting. Potholes and the general condition of local roads were topics for discussion under the open forum and it was resolved that these should all be reported to SCC Highways.

Full copies of all reports can be seen on the website: [www.playford.org.uk](http://www.playford.org.uk)

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## **PLAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

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**ELECTION AND APPOINTMENTS FOR 2016/17-** Joan Metcalfe was voted in as Chairman for the forthcoming year and Steve Hicks will continue as Vice-Chairman. Joan Metcalfe will also continue as Parish Hall rep, Ted Herrington will continue as 12PT/SNT rep and Steve Hicks as Footpaths Officer. The clerk will enquire whether Colin Grimwood of Grun-disburgh will continue as Internal Auditor for the following year.

### **ACTION POINT REVIEW**

Byway19 issues will be held over until the next meeting. The verges on Hill Farm Road have been trimmed back by SC Norse Ltd and Clarke & Simpson have tidied the hedges and cleared adjacent ditches on behalf of the landowner. We are still awaiting remedial work on the unsuccessful temporary repair of the tarmac at junction of Brook Lane & Butts Road. The arm missing from signpost at junction opp. Church Road on the C324

has still not been replaced – clerk will chase this. Further evidence forms verifying the existence of unregistered FP to the north of Playford have been received and this will be taken to the next stage. It was agreed not to pursue cutting back the vegetation to improve vision at the splay at junction of C324 and Church Road as the construction of the new EAOW depot will be commenced there soon. FP9 & FP13 still overgrown but in the hands of contractors. SC Norse Ltd is to be approached to remove the residual debris from the fallen laurel & ivy in Spring Meadow, which contractors failed to tidy up. Clerk to report further fallen branches at Alder Carr on FP20.

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

#### **FINANCE**

The Annual Governance Statement for 2015/16 was signed by the Chairman & Clerk but the internal audit for accounts for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 is not yet complete. An additional Council meeting is scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016 to approve and adopt the accounts and these will then be sent to BDO LLP for the external audit. The first instalment of the Precept + Precept grant has been received (£2,276.79). Continuation of the clerk's salary and expenses at the same rate was agreed although this will be reviewed for 2017/18. Annual insurance was agreed at £352.11 and SALC subscription is £127.63. The pricing of assets was reviewed and amended and depreciation rates decided

#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

A meeting with Hilary Hanslip, Principal Planning Officer took place at SCDC in March to discuss taking this further. It may not be necessary for Playford to adopt its own Plan as statutory policies cover most eventualities – however this will be discussed again at a later date before a decision is taken. Kesgrave Town Council intends to incorporate part

of Playford within the boundaries of its Neighbourhood Plan and strong objections were voiced by Playford PC, these objections will be conveyed to Kesgrave TC.

#### **SPEEDWATCH**

£700.00 has been received from SCC Locality Budget to enable equipment to be purchased jointly with Rushmere St Andrew PC. Volunteers are still being sought to man (person) the radar gun – anyone interested please contact James Wright of Rushmere St Andrews on 07494 447391.

#### **OTHER MATTERS**

The long-awaited basket ball post is to be installed on the playing field on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2016 and remaining funds will be claimed from the Outdoor Playspace Scheme. A suggestion has been received that a warning notice should be placed in Church Lane denoting the entrance of the footpath leading down to the children's play area, to make drivers aware that small children might be in the vicinity – clerk to report this to Highways as a safety issue. Cars being parked near the top of the footpath from Spring Meadow into Church Lane, have churned up the verge making it very muddy in wet weather and causing puddles to form – clerk to report this as the drains appear to be blocked.

#### **PLANNING ISSUES**

The amended planning application for Airys Cottage has still not been received for approval. A site meeting of the owners, Playford councillors and David Chenery of SCC Highways was held on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016 to discuss the unauthorised southern entrance and it was decided that the entrance could not be permitted as there is not sufficient visibility in either direction to meet the specified requirements – however, the entrance may remain temporarily whilst building work is being carried out, for this use only. Kerbstones around the property, which are not of an acceptable type, are to be removed

as is the shingle contained by them and the boundary with the highway is to be reinstated along the proper lines.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

7.00 pm 6th July 2016

Marian Rosling – Clerk 01473 738648

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

**Queen's 90th birthday** on **21st April** and on **23rd April, St. George's Day.**

**29th and 30th April:** sponsored by Mark Krishna

**1st May and 2nd May:** sponsored by Barbara Dunnett for Jacqui and Steven Coates on their Wedding anniversary. Best wishes. Also for Dylan Coates on his 16th Birthday and Antigonie Coates on her 12th Birthday also Niece, Julie, on her birthday. Happy Birthday Dylan and Antigonie. Love and best wishes from Grandma Barbara

**3rd May:** sponsored by Wendy Wilson. Wishing a very Happy Birthday to Ashley Halls from Mum and Brian.

**PLAYFORD CHURCH LIGHTS**

The lights were on to celebrate the

**3rd May also** sponsored by Liz Royle and family for the birthday of Ina Tomkinson (nee Barker) who used to live in

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**CULPHO**

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**THE FYNN-LARK NEWS**

You will have read in the Editorial of the changes to the Benefice Magazine, issued today as The Fynn-Lark News. Although the modifications will be incremental they represent a significant shift from the design and character of the previous monthly magazine. Contributions are welcome and if anyone enjoys photography and have photos showing the splendour of Culpho (and happy for it to be considered for inclusion) please forward to the Editor in 'jpeg' format and in accordance with the closing dates shown in each publication. Thank you if you can help, it will be lovely and fitting for Culpho to be fully represented in the new style magazine. Your support and offerings will

certainly help in making this improved and broad based newspaper a valued and intrinsic part of the villages of Great and Little Bealings, Playford and Culpho.

**SPONSORED LIGHTS**

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May the Church lights were lit by Hugh and Wendy Jefferson in loving memory of their son Christopher. "Always in our thoughts and hearts".

*Margaret Gornall*

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## ***CHURCH & BENEFICE NEWS***

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#### **Great Bealings**

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### **CHURCH DIARY - JUNE**

#### **SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup>**

8.00                    **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
                              Holy Communion – said  
10.00                    Holy Communion

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**Little Bealings**  
**Great Bealings**

#### **SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup>**

8.00                    **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
                              Holy Communion – said  
9.00                    Family Communion

**Great Bealings**  
**Playford**

#### **WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup>**

9.30                    ~~Holy Communion - said~~

**Culpho**

#### **SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup>**

10.00                    **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
                              Holy Communion  
3.00 pm                ~~Evensong~~

**Little Bealings**  
**Culpho**

#### **SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup>**

9.00                    **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
                              Holy Communion  
4.00 pm                ~~Messy Church~~

**Playford**  
**Angela Cobbold Hall**

#### **SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>**

8.00                    **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity**  
                              **Thomas the Apostle**  
                              Holy Communion - said

**Little Bealings**

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### **FROM THE REGISTERS**

#### **WEDDINGS**

4th March    Adam Roy Dalby & Annest May Kerrick Hopkins

Little Bealings

*Please keep this page for future reference, it will only appear if space permits*

**ACTIVITIES/SERVICES**

**BEALINGS**

**VH: Village Hall**

**ACH: Angela Cobbold Hall**

AGE UK	Village Representative	Jenny Shaw 07962087205
ANGELA COBBOLD HALL BOOKING		Vicki Carr 620213
BADMINTON	VH Thu 7.30	Martin Yates 07710187722
BALLROOM DANCING	VH Mon 7.30	Corinne Jarvis Fear 07810355511
	VH Tue 7.30	Teresa Rudd 07929310480
BENEFICE CHOIR	Fri 7.30	Gill Peck 625077
CARPET BOWLS	VH Tue 1.30/Wed 7.00	Kathy Price 621419
DANCE CLASS	VH Tue 9.30 am Fri 9.30 am	Debbie Watkins-Jones 403513
FRESH FISH	Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	Catherine 07971970836
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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	07809594685
PILATES	VH Tue 11.00	Pauline Mursell-Head 07870926980
	ACH Wed & Fri am	Dawn Maile 07876506327
REMOTE CONTROL TOYS	ACH Bookable	Vicki Carr 620213
SNOOKER	VH Any day <4 hours	Margaret Wilson 07769195132
TABLETENNIS	ACH Bookable	Vicki Carr 620213
VILLAGE HALL BOOKING		Margaret Wilson 07769195132
WI	VH Thu (3rd in month)	2.30 Oct - Mar 7.30 Apr - Sep Jennifer Cook 623985

**PLAYFORD**

**PH: Parish Hall**

AGE UK	Village Representative	Astrid Llewellyn 610635
ART CLUB	PH Thu 10	Mary Spillett 01394 385295
FRESH FISH	Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	Catherine 07971970836
FOOT CLINIC	PH Fri (every 8 weeks)	Astrid Llewellyn 610635
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WHIST DRIVE	PH Tues (4th in month ) 2.00 pm	Astrid Llewellyn 610635
WI	PH Tue (1st in month) 7.30 pm	Sue Bruce 738265
YOGA	PH Tue 9.30 - 11.00	Astrid Llewellyn 610635

## JULY– AUGUST NEWS

Contributions for the June-August News to be submitted by:

**5.00 pm Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

The news will be ready for distribution by :**Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> July.**

*If you like what you see in the new style of the 'NEWS', or if you don't, please let us know.*

*Also if you would like to see different items included, or if there are items we have omitted, please let us know.*

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For more information please contact the Club secretary: Ian McIvor on 01473 738866

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