

# *Fynn - Lark News*

SEPTEMBER 2023



## **THE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY: INCOME FOR OUR PARISH COUNCILS**

CIL – the Community Infrastructure Levy - is a charge East Suffolk Council makes on new residential development. It is collected by ESC from developers and a proportion of the levy collected is passed to the local Parish Council to spend. It must be used specifically to improve infrastructure locally, to offset the impact of new development, and spent within 5 years of receipt.

As a result of recent new residential development in Little Bealings, the Parish Council has received CIL funding of £6,177.75. More may be received in October and subsequently. If you live in Little Bealings you will find a survey by the Parish Council enclosed in this edition of the Fynn Lark News. The Parish Council wants to know residents' views on how it should spend its CIL income. **If you live in Little Bealings please do read the survey inside and respond – what are your priorities for services and facilities in Little Bealings?**

**Magazine for the Parishes of Great & Little  
Bealings, Playford and Culpho**

At present no CIL has become payable to Great Bealings or Playford Parish Councils and, should any be levied by ESC for development in Culpho (where there is no parish Council) ESC may decide where to spend it. The overriding requirement for spending CIL is that it is to be used for the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure or anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on the area. There is a list of items that qualify on ESC's website: <https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/assets/Planning/Community-Infrastructure-L Levy/Parish-Support/CIL-Parish-Guidance.pdf> and it includes highways and public footpath works, village halls, litter bins and many more items.

This year Little Bealings Parish Council increased the donation it makes every year to support Bealings Village Hall and the John Belstead Playing Field from £750 to £1,000. However, in July the Council was approached by Bealings Village Hall Trust requesting that £5,000 of the CIL funding should be set aside to support the Trust's "Roof and Doors" Project, enabling it to qualify to apply for a grant of up to £50,000 from Valencia Communities Fund (as we are close to a recycling facility, the Masons Landfill Site at Great Blakenham).

The roof of Bealings Village Hall is leaking badly and urgently needs replacing, with current quotes of around £60,000. The Trust also needs to replace the rotting/draughty wooden doors and make the entrance more accessible with automatic push button entrance and UPVC internal/external doors, which adds a further £26,000 to the total. The Trust has already secured pledges totalling £25,608 towards the total of £86,000 and has submitted grant applications to various grant funders to achieve the goal.

However, all grant funders look at the amount of local support in fundraising and often require 50% of the total to be raised locally before offering any grant. In consequence, even with the enthusiastic fund raising to date, the grant applications and the CIL funding, the Trust is £18,000 short of the 50% target.

The Parish Council agreed to the Trust's request for £5,000 to be allocated to it for this project, leaving a smaller CIL pot for the present, but with the expectation that more will be due to Little Bealings shortly.

So please:

- ➤ support Bealings Village Hall Trust in its endeavour, by either donating via the Bealings Village Hall website: <http://bealingsvillagehall.org.uk> using the DONATE button at the top of the home page or joining in on fundraising events such as the Pop Up Pubs – the next one is Friday, September 8th. Without a new roof all Village Hall activities will have to cease.
- ➤ If you live in Little Bealings, please complete and return the CIL survey to the Parish Council. If you want more money to go to the Village Hall and/or have other views on where CIL should go – please say now.

Thank you.

*Keith Beaumont,  
Trustee, Bealings Village Hall*

*Ian Ransome,  
Chairman, Little Bealings Parish Council*

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## ***NEWS & GENERAL INTEREST***

### **CELEBRATION TEA PARTY**

#### **FOR MAGAZINE CONTRIBUTORS, DISTRIBUTORS, ADVERTISERS ETC.**

The party for our many Magazine helpers duly took place on Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup> in the churchyard of St Mary's, Great Bealings. Some 40 people attended. The party was privately funded, with no impact on Magazine finances, but there were many kind contributions of tea-time food.



A huge thank you to all who helped in that respect. In a motivational interlude, Roy Tricker (MBE - for services to Heritage), spoke warmly and enthusiastically about our Magazine, from an outsider's perspective.

We take this opportunity to reiterate our thanks to the many people who, in a range of different ways, support this Magazine and make it what it is.

We should have remembered to take an outside picture while all were gathered listening to Roy, but failed miserably in

that respect, so we have to do with a couple of inside pictures, at food distribution time



### **ALL ABOUT HEARING LTD**

This local company, locally championed by Matthew Coward of Little Bealings, has advertised regularly in our Magazine. We are pleased to pass on the news that the big fundraising quiz night they held in Kesgrave was a resounding success. Over £1.3k was raised for Hearing Dogs for Deaf People!





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## NATURE NOTES

### Great Bealings resident achieves national acclaim for his 'Nature's Haven Bee Café'

#### Shed of the Year entry

By the time this issue goes to print, we will know whether Great Bealings resident, Paul Martin, has won Cuprinol's 'Shed of the Year' competition, with his amazing bee-friendly, self-watering 'Bee Café' shed design. Paul's ingenious design has made it into the national finals of this competition, which was previously televised, in which he came third in 2018. He has been sharing his know-how and enthusiasm with Caroline Saunders, organiser of our Bealings Plant Sale.

Paul's hard work has been enjoying national fame, after his shed was featured on ITV's This Morning, and also in the Daily Mail.

(which were delicious!), courgettes and even sweetcorn. Harvested rainwater, collected on the shed's roof, is stored in a 500-litre tank beneath the structure. A bilge pump then pumps the water up, using energy from a solar-powered battery, and re-uses it to perpetually water the plants via a dripping hose system. Any remaining water is returned to the sump, so no water ever soaks away to the ground. During the two-month 2022 summer drought, every plant was kept moist purely with this recirculated rainwater, without Paul having to resort to mains hosepipe top-ups. An additional benefit of the shed is that when the irrigation system is running, the inside of the shed drops in temperature, creating a cool and pleasant microclimate, several degrees cooler than the outside temperature, making it a lovely place to 'bee' on a hot Suffolk summer's day!



The shed is designed with nature in mind, both in terms of creating a reliable pollen and nectar source for our beleaguered bee population and being completely 'off grid'. The shed is made up of four 'living walls', with all the plants growing in recycled plastic containers contained within a wooden structure. Paul grows everything from flowers to herbs, as well as cropping vegetables, such as peas

Paul calls the individual modules which make up the shed walls 'Bee Cafés'. Each Bee Café is a wooden mini-planter, which is planted up with 4-6 individual recycled plastic containers, usually recycled drinks bottles. These are drilled with drainage holes, filled with peat-free compost and topped off with a specially selected flower, herb or food crop which aims to provide as much pollen and

nectar across the growing season as possible. This also allows gardeners with limited space to increase their growing possibilities.

Paul is generously donating Bee Cafés to local residents, with the hope of creating a 'bee corridor' to give our beleaguered pollinators additional support. If you'd like to request a Bee Café, please contact Paul on his Facebook page, 'Great Bealings Climate Emergency Rapid Response Squad'. You can also support Paul by donating clean 2l drinks bottles or large plastic milk bottles to his home. Please contact him directly to arrange drop off.

Paul is also in the process of approaching the local council and schools to find out whether the Bee Cafés could be installed in Woodbridge town centre, and in school playgrounds, to increase pollen supplies in difficult-to-plant areas. Voting for the Cuprinol competition will have closed by the time you read this article, but if you wish to support Paul in any way, either by supplying recycled bottles, seed-grown plants to add to the living walls of his modules, or any other way, please do contact him to keep this fantastic project going. We hope to donate surplus plants to Paul's project following the plant sale next spring, and perhaps you will see a 'Bee Café' there, if we're lucky!

## HISTORY CORNER

### – THE POLICING OF VILLAGES – A MEMORY

As the son of a Suffolk policeman, I have vivid memories of local policing in the 50s and 60s. These memories, drawn from a childhood spent in East Bergholt and Holbrook, but with strong Bealings echoes, will invite comparisons with present-day policing, but readers are invited to draw their own conclusions.

The most obvious feature of mid-twentieth century village policing was that the local bobby (the name itself, now rarely used, seemed to imply a degree of familiarity in itself), lived on the beat, in the village for

which he, and it was almost invariably HE, was responsible. In the immediate post-war years many police houses were purpose-built, recognisable by protrusions on either end, one for the garage, the other for the office. As a consequence everyone knew the village policeman and, conversely the village policeman knew everybody, actual and potential villains included. Most of these houses were sold off, and have been converted, but some are still recognisable as such. Here are pictures of the Holbrook police house, and of the Little Bealings police house, opposite the lower entrance to the Playing Field. There is another one in Grundisburgh, in Park Road, close to the new housing development.



The local bobby lived within the community, played a part in it – and helped to organise village events. My own father would organise the children's Christmas Party, the village Flower Show, and was even Secretary of the Village Pig Club, set up to provide extra meat in the early meat-starved post-war years. He also arranged the village VE celebration.

As a consequence of participation in local activities, the policeman felt that he was

in some way always “on duty”, but, conversely, the benefit to the local community was considerable.

Few local policeman had the benefit of a car. The accepted means of transport was an upright bicycle. Progress may have been slow, but visibility and approachability were enhanced. Locally, PC Moody, based in Grundisburgh, had responsibility for getting out to Great Bealings, keeping an eye on *The Live and Let Live*, supposedly an off-licence – an establishment for selling beer but, ostensibly not for consumption on the premises. Here’s a picture of PC Moody, with his bicycle, on his home patch, near the Grundisburgh “Dog”. He was locally known as Sheriff Moody on account of the local air bases and the large number of Americans.



So, things have changed. They had to. Life has become faster, more complicated. Crime is of a very different nature now to what it was 70 years ago. Those who grew up fearing that the most heinous local offence was riding a bicycle without lights, now live in the shadow of cyber-crime, on-line fraud, scams, knife-crime, county drug lines and organised criminality, sometimes on an international scale. Crime, policing, communications

and forensic knowledge have evolved alongside one another. Much has been achieved, but maybe something has been lost in the process.

*Norman Porter*

## **FYNN VALLEY WALKS GROUP**

### **SATURDAY WALK - 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2023**

To coincide with the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust annual Ride & Stride event on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September we have planned a ‘Five Churches’ walk, starting at 10-00am from All Saints Church in Little Bealings and visiting the parish churches of Playford, Culpho, Grundisburgh and Great Bealings, before returning to Little Bealings. The walk is around 7 miles long and we anticipate it should take around 3½ to 4 hours in total. This will include a stop of around 10-15 minutes at each church en route and a break of around 45 minutes for rest and refreshments in Grundisburgh, just over half-way through the walk. Those wishing to bring their own packed lunch are welcome to do so, some refreshments will be provided at the church in Grundisburgh, while there will also be the opportunity to purchase refreshments in Grundisburgh village centre from the shop or Deli. We will leave Grundisburgh promptly 45 minutes after arrival.

If you are walking to help raise funds towards the upkeep of our lovely old church buildings, we have a JustGiving page set up for those wishing to donate or raise sponsorship: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/francis-mutimer-1691240205848?newPage=true>

We can provide paper sponsorship forms for those who prefer, and we are also happy to take donations at the start of the walk. The funds go directly to Suffolk Historic Churches Trust who in turn will donate 50% of the funds we raise on our walk to help maintain our own church, All Saints, Little Bealings.

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## **PANDEMIC AROUSES FORGOTTEN SPORTING GIANT.**

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The shut-down raised awareness of the importance of exercising and socialising

in the open air. However, many of today's popular sports require a degree of youth and physical strength. In contrast croquet is a game of strategy and accuracy, and offers equality, regardless of age, strength, gender or background. What's more it costs very little to join a croquet club.

Ipswich is leading the way in revitalising this ancient sport. The Ipswich Croquet Club (ICC) has created 4 brand new courts on Bucklesham Road close to the Ipswich Golf Club and is arguably the finest croquet venue in Suffolk.

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***Any queries to Helen Saagi or Sally Johnson***



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Leah also offers adult classes on Tuesday evenings.



***All classes are all back to normal and if you would like to join, just contact Leah for more details.on 01473 735880.***

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# GREAT BEALINGS

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## ST MARY'S

### CHURCHWARDEN'S NOTES

It has been a quiet summer, with no service in July, owing to the joint Patronal Service in Woodbridge on the first Sunday of the month. We are grateful to Rev Peter Wintgens for stepping in to take the August service, with Father Nigel away on holiday. It is good to report that this service was well attended.

This is the time of year when the attractions of the churchyard and its abundant flora can be more attractive to the visitor than a relatively gloomy church interior, so we are pleased to report that the churchyard has been looking good. You can still wander around the well-kept paths, amongst the exuberant vegetation and insect life which flourishes at this time of year. Even – particularly - if you've never visited your local churchyard, do give it a try.

### SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

#### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September

**NOTE: NOT THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH!**

A celebration of our patronal St Mary, together with members of the Woodbridge congregation. All hands to the pump, please, as we expect there to be a considerable number present on this occasion, starting at **11.00 p.m.**, and leading directly into a special lunch, hopefully outside in the churchyard.

We will do our best to provide basic ingredients for the lunch, as well as drinks – all in exchange for donations (cash only) at a level deemed suitable by the participants. We do, however, need to have some idea of numbers.

**If you are intending to join us, please - either add your name to the sheet at the**

**back of the church, on the font, or email [nhp@rillcott.co.uk](mailto:nhp@rillcott.co.uk)**

**SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER. 10.30 - MORNING PRAYER.**

**Looking ahead: our Harvest Festival will be on Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup>.** This means that we would like to organise our annual churchyard **Working Party on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September, with other work being carried out in the course of the days preceding.** Please make a note now!

### RECTOR'S "SURGERY"

We offer people the chance to invite our Rector into their homes to get to know him better, and vice versa. The regular day for this is Monday, either morning coffee or afternoon tea. If you would like to fix a future slot please contact churchwarden, Norman Porter [nhp@rillcott.co.uk](mailto:nhp@rillcott.co.uk), who is i/c the rota, and can offer possible future dates.

Please also refer to services being held, at other times, at St Mary's, Woodbridge, as well as other events, to which we are warmly invited.

*Norman Porter. Churchwarden  
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## FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH

**(in partnership with Friends of St Mary's Church, Woodbridge)**

### RIDE AND STRIDE – SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

Jonathan Keer is organising our participation in Ride and Stride, the event aiming to provide funds for historic Suffolk Churches, including our own. Jonathan has recruited a team of people to sit in the church for an hour between

9.00 and 5.00. Even more important from the financial point of view, is the recruiting of more riders and striders, prepared to get around, to visit local churches and to get themselves sponsored for doing so. Jonathan has all the necessary forms.

### **CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY – SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Hopefully the church will have many friends prepared to turn up on **the morning of September 30<sup>th</sup>, 9.00 until 1.00**, to give the churchyard its annual clear-up. Please bring along all the usual implements, particularly strimmers, secateurs, plus bonfire skills etc. As always, coffee will be served mid-morning, and a ploughman's lunch will follow, when appropriate.

### **CHURCH FLOODLIGHTS**

No flood-lighting this month, but may we remind everyone that we can arrange for the church to be floodlit to celebrate or commemorate special occasions. The standard fee remains a fiver. However, as the principle is as important as the fund-raising, should you feel generous, and knowing that your contribution is in a worthy cause, a bit more will always be welcome. This will help offset soaring energy costs.

*If you would like the lights to shine forth for personal celebrations/ commemorations please drop a note in to Norman Porter, Rill Cottage, Kiln Lane with payment, explaining why you would like the church floodlit, so that it can be recorded in the FLN, for posterity's benefit. If urgent, a holding email [nhp@rillcott.co.uk](mailto:nhp@rillcott.co.uk) will do the trick, with payment to follow.*

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

SUMMARISED NOTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023.

### **REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR COLIN HEDGLEY (CH)**

A report had been circulated to Cllrs and

a full copy is attached to the minutes on the website. CH verbally reported on the discussion he had with the Head of Planning regarding the number of houses in a "Cluster" – apparently there is no limit. He also advised that the Planning Referral System is going to change, and he outlined the new system which is a great improvement. He confirmed that to make a verbal representation to the Planning Committee, registration must be made on the website at least 24 hours in advance.

### **REPORTS BY DISTRICT COUNCILLOR DAN CLERY (DC)**

DC had circulated reports for June and July which are attached to the minutes on the website. He verbally spoke about the recent Community Partnership Meeting that both he and Sue Prentice (SP) had attended which gave rise to a discussion on various ideas that had been put forward regarding some activities. SJ volunteered to speak to a local resident about this.

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**DC/23/2127/FUL – Land North of Lavender Cottage** – Build single storey stable room and storage room for hay and tools - Councillors unanimously resolved to strongly object to this application.

**DC/23/2787/VOC – Barn C, Former Woodbarn Cottages, Seckford Hall Road** – Variation of plans re Cart lodge - It was resolved that there are no objections to this application.

**Decision Update - DC/23/1149 – 14 Grundisburgh Road** – permitted by ESC.

### **REPORT RE ESC PLANNING FORUM 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

SP advised members that, under the Environment Act 2021, Biodiversity Net Gain is a mandatory requirement from November 2023. She read out some statistics re ESC planning application approvals and specifically mentioned that

for appeals – the national average is 42% success whereas for ESC it is only 29%. ESC Enforcement Matters that are upheld are very few.

### **ENFORCEMENT MATTERS**

**ENF/22/0069/USE – Water Meadow, Lower Street** – The ESC Enforcement Officer has concluded his investigation and reports that a number of non-permitted items have been removed from the land and it has been determined that sufficient compliance has been achieved. Cllrs will continue to monitor this site.

### **REVIEW OF NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

SP reported that the text of the revised NP is being proof-read and it is now at the pre-statutory consultation stage.

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN POLICY USAGE STATISTICS**

SP reported that ESC has amended these, and the figures will be provided on a monthly basis.

### **CONSULTATION ON SHIRE HALL, WOODBRIDGE**

Regan Scott (RS) reported on the proposals regarding the future of the Shire Hall. Cllrs felt that the PC should not comment on this consultation.

### **HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS**

**Replacement SID** – The Clerk confirmed that the insurance claim has been successful and £2975 has been received from Zurich. Cllrs discussed the two quotations which had been received and decided to proceed with Westcotec, to align with neighbouring parishes. There is a shortfall of £450 and CH will apply for this amount from his Enabling Communities Fund.

**Footpaths** – RS is liaising with the Footpath Officer for Little Bealings with regard to cutting back giant hogweed.

**Trees** – John Carter-Jonas is in contact with the representative of Lord Cranworth regarding a site for a copse.

### **REVIEW OF RISK ASSESSMENT**

Cllrs have reviewed this and decided that no changes are necessary.

### **FINANCE AND ADMIN**

Six payments were authorised for office expenses, salary and PAYE for September and October and election expenses. The Bank Reconciliation was approved and signed.

### **D-DAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2024**

as this is so close to the date for the proposed annual fete, it was decided against commemorating this event.

### **REPORTS RE DRONE**

reports have been received of a drone regularly flying around the village that is causing privacy concerns. It was mentioned that farmers use drones, and that much more evidence is required re dates and times before any action can be considered.

### **ACCIDENT ON LODGE ROAD**

a significant accident had recently occurred on Lodge Road, and Cllrs reported their concern about the speeding at this site.

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm

The public are welcome to attend any Parish Council meeting and may speak for a maximum of 3 minutes on any item on the agenda in the Public Participation session. Full draft and approved minutes of the Parish Council are available on the Council's website. The agenda is published approx. a week in advance of a meeting.

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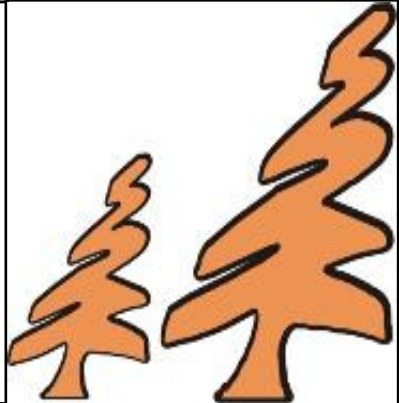
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## PARISH COUNCIL

**Notes of matters considered at  
the Parish Council meeting held  
on 3 July 2023**

### DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors made declarations of interest in items on the Agenda in accordance with the Council's adopted LGA Code of Conduct and left the meeting as appropriate. A dispensation was granted in respect of consideration of the purchase of Portable Appliance Testing equipment to enable the Council to be quorate for the transaction of business.

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Allocation of CIL funding was raised.

### PARISH PLAN INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PLAN (PIIP) AND ALLOCATION OF COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) INCOME

It was resolved to allocate £5,000 to Bealings Village Hall Trust's 'New Roof and Doors' project and to consult

residents on future CIL income allocation by a survey distributed in the Fynn Lark News.

### ESC COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP MEETING AND ROAD SAFETY FORUM

A Councillor would represent the Council at the Partnership meeting on 21 July and Mr Garnham would attend the Forum on 11 September. An enquiry would be made about the Partnership gilets provided to the School being used by the new Breakfast Club.

### ESC PARISH PLANNING FORUM

Ms Saagi and Mr Carr would represent the Council at this on 7 July.

### FYNN LARK NEWS EVENT

The Chairman and Clerk would represent the Council at this on 16 July.

### NETWORK RAIL WORKS

Network Rail had advised that the compound by the level crossing would be reinstated to the owner's requirement by 2 October.

## **NEW SEWER FOR THE STREET**

Anglian Water was arranging for residents' events at the Village Hall.

## **EAST SUFFOLK PLANNING ALLIANCE**

It was resolved to affiliate to the Alliance.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

It was resolved that the area to be designated for the Plan would be the whole of the parish. Funding applications for 2023/24 were not yet being accepted.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**DC/23/2077/P3Q** | Prior Notification - Change of use of a barn (Barn E) at Grove Farm in Little Bealings, from agricultural barn to 1no. residential dwelling | Grove Farm The Street.

It was resolved that there was no objection to the conversion, but concern about traffic volume and visibility at the junction with The Street. The Ecology Report was considered to be out of date.

**DC/23/1995/FUL** | Erection of 4 bay cart lodge/garage/log store | Sunfield Cottage Playford Road.

There was no objection to this proposed development.

**DC/23/2095/VOC** | Variation of Condition No. 2 of DC/22/2984/FUL - Construction of one detached dwelling and garage - Change approved drawings to reflect amendments to design. | Woodside Martlesham Road.

It was resolved that there was strong objection to this development, which was already under construction, as over development of the site and in breach of SCLP5.7.

**DC/23/2218/FUL** | Proposed 2 storey extension | 2 Holly Cottages Holly Close.

There was no objection to this proposed development.

**DC/23/1353/FUL** | Change of use of land from Agricultural to an enclosed dog exercise field (Suis Generis) | Railway Field The Street.

ESC had approved this application and it was resolved to make formal complaint to ESC about the determination process.

ESC had approved the following

applications:

**DC/23/1481/FUL** | Replacing 4 external doors, one of these is to involve replacing an existing wooden front entrance door with aluminium entrance doors with disabled push button. Replacing existing metal roof with insulated metal roof in colour Goosewing Grey (RAL 0807005) | Village Hall The Street.

**DC/23/0107/P3Q** | Prior Notification - Agriculture to Dwellings - Conversion of Agricultural Barn (C) to Residential. | Grove Farm The Street .

**DC/23/1310/FUL** | Construction of new single storey side and rear extensions. | The Hollies Holly Lane.

**DC/23/1406/TPO** | A1 of TPO No. 22 / 1952 1no. Pine (T1 on plan) - Remove lowest limb overhanging driveway | Little Bealings House Martlesham Road.

## **DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

These are available on the Council's website: [https://](https://littlebealings.onesuffolk.net/parish-council/district-and-county-councillor-reports/)

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## **HIGHWAYS**

There were no updates on issues raised and the Chairman would contact County Councillor Elaine Bryce.

## **AFFILIATION TO 20s PLENTY FOR SUFFOLK**

It was resolved to affiliate to this initiative.

## **FOOTPATHS**

A report received is available on the Council's website and the Wardens were thanked for their work.

## **FINANCE**

The period of public notice of the Accounts would run from 5 June to 14 July. The Certificate of Exemption had been submitted to the external auditor.

No income had been received. Expenditure for the Clerk's salary for July and August, expenses for the purchase of replacement dog fouling signs and for the

hire of the Angela Cobbold Hall were approved.

It was resolved to amend the signatories for the NS&I Account. The first quarter internal review would be undertaken once the June bank statement was to hand.

#### **PORTABLE APPLIANCE TESTING (PAT) EQUIPMENT**

It was noted that other groups in the parish had expressed interest in borrowing PAT equipment if purchased by the Council and resolved to seek funding from the Locality funds of the local District and County Councillors.

#### **DATE OF COUNCIL MEETING**

The next meeting of the Council will be on Monday 4 September 2023 in the Angela Cobbold Hall but a meeting will be held on Monday 7 August 2023, if required by business to be transacted.

Please visit our website for further information, including reports, draft and approved minutes of Parish Council meetings:

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## **SUMMER AT THE ANGELA COBBOLD HALL**

On Friday 7th. July, Gerry Dunlavy gave us both an interesting, informative and entertaining talk on Landguard Fort at Felixstowe.



As a guide at the fort, he has a wide historical knowledge of the Fort and its role in British history throughout the years since the 16th.Century. Its position at the point of access to the deep water harbour at Harwich, was of prime importance for protecting this vital port, both in times of war and peace. Historical threats of invasion came from Holland, France and Germany and the Fort was armed and manned to meet these challenges. With the passage of history the Fort became redundant and was disarmed and closed in 1956. It is now owned by English Heritage and events are managed by the Landguard Fort Trust (visit their website). Visitors today can explore the maze of rooms and passageways and learn about the roles of the occupants throughout the years. Special events include, the very popular Halloween events, Guided Tours and Educational Visits.

Our grateful thanks to Gerry for making us more aware of the history on our “doorstep “.

On Sundays in August the Hall has hosted Cream Teas to raise funds for the Breast Cancer Now charity.

On Sunday 6th.August, the Cream Tea was accompanied by an opportunity to view the wonderful Bealings WI photographic collection....albums that charted the events and activities of Bealings WI since it's foundation in 1922 until it's recent closure. This historic archive is now lodged safely in the Woodbridge Museum and can be viewed by appointment. (Woodbridge Museum, Whisstocks Place, Tide Mill Way. IP12 1FP. 01394 380502 ..Tues & Thurs am. [enquires@woodbridgemuseum.com](mailto:enquires@woodbridgemuseum.com))

A list of the contents of the archive is available at the ACH or from [pandvcarr55@gmail.com](mailto:pandvcarr55@gmail.com).

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On Sunday 13th August, the Cream Tea was accompanied by 'Bubbly & Beer'! Toni and Carl Cornish we're celebrating

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and sharing their 34th Wedding Anniversary. The afternoon was greatly enjoyed, with a chance to view their wedding photos and sign a congratulations card.



Grateful thanks to Toni and Carl for sharing their happiness with us all.

To date we have raised £200 for the Breast Cancer Now Charity.

Thanks to everyone who has helped (washing up etc.) and supported this very worthy cause.

## CHURCHWARDEN'S UPDATE

We have so enjoyed meeting and serving you this summer at Absolutely Divine. Our volunteers are now taking a much-deserved break from café life but will be back soon with a new Autumn menu.

Bishop Martin Seeley has appointed our new benefice vicar, and we greatly look forward to Reverend Sarah Quantrill joining us late Oct/Nov. Reverend Gary Jones will remain our local priest, working alongside Sarah.

As the fields are harvested, we are busy organising our autumn events and services, and warmly invite each of you to attend. Please see our adverts and the Table of Services/Events.

I particularly draw your attention to our

**Harvest Festival Service** on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00 a.m. and our **Pet Service** on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 3.00 p.m. Both services will be great. Come sing harvest hymns and listen to Reverend Gary and Lightwave Agricultural Chaplain Graham Miles give thanks for the harvest. All food donations will be taken to FIND. We also warmly invite you to our harvest meal (please see the advert). All creatures great and small - we would love to meet your furry friends and we particularly encourage children to bring their guinea pigs, dogs, cats in baskets, hamsters, and any other pets they love to our fun Pet Service to be blessed by Reverend Gary.

*Helen Wittgreffe*  
Churchwarden & Elder

## ANNUAL CHURCHYARD TIDY 14<sup>TH</sup> OCT - VOLUNTEERS WELCOME

Little Bealings' churchyard tidy will take place on Saturday 14th October, starting at 9.30 a.m. If you can spare a few hours, do come and join us strimming, pruning and generally tidying up around our lovely churchyard.

Last year's working party proved to be a very convivial and enjoyable community effort, with helpers from around the village and further afield, including several volunteers from Great Bealings and Kesgrave.

Lunch will be provided in the church for all our helpers on the day - all that exercise and fresh air is guaranteed to work up a good appetite! It also gives everyone a chance to chat and get to know each other while we take a break from our exertions.

It was particularly pleasing last year to have several helpers from Great Bealings church join us - their help was much appreciated, and we hope this will become a reciprocal arrangement each year, with volunteers from both parishes working together in our respective

churchyards. The date of the Great Bealings working party can be found elsewhere in this magazine (at the time of writing possibly 30th Sept - see Great Bealings church notes for confirmation).

If you can help, even for a couple of hours, could you please confirm by email to: [fmutimer@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:fmutimer@hotmail.co.uk)

## **BE CURIOUS! – STARTS 5<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023**

I often hear, 'I believe in God a bit.' If you believe a bit, even a tiny bit, shouldn't you be curious to find out more? After all, if he exists is not that the most important thing of all?

Helen Wittgreffe and Carolyn Lemay invite you, whether you believe a bit or not at all, or perhaps believe but still have questions, to join us as we explore the new Alpha series.

The series feels young and joyful; the evenings are interesting, friendly, relaxed, thought provoking. The series tackles the big questions about life, death, and faith. We hear from world-leading scientists, lawyers, musicians, adventurers, hardened criminals, and everyday folk; their stories prompt great conversations and you can either sit and listen or join in the discussion.

The group will meet on Thursdays from 5<sup>th</sup> October at All Saints Church, Little Bealings.

Coffee will be served at 7.15 p.m., prompt start at 7.30 p.m., we aim to finish at 9.00 p.m.

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## **CAFÉ HUB—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

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We are also seeking hospitality-trained volunteers to run the café on Wednesdays when our current volunteer café supervisor needs time off. Can you serve cakes and savouries, are you willing to oversee our simple till, start up and close down our coffee machine, ensuring Food Standards Agency cleanliness requirements are adhered to?

Volunteers run our café, and we love it. Perhaps you need work experience, or are simply a lovely person willing to volunteer? If so, I would love to hear from you.

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## WORD FROM THE STUDY

**I am delighted to announce that the Rev Sarah Quantrell has been appointed as the Incumbent of Kesgrave, Little Bealings and Playford. We look forward to welcoming Sarah and her family in the late Autumn; Sarah joins us from Carlton Colville.**

Talking of Autumn it is defiantly on its way! Now, I know what you are going to say, we haven't had summer yet. And, to be fair, you are probably right; but with Strictly Come Dancing announcing its line-up, with the finale close to Christmas, you could be forgiven for thinking otherwise. It seems like all the seasons are rolled into one, and with climate change, it sometimes becomes a bit confusing.

As human beings, we are creatures of habit and tend to plan and look forward to things and talking of things to look forward to, we have a coffee morning at St Mary's Church Playford on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 10.00 a.m. There will be tea, coffee and cake, plus a raffle. Please do come along and meet people and have a chat. These have been very popular and well attended.

Our annual Clarkson service at St Marys Playford was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Harvest is one of the most loved services, the smell of the fresh fruit and vegetables in Church is a smell that cannot be imitated. On 23<sup>rd</sup> September, we will be holding our annual Harvest Festival at All Saints Little Bealings at 10am, and our speaker will be Graham Miles who is an agricultural chaplain, and he will be talking about the challenges that both climate and economic changes have affected the region's farmers. So do come along to the service; you will receive a warm welcome.

**On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 3.00 p.m., we will be having a pet service at Little Bealings. All children and pets welcome - as well as well-behaved adults!**

There will be more events in both our Churches in the coming months, more details in next month's edition.

While the world around us seems to be in a spin, the one thing we can rely on is that Our Lord makes sense of time, when all around us doesn't appear to.

I hope you all had a change to catch your breath over the summer months and are ready to face the Autumn, even if you don't like 'Strictly.'

Every Blessing.

*Reverend Gary Jones*

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Sat 23rd Sep	7.00 p.m.	Harvest Meal & Mini Quiz to book contact <i>helen.wittgreffe@btinternet.com</i>
Sun Sep 24th	10.00 a.m.	Harvest Festival Service
Sun 1st October	3.00 p.m.	Pet Service- yes please bring your pets!
Thurs 5th October	7.15 p.m.	Start of Alpha- a joyful introduction to our faith, contact Helen Wittgreffe as above
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## **PLAYFORD PARISH HALL AGM**

The 2023 Annual General Meeting of Playford Parish Hall will be held in the hall at 7.00 p.m. on Thursday 7th September.

Please come and hear about the progress of the hall and let us know your views on current facilities and activities, ideas for future activities and any other issues you wish to discuss.

All are welcome.

*Sue Lister  
Secretary*

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

**These are condensed notes of the proceedings of the Playford Parish Council meeting held 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023.**

**A full version of the minutes appears on the website: [www.playford.org.uk](http://www.playford.org.uk) county councillor's report**

Apologies for absence were received from Co. Cllr Elaine Bryce but her written report is appended to the full minutes on the PC website.

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

Dist. Cllr Colin Hedgley's report is appended to the full minutes on the PC website – he also reported that: Norse Ltd is no longer the contractor for ESC as this has been taken over by East Suffolk Services as from 1.7.23, changes to the East Suffolk planning procedure for referrals are to be implemented to make it more democratic (this will be on trial for a year).

### **ACTION POINT REVIEW**

•The results of an appeal by the landowner are still awaited regarding the

unregistered footpath between Butts Road and Church Road.

•Details of Highways' proposals for C324 traffic priority problems are still awaited.

•Confusion over the small side gate to enable mobility scooters to bypass the main gate across FP2 to Tuddenham when it is locked, as Footpaths Officer Debbie Adams thought this had been resolved by other means – Clerk to query this.

•New signage for Church Lane to deter heavy traffic was discussed.

•Small trip hazards on FP5 near to the NE border with Gt Bealings – no action taken by Highways, but the situation seems to have lessened in severity.

•Boules Piste repairs – it is hoped that a team of volunteers will be engaged to undertake this task.

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

## **FINANCE**

Payments were authorised for the Clerk's May & June salary and stationery expenses, tax to HMRC, also costs to CAS for the Neighbourhood Plan website, training costs for courses for the new Chairman and a new Councillor and a contribution to SID's insurance paid to Lt Bealings PC. Credits received included £50.00 for playing field hire, and £15.64 interest on the Business Premium account. The current budget was agreed to be on track and a review of the parish Standing Orders was conducted.

## **HIGHWAYS**

Highways' suggestions for traffic priority issues on the C324 still awaited (as above). The overall traffic priority has been established as being from the Ipswich direction but standard methods of dealing with this is difficult as there is so little road width. Also, build-up of silt washing off the field to the south of the road is a major contributory factor and the silt covers up road markings. Positioning of new road signs to deter heavy traffic from using Church Lane was agreed and a site visit to determine the exact locations of the signs is to be conducted. The SIDs report was given by Tracy Herrington, including data collected in June, giving statistics of daily usage of local roads by cars and other vehicles.

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The comments log from the pre-submission consultation was discussed and must be agreed before the draft Plan can be submitted to East Suffolk Co. This is expected to be conducted at the next meeting.

## **PLANNING MATTERS**

**Application DC/22/2345/FUL - White Gables, Hill Farm Road** - Front, rear and side extensions to building, upgrading insulation and cladding – this was approved by Playford Parish Council but

is yet to be decided by East Suffolk planners.

**Application DC/22/2510/FUL – Alterations of Colts Meadow, Hill Farm Road** - this will be discussed by the PC on 12.7.23.

..... (Update – this was approved by the parish council on 12.7.23)

## **OTHER MATTERS**

A new concrete base has been laid for the bottle bank and a site visit held on 1<sup>st</sup> July agreed the next step i.e., to erect a low metal fence around three sides and to place loose paving stones to aid access over the grass.

Despite a watering rota by volunteers, the memorial oak tree on the playing field has been looking a little unhappy, possibly because of the heat wave in June – a closer eye is being kept on it and hopefully, subsequent heavy rainfall may be helping it recover too.

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Weds 6th September 2023 at 7.00 p.m.

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# **Coffee Morning**

## **Playford Church**

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

10.00 a.m. until Noon.

Drop in at any time for a quick chat coffee and biscuits.

Raffle at 11.45 a.m.

*(Cash Only)*

## CHURCH EVENTS

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00 a.m.	Family Communion
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 a.m. until 12 noon	Coffee Morning All are welcome, chat and a raffle
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 a.m.	Family Morning Service.
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	6.30 p.m.	Harvest Supper, Playford Village Hall

## W.I. SEPTEMBER 2023

We've had a very social summer! In July we were delighted to welcome the new SEFWI Chair plus 50 members and visitors from Deben, Grundisburgh & Culpho and Woodbridge W.I.s to Playford for an entertaining talk by Jane Hoggart about her very local experiences of growing up in Ipswich to exotic adventures as a cabaret dancer around the world. This was followed, of course by a delicious afternoon tea, raffle and socialising! The proceeds of the raffle are being used towards a bursary for our regional group.

August saw our traditional Boules tournament. This year we welcomed teams from Rushmere and Tuddenham W.I.s. Enjoying friendly rivalry, Pimm's, homemade nibbles and raffle a good night was had by all, and we're pleased to report that Playford won the game!



We have also enjoyed a couple of outings: visiting the Angela Cobbold Hall for a delicious cream tea and final look through the Bealings W.I. photo archives before they were taken into Woodbridge Museum; and further afield a delightful picnic at Butley River.



'Summer' is the theme for a photo competition celebrating this year's 'W.I Day'. Playford's entries will be displayed in Playford Church at their coffee morning on 16th September. The winning entry from Playford will be included in a wider W.I. exhibition, so we hope you'll come along and vote!

Before that, our next meeting is on Tuesday 5th September with a first 'paw' report of Guide Dog training from golden retriever Nellie and Mr & Mrs Wright of Rushmere. The talk begins at 7.30 p.m. at Playford Village Hall - visitors are welcome.

**Do you enjoy walking or cycling?**

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Churches will be open between 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m., **refreshments will be available** and a warm welcome.

*...Also **PEDAL and DRIVE**. If you have a classic car, drive between the churches and support the work of the Trust.*

## **BINKY AND CO**

Binky was feeling refreshed and raring to go. Back from his holiday in France (well, you cannot win every time) nor can France. It's amazing what a couple of batons and a dozen snails can do for a man, or woman come to that, although Mrs S spent the next few days talking to the big white porcelain telephone. Now it's back to fish and chips and Indigo's homemade soup. Her recipes for that are a top secret and Binky hoped it always would be. Knowledge can be a dangerous thing, especially to Binky's insides.

But Binky had a kind side to him and decided he would take Indigo to the cinema.

"There is a good film on" said Binky half expecting Mrs S to tell him to push off because she doesn't do films. But no, "What's it called?" she asked. "Well, it's about the Atom Bomb and it's called Barbie" said Binky with all the authority he could muster. "Sounds good to me" said Indigo in a disinterested way.

Binky thought it would be a good idea to go to a restaurant first, so he booked a table at the only restaurant he knew that had a chair big enough for Mrs S, known to all and sundry as The Greasy Spoon. (The restaurant-not Mrs S). Mind you it's kidney, liver and prostate pie with rich brown gravy was to die for. Police reports



say that some people did. But that was last week, this is now thought Binks. Reminded him of his old dad who would eat anything put in front of him, including Binky remembered his pet rabbit when Binky was about seven years old. He cried a lot, his Dad, not Binky, because he realised it only made two meals. Still, thought Binky, times were tough. So was the rabbit according to his dad.

Anyway, off they went to the Greasy Spoon for a slap- up meal. Don Giovanni the restaurant owner welcomed them like old friends as he realised, he could get rid of that old meat he had laying around in the bottom of the freezer. "Two of your special pies my Italian friend" said Binky whilst delicately pushing an encrusted mustard pot toward indigo's side of the table. She eyed him suspiciously. "You must have some mustard when the pie comes my dear" said Binky lamely. To be fair it was a very tasty meal followed by "Don G's special gelato." A sort of runny green stuff with a cherry on top.

Don G was always promising to fix his freezer.

In due course Binky left the Greasy Spoon arm in arm with Indigo and headed for the cinema where on arrival Indigo purchased a bucket of popcorn. Binky wondered how Indigo could eat that much after such a large dinner, but he thought it best to say nothing for fear of a big argument just as the first atom bomb exploded. It was about two minutes into the film when Binky began to realise something wasn't quite right. The film kept going on about Barbie and he knew that the first atomic weapon was called Little Boy. "They've put the wrong film on!" Binky exclaimed to his wife, "Idiots."

"No" Binky said his wife "This is the right

film for me!" "C'mon Barbie" shouted Indigo "Hit him where it hurts!" Binky got up and left the building.

### *Thoughts from Binky's old grandad.*

"A Lady asked an old street vendor: "How much do you sell your eggs for?" The old man replied "50p an egg, madam." The Lady responded, "I'll take 6 eggs for £2.00 or I'm leaving." The old salesman replied, "Buy them at the price you want, Madam. This is a good start for me because I haven't sold a single egg today and I need this to live."

She bought her eggs at a bargain price and left with the feeling that she had bartered well and got a great deal. She got into her posh car and went to a posh restaurant with her posh friend. She and her friend ordered what they wanted. They ate a little and left a lot of what they had asked for. So, they paid the bill, which was £150. The ladies gave £200 and told the posh restaurant owner to keep the change as a tip.

This story might seem quite normal to the owner of the posh restaurant, but very unfair to the egg seller. The question it raises is.

Why do we always need to show that we have power when we buy from the needy?

And why are we generous to those who don't even need our generosity?

I once read somewhere that a father used to buy goods from poor people at a high price, even though he didn't need the things. Sometimes he paid more for them. His children were quizzical. One day they asked him "Why are you doing this dad?" The father replied: "It's charity wrapped in dignity."

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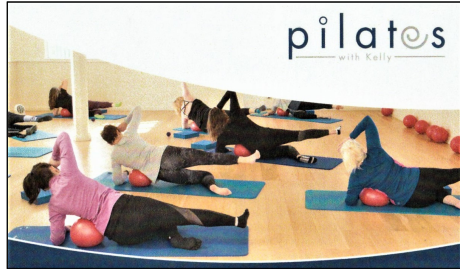
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## CULPHO CHURCH AND COMMUNITY NEWS

### **CULPHOMUSIC "Aġ Sġ B" EġEEĊ CĒ ħġ"Æ :**

London Viols., **Fantasia, In Nomines and Consort Songs**

On Friday 21st July we were thrilled to welcome back London Viols, Peter McCarthy, Mark Caudle, Reiko Ichise, and Louise Jameson, with Contralto Amy Blythe. over the course of 90 minutes they mesmerised us with wonderful music. Peter amused us with stories about composers and shared information about early music instruments they were playing. All-in-all a lovely evening.

Thanks to all who came to this event, and thanks to Richard and Christobel Garnham, John Lapsley and Lyn Chapman for their help and support with these events.

## **FORTHCOMING C M EVENTS**

**CulphoMusic: St Botolph Church, Culpho IP6 9DH**

### **SONGS OF SEA AND SHORE**

**Quaynotes** Julia Dansie, Penny Hemphill and Claudia Myatt

**Saturday 11th November at 7.30 p.m.**

Join us for a gentle and entertaining evening with folk trio 'Quaynotes' who will share some of their favourite music, from emotional Celtic harp tunes to traditional and contemporary songs delivered with rich harmonies... and all woven with anecdotes and good humour!

**Tickets: £10 from Christine Pearce [cmp0601@hotmail.com/](mailto:cmp0601@hotmail.com) 07925251802 or [culphomusic.uk](http://culphomusic.uk)**

### **A WINTER WASSALL**

**The Milton Consort** Peter Hamilton Dyer Stephen and Jennie Cassidy

**Saturday 16th December at 7.30 p.m.**

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TODDLERS	PH	Fri	9.30 a.m. toddler group	<i>playfordtoddlers@gmail.com</i>
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## OCTOBER 2023 NEWS

Contributions for the October 2023 News to be submitted by:

**5.00 p.m. Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> September.**

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