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Harvest for All

Despite the on-going embarrassing abundance of food in our supermarkets, this time of year reminds us of our dependence on the harvest. Britain now has many other successful industries, which sustain the economy. But our agricultural heritage is still strong and living in rural England, we very much appreciate the hard work and dedication of farmers and their employees, who bring the harvest home.

Their livelihoods are volatile and fragile now in a global market, as we have seen recently with the protests of dairy farmers who currently make a loss on their production of milk due to squeezed profits from foreign competition.

Poor weather, disease and subsidies for competitors also put our farming communities in jeopardy. We can never be complacent about the constant provision of food and for our brothers and sisters in poorer countries; the success or failure of the harvest is still the difference between life and death.

Communities have traditionally come together for centuries to give thanks for good harvests. Meals are shared and merriment had by all. It's a great time to

come together and share our holiday stories too as we've gone our separate ways in July and August.

You'll see in the magazine we have 4 different Harvest services and celebrations across the Benefice, to which you are all warmly invited. We have deliberately chosen a variety of times, locations and meals, so that despite busy lives, you might be able to attend one of them. Some are suppers, some lunch, some teas, some in halls or churches, and others at the rectory. Some are offered as a gift to the local village, others hope to raise much-needed funds to repair our church buildings. However, despite our own financial difficulties, we recognise our responsibility to be generous to those in greater need, hence our support for Water Aid this year.

Whether you are able to join us and 'raise the song of harvest home' or simply raise a glass at one of our gatherings in thanks for 'our life, our health our food', we look forward to seeing you.

In the meantime I send you my prayers and good wishes in all that you do.

With every blessing,

Celia

COMMUNITY SURVEY

A huge thank you to all of you who took the time and trouble to complete a survey for our Benefice. I am really grateful for all your wisdom and views and will shortly be meeting with members of the churches to discuss how we can respond and better serve the needs of our lovely villages. I am happy to meet with anyone personally, should you wish to offer any further comments about the life and work of the church and its participation within the community.

Rev'd Celia Cook 878104

BENEFICE

THOMAS CLARKSON ANTI-SLAVERY CAMPAIGNER

I was honoured to be able to preach at the Clarkson service this year.

I started thinking about the sermon when I was actually preparing for May 10th. I was looking at the readings and was struck by the commandment 'to love one another as I have loved you'. It made me ask - where is God's love in slavery?

Anti-Slavery International is the world's oldest human rights organisation, founded in 1839 and Thomas Clarkson was the first President.

It is very sad and somewhat disappointing that the organisation is still working to draw attention to the fact that slavery is still alive and well all over the world.

The fight against slavery must go on. It is not just in remote parts of Africa. It is here and now - in the UK in 2015.

Thomas was born at Wisbech, son of a clergyman, and his life would probably have led him to a career in the church but he entered an essay competition the subject was 'Is it lawful to make slaves of others against their wills?'

Clarkson, like many people in Britain at the time, knew very little about the horrors of the Slave Trade. He spent the next two months reading up on the subject of slavery. As he read his feelings started to change. His research made him realise how awful the Slave Trade was. He was shocked by what he discovered about how enslaved Africans were treated.

Thomas won first prize for his essay and, in the summer of 1785, he was invited back to the university to read it in the Senate House. After the talk, he left for London.

On his journey he thought a lot about slavery and he became more and more upset and angry at the thought that slavery would continue. During that journey he stopped, sat down and reflected on his life. It was then that he decided to devote his life to abolishing the Slave Trade.

Now don't we all have occasional moments like that? Moments when we have a think (called 'reflection'. When you are training for Ministry – they are very keen on reflection)

Before I started training I would have said that I am having a 'big think', sometimes big thinks are followed by a rant, to the washing, or to God and sometimes they get forgotten or pushed to one side and sometimes they lead to action and sometimes they don't. However the reflection of young Thomas did lead to action! Big time!

He was not a man to do things half-heartedly. He travelled widely and spoke to thousands of people over a period of 60 years, collecting the information that his friend and fellow abolitionist Wilberforce would put before parliament in a bid to outlaw the slave trade – and eventually slavery itself.

There is still much work to be done. Anti-Slavery International works at local, national and international levels to eliminate all forms of slavery around the world.

Would Thomas Clarkson be pleased with how far we have come?

In Playford we have a duty, as we remember the work of Thomas Clarkson and friends; to also remember and reflect on how much still needs to be done to end this evil.

If we don't think about it nothing will change - and if we don't act on our thoughts nothing will change.

The Modern Slavery Act 2015 received Royal Assent on Thursday 26 March 2015. How sad it is that after all this time it is still needed.

Today, millions of men, women and children around the world are forced to live in slavery. People are forced to work through the threat or use of violence, they are bought and sold like objects, work for long hours often for little or no pay and are at the mercy of their employers. A key difference between slavery today and that of the past is that now, thanks to the struggle of abolitionists and freedom fighters in the late 18th and early 19th centuries, slavery is illegal in every country. But it has not been eliminated because these laws are not enforced. Even in Europe and North America, where slavery appeared to have been consigned to history, it has returned in the form of human trafficking and forced labour.

In 2010, the General Synod of the Church of England passed a recommendation that Clarkson's name be added to the list of those already commemorated on 30 July in a day of prayer known as a 'lesser festival' a time when we remember him and his work. The obelisk reminds us every time we visit the churchyard at Playford but the 30th July is special. It gives us a chance to reflect on his life and times and ours too

2007 was the 200th anniversary of the abolition of the slave trade in the UK and we held a service at St Mary's Playford to remember Thomas Clarkson and friends and the work they did towards that momentous event.

Many residents of the benefice attended together with a good number of guests Brian Seward, our own local historian, worked hard tracking people down and inviting them to join us for the commemoration. We had representatives from the families of both

Thomas Clarkson and William Wilberforce who had worked together to get the trade in human beings stopped and Pauline led the service. We have had several different people speak at what we have come to call the Clarkson service. Last year Colin Hedgley, churchwarden of Playford, gave us a most informative talk about the role of the Royal Navy in the work to end the transatlantic trade. It is good to remember and honour those who have gone before us. To give thanks for their lives and service but then we must take stock, reflect and move on.

Thomas Clarkson and friends worked tirelessly for many more years before the passing of the Slave Emancipation Act in 1833 giving all slaves in the British Empire their freedom, albeit after a set period of years.

The 1833 Act did not come into force until 1 August 1834. The first step was the freeing of all children under six. However, although the many thousands of enslaved people in the British West Indies were no longer legally slaves after 1 August 1834, they were still made to work as unpaid apprentices for their former masters. These masters continued to ill-treat and exploit them. Enslaved people in the British Caribbean finally gained their freedom at midnight on 31 July 1838.

Plantation owners received compensation for the 'loss of their slaves' in the form of a government grant. In contrast, enslaved people received no compensation and continued to face much hardship. They remained landless, and the wages offered on the plantations after emancipation were extremely low.

The trouble was that the former slaves had nowhere to go, no means of support and were marginalised, trapped in a cycle of poverty the legacy of which goes on and on it seems.

Who remembers civil rights marches in

America? Who was surprised by the standing of a black man for congress? or the election of president Obama – although his background was different it was a huge step forward – but we are still nowhere near any kind of equality in the US or the UK or the EU.

We all seem to suffer from the 'people like us' syndrome and act in a tribal fashion when we don't understand something. The letter of the law may say one thing but the law is only good if we not only follow the letter of it but also live it in our hearts and minds.

To us today we probably all think of the transatlantic slave trade and ships carrying their human cargo in appalling conditions – many dying on the way – as a thing of the past.

People being held in slavery too have been outlawed for ages and is unthinkable to all Christian people. But it wasn't – the Bible was used as an argument for both sides of the slavery debate. It was the natural order of things and the pro-slavery groups were just as sure they were right as the abolitionists. Life is never straightforward and just imagine if an uncle died and left a will and you inherited a plantation with a lot of slaves what could you do? Free them? Where would they live? Who would employ them? Care for them when they were sick? Could you afford to? Nothing is straightforward – so before we all get on our high horses about freedom and rights let us take a moment to consider responsibility.

We cannot change the past – we can never begin to make adequate reparation for ills done to peoples uprooted from their homes and shipped to foreign lands to be used and bred like cattle. Thank God it is all over and nothing like it will ever happen again.

Ah - that is the question. Is the work to abolish slavery complete?

I want to leave you with some thoughts for today and the future.

There are an estimated 13,000 people in slavery in the UK today.

There are an estimated 200 million people in slavery worldwide today.

There are many different kinds of slavery. Many people are born into slavery and die in slavery. In the bible there are many examples of slavery. The children of Israel were often an oppressed or enslaved people. Maybe the time we think of most is in Egypt when Moses was charged with the task of leading the people of Israel to the Promised Land. God said 'Set my People Free'. We have the huge privilege of freedom. Let us give thanks for it and remember that with freedom comes the responsibility to use it wisely.

I would like to end with some words from Ps 137 – a psalm from a people enslaved.

“By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion.

There on the poplars we hung our harps, for there our captors asked us for songs, our tormentors demanded songs of joy; they said, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"

How can we sing the songs of the LORD while in a foreign land?"

Slavery hangs heavy on the soul.

Diana Gardiner

“SEPTEMBER SONG”

All of us are Christ's body, and each one is a part of it. In the church God has put all in place: in the first place apostles, in the second place prophets and in the third place teachers. (1 Corinthians 12:27-28) GNB.

I know that accountants start their year in March and Archdeacons start their year in December but I have always thought of September as a fresh start, a new beginning, opportunities; the start of my year. After eighteen years of schooling I held my first teaching post in September. There were thirty children waiting for my every word, instruction, yawn or hesitation. Some were waiting to see if I would pick my nose, shout or fall off the chair. As a long haired twenty three year old wearing my best cord jacket, with new leather arm patches, I perched on the back of the teacher's chair conscious of what might lie ahead. All was new and we had a week in an outdoor centre booked for the second week. The Head had volunteered me to take a student after Christmas. Would I be happy to teach country dancing, produce the school nativity play and take hymn practice each Thursday morning for the whole school?

I do not believe I have ever faced anything like the responsibility I had for thirty children in a village school. Keeping children occupied, interested and learning for seven hours a day comes as a shock when the previous year all I had to do was turn up to lectures and write the occasional essay. To some extent being with the children was easy. They liked the same jokes, (- from the Beano of course- all I had to do was groan). Any well organised game or quiz made the day. After a month I even learnt how to fill in the register, take hymn practice and add up the dinner money; but I never did learn how to teach the infants. Hours of preparation

and mountains of materials seldom lasted more than twenty minutes.

Please smile and greet any teacher you meet this September. He or she may be as puzzled as I am about the technical issues. (How can she teach British Values, spot radicalization or find a replacement for levels?) The press dwell on results, grades and the expense of education but we need the energy, enthusiasm, patience and humour of teachers. Giving children and young people a good start to the academic year can be great fun, a privilege, but it can be exhausting. If you have some time to give please consider volunteering to help in class, become a school governor or walk your grandchild to school. Making a new start this September may be as easy as greeting a teacher, volunteering to help or listening to a child read.

Bill Herbert

GET ACTIVE STAY FIT

A new Keep Fit class will be starting at Little Bealings village hall on Wednesday 2nd of September from 2-3pm. The class is a low impact exercise to music class for the over 50's in which everyone exercises at their own level. We start with a gradual warm-up to mobilise joints and warm the muscles, followed by a section to build stamina and improve cardio-vascular strength. We continue with muscular strengthening exercises which are performed either holding onto a chair or seated. You do not need to get down onto the floor, or up again! The session concludes with stretching and relaxation.

The classes are easy to follow as I do the whole thing in front of you and talk you through it so you know what is coming next. We take into consideration any conditions you may have, like arthritis or osteoporosis and movements can be adapted to suit everyone. There will be a variety of music from shows,

pop, jazz, classical and the classes are run on a pay-on-the-day basis.

For further details of this or other local classes in Kesgrave, Martlesham Heath and Bromeswell please call Julia on 01473 620511



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KYSON PROBUS CLUB

Members came together for their usual monthly meeting at 1230 on Mon 10 Aug 15 at the Ufford Park Hotel. After a convivial drink and lunch we heard a fascinating talk by our speaker Paul Bruce who is a local artist and retired businessman. In a former life he ran a successful antiques and fine furniture business but now teaches art and sculpture and lectures on various topics throughout the county. His subject was William Kent of whom, to our collective shame, few of us had heard. He was a multi-talented 18th century artist, book illustrator and architect. He also designed furniture, fine interiors, gardens and even silverware. There are many examples of his work in London and elsewhere, including Houghton Hall in Norfolk. Some of his furniture can be seen in Christchurch Mansion in Ipswich.

For information about the Kyson Probus Cub, please call the secretary Mr Ian McIvor on 01473 738866

From just a handful of small independents in the 1860s, the cooperative movement in the region has changed and grown over the years, resulting in a business that is now the region's largest independent retailer.

Christian Bone, Head of Member & Community Services at East of England Co-op, looks back at the Society's formative years and outlines what makes co-operatives different today and how they benefit local communities.

The kettle will be on the hob at 12.30pm. And there will biscuits. Although admission is free, a retiring collection of £2.00 will be appreciated. This is to defray expenses incurred in hosting the series.

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FROM THE REGISTERS

WEDDING

18th July Richard Andrew Jones & Hannah Smith Great Bealings

THANKSGIVING FOR A LIFE

28th July David Martin Great Bealings

READINGS AND LITURGICAL COLOURS - SEPTEMBER

30th August

OT Lesson 8.00
Gospel 8.00
 10.00

13th Sunday after Trinity

Deuteronomy 4.1-2, 6-9 Green
 Mark 7.1-8,14-15,21-23 RCL p.664
 Baptism Readings

6th September

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

14th Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 35.4-7 Green
 James 2.1-10,14-17 RCL p.668
 Mark 7.24-end

13th September

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

15th Sunday after Trinity

Isaiah 50.4-9 Green
 James 3.1-12 RCL p.676
 Mark 8.27-end

20th September

OT Lesson 3.00
Gospel 3.00
 10.00

16th Sunday after Trinity

Joel 2.21-27 Green
 Matthew 6.25-33
 Baptism Readings

27th September

NT Lesson 8.00
Gospel 8.00
NT Lesson 11.00
Gospel 11.00

17th Sunday after Trinity

James 5.13-end Green
 Mark 9.38-end RCL p.691
 2 Corinthians 9.6-15 RCL p.1159
 Luke 17.11-19

4th October

OT Lesson 8.00
Gospel 8.00
NT Lesson 11.00
Gospel 11.00

18th Sunday after Trinity

Genesis 2.18-24 Green
 Mark 10.2-16 RCL p.695
 Philippians 4.4-9 RCL p. 1167
 John 6.25-35

BEALINGS

BEALINGS WI

Summer at Bealings WI passed in a buzz of activity. The National WI Centenary AGM attended by HM The Queen, the Princess Royal and the Countess of Wessex was vividly recalled in the Delegate's report, while some members had watched the live screening.

Coffee Get-togethers and the Reading Group enjoyed outdoor meetings and the fine weather held for a scrumptious Cream Tea in a lovely garden. Lunch at Seckford Hall in bright sunshine rapidly moved inside in a heavy shower! Opportunities were taken to attend the Sandringham Flower Show, Summer Theatre at Southwold and the Suffolk

WI holiday to Chester as well as afternoon tea celebrations. Fish and chips at Dunwich in late August are eagerly anticipated.

Mr Geo Fradgley was the July meeting speaker. His subject an illustrated talk "John Constable and the Haywain". The artist was born in East Bergholt and many of the "then and now" pictures shown are recognisable today.

The well-travelled Mr Chris Parfitt is the speaker at our next meeting in Bealings Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 17th September – his subject "The Realm of the Polar Bear".

Visitors are always very welcome.

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GREAT BEALINGS

ST MARY'S

The summer seems to have passed all too quickly, as usual, and the resumption of writing up notes for this Magazine, even if it is still mid-August, always seems to bring with it a hint of impending autumn. At the time of writing the interior of the church is heavily shrouded in plastic, and the floor is boarded over. The redecoration process is at last underway, and all due precautions have been taken to protect the fabric. We cannot be sure when the process will have finished, since several coats of limewash are needed, and the drying process is a lengthy one. That means we have to keep the air circulating as much as possible.

LOCKING AND UNLOCKING

Because of the above we have been asked to ensure that the church is well aerated during and after the period of decoration, so it would be much appreciated if those on the locking/unlocking rota help the process – leaving the door open so that the draughts can circulate freely. It is best if the unlocking is left as late as possible, so as to maximise drying time.

LOOKING BACK

PHILIP MERRY'S ORDINATION AND FIRST CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION. SATURDAY 4TH JULY

Philip Merry was ordained as a Priest in the Cathedral in Bury St Edmunds on the Saturday – this was the first service of ordination performed by our new Bishop, Rt. Rev. Martin Seeley, and he was clearly moved by the occasion. The following morning Philip officiated at his first celebration of communion in Culpho Church. The service, which was very well attended by people from across the Benefice, was followed by refreshments served in a marquee in the churchyard. Rev Tommy Merry, son of Philip and Denise, gave a very moving address,

leaving no-one in any doubt, least of all Philip, as to the unique significance of the events of the weekend.

WEDDING OF HANNAH SMITH AND RICHARD JONES – SATURDAY 18TH JULY

This was particularly happy occasion as the wedding had roots in the village, Hannah being the grand-daughter of the Smiths who used to live at Cherry Tree Farm, when David farmed in the village.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR DAVID MARTIN (1942 -2015) – TUESDAY 28TH JULY



This was another occasion which was rooted deep in the history of the village. David was born in Lavender Cottage, Kiln Lane, home of the Martin family for four generations. He had been part of the fabric of village life until diabetes and eventually dementia took their cruel toll. David had played many roles: he was a truck driver for many years, a job that he loved, until failing eyesight meant that he lost his licence, and had to pay frequent frustrating visits to Ipswich hospital to deal with the consequences of illness. For an active, practical man, this was difficult to endure..

For as long as was possible, David, a real countryman, channelled his energies into his garden and chickens, as well as his job, which brought him

into contact with the networks of heavy agriculture. For many years he was the village's unofficial egg-man, a role which involved not only delivering eggs, but also friendly chats with so many people in the village. His garden was a way of life, producing heavy crops, potatoes, leeks, beans in huge quantities, and which included an asparagus bed which was reputedly over 100 years old. His hens roamed from patch to patch, continuing a tradition which must have been as well established as the Martin family itself. David was always ready for a chat, offering advice on a range of country problems, including mole-catching, ditching, pruning, seeds, tree-stump removal – he had a splendid “mattick”, amongst other useful tools, which he readily loaned to less well-equipped neighbours.

The memorial service included a slideshow of scenes from David's life, put together by his son, Daniel, to the accompaniment of “The Walk of Life” on CD. Eloquent tributes were paid by David's brother-in-law, by Daniel and by his daughter, Kelly. Our sincere sympathies are extended to David's widow, Margaret and to the whole family, not only in their loss, but also for the difficult times that they faced so courageously in David's final two years. A full church was eloquent testimony to the impact David had had on many lives, and must have been a reassuring comfort to Margaret and her family.

SUNDAY 9TH AUGUST

With the interior of the church being quite inaccessible, we made a virtue out of necessity, and moved the 10.00 service outdoors. The Moor tomb served as altar, and some two dozen people gathered around in a semi-circle, seated in perfect sunshine. We are very grateful to George Cook on flute for musical accompaniment and for leading the hymn-singing.



The consensus of opinion was that this had been an especially uplifting occasion, and needs to be repeated in future years, regardless as to whether the church was accessible. Our priest, Rev Celia Cook, referred in her sermon to Professor Brian Cox and his expounding on the wonders of the universe, while, alongside the macrocosmic, she recalled the microcosmic dimensions of life, so evident in a country churchyard.



LOOKING AHEAD

Please be aware that the date for resumption of normal services is still uncertain, and emergency arrangements may have to be made well into September. Apart from the possible reorganisation of services, please note the following events:

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH - 9:00 UNTIL 5:00: SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST CYCLE RIDE. Norman and Virginia Porter are once

again the organisers and can provide all necessary literature for participation. We also need the usual church-sitters to welcome visitors and serve refreshments. Please be ready to respond to invitations to participate in either capacity.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 3RD

We are hoping that the weather will be suitable for us to mobilise the usual autumn **Working Party** 9-00 until 1-00, with coffee served mid-morning, and a Ploughman's lunch provided at the end of it all. The more hands and the more strimmers the better. Please let Norman Porter know if you would be prepared to help out.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 4TH: We hope that redecoration will be finished in time for us not only to celebrate our **Harvest Festival**, but also to celebrate the completion of our refurbishment programme.

SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

A special service is being put together to celebrate the association of the church with **Thomas Seckford**. This will include readings and music appropriate to the 16th century, and will attempt to recall something of the historical flavour of the time.

Churchwarden

FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH CRICKET

Thanks to the energies and enthusiasm of the Douse family the village cricket day took place on Sunday 19th July on the field behind Barn Pightle, in Boot Street. This event is much more than a cricket match. The church marquee is pitched, a coaching warm-up helps to get participants in the mood, and refreshments are served in and around the marquee for those of a less energetic disposition. This year there were two matches, one for youngsters, which revealed a growing pool of talent, followed by the main match, with participants of all ages and both sexes. We were lucky to enjoy good weather, and are grateful to all whose efforts resulted in a donation of £129 to FOGBC.

A CELEBRATION OF THE COMPLETION OF THE CURRENT PHASE OF CHURCH WORKS

We are still hoping that everything will have been completed in good time for us to be able to celebrate the completion of £40,000 worth of repairs and refurbishment on the occasion of our Harvest Festival, Sunday 4th October.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 14TH – SECKFORD HALL DINNER – A FURTHER REMINDER!

We are ever closer to our special Seckford Hall Event in November. Some two dozen people have already signed up for this event. Readers will remember that it is our way of commemorating the 500th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Seckford, one of the greatest benefactors of the church, and the man responsible for the wonderful red brick porch, with its hammerbeam roof.

We will be putting together a special commemorative brochure, with possibilities for advertising and sponsorship. Enquiries are welcome –

please contact Norman Porter nhp@rillcott.co.uk. All our normal Benefice Advertisers will be asked whether they would like to contribute to this special event. There will be a maximum of 80 places for Friends, plus Friends of Friends who are very much encouraged to join us.

**ANOTHER DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:
SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER
SHCT CYCLE RIDE.**

Organiser: Norman Porter, who has all the necessary information. As ever, we would value the services of church-sitters between the hours of 9.00 am – 5.00 pm. One hour sessions, welcoming visiting cyclists and dispensing refreshments.

The Friends

PARISH COUNCIL

At the last AGM of Great Bealings Parish Council, Eric Barnett decided to step down as Chairman after twenty years in the post. Eric had steered the council through some very exciting but on occasion thorny times.

The EA1 wind farm saga was a typical example of Eric's calmness and foresight when challenging the might of big government and big business. His experience in planning and development matters has been extraordinary and his ability to 'cut to the chase' on complicated issues is second to none. His swansong, if that is the right term, has been his dedication to the Neighbourhood Plan which will hopefully form the foundations of Great Bealings, in law, for years to come. Fortunately for the Council, Eric's wisdom and experience will not be lost as he has decided to remain a "backbencher" for the foreseeable future. To mark Eric's loyalty and dedication, at the last Parish Council meeting, he was presented with an inscribed pewter tankard and a well-deserved round of applause. Well done Eric and thank you.

NOTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 7th July

REPORT BY DISTRICT COUNCILOR

Colin Hedgley reported that he has been appointed to serve on two committees at SCDC – the Scrutiny Committee and the Licensing and Health Committee. He is also on the Planning Committee as first reserve. SCDC are trying to streamline the Planning Department to address the problems typically experienced by Parish Councils. The Women's Cycling Tour was a great success in our area. There are 690 empty homes in the SCDC area; letters have been sent to all owners. Building work has commenced on the new SCDC offices in Melton.

POLICE REPORT

The police report showed no crimes in April, May or June.

SAVID

Colin Hedgley reported that this was launched last Saturday. 72 people attended including Dr Dan Poulter MP. Community Speedwatch were also represented.

IPSWICH GARDEN SUBURB

Colin Hedgley attended a meeting with representatives from Little Bealings, Tuddenham St Martin and Westerfield Parish Councils to discuss the building of the Ipswich Garden Suburb which will greatly affect traffic flow through the villages. The group will be writing to the Head of Highways at SCC and Colin Hedgley will circulate a copy of this letter once it has been sent, and he will update at the next meeting. The Clerk will write to Ipswich Borough Council Planning Department to request sight of the report to the Planning Committee on traffic impact.

Planning

DC/15/1966/LBC – Kiln Farm House, Kiln Lane, Great Bealings – works to existing annex to form internal bathroom and add glazed doors

within existing openings. A full discussion was held during which several concerns were identified regarding this application. The plans were not clear and seemed incomplete. It was resolved that the Parish Council objects to this application, until clarification has been received on the points raised.

DC/15/1830/FUL – Woodend, Grundisburgh Road, Great Bealings – erection of rear/side extensions, alterations to lounge and formation of chimney including demolition of garage, formation of projecting brick plinth to existing dwelling, front extension to form garage and extension of gravel surface to serve new garage. This application replaces DC/14/0516 which the PC approved last year, but some areas seem larger. This needs to be compared to the previous application and we needed to see the conditions that were imposed last time. It was resolved that an extension of time will be requested so that we can submit a full response.

(NB. After further investigation, the Council subsequently advised SCDC that they had no objections)

EAST ANGLIA THREE WIND FARM – consultation document

Eric Barnett had attended the presentation of the next phase of this project. As permission has been granted for the cabling and ducting for EA One, all ducting required for future phases will be put in at the same time. However, there are some concerns about the access locations, i.e. where they are, how big they are and how often they will be used. He will draft a response for the Chairman to send to the Consultants.

HIGHWAYS

Paul Norris and John Carter-Jonas will prepare wording for an email to be sent to SCC regarding Grundisburgh Road, and the road surface next to Rosery Farm.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Guidelines on selection of non-designated heritage assets have been produced by Robert Scrimgeour at SCDC. Charles Barrington and James Firebrace have had a useful meeting with SCDC's Nick Newton about identifying Landscape Protection Areas, and have been given some guidelines. We are getting a very good response from that team. A re-draft of the Plan will be ready for the PC to consider at their meeting on 1st September. A grant of £1700 has been received.

REGISTRATION OF COMMUNITY ASSET

The Council ratified the decision communicated by email for the registration of The Meadow in Lower Street to be listed as a community asset. Charles Barrington has been communicating with SCDC and has had a site meeting with their representative. She has discussed the proposal with the legal team at SCDC and it will be put out for an 8 week consultation period. If no-one objects, we will have 6 weeks to confirm that we can put a plan together. Then we will have 6 months to finalise the plan and raise the money to purchase it.

GOVERNANCE ITEMS

Risk Assessment

The Clerk will draft a Risk Assessment document for Great Bealings, based on those published by other similar PCs, and will circulate it for consideration at the next meeting.

Code of Conduct

Great Bealings will continue to accept the Suffolk Local Code of Conduct and noted that we are not aware of any changes. This will be reviewed on an annual basis.

Standing Orders

The model Standing Orders have already been adopted and we are not aware of any changes. The PC will continue to adopt them, also to be reviewed annually.

Emergency Plan

Little Bealings have confirmed that they are no longer going to proceed with this. Colin Hedgley will make enquiries at SCDC regarding their area emergency plan and report back to the meeting on 1st September.

Community Engagement Strategy

Charles Barrington said that the Neighbourhood Plan is a good opportunity to create a stronger relationship between the PC and the community. The development and promulgation of the Plan should form the basis of our engagement strategy. The Clerk was asked to add a note to the PC reports in Benefice News that the public can attend and speak. Any Freedom of Information issues arising during the year must be included in the Chairman's annual report.

Data Protection

The Clerk confirm that the PC is registered with The Information Commissioner for Data Protection

FINANCE

Seven cheques were authorized for payment including salary, PAYE and office expenses

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk advised members that a letter has been received from a parishioner thanking us for a prompt response in respect of damage caused to the church car park bank by a tanker. Charles Barrington enlarged further on what had transpired.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Clerk advised member that she had been invited to join the Society of Local Council Clerks (SLCC). The annual subscription is £77. Members thought this was rather high and asked her to provide more information as to the benefits of membership.

NOTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30th July

PLANNING

DC/15/2652/FUL – Single storey side extensions-Ridgeway, Grundisburgh Road, Great Bealings - Following discussion, it was resolved that the Council has no objections to this application

DC/15/2320/FUL – Fynn Bridge Barn, Little Bealings – temporary siting of two residential caravans

We had been approached by Little Bealings inviting us to let them have our comments on this application. Councillors had been consulted and comments that had been sent to the Clerk of Little Bealings were ratified.

Other Planning Matters – Kiln Farm House – A letter had been sent to SCDC raising our objections to this application until further clarification is received. Now that they have looked further into this, SCDC have confirmed that they have asked for a further Planning Application in addition to the current Listed Building Application and will consult in due course.

UPDATE ON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A preliminary draft has been circulated to the Working Group and a revised draft will be circulated shortly to Parish Councillors so it can be discussed at the next PC meeting on 1st September. It is hoped to hold a public meeting in late September.

LISTING OF COMMUNITY ASSET – LAND IN LOWER STREET

Notice has been served by SCDC and the consultation process has been put out for 8 weeks from 21st July. The land can still be sold within this period.

FINANCE

Following the approval given on 19th May for a cheque to be signed in respect of a replacement Speedwatch sign, a firm quotation has now been received for £187.92 including £10 delivery charge. After deduction of VAT

and the amount claimed from insurance, the net cost will be £110.

TRAINING

Charles Barrington advised members that a local training session for Councilors has been arranged by the Clerk of Little Bealings, for Councillors from Little Bealings, Playford, Hasketon and Great Bealings and he asked anyone interested to confirm with Dee Knights if they would like to attend. It will be at 7.00pm on 23rd September, venue to be confirmed.

EAST ANGLIA THREE WIND FARM

Comments have been sent to the consultants raising queries on access points.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 1st September 2015 at 7.00p.m.

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 at the beginning of that item. Full draft minutes and approved minutes of the Parish Council are available on the Council's website

Dee Knights – Clerk 01473 624240

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LITTLE BEALINGS

LET THERE BE LIGHT

The lights have been lit by Joan Moon to mark memories of several special people.

On June 27th Jean Reed a very special friend of Joan's was remembered.

On July 6th.the birthdays of an uncle and two aunts were marked with lights.

Lights also shone for Joan's daughter, Sally Pamberger on her special day in Albany, Western Australia on 10th July.

Richard Stone, late of Finn Cottage, was remembered by Yvonne Stone on 20 th July with lights.

Similarly special people were remembered by Melanie and Robert Hollinshead on 28 th July and 30thAugust.

The Church was lit for VJ.Day, August 15th.at Joan Moon's request to remember the courage and sacrifice of all those caught up in the conflict in the Far East.

Vicki Carr

COMMUNITY LUNCH

The next Community Lunch will be at the Angela Cobbold Hall on

Tuesday 8th.September

12.30-1.30pm.

(not the first Tuesday this month)

This will include:

Bacon joint,

broad beans, carrots, new potatoes
and parsley sauce

fruit tart and custard

tea/coffee

Enquiries & Bookings

01473 620213

LITTLE BEALINGS COOKERY BOOK

In 1996 a village cookery book was published to celebrate the 700th Anniversary of the founding of All Saints Church.

We are planning to update and augment

the original book with extra contributions from village residents. Profits from the sales will be added to the funds for the repair of the Church roof.

Recipes old and new, family favourites, children's recipes and handy hints will be gratefully received!!

If anyone can sponsor or contribute to printing cost etc. or help in any other way, it would be wonderful!!

Please contact 01473 620213 or diana.carr01@btinternet.com

PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 6 and 31 July 2015

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

Residents raised concerns about operations at Sinks Pit and the very high noise levels and dust which had disturbed them for several weeks. A new planning application for an increase in size of the approved Trucks R Us headquarters development increased concerns about future noise problems.

A resident speaking on behalf of the Friends of Bealings School and the local residents' group, thanked the Parish Council for achieving a 20mph speed limit for part of The Street.

TREE AND FOOTPATH WARDEN

Jenny Cook had confirmed that she was happy to continue as Tree and Footpath Warden, and was appointed.

PUBLIC SEWER FOR THE STREET

It was agreed that the Council would submit the appeal against Anglian Water's refusal of the application for this to the Environment Agency, on behalf of the residents. However, any further data would need to be supplied by the residents.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DC/15/2107/FUL and DC/15/2487/DRC: Erection of a new headquarters building for vehicle hire operator (Truck R Us) comprising workshop, offices, associated parking, drainage infrastructure and

landscaping to allow for the hire, storage, workshop and sales of vehicles and machinery at Sinks Pit Main Road Kesgrave

It was agreed to object on the grounds of the unacceptably high levels of noise and dust from current operations at the site, and in view of the lack of a traffic assessment of the impact of extra vehicle movements on the A1214 and the displacement of traffic on to Playford Road.

DC/15/2115/FUL: Single storey extension to form breakfast room and link to playroom Reposition velux light at The Old Stables, The Street

There was no objection to this development.

DC/15/2320/FUL: The Barn has been bought as a family home and we are in consultation with the planners to extend and alter the barn in order to make it habitable. We have sold our house and as we have to move out we would like to live on site while the work is carried out. This will enable us to project manage the build and also for security purposes. We require 2 caravans as we are a family of 4 and need the second caravan for storage, office and extra living accommodation at Fynn Bridge Barn, The Street

There was no objection to this development, for a temporary period to effect approved development and without prejudice to the Council's view on the extension and alteration of the property once an application was submitted. (This application was subsequently withdrawn.)

EAOW3: Phase III Consultation

It was noted that the ducting for this would be installed at the same time at EAOW1 ducting, and installation of cabling would take 15 months, intended for some time between 2020 and 2025. It was agreed to ask for clarification of the haul road and access points, and to repeat the Council's previous objection on the grounds of disruption to the community. There was also concern on health grounds about the change from HVDC to HVAC current.

C13/0393: Stables opposite Brimar, The Street: Change of Use to Riding Establishment
C/12/2483 Finches Hill, The Street: Certificate of Lawful Use of Existing Development for a swimming pool enclosure built under permitted development law previously attached to dwelling but since 02/12/12 not attached
District Councillor Colin Hedgley was asked to pursue these applications again with SCDC.

BOUNDARY FENCING IN THE STREET
It was considered that not all of the new fencing had been reduced in height and SCDC would be asked to consider the matter further.

WORKS AT GROVE FARM BUILDINGS
The Environment Agency had visited the site and advised on waste burning and requirements for future works. Soil had been imported on to the site and the area tidied by the owners. The owners had advised that no asbestos had been removed. The owners had enquired whether the Council would support housing at the site, but it was resolved that there was still objection to housing development.

WORLD OF PLANNING EVENT AT SCDC
Colin Hopkins reported on his attendance at this, which had been useful.

IPSWICH GARDEN SUBURB DEVELOPMENT
Margaret Wilson reported on her attendance with Toni Cornish at a meeting arranged by Tuddenham St Martin Parish Council. There was concern that the development would mean a likely increase in traffic in both Westerfield and Tuddenham, as a result of traffic cutting through these parishes between the A1214 and A12. SCC did not support the development without new highways infrastructure. Traffic calming in the villages would be requested.

20 mph SPEED LIMIT FOR THE STREET
The design for this would not be

available for several months, but a meeting would be held to enable residents to consider it once it was prepared. The budget would also be finalised at that time.

SAVID
This Safer Village Driving Group had held a successful launch event. It was resolved to join SAVID.

POLICE
No one was available to attend from the SNT, but there had been no reported crime since the previous meeting on 26 May. Toni Cornish would attend the 12PT meeting on 14 July. The police would be asked to attend Bealings School at the beginning of term to advise new parents on safe parking.

QUARTERLY BANK ACCOUNT RECONCILIATION
This had been undertaken by Douglas Hunter. Two cheques had been overpaid by small amounts by the bank and reimbursement would be requested.

EXPENDITURE
Cheques were signed for the Clerk's salary for July and August and PAYE.

COUNCILLOR TRAINING
A local joint training session was arranged for 23 September and would also be attended by Councillors from Gt Bealings, Playford and Hasketon.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING
It was agreed that the date of the next scheduled meeting of the Council be altered to 14 September and that in future all meetings will commence at 7.15pm.

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

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PLAYFORD

ASSISTANCE AT ST MARY'S CHURCH

St Marys Church Playford is looking for people who would be willing to set up the church for 10.00am services on Sundays. This can be monthly, less or more frequently, or on odd occasions. It would entail 'laying up' the altar, hymn numbers in the board, getting out the bread and wine, and general preparation, and then clearing away at the end of the service. I firmly believe anybody would find this extremely rewarding.

Also we are looking for people to put together and read prayers at the services; again this can be as frequent or infrequent as you wish.

Thirdly would anybody like to sometimes take on the role of preparing the refreshments for after the services.

If anybody is interested please have a word with me.

Philip Merry

PLAYFORD NEWS

Dear Parishioners

SECRETARY WANTED

Playford PCC is desperately seeking a Secretary. The job is not arduous. You do not need shorthand but you do need a computer and be reasonably competent with it. The PCC meets four times a year and you would be taking Minutes, issuing Agendas and forwarding by email any newsletters sent from the diocese. The vicar and churchwarden are always there to help and steer you in the right direction. Pay – nil. Expenses – yes. Please contact Colin on 738468 or email colinhedgley@aol.com.

THUNDERBOX NEWS

The Diocese has approved the Faculty for the new superloo. Work is expected to start in early October, but don't bank

on it. There's many a slip twixt basin and rim.

BINKY AND CO

Binky is touched. I cannot go further because there is a law against the release of someone's medical notes, but Binky is grateful for the kindness of some people after the article in the last magazine. Well, he is grateful at least to one person who went into Woodbridge and purchased a copy of his latest book. It increased his sales by one hundred percent and after tax and fees seventy four pence was deposited into his account. This means an awful lot to him and has, unfortunately, spurred him on. The great tome he is working on at present is provisionally entitled "Hill walking in Suffolk" with special emphasis on Martlesham Tor. His wife Indigo is helping him with unbridled enthusiasm in the vain hope that he will expire with brain fag and she can at last get on with her life of entertainment and her business the Culpho Limpet Farm. Of course a great deal of conversation in the Stickleback household centres around her son. Have I not mentioned him before? Well that is a story in itself. When the Sticklebacks first met they fell madly in love (more of this at a later date when the libel laws have changed). Anyway after eighteen months Indigo became pregnant. I know, I know else asked the same question. But love works in mysterious ways. Binky was really keen to become one of those "modern fathers" and attended pre-natal clinic with a joy and openness reminiscent of a drunken sailor finding a half full beer can on his way back to his ship and no caring what was in it. When Indigo went into labour Binky was most attendant and rushed her to hospital in his BSA motorcycle and sidecar insisting for her own safety on wearing goggles and not forgetting her ball of farmer's orange

string. Indigo was forty eight hours in labour. But Binky was by her side all the time. Can you imagine the commitment? Only another woman can tell you what that really means. When it came to the moment of birth, or to be more precise two minutes before, Binky realised that the air was blue with words that had never appeared in his great writings, and neither should they. Non-fiction should stick to the facts. A nurse then uttered the life defining words that went on to shape history. "Mr Stickleback talk to your wife and encourage her". Binky leant forward and whispered in his wife's ear "Darling I feel your pain".

At the Matron's investigation the next day the senior midwife in charge said, and I quote "I have never seen a pair of Kiellands Forceps used like that before but I like to think I am forward thinking and open to change"

No further action was taken.

There was no further issue from the union.

The Christening was a vicar's nightmare.

But that's next time.

*Colin Hedgley
Churchwarden*

PLAYFORD CHURCH LIGHTS

24th May – sponsored by Brian Buckles to wish Jay Buckles a Very Happy birthday with much love from Grandad and Wendy

5th June – sponsored by Barbara Dunnnett for Elliott Coates on his 18th Birthday on 5th June. Congratulations Elliott and Happy Birthday, lots of love Grandma Barbara

21st June – sponsored by Glenda Grimwood – remembering with much love, my dear Father, Geoff Booker on Father's Day

2nd July – sponsored by Glenda Grimwood – in loving memory of my

lovely Mum, Jose Booker, on the 13th anniversary of her passing.

18th July – sponsored by the Royle Family for Victoria's 3rd birthday

25th July – sponsored by Barbara Dunnnett for Joyce Dunnnett on her Birthday. Love from sister-in-law Barbara, Jacqui and family

30th July – In commemoration of the Abolition of the Slave Trade

7th August – sponsored by Wendy Wilson to wish Brian Buckles a Very Happy Birthday – number of years: secret!

13th August – sponsored by the Bunburys

15th August – sponsored by Lin Young to commemorate her late Mother, Edna Pollard's, birthday

17th August – sponsored by Sue Lister to celebrate Richard's 60th Birthday

20th, 21st and 22nd August – sponsored by Jos Saunders. For the Saunders' family here and in Australia

Requests to sponsor lights to: Veronica Bunbury, Church Corner Cottage. Tel: 01473 623366; email: vronx@btinternet.com. Last minute sponsorship is always welcome and NEVER a nuisance BUT so as to avoid any disappointment, if the request is for the same day or at very short notice, it is advisable to telephone, or ring the doorbell if posting a request, to ensure that Veronica will be at home to switch on the lights.

Veronica Bunbury

JAMES AIRY (1939-2015)

Following Anna Airy's death in 1964 the property that the family had owned for three generations passed to a cousin, Col Eustace Airy, who lived in Gloucestershire. A few months prior to his death in 1970 he sold it in three lots: Airy's Cottage to Gordon Nunn, Church Corner Cottage to David Allen and a building site where Cherry Bank now stands to Chris Penn. Contact with the village continued through his youngest son James, an architect from Winchester, who became a frequent visitor to Playford and who for 45 years took great interest in maintaining the family graves of which there are seven to the south of the church and a further five to the north. At the time of the Bicentenary of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act in 2007 when all outdoor Clarkson monuments were reconditioned, the Airy graves to the south of the church were also refurbished, the stones re-lettered and the railings freshly painted. James also maintained the tradition of having flowers placed in the north window of the nave every 27 July, the birthday of Sir George Biddell Airy the Astronomer Royal. James died on 1 June; a memorial service was held on 5 August. Due to ill health he was unable to be present at the 'blue plaque ceremony' at Airy's Cottage last October when the family was represented by his sister Elizabeth Amati and two cousins, Kristian Perry and Nicole Swengley.

Brian Seward

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The **Harvest Festival Service** will be held in the Church on **Sunday 11 October starting at 4.00pm**. The theme of the service will be Water Aid and there will be a collection in support of Water Aid. Any produce brought to the service will be auctioned at the Harvest Tea. The service will finish in time for parishioners to attend the Harvest Tea at 5.00 pm.

Playford Harvest Tea, which will follow the **Harvest Festival Service**, will start at 5.00 in the Parish Hall. Everyone will be welcome, especially children, even if you are unable to attend the service.

More details will follow but please put the date in your diary.

*Colin Hedgley
Churchwarden*

PARISH COUNCIL

These are condensed notes of the proceedings of the Playford Parish Council meeting held 1st July 2015. A full version of the minutes appears on the website: www.playford.org.uk

TALK ON GREAT BEALINGS' NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The meeting started with a talk by Charles Barrington discussing the merits of adopting a Neighbourhood Plan for Playford. Please see details appended to the full minutes on the website.

ACTION POINT REVIEW

Repair work will commence on Byway 19 week beg 6th July, downgrading will be discussed at the next meeting as it is felt there is little need for 4-wheeled vehicles to be using this route.

FP23 which comes out at the Village Hall will also be repaired at the same time.

Verges at lower end of Hill Farm Road have still not been assessed by

Highways and so were missed off their cutting schedule in June – clerk is awaiting a report on this.

FP 20 (through Alder Carr) is still awaiting clearance of nettles etc despite this having been promised recently.

Unregistered FP between C330 and U3311–Joan Metcalfe has undertaken some action on this.

Footpath sign at junction of Bransons Lane and Butts Road has now been repaired.

Arm fallen off signpost at junction of C324 and Church Road will be repaired when SCC Highways team is next in the vicinity.

Sandbin which was knocked over by Highways verge trimming vehicle in June has been reported twice but still not attended to.

Brambles overhanging highway in Playford Mount area are still awaiting attention – clerk to chase this up.

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

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

County Councillor, Peter Bellfield was unable to attend.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

District Councillor, Robert Whiting was unable to attend.

POLICE REPORT

No Police representation.

FINANCE

Cheques were signed for ICO data protection, HMRC Q1 Tax, Clerk's expenses and backlog of Clerk's allowance. The audited accounts have been received back from BDO LLP and certified as complete but with two minor issues of technicalities. They have been approved and accepted by the Council. Outgoings could slightly exceed income for this year depending on how many times the grass is cut but there are enough contingency funds to cover this.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Steve Hicks has been appointed as the new Footpaths Warden. New guidelines from SALC regarding transparency of accounting procedures will shortly be published on the village website.

OTHER MATTERS

Funds for the new basketball post and net should soon be released, allowing work to commence. A Working Party will be held on Sat 18th July from 10.00am onwards to clean up the river bridge railings and to remove excess vegetation from the area – any help from parishioners would be appreciated and refreshments for volunteers will be served in the village hall.

A litter-pick to tidy up the village will be arranged at the next meeting, for a date in October.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Notice has been received from the Planning Inspectorate regarding EAOW1's application for a non-material change to their Development Consent Order. Details can be viewed at SCDC planning offices at Melton Hill Woodbridge. Vattenfalls/Scottish Power Renewables have sent details of Phase III Consultation on EAOW3 Offshore Windfarm Project – submission date for the full application will now be November 2015.

Letters have been received from SCDC re adoption of SCDC Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule and also inviting comments on the public consultation on Draft Criteria for Identification of Non-Designated Heritage Assets.

Lastly an email was received requesting that the bottle bank was emptied – this is now in the remit of Norse Commercial Services Ltd.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A plaque is to be ordered in memory of the late June Gosling who died in April of this year – this will be affixed to the bench on the green.

DMC Garden Services have been approached for a quote for next year's grass cutting contract and the clerk will also contact Robert Fletcher from Grundisburgh for a quote, as recommended by their clerk.

It has been suggested that the Parish Council should consider a Facebook page to reach more parishioners online.

PLANNING

Playford Parish Council has recommended approval of the following applications:

DC/15/2107/FUL – Amendments to proposed new headquarters for Fork Rent plc. at Kesgrave Quarry

DC/15/1804/FUL –Proposed alterations and front/side extensions Hassocks, Church Lane, Playford.

For more details use the Public Access search on this link:

<http://www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/yourdistrict/planning/devcontrol/applications/search/>

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesdays 2nd September 2015 at 7.00pm

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website: www.playford.org.uk

PLAYFORD W.I.

On 4th.August, 15 of us visited the new SITA plant at Great Blakenham which is one of the greenest buildings in the country. The site is at the forefront of technology generating enough electricity for 30,000 homes. 50% of us undertook the whole tour which included over 300 steps and the rest of us enjoyed a part tour taking in the ¾ hour introduction and then on to the control room where we saw our grey bin waste grabbed and dumped into the incinerator creating a fire and cooled by water from their own lake, which subsequently produced steam and goes on to produce electricity.

We all enjoyed an enlightening experience.

At our next monthly meeting on 1st.September at the Parish Hall, Andrew Little will be our speaker, talking on the subject of Digital Photography. Anyone wishing to join us at 7.30pm for a small charge is most welcome.

*Sue Bruce
Secretary*

CULPHO

ST BOTOLPH'S

A 'FAMILY AFFAIR'

The Reverend Celia Cook welcomed the congregation to Philip's first service following his Ordination on the 4th July. Seventy five people, family, friends and parishioners from across the Benefice, filled the Church and it really was a 'family affair'. Philip's son, Father Tommy Merry, an Assistant Curate of the Parish of the Holy Evangelists, Hanley Team, in Staffordshire, gave a moving sermon, during which he presented his Father with a number of gifts which had special significance. Philip and Denise's son, Sammy, was

also present to see his father and brother celebrate the Eucharist.

For his first service Philip chose a Votive Mass for All Saints. The atmosphere was one of joy and happiness with all present delighting in Philip's achievement. During the service he gave thanks to all who had supported him on his journey towards Ordination, in particular his wife and Church Elder, Denise. Churchwarden of St. Mary's, Great Bealings, Norman Porter presented Philip with a gift on behalf of the Benefice and following the service refreshments were served

outside with all four church congregations providing a considerable array of food and drink. Despite the rain and squally conditions the spirits were not diminished.

The importance of the occasion was perhaps something we shall not witness again for some time, if ever, but all present could not help be moved by the service and the warmth and delight at Philip's success. We witnessed a very unique event and one which will remain with us for a very long time.

SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

In its 34th year the Cycle ride and walk will take place on Saturday 12th September, 2015 and St. Botolph's, Culpho will be open between 9a.m. and 5 p.m. to receive visitors. Sitters will be on hand to serve drinks and register the cyclists as they call in. The Historic Churches Trust provides funding for Church projects and if anyone would like to sponsor 'sitters' then donations would be appreciated and the necessary forms are available within the Church. Any money raised is shared between the Trust and the Church.

SPONSORED LIGHTS

The Church was lit on the 2nd August, to celebrate the Ruby Wedding Anniversary of Richard and Christabel Garnham. Congratulations are offered to them both by their family and friends. On the 6th September, the lights will shine again in memory of Ethel Gornall and Hilda Williams, Mothers' of Peter and Margaret Gornall, to remember the anniversary of their death. Always in our thoughts.

HARVEST SUPPER

This popular event will take place at 6 p.m. on Friday 16th September in the Church. Christine Pearce on telephone 01473 738324 is acting as co-ordinator, both for those wishing to attend and for refreshments. There is no charge for the supper and whether you attend Church or not a warm welcome awaits. As the event is time-honoured and well established we would advise that you contact Christine to book your place. Celia and the Churchwardens would be delighted if you are able to join them for this notable celebration.

HARVEST SERVICE

Again this important date in the Church Calendar the Harvest Service will be celebrated at 3 p.m. on Sunday 18th September where thanks will be given for a safe and productive harvest. The Benefice Choir will be in attendance and everyone will be made very welcome if you are able to attend.

JAZZ IN THE CHURCH

Unfortunately the September Benefice contribution was submitted before the event on the 22nd August. However, our grateful thanks is offered to Edward Morgan and his Jazz group 'Joyspring', who kindly agreed to perform in aid of Church funds and a full report will appear in the October Benefice Magazine. Appreciation is also extended to Christabel and Richard Garnham who organised the event.

Margaret Gornall

NEW TO THE VILLAGE?

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

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

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

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- getting prescriptions
- minor domestic repairs, such as checking smoke alarms and changing light bulbs
- short term help with pets

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

BEALINGS AND PLAYFORD NEWSGROUP

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

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

LOCAL CRIME INFORMATION

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

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ACTIVITIES/SERVICES

BEALINGS

VH: Village Hall

ACH: Angela Cobbold Hall

AGE UK	Village Representative	<i>Jenny Shaw 07962087205</i>
ANGELA COBBOLD HALL BOOKING		<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
BADMINTON	VH Thu 7.30	<i>Martin Yates 07710187722</i>
BALLROOM DANCING	VH First 3 Tue 7.30	<i>Teresa Rudd 07929310480</i>
BENEFICE CHOIR	Fri 7.30	<i>Gill Peck 625077</i>
CARPET BOWLS	VH Tue 1.30/Wed 7.00	<i>Nigel Abbott 611005</i>
DANCE CLASS	VH Tue 9.30 am Fri 9.30 am	<i>Debbie Watkins-Jones 403513</i>
FRESH FISH	Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	<i>Catherine 07971970836</i>
GUIDES	ACH Tue 6.30 - 8.30	<i>Jo Slim 01394 448846</i>
JOHN BELSTEAD SPORTS COURT		<i>http://bealings.ibooka.com/</i>
	VH	Or via Volunteer Administrator 07925 181390
KEEP FIT	VH Thu 10.00	<i>Joyce Bradley 726392</i>
LIBRARY	Thu (every 4 weeks) 2.15 – 2.30 mobile library at Boot St, Great Bealings 2.35-3.00 at Admiral's Head, Little Bealings	<i>07809594685</i>
PILATES	ACH Wed & Fri am	<i>Dawn Maile 07876506327</i>
REMOTE CONTROL TOYS	ACH Bookable	<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
SNOOKER	VH Any day <4 hours	<i>Margaret Wilson 07769195132</i>
TABLETENNIS	ACH Bookable	<i>Vicki Carr 620213</i>
VILLAGE HALL BOOKING		<i>Margaret Wilson 07769195132</i>
WI	VH Thu (3rd in month)	2.30 Oct - Mar 7.30 Apr - Sep <i>Jennifer Cook 623985</i>
WOLSEY MINIATURES	VH Tue (4th in month) 7.30	<i>Tricia Pitcher 624580</i>

PLAYFORD

PH: Parish Hall

AGE UK	Village Representative	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
ART CLUB	PH Thu 10	<i>Mary Spillett 01394 385295</i>
FRESH FISH	Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	<i>Catherine 07971970836</i>
FOOT CLINIC	PH Fri (every 8 weeks)	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
LIBRARY	Thu (every 4 weeks) 1.50 – 2.05 mobile library at phone box	<i>07809594685</i>
MILK	Tue, Thu, Sat Mon, Wed Fri	<i>Dairy Crest 747272</i> <i>Co-op Dairies</i>
NEWSPAPERS		<i>Grange News 01394 384082</i>
NOTICE BOARD	PH See for art, bridge & social events	
PARISH HALL BOOKING		<i>Booking sec. 07759 308856</i>
PILATES	PH Wed 7.30 - 8.15	<i>Julie Gorevan on 07702 883245</i>
TODDLERS	PH Fri 9.30 toddler group	
WHIST DRIVE	PH Tues (4th in month) 2.00 pm	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
WI	PH Tue (1st in month) 7.30 pm	<i>Sue Bruce 738265</i>
YOGA	PH Tue 9.30	<i>Astrid Llewellyn 610635</i>
	PH Thu evening 'Yoga for Mums'	<i>J Lawrence 738104</i>

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Contributions for the October Newsletter should be submitted by:

5.00 pm Tuesday 22nd September

The newsletter will be ready for distribution by **Saturday, 3rd October.**

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

DISCLAIMER

The views expressed in this magazine are those of the contributors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Editorial Team.

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REMINDER

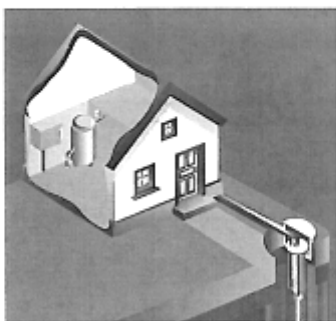
- ◆ May we please ask contributors to submit items using **MS Word** with Spelling set to **English (UK)** and font **Arial size 9**.
- ◆ **Please also ensure that you check your contribution before you submit it using the 'Spelling and Grammar' facility. (press F7 !)**
- ◆ **Please do not send items in .PDF format** because this makes it very difficult to edit and adjust to our A5 format.
- ◆ When submitting 'posters', notices or advertisements please note that 'colour' should not be used because you will lose significant impact when it is transferred to grey scale/black & white.
- ◆ Similarly please test your item before sending it; if it contains too much illustration or detail remember that it will not always be effective when reduced to the magazine's A5 format. White space is good!
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SUNDAY 30th

8.00

10.00

13th after Trinity

Holy Communion -said

Holy Communion /Baptism

Culpho

Little Bealings

September

WEDNESDAY 2nd

9.30

Holy Communion – said

Culpho

SUNDAY 6th

8.00

10.00

14th after Trinity

Holy Communion – said

Holy Communion

Little Bealings

Playford

SUNDAY 13th

8.00

10.00

15th after Trinity

Holy Communion - said

Holy Communion

Great Bealings

Playford

SUNDAY 20th

10.00

3.00pm

16th after Trinity

Family Communion/Baptism

Harvest Songs of Praise

Great Bealings

Culpho

SUNDAY 27th

8.00

11.00

17th after Trinity

Holy Communion -said

Harvest Songs of Praise

Playford

Little Bealings

SUNDAY 4th October

8.00

11.00

18th after Trinity

Holy Communion -said

Harvest Songs of Praise

Little Bealings

Great Bealings

WEDNESDAY 7th 9.30

Holy Communion – said

Culpho