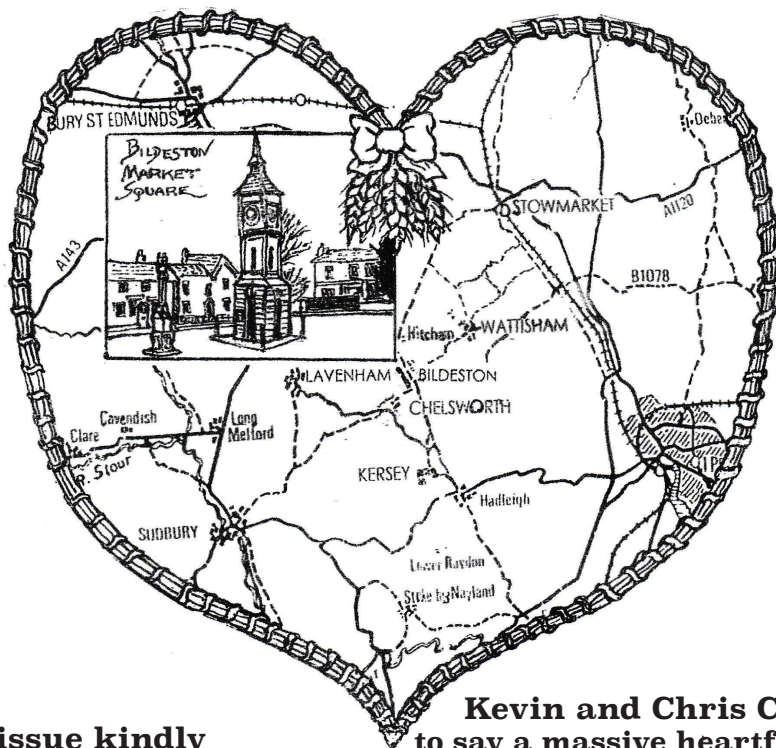


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# ED'S COMMENT

## ALONE

*Lying, thinking  
Last night  
How to find my soul a home  
Where water is not thirsty  
And bread loaf is not stone  
I came up with one thing  
And I don't believe I'm wrong  
That nobody,  
But nobody  
Can make it out here alone.*

*Now if you listen closely  
I'll tell you what I know  
Storm clouds are gathering  
The wind is gonna blow  
The race of man is suffering  
And I can hear the moan,  
'Cause nobody,  
But nobody  
Can make it out here alone.  
Alone, all alone  
Nobody,  
but nobody  
Can make it out here alone.*

This is by the American writer Maya Angelou (1928 - 2014). It is an abridged version of her poem first published in 1975, but the sentiments are very appropriate for us in lockdown. Human beings, of all ages, are not meant to be alone, isolated, separated from each other by walls, windows or even a couple of metres. It's unnatural because we are social creatures who thrive on simple, regular contact with friends and family. Keeping our distance is hard, not being able to shake hands when we meet friends or hug our dear ones, has been the hardest to bear. Of course we understand the reasoning behind the term 'social distancing' (more accurate would be to call it anti-social distancing!) and people's obedience to it has been superb. But just when we need the close comfort of those we love the most, that is exactly what we are denied. Just when we need the combined strength of those around us, we cannot access it in the way we used to. Just when we need to get together, face to face, to share how we are all managing, and to laugh too, we are prevented.

If it wasn't for the technology most of us now enjoy, the situation would be far worse. Some people have Smart phones, Facetime, Houseparty, Zoom, Facebook and other social media sites. At the very least we have what the phone was originally invented for, and just talk. But for families riven apart to keep their elderly and vulnerable relatives safe, it is excruciatingly hard not to be able to physically meet up. Many have missed special occasions, birthdays and anniversaries. All we know is that the catching up with all those we hold dear, and from whom we have been parted, is going to be one hell of a very special occasion!

The British way is to 'keep calm and carry on'. Carry on by keeping our spirits up and having a laugh together. The British way is also to be creative, inventive and quick to get organised. Our village has demonstrated, along with many others, all those attributes. Our local community has pulled out all the stops to help ensure those in lockdown are not forgotten and not suffering any more than is necessary. Delivering food, medication and other basic supplies has been fantastic. Local shops and food businesses have been quick to adapt not only to help out people who cannot travel, but to stay viable as a business. We need our local outlets more than ever and hope their increased trade will continue long after lockdown is sorted out. Bildeston has pulled together proving Maya Angelou's point that, 'nobody, but nobody can make it out here alone.'

We are social distancing, keeping apart, but, ironically, we have never felt so together. Thank goodness we live in Bildeston, where no-one needs to feel alone.

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# Bildeston Primary School

Greetings from Bildeston Primary School. I hope you are all safe and keeping well. We are still open and looking after the key worker and vulnerable pupils from four schools. When the lockdown was announced the head teachers from local schools got together, and Elmsett, Whatfield and Bildeston schools decided to pool resources locally and provide care for the pupils who needed it under the government guidance. Bildeston school, although hosting the provision, have been working with staff across the schools to provide this care, and recently have welcomed Ringshall into the mix.



Our numbers have varied from 1-25, and each day is different and staff have volunteered to provide care on a rota basis. One of the few positives about this situation has been the fact that our local schools have worked tirelessly to ensure this childcare provision is there for those who need it. We have also been lucky that our kitchen has remained open, and has been able to provide nutritious meals for the pupils and staff at Bildeston during this time.

During the first two weeks, before Easter, we provided some work for our pupils, but at the same time set up a small working group from across Bildeston, Elmsett and Whatfield to investigate the way we could effectively provide remote learning and guide the education of our children whilst they were at home.

We settled on a system called 'Class Dojo' and parents, children and staff have been really thrilled with how well it has worked. We have 100% of our families involved, and staff are able to see the interesting work pupils have produced, and give them feedback. Children can also upload short videos and audio files, and teachers have even been able to read them stories! We can only thank our fantastic families for their enthusiastic involvement, and those who have had to borrow technology from us to make it work have been keen.

Another extremely positive introduction to our school week have been 'zoom' meetings with the pupils. It has been lovely to see their faces, and for them to meet each other virtually.

All through this term we have been following a varied curriculum, and one thing we all celebrated in some way was VE day. Pupils made some beautiful bunting and set up some mini celebrations in their home. We certainly are looking forward to the time when @We'll meet again'.



***Wartime Code Breaker Medal by Riley based on a video he watched  
Poppies made from Egg Boxes by Imogen***

Keep safe, keep well and look after each other, with love from pupils and staff of Bildeston School



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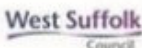
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Every Thursday	10.30am-11.30	Zumba Gold with Sarah
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***Nominations are coming in thick and fast –  
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We know there are many unsung community heroes in Suffolk working tirelessly to support and/or help others.

We strongly believe this should not go unrecognised and know that people across our county would love to hear some of these heart warming stories of human kindness. Whether it's dressing up as a super hero to deliver food, taking part in fund raising challenges, starting a community response group, or going above and beyond to care for others with a smile to brighten someone's day; so many people are playing their part. There will be hundreds, nay thousands, of people across our county helping others and if we can say a big 'THANK YOU' to even just a few of them, we think that is a worthwhile endeavour.

We are so proud of our county, but it wouldn't be the place it is without the people that live and work here, so let's celebrate them. We will share as many 'Heroes' as we can across our networks – remember, they don't all wear capes!

(Well... some do, there does seem to be some well known Marvel Super Heroes popping up in Suffolk...)

To make your nomination, head over to our website:

***<https://www.communityactionsuffolk.org.uk/community-hero/>***

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# Bildeston Ladies Club



I have now cancelled our meetings for the rest of the summer. If the situation allows I hope that we will be able to meet again from September.

Whenever we do have our first post-

Corona meeting, we will hold a very short AGM and plan for the year ahead. This will include voting for a new charity to support. With another month gone by, we are all becoming used to this new way of life - staying home and keeping ourselves and others safe. It is clear that one of the good things about this enforced time at home, is that so many of us have been catching up with jobs around the house. We have delved into the far corners of our cupboards and freezers and used up food items found lurking there, either near or past their sell buy dates. For many people this has also been an opportunity to learn how to cook and eat more healthily. The situation has made us all appreciate the food we have - stocks have to be more carefully managed and a simple trip to the supermarket has become a possible time of exposure to the virus. Thinking about food at a time when it is not certain that everything will be on the shop shelves, has also led me to think about those for whom finding enough food to feed their families has become an even more difficult task.

So, to the main point of this article - when we do meet again and make that decision about our chosen charity, I would like you to consider our local food bank as a possible cause to which we could donate, knowing that it would be supporting those within our own community who are in need of one of life's basics - enough food to eat.

If any of you have other suggestions to make, please contact me and I will include them in my article next month.

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- We again want to **thank all the amazing people** working to support and look after us from the **dustbin men and shop workers** to the **emergency services, care workers** and of course our incredible **NHS**.
- My family and I continue to do our part and support the NHS by keeping the pub closed, staying alert and staying in apart from exercising and the weekly shopping trip. We will continue to do so until instructed otherwise by the Government. We are keeping busy home-schooling our children and keeping fit!
- We have also volunteered to help as part of the **Bildeston Coronavirus Support Group**. If you need assistance, please contact them by email on [BildestonCovid19@gmail.com](mailto:BildestonCovid19@gmail.com) or call on 033 33 355254 (calls are charged at a local rate and phonelines are open Mon-Sat 8am-6pm and Sun 9am-2pm).
- The Government have announced that they are hoping to open businesses including some pubs this summer (from 4<sup>th</sup> July), as part of the final phase of its three-step plan to ease lockdown restrictions. We are waiting for more clarity on the conditions needed for pubs to reopen and the "Covid-19 secure guidelines" we would need to adhere to in the hospitality sector.
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**Social distancing applies, so seats are reduced from sixteen to nine at present.**

Please support this new service. It is a lifeline for people without their own transport.

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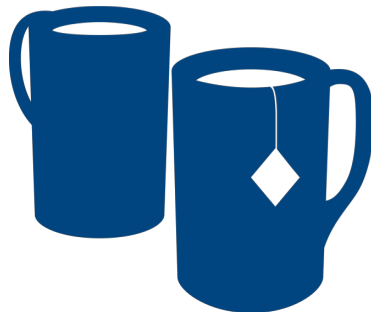
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# BATMAN ALWAYS DELIVERS!

***"It's not who we are underneath, but what we do that defines us."***

This is one of the best quotes from the Batman series. Underneath the costume is one of our own real life heroes, Craig Warner, our local postman. On Thursday 1st May, his round took him rather longer to complete than usual for three main reasons.

Firstly, he chose to do the entire round dressed as a superhero. Secondly, the mask meant he couldn't see very well, so kept stopping to make sure he was delivering the right envelope to the right address! Thirdly, he had with him a load of sweets for the children waiting to meet him, and he didn't disappoint any of them as several photos on the Bildeston Facebook Noticebook can testify.

A wonderful gesture from Craig who brightened up the day. The Bugle can tell Craig, on behalf of us all, he doesn't need to pretend to be a super hero, because we all recognise him in his usual scarlet red Royal Mail outfit as one of the best superheroes of all time!

Many, many thanks Craig. Now if you could just make those bills vanish!



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# BILDESTON'S WHO'S WHO

This month I had a virtual interview with Beth Haley, a Beauty and Acupuncture Therapist. Beth was born in Melton Mowbray and grew up in Yorkshire. Beth studied Beauty Therapy at Wakefield College in 2000, and went to college straight from high school and then straight from college to working in a spa. Beth had acquired herself a residential job in a prestigious spa called Hoar Cross Hall in Staffordshire, so off she went at 18 years old in her Fiat Punto. This is where Beth fell in love with the world of health spas, and set her standards pretty high, which makes it hard to please her when going to a spa now. After gaining lots of experience there Beth moved back to Yorkshire and worked in a city centre nail bar for 5 years improving her nail techniques. Beth had a short break from work to have her first son and then got back to work as a spa manager for Clarins. Beth really enjoyed working for Clarins and she has a passion for good quality skincare. From running a spa in Sheffield for Clarins Beth was promoted to head office in London's West End which brought her to Bildeston in 2010. Beth commuted in to London easily and enjoyed living in this beautiful part of the country. Beth's work involved her travelling around the south of the country supporting Clarins skin spa managers, helping with staff training and hitting performance targets etc, Beth did this until she had her second son in 2013.

Beth then made the choice to become self employed and has a better work/life balance. Beth started to build up a local client base providing mobile Beauty Treatments which has become a great success. Beth worked for the Weavers House spa in Lavenham as head therapist for a year but found her own Beauty business was successful enough for her to focus solely on that. Beth trained in acupuncture in 2018 and aims to progress to cosmetic acupuncture in the future. Beth's passion is high quality honest Beauty and nails. Over the last 3 years Beth has even started making her own face wash, facial moisturisers, body butters, body scrubs and facial exfoliators. Some of Beth's clients are big fans of her face wash and moisturiser, although this is not something she promotes very well.

Beth works on Tuesdays at Secret Beauty in Nedging and on Thursdays at Platinum Hair and Beauty in Stowmarket, the rest of the week Beth is mobile or working from home. Beth is so thankful to all her loyal clients and friends during this quarantine time, she is particularly missing the friendship that she has with her clients and all the great conversations she has. It's great to look and feel good but she believes it's just as important to give people time and a great space to chat or off load.

Beth enjoys the outside life too, some of the things Beth enjoys doing are cycling, walking her dog and eating out at nice establishments. Beth loves to laugh and her northern spirit is strong, Beth says we are very loyal, blunt and honest but that's always the best way.

You can find Beth on Facebook....Beth H Nails and Beauty

# GEORGE'S MARVELLOUS MEDICAL MASKS!

George Miller is helping to protect NHS and Key workers. Many people in our community have been playing their part during the Covid-19 pandemic whether it's volunteering to deliver prescriptions and food, creating the food bank or simply staying at home to protect themselves and others. But there are other things going on that are not as visible. One example is George Miller, who from his home in Bildeston is using technology to produce full face protective face masks.



You will have seen them, they clip around the forehead and provide a perspex cover over the entire face. From George's home he has set up a production line with his family. He buys the basic materials from Amazon and eBay and using two 3D printers, produces the head clips and then cuts out the perspex and attaches the face shield to the clip. It sounds quite simple, but George has been producing these in the hundreds since early March.

He said, "I just wanted to do something practical to help".

The simple cloth masks afford a level of protection but these masks provide a higher level of protection for those working in close proximity to Covid – 19 patients as part of the recommended Personal Protection Equipment PPE for NHS. George's masks have been given free to local Bildeston NHS workers, Charity shops and key workers. They have also been provided nationally directly to Morton Grange in Derbyshire and via BT Adastral Park distributed to NHS hospitals.

George is part of a wide group of people in communities across the length and breadth of the UK who are helping to produce PPE to protect our NHS workers supplementing the traditional supply that is stretched to capacity. It is making a real difference. PPE by its nature has to be disposable after short use, so George has said he will continue the production line whilst there is high demand. It's likely to be for some time.

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# Recipe of the Month

## Cheat's Tiramisu

*with thanks to Alison*

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### Ingredients

serves 8

15 SPONGE FINGERS

8 TBSP COFFEE LIQUEUR – TIA MARIA

600ml DOUBLE CREAM

250g MASCARPONE

5 TBSP POWDERED DRINKING CHOCOLATE

2 TBSP ICING SUGAR

### Method

1. Lay sponge fingers in a serving dish 20.5 x 15 cm. Drizzle over 6 tbsp of the coffee liqueur, turn them then set aside to soak up the mixture.
2. In a large bowl, whip half the cream, half the mascarpone, 4 tbsp powdered drinking chocolate and 1 tbsp icing sugar to soft peaks.
3. In another large bowl whip remaining cream, mascarpone, 2 tbsp coffee liqueur and 1 tbsp icing sugar to soft peaks.
4. Carefully remove the soaked sponge fingers to a plate for a short while. Spoon the chocolate cream mixture into the base of the dish, smooth to level.
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## Bildeston Bookworms

Hello Bildeston. As I write this, we have had our 'lockdown' extended. A three-week holiday would be eagerly anticipated, but three further weeks of restrictions are met with feelings of isolation and loneliness, resentment and anger. Others will see it as time to spend together. Time to catch up with all those 'just' jobs. I wonder how this time in our history will be recorded?

As with other areas of our lives, many of us are making the most of the situation and trying to continue as 'normally' as possible. To this end our book club has endured. I can hardly describe my surprise and joy at our next choice. I have previously mentioned being able to revisit books and as I opened *Jane Eyre*, I couldn't wait to begin the journey again.

The story is well known. Plain Jane has a traumatic, often cruel childhood. This and her time at boarding school strengthen her natural independence and spirit. Her job as a governess in the home of the darkly handsome Mr Rochester and their developing love for each other are overshadowed by the secrets from his past. She discovers more about herself and in so doing, learns that she is not alone in the World and as one would expect from a gothic romance, finds love and happiness.

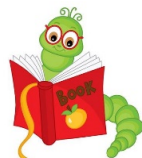
It is a story that has been made into numerous films and TV series, both good and bad, so many of us are familiar with the story. Through it all we are on Jane's side, willing her to find her ultimate happiness and to see that there is light at the end of the tunnel, something that many of us can identify with today.

My view is tremendously biased I am afraid, as it is truly my favourite book of all time. I have lost count of how many times I have become lost in the wild Yorkshire moors with Jane and fallen in love, again, with Mr Rochester and this is one of the joys of the book, you empathise with her.

Although written over 170 years ago, *Jane Eyre* reminds us of many modern novels, with its passionate depiction of a woman's search for equality and freedom. The language has a faintly old-fashioned feel, a blend of literary English and Yorkshire dialect, but is still easy to read. It is a powerful novel, full of intrigue and definitely worth a read or even reread.

Sadly, it was a short discussion, as so many of us had already read *Jane Eyre*, but many said it was like meeting an old friend. It was interesting to see how the novel and some of its themes are viewed today. Ideas that I had previously never thought about in connection with this book; the slave trade for example were suggested.

I hope you are enjoying having time to pick up a book and remember, "Reading gives us someplace to go when we have to stay where we are."



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# BILDESTON PARISH COUNCIL



**DRAFT minutes of a Virtual Annual Council meeting held on  
Tuesday, 5th May, 2020 at 7.00pm**

## **In attendance:**

Councillors: Peter Hutchings (In the Chair)

Andrew Guttridge, Ashley Hubbard, Sarah Leigh-Hunt, Richard Lester,  
Richard Powell and Virginia Tuck

Also Present: David Blackburn (Clerk) County Councillor Robert Lindsay

## **C01/20/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Chapman.

## **C02/20/21 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

The following declarations of non-pecuniary interest were recorded:

Kings Pightle Management Committee – Councillors Hubbard & Lester

Parochial Church Council – Councillor Lester

Sportsfield Management Committee – Councillor Hutchings

## **C03/20/21 DISPENSATIONS IN RESPECT OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

There were none.

## **C04/20/21 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**It was AGREED:** That the minutes of the meeting of 10th February 2020, and the Planning & General Purposes meeting of 11th March, 2020 be signed by the Chair as a correct record subject to it being recorded that £400 has been donated towards the provision of a Defibrillator at Chamberlin Hall Minute (C143/19/20 refers of the meeting held on 11th March, 2020).

## **C05/20/21 MATTERS RAISED BY PARISHIONERS/PERSONS ATTENDING THE MEETING**

There were none.

## **C/06/20/21 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

**It was AGREED:** That Councillor Hutchings be elected Chairman of the Parish Council for the municipal year 2020/21.

## **C07/20/21 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

**It was AGREED:** That Councillor Lester be elected Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the municipal year 2020/21.

Councillor Lester indicated that he would be prepared to serve for part of this term if any of the new Members of the Parish Council wished to be given the opportunity to serve as Vice-Chair.

## **CO8/20/21 APPOINTMENT OF LEAD MEMBERS**

**It was AGREED:** That the following appointments be made for the ensuing year:

<b>Area of Responsibility</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Councillor</b>
Burials & Cemetery	Lead	Ashley Hubbard
Footpaths	Lead	Angela Chapman & Virginia Tuck
Planning Matters & CIL	Lead	Andrew Guttridge
Roads and Traffic	Lead	Richard Powell 20mph Proposals – Andrew Guttridge
Street Lights	Lead	Andrew Guttridge
Wattisham Airfield Liaison	Lead	Peter Hutchings
Parochial Church Council	Contact	Richard Lester
TON Class Liaison Officer	Contact	Clerk

Chamberlin Hall Mgt Committee & Playground	Nominee	Peter Hutchings
King's Pightle Mgt Committee	Nominee	Ashley Hubbard & Richard Lester
Sportsfield Mgt Committee	Nominee	Angela Chapman

(Note: Where nominations are made to outside bodies, the nominee's primary duty is to act in the interests of that body, if they are serving in a position of management or control. They should also avoid potential conflicts of interest when matters relating to the affairs of the outside body are brought before meetings of the Parish Council. There are no such requirements in respect of Lead Roles or Contacts).

#### **CO9/20/21 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS**

The programme circulated complied with the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 insofar as the New Regulations permitted virtual meetings.

**It was AGREED:** That the following programme of meetings be approved:

Tuesday, 5th May, 2020 at 7.00pm	Annual Parish Council Meeting	Virtual Meeting
Monday, 8th June, 2020 at 7.00pm	Parish Council	Virtual Meeting
Monday, 13th July, 2020 at 7.00pm	Parish Council	Virtual Meeting
Wednesday, 29th July, 2020 at 7.00pm	Parish Council	Virtual Meeting
Monday, 14th September 2020 at 7.00pm	Parish Council	Virtual Meeting
Wednesday, 14th October, 2020 at 7.00pm	Parish Council	Virtual Meeting
Monday, 9th November, 2020 at 7.30pm	Parish Council	Baptist Church Hall
Wednesday 9th December 2020 at 7.30pm	Parish Council	Baptist Church Hall
Monday, 11th January, 2021 at 7.30pm	Parish Council	Baptist Church Hall
Monday, 8th February, 2021 at 7.30pm	Parish Council	Baptist Church Hall
Saturday, 20th February, 2021 at 10.00am	Parish Council Forward Planning Meeting 3 for Grounds Maintenance and Partner Engagement	Chamberlin Hall
Wednesday 10th March, 2021 at 7.30pm	Parish Council	Baptist Church Hall
Monday, 12th April, 2021 at 7.30pm	Annual Parish Meeting of Electors & Parish Council	Sportsfield pavilion

(Note: The above will be subject to change in view of the restrictions on social distancing).

#### **C10/20/21 TEST VIRTUAL MEETING**

**It was AGREED:** The actions approved at the Virtual Test Meeting held on 28th April 2020 were ratified as recorded below:

#### **BILDESTON CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT GROUP**

**It was AGREED:** That the actions taken by the Parish Council to support Community Resilience Measures in Bildeston be endorsed including:

- Noting the management and oversight arrangements of the Parish Council;
- Noting that fortnightly liaison meetings will be held between the Parish Council and Bildeston Coronavirus Support Group (BCSG);
- Requesting statistics from BCSG to be shared on a fortnightly basis recording the types of community support provided;
- Endorsing the actions taken by the Clerk in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair to support the initiative;

- e. Noting the documentation prepared including an Overview Document, Safeguarding Policy, Operations Policy, Risk Assessment and Expenses Claim Form;
- f. Noting the insurance position regarding volunteers falling within the scope of the Parish Council's insurance policy for support provided within the village; and
- g. Noting that the "ring-fenced funds" from donors will be held in the Projects Reserve.

## **BILDESTON 20MPH SPEED RESTRICTION ZONE**

**It was AGREED:** That the following response be submitted to Suffolk County Council to the draft proposals:

The Parish Council is pleased to have the opportunity to comment on the draft report. The case for a 20mph speed limit on the High Street is well evidenced by the report, but the PC considers that there are factors relating to the various side roads which are not apparent from the current draft:

### **Newberry Road**

The report refers to this as facilitating vehicular access to the school. It also needs to be stated that it is also the sole pedestrian access route, and also to note that most children walking to school will also have to cross the High Street. This is due to both the geography of the village and the layout of pavements along the High Street.

### **Duke Street/ Chapel Street/ Market Place**

It should be noted that these roads, along with the High Street itself, form the contiguous historic core of the village. It should also be noted that the Market Place in its entirety forms an important community space, used for key community events such as the BNatural music festival.

### **Wattisham Road**

This is the one area of the current draft report which is substantially flawed. Both the description of the character of Wattisham Road, and the speed data shown in the report, do not apply to the short length requested for inclusion in the 20mph speed limit. The length proposed for inclusion is much narrower, to the extent that opposing traffic cannot pass without encroaching on private driveways. This length also does not have an open aspect. The narrow carriageway and adjacent narrow pavement means that passing traffic can be intimidating and potentially hazardous to pedestrians. Given the amount of housing on Wattisham Road and Brookfield, this is a well-used pedestrian route for children going to and from school. As the character and road geometry is significantly different, the speed data collected further from the village is very unlikely to be representative of the short, narrow length requested to be included in the 20mph limit. The final report must adequately address all of these issues.

## **C11/20/21 PARISH COUNCIL PROJECTS AND COMMUNITY MATTERS**

### **a. Village Sign**

Councillor Hubbard provided details of the design ideas for the new Village Sign.

**It was AGREED:** That Councillor Hubbard continues to liaise with The Village Sign People and supplies photographs of local landmarks to assist in the preparation of the proposed design.

### **b. Local Bus Services**

Councillor Tuck provided an update on the success achieved in retaining a regular bus service from the village to Sudbury.

**It was AGREED:** That, as per Minute C142/19/20, the Parish Council confirms its contribution of £500 towards the GoStart 112 bus service to Sudbury.

County Councillor Lindsay joined the meeting, having submitted a written report beforehand and welcomed the steps that were being taken by the bus service operator to continue the service. He also clarified that Babergh District Council had awarded a grant of £2000 from its Emerging Grants Fund towards the Bildeston Coronavirus Support Group.

## **C12/20/21 MAINTENANCE OPERATIVE**

There was a discussion about how to conduct interviews for the position of the Maintenance Operative in the current circumstances whilst lockdown and social distancing measures were in place.

**It was AGREED:** That the Chair makes the candidates aware that interviews will be deferred until such time as face to face interviews may be held with the Selection Panel to comprise of Councillors Hutchings, Lester and Guttridge.

# **C13/20/21 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**It was AGREED:** That the following payments be confirmed as being authorised:

Payee	Description	Budget Category	Amount (inc. VAT)
<b>2019/20 Paid before Year End</b>			
Suffolk County Council	Maintenance & Energy Costs	Street Lighting	£2,266.80
David Bracey	Play Area Inspection	Playgrounds & Open Spaces	£144.00
Chamberlin Hall	Meeting Room - Part Year	Hall Hire	£280.00
<b>April Payments</b>			
David Blackburn	Clerk's Pay	Salaries & Expenses	£170.52
David Blackburn	Expenses	Salaries & Expenses	£18.00
David Blackburn	Copier Costs - Ink Cartridges	ICT & Website	£113.18
Fiona Lemon	Community Development Worker	Salaries & Expenses	£52.50
HMRC	PAYE (to end Mar)	Salaries & Expenses	£475.80
SALC	Subscription 2020-21	Subscriptions	£413.17
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Richard Lester	SMS Mail Boxes	ICT & Website	£60.48
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BHIB Insurance Brokers	Insurance Premium	Insurance	£707.81
BHIB Insurance Brokers	Motor Insurance Premium	Insurance	£228.48
<b>May Payments</b>			
David Blackburn	Clerk's Pay	Salaries & Expenses	£170.52



David Blackburn	Expenses	Salaries & Expenses	£18.00
Fiona Lemon	Community Development Worker	Salaries & Expenses	£162.07

(Note: All items to be paid for from the General Fund).

The Clerk reported that he has liaised with the internal auditor (Suffolk Association of Local Councils) and external auditor (PKF Littlejohn).

## **C14/20/21 PLANNING MATTERS**

Planning Appendix A - Items for comment by the Parish Council

Reference	DC/20/01623 (re-submission of DC/19/05533)
Location	64 Brookfield, Bildeston IP7 7EJ
Proposal	Householder Planning Application - Erection of two storey side extension with hipped roof and erection of front single storey extension (following demolition of existing porch)
Representation	No Objection (submitted previously by Clerk)

Reference	DC/20/01595
Location	Verandah House, 150-152 High Street, Bildeston IP7 7EF
Proposal	Application for Works to trees in a Conservation Area -
Representation	The Parish Council believes that there are a number of inaccuracies in the information provided with trees omitted and/or recorded incorrectly. The proposed works are quite extensive and the Parish Council would wish to receive an accurate plan before commenting on the application (submitted previously by Clerk)

Reference	DC/20/01436
Location	Dukes Hall Duke Street Bildeston Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7EW
Proposal	Householder Planning Application - Erection of single storey two-bay cart lodge
Representation	The Parish Council has no objection subject to their being strict compliance with the plans submitted, particularly in respect of the height of the ridgeline to the structure (submitted previously by Clerk).

Reference	DC/20/01685
Location	The Red House, 126 High Street, Bildeston, Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7ED
Proposal	Demolition of brick garage. Erection of single storey side/rear extension with glazed link connection including window/door alterations and conversion of outbuilding to form a studio and living area. Replacement of asbestos sheeting roof to the rendered garage and workshop outbuilding
Representation	No objection

## Planning Appendix B - Items determined by Babergh District Council as relevant Planning Authority

Reference	DC/20/01260
Location	Minto House 72-76 High Street Bildeston Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7EA
Proposal	Notification of Works to Trees in a Conservation Area - Lop Ash tree
Decision	Granted by Planning Authority

Reference	DC/20/00712
Location	9 - 11 Duke Street Bildeston Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7EW
Proposal	Householder Planning Application - Erection of single storey rear extension (following demolition of part of existing extension), demolition of rear chimney, removal and replacement of rear fenestration, replace boarding on dormer window with lime washed render, part demolition of outbuilding and alterations to form workshop/store
Decision	Withdrawn

Reference	B/15/01433
Location	Land East of Artiss Close and Rotheram Road, Bildeston
Proposal	Discharge of Conditions – Protected Species Mitigation Measures
Decision	Approved

## Planning Appendix C – Items where Appeals have been lodged

Reference	APP/D3505/D/20/3246803 Appeal
Location	Erection of 2no. Pergolas and a Gazebo (Retention of).
Proposal	Woodland Barn, Church Road, Bildeston, Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7EE

### C15/20/21 MATTERS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL

Councillor Tuck reported on the poor condition of part of the Mill Lane footpath and the Clerk undertook to liaise with the contractor who had been appointed earlier in the year to undertake works to the path.

Councillor Tuck suggested that a flag be flown to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day. Councillor Lester had a large flag and Councillor Hutchings would liaise with Robin Sidgwick over the possible provision of a flagpole. Councillor Lester reported that a flag would also be flown at the Church. Councillor Hubbard expressed his concerns about the length of time it was taking to resolve the issue of the Memorial Stone at the Cemetery which had been erected without the consent of the Parish Council. The Clerk was asked to place this item on the next agenda and to liaise with the legal advisers.

### C16/20/21 STAFFING REPORT

Further to Minutes C76/19/20 & C151/19/20, the Chair and Vice Chair would conduct the review as delegated by the Parish Council.

**The meeting closed at 8.15pm**

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**Pastoral Letter – from Revd Elke Cattermole**

*"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus".* *Roman 15:5*

The past few weeks of "lockdown" because of the Covid19 pandemic, has been a challenge for most of us. Making changes to our daily routines and staying at home has at times been very testing for us.

Yet we have seen the endurance and stamina of many of those who work in many areas of society, to keep things going. Whether it is in healthcare in hospitals or community settings, those keeping us supplied and our government.

I have been impressed how people have wanted to be there for those who may need our help. Either individually or through local village support groups and the "Bildeston Foodbank Hub". Like many of you I like seeing and visiting people, yet all I can safely do is contact them by phone. That has proved to be very valuable and I have had some wonderful conversations.

Part of our endurance at this time may be learning new skills, especially those to help us keep in touch via the internet. I have started to use Zoom to see and talk to the family as well as church colleagues. My biggest challenge was to record Sunday services from the Rectory sitting room. Have decided not to do it 'Livestream' yet!

Like many of you the garden has become the place to exercise and enjoy the outside safely. The wonder of new birth from what had appeared to have died in the winter has come alive. The birds singing, all God's creation has come alive again among this chaotic world.

Though I cannot do all the practical things I would like, I know I and you can talk to God in prayer. I have had more time to join in daily prayer with others online and be open to God's guidance. Praying for people I know as well as those I do not know has been to me and others a way of uplifting them to God, through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

We can trust that through all this God has given us an endurance and encouragement and a spirit of unity.



*Prayer from "To Worship in Silence", by Susan Sayers*

*"Knowing that our heavenly Father loves and cares for all he has created, we pray for those who are feeling discouraged. For those who are burdened with this crisis, Lord give them your encouragement. Lord you have promised us that you will be with us always. With the promise to encourage us in every situation, may we walk your way with joy, and infect the world with Hope."*  
*Amen*

Blessings to you all.

Revd Elke

## **Services that we can be part of:**

Just because services in our churches are currently suspended because of Coronavirus COVID-19, it doesn't mean that we stop being church, and cannot still worship together. The following are just some of the resources that are available to all of us:

### **Television programs**

Sunday: **Songs of Praise** at 1.15pm on BBC 1



### **Radio programs**

Daily: **Prayer for the Day** at 5.43am on Radio 4

**Daily Service** at 9.45am on Radio 4 Longwave and DAB

(The Daily Service is available on a Radio 4 DAB side channel which is automatically made available about a minute before the programme begins. After tuning to Radio 4 DAB, select "Daily Service" (from your display) with the tuning wheel and press the selector button. On some radios the side channel can be stored on a preset button)

Weekly: Sunday's **Sunday Worship** at 8.10am on Radio 4

**National "Virtual" Service** at 8am on Local Radio

(and online in the Church of England and BBC from 9am)

**Choral evensong** at 3.00pm on Radio 3

### **Online / On Demand**

Many TV's also have access to BBC iPlayer & BBC Sounds programs which offer a large number of Religious and Ethical programs.

#### **Facebook**

Monday to Saturday at 8.30am - Bishop Martin and Bishop Mike will stream Morning Prayer. You can watch live or at a time to suit you at [www.facebook.com/BishopsCofEsuffolk/](https://www.facebook.com/BishopsCofEsuffolk/)

Monday to Friday at 5pm - St Edmundsbury Cathedral will stream Evensong/Evening Prayer.

Saturday & Sunday at 3.30pm - St Edmundsbury Cathedral will stream Evensong/Evening Prayer.

Sundays at 10am - St Edmundsbury Cathedral will stream a Holy Communion Service You can watch live at [www.facebook.com/stedscathedral](https://www.facebook.com/stedscathedral)

### **Other Resources**

The Church of England have issued prayer and intercessions suitable for individual and families to use at home. They can be found at: [www.tiny.cc/CofEHomePrayers](https://www.tiny.cc/CofEHomePrayers)





### **Bildeston Community Coffee Centre**

Baptist Church 9:15-11:30 ..... **Every Friday**

### **Lunch club**

Baptist Church 12.15 for 12.30pm start.....**1st Wed every month**

### **Craft it Together**

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### **Strollers & Striders**

Baptist Church Car Park 10.00.....**Every Monday**

### **Baby and Toddler Group**

Baptist Church 9.15 to 11.30am.....**Every Tuesday**

### **Church Bell Ringing Practice**

St. Mary Magdalene church bell tower 8.00 to 9.15pm.....**Every Tuesday**

### **Mens Breakfast**

Baptist Church 8.00am.....**Last Saturday every month**

**The usual activities and events planned for June could now be cancelled due to the Coronavirus. Any meetings, clubs etc. still published, the Bugle would strongly encourage participants to check with the organisers if they are still running, before turning up.**

**Meanwhile, please observe the social-distance advice.  
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