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ED'S COMMENT

Here we are in December, the last month of the year 2020. A year we might like to forget as, for some, a lot of it was spent in splendid isolation, away from family, away from various hobbies and interests that were a routine and away from meaningful social interaction from friends and neighbours.

Who could have foreseen, when we wrote about the new year back in January and joked about the number 20:20 being a code for perfect sight, that a pandemic would devastate our lives in so many ways? From the worst possible scenario of losing a member of your family or close friend to the virus, to the interminable range of frustrating discomforts and changes we have had to endure.

Wearing masks and losing one's own identity as well as not recognising others! Keeping physically apart to keep ourselves safe but at the expense of diminishing what makes us human, sociable and a community. Slathering sanitiser on hands followed by hand cream to offset the sanitiser! Learning how to use 'Zoom' and other 'platforms' (not railway station platforms, because public transport is dangerous to use!) and participate in activities in a new on-line world! Queueing for everything, everywhere, only allowed in to shops below a certain number. Paying for everything by card, cash becoming dangerous and obsolete. Following signs, arrows and striped tape stuck everywhere, as if we have all lost any sense of direction. Losing long awaited, booked and, in some cases paid for, holidays! Dealing with selfish shoppers 'panic' buying enough toilet rolls to stretch from here to the distant loo in Alice Springs! Losing even more High Street shops as lockdown closure led to permanent closure with the loss of jobs just before Christmas.

Who would have thought we would have to make serious choices such as blind trust versus mistrust in leadership as more and more data is thrown at us; obedience versus liberty; compliance versus independence; total rule keeping versus selective rule breaking (wonder who started that?); social conscience versus self-interest; depression versus hope, as a vaccination appears on the horizon. On the plus side, out of adversity comes deeper understanding. The appreciation of the NHS and other workers in key roles was palpable and public. Groups of people in smaller communities, like ours, rushed to fill the void of external support and organised collections and deliveries of food, medications and other basic necessities. Businesses adapted to stay viable, such as pubs cooking for take-away instead of in-house. Most importantly, Bildeston neighbours making sure everyone was OK in their little patch, just a phone call, or a quick knock on the door, step back smartly, and ask if everything was all right. Who could have predicted what a year 2020 would hold. We can only look back over a year that has changed everybody in one way or another and changed the way we go about our lives, possibly for ever. We can only hope the New Year brings better prospects for an effective vaccine for all and an end to the restrictions.

Meanwhile, from all of us at The Bugle, we hope you have a Merry Christmas! page 3 - issue 362- December 2020

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Sporting events continue at Bildeston as we take part in events in our school and post results on a sporting website. So far this term we have entered Cross Country and Basketball competitions. Our Early Years pupils continue to enjoy Forest School activities outside in the wonderful surroundings of the school.

Junior Road Safety Officers

Our Road Safety Officers met with Mr Andrews, the local authority Road Safety Officer. They discussed their ideas of how they could engage the rest of the school with keeping safe on our roads. They have recently organised a competition for pupils to design their own cycle helmets and emphasising the need to wear them at all times when out cycling.

Phonics Workshop

Our Early Years staff enjoyed a Phonics Workshop with parents whose children started with us this term. The workshop introduced parents to the way we teach phonics and included ideas of games and materials they could use at home to support their child.

Remembrance Assembly

Reverend Elke Cattermole joined us virtually for our Remembrance assembly this month and led the service across both schools. Children across our KS2 classes in both of our federated schools read poems they had written. Everyone observed a minute silence before we drew the assembly to a close.

One Life Programme

KS2 pupils have enjoyed a virtual session on Healthy Living with the One Life Team. The session looked at improving the health and wellbeing of our children after a long pandemic lockdown.

Final Words from Head Teacher

This Christmas marks my last as Headteacher of Bildeston. It has been a fantastic privilege to lead this lovely school through such changes as the federation with Whatfield School and the environmental building project. I have loved being a part of the school and the community, proud to be allowed to bring our children to read their poems at the remembrance service, pleased to accept the opportunity to present our Christmas Nativity at Chamberlin Hall, happy to watch pupils perform at the B Natural festival and delighted to celebrate our Christingle at St Mary Magdalene church.

This small community is varied and welcoming and I am pleased to live close enough to it to be able to enjoy it in my retirement from headship. Despite the events of 2020 and the pressures that have put on schools and children I can honestly say I have loved every day I have worked at the school and look forward to handing it over to my successor, Mrs Julia Shaw, who will start in January. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a merry Christmas and a very happy 2021.

Lynne Golding

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BILDESTON

ANNOUNCEMENT: PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE MARKET PLACE – WHAT'S YOUR VIEW?

As chair of the Parish Council I request your views on a new project for early 2021 so that we can consider your comments before we reach a decision. I have been clear that for any major changes the Parish Council will always consult residents of the village.

The Parish Council is considering some changes to the Marketplace to accommodate a social space next to the clock tower for some smart new tables and chairs. This will allow people to meet and socialise, and passers-by, often cyclists or walking groups, to stop and take in the scene of the historic Bildeston Market Place. In the summer there will be shading in the form of sun umbrellas and the whole area will be defined by planters to make it an attractive addition to the square and a pleasant space in the village.

The marketplace is used for many things throughout the year the Remembrance service, BNatural, Antique markets, and of course the food vans. It is also used by some residents for parking where they have no alternatives, and by customers of the shop. When making any changes the impact on the current use of the market place needs to be a consideration. A particular concern will be the impact to parking. We have considered impact on parking and have monitored vehicles parking in the square over night for several months and it shows that the square usually has several free spaces every night so closing two bays shouldn't cause a problem.

So what is the plan?

We plan to close two parking bays, so looking from the shop this would be the two bays north and south and to the left of the clock tower. The area would be demarked by heavy duty planters positioned between the existing bollards running north to south. The planters will be planted with attractive range of flowers to provide some level of screening and would be maintained by the Parish Council. Within the demarked areas will be NEW tables and chairs and in the summer there will be sun umbrellas to provide some shade.

The demarcation of the two bays by planters is not a permanent structure and they can be moved to accommodate events in the village.

I would appreciate your views on the proposed changes by email to clerk@bildeston.suffolk.gov.uk by 1st January '21.

Peter Hutchings Chair, Bildeston Parish Council



*What's on in December

For bookings contact: 07716 921514 or chamberlin.bookings@gmail.com

Mondays 10.00am Line Dancing
Monday/Tuesday from 3.45 MLSPA Performing Arts (07957 351941)

Every Tuesday 7.00pm Snooker Club

Every Tuesday 7.00pm Adult-dance-keep fit! (part of MLSPA)

Every Tuesday 7.15pm Carpet Bowls

Wednesday 6.30pm Drama Group (call Debbie: 01449 740375)

Every Thursday 10.30 -11.30am Zumba Gold with Sarah

Thursdays 6.30-7.30pm/7.40-8.40pm Badminton

Every Friday 11am Pilates for Improvers (call Claire: 07900 440141)
Every Friday from 12.00 Pilates for Beginners (call Claire: 07900 440141)

*The hall is currently closed for all activities until further notice



A very merry Christmas to all Bildeston residents from everyone on the Chamberlin Hall Management Committee and all our wonderful volunteers and supporters.

Here's hoping, despite everything, you have a happy festive Christmas time.

We look forward to seeing everyone back at our village hall as soon as possible in the New Year.

BILDESTON SURGERY VACCINATION UPDATE

This year, as you can imagine, the Flu Vaccination programme has been more challenging than previous years. The team has worked tirelessly to safely vaccinate a massive 82% of our over 65 patients.

Invitations have now been sent to the remaining Under 65 AT RISK patients. We are asking these patients to call the reception after 2pm any afternoon to book an appointment. Supply of these vaccinations has been sporadic so we are sorry for any delay or anxiety caused, this is out of our control.

Patients in the NOT at risk 50-65 age group - we still do not have official guidance or the vaccines - contrary to what may be reported by the media, so can we politely ask that you wait until you are contacted? We cannot book clinics until we 100% know when the programme will start.

Please refer to the Vaccination page on our website for any updates.

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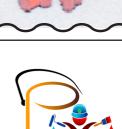
- you must not socialise with anyone you do not live with or who is not in your support bubble in any indoor setting, whether at home or in a public place
- you must not socialise in a group of more than 6 people outside, including in a garden or a public space – this is called the 'rule of 6'
- businesses and venues can continue to operate, in a <u>COVID-Secure</u>manner, other than those which remain closed by law, such as nightclubs
- pubs and bars must close, unless operating as restaurants. Hospitality venues can only serve alcohol with substantial meals
- hospitality businesses selling food or drink for consumption on their premises are required to:
 - provide table service only, in premises which sell alcohol
 - close between 11pm and 5am (hospitality venues in airports, ports, transport services and motorway service areas are exempt)
 - stop taking orders after 10pm
- hospitality businesses and venues selling food and drink for consumption off the premises can continue to do so after 10pm as long as this is through delivery service, click-andcollect or drive-through
- early closure (11pm) applies to casinos, cinemas, theatres, museums, bowling alleys, amusement arcades, funfairs, theme parks, adventure parks and activities, and bingo halls. Cinemas, theatres and concert halls can stay open beyond 11pm in order to conclude performances that start before 10pm
- public attendance at outdoor and indoor events (performances and shows) is permitted, limited to whichever is lower: 50% capacity, or either 2,000 people outdoors or 1,000 people indoors
- public attendance at spectator sport and business events can resume inside and outside, subject to <u>social contact rules</u> and limited to whichever is lower: 50% capacity, or either 2,000 people outdoors or 1,000 people indoors
- places of worship remain open but you must not socialise with people from outside of your household or support bubble while you are indoors there, unless a legal exemption applies
- weddings and funerals can go ahead with restrictions on numbers of attendees 15
 people can attend wedding ceremonies and receptions, 30 people can attend funeral
 ceremonies, and 15 people can attend linked commemorative events such as wakes or
 stonesettings.
- · organised outdoor sport, and physical activity and exercise classes can continue
- organised indoor sport, physical activity and exercise classes will only be permitted if it is
 possible for people to avoid mixing with people they do not live with (or share a support
 bubble with). There are exceptions for indoor disability sport, sport for educational
 purposes and supervised sport and physical activity for under-18s, which can take place
 with larger groups mixing
- you can continue to travel to venues or amenities which are open, but should aim to reduce the number of journeys you make where possible
- if you live in a tier 2 area, you must continue to follow tier 2 rules when you travel to a tier 1 area. Avoid travel to or overnight stays in tier 3 areas other than where necessary, such as for work, education, youth services, to receive medical treatment, or because of caring responsibilities. You can travel through a tier 3 area as a part of a longer journey

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We would like to wish all our neighbours a very merry Christmas!

If you are interested in joining our book club, or would like more info, please check out our Facebook page or message!

We will be choosing a new book early December so there's still time to read and we will have our next meeting mid January!



BIRTHDAY WISHES

Huge birthday wishes to Bob, Bildeston's oldest resident, (we think!) but still very much young at heart.

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As 2020 draws to a close it is time to reflect on a strange and challenging year for all of us. Constant talk



Brexit has faded away to be replaced by Covid 19, new words have become everyday vocabulary, lockdown and social distancing have become a new normal. I think that we must all feel lucky that in Bildeston life has continued, albeit rather strangely, but certainly in a less harrowing way than for those living inner city lives. However, food poverty knows no boundaries and the Bildeston Food Bank has proven to be a lifeline for the families who are now struggling to feed themselves for whatever reason.

As a club, we chose to support the food bank as our charity of the year and I have written a fun Christmas quiz sheet to sell for £1 each to raise much needed funds. These are available from the Food Bank box at 9 - 11 Duke St, Studio 66 or from myself at Low Barn, Church Rd.

I hope that you will buy one and occupy yourselves and your "Bubble" with it and maybe (as I plan to do) include a copy in some Christmas cards to friends and family. As always, I am here to chat if you need to hear a friendly voice. I wish you all a safe Christmas and look forward to better times with you in the future.

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Here are the answers to last month's Halloween Crossword. It gave a lot of people, and some children, a few laughs and headaches. No prizes, we are afraid, for any completely correct ones!



BILDESTON'S WHO'S WHO

This month I spoke with Colin Kitchener. Colin was born in Hertfordshire, and went to school in Tring where he met his wife Jackie in 1978. He lived in Tring, famous for its Natural History Museum, for 22 years. He worked in the Insurance industry from the late 70's and has fond memories following Watford FC from 4th division to runners up to Liverpool in the 1st division - as well as seeing them in an FA cup final proving that dreams do come true! Colin was fortunate enough to have personally known their manager Graham Taylor, which gave an insight into the shark infested waters of the football business and a glimpse into the celebrity world that encouraged his hobby of photography - sometimes tussling with paparazzi in London. Colin has always loved music so it was great to get a few snaps of various celebrities including Bowie, Jagger, Elton and many more, which added to excitement he experienced in the 80's. Colin subsequently had a job move to Ipswich as an Insurance Loss Adjuster investigating domestic insurance claims. He said he got used to being disliked! Colin and Jackie initially lived in Hadleigh from 1988 and their two children were born in Suffolk a few years later. Colin has an interest in period properties and has lived in, and refurbished, two Listed houses originally built as medieval open hallways in the 1400's. He soon appreciated the quaintness of Bildeston, recalling a meal in the Bow Window restaurant on the square, and the smell of open fires while sneaking a peak into many beamed rooms of the period homes. This encouraged the family to move to Bildeston 20 years ago. They have lived in three different houses both old and new in the village. In 2005 Colin made a career change into the promotional merchandise industry, sometimes organising bespoke gifts to the F1 industry, which is another interest of his. He once collected two side pods of Michael Schumacher's car from Mercedes HQ and arranged for these to be cut into little panels for encapsulation into acrylic blocks, for special paddock gifts. In recent years he ran his own promotional merchandise company as a 'one man band' which was a great experience working from home in the tranquillity of Bildeston, now working though for an International glass bottle company that supplies to Gin Distilleries and Vineyards etc.. This has helped feed Colin's interest in wine and G&Ts!

Colin said it's easy to take things for granted but Bildeston offers pretty much everything you could wish for in a village including an excellent village store. A two-minute walk in any direction gets you to peace and tranquillity. He now takes photos of the countryside, which along with wildlife has always been a big part of his life. He also enjoys cycling, walking around the fields and appreciating the beauty of nearby villages. Colin's children flew the nest a little while back but always enjoy returning to the area and he now looks forward to wandering the footpaths with his newly born Granddaughter.

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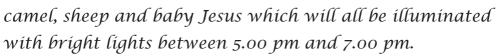
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Recipe of the Month Sloe Gin Ham

with thanks to Alison

Ingredients

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days

4kg whole boneless smoked or unsmoked gammon

1 Litre apple juice

1 sliced onion

2 bay leaves

1 cinnamon stick

20 black peppercorns

40-50 whole cloves

GLAZE

100g damson jam

50g sugar

Method

- 1.Place gammon in a large deep pan and add the apple juice, top up with water to cover then add onion, bay leaves, cinnamon and peppercorns.
- 2. Bring this to the boil then cover and simmer for 25mins per 450g to cook through, skimming off scum regularly and topping up with water as needed.
- 3. Remove the ham from cooking and leave to cool for 15 mins
- 4. Preheat oven to 220C 200C fan, Gas mark 7.
- 5. Until ham and remove skin leaving a good layer of fat on the ham. Score a diamond pattern into the fat. Retie with kitchen string to maintain a better shape and stud a clove into each diamond.
- 6. Line a roasting tin with a double layer of foil. Add the ham fat side up.
- 7.In a small bowl mix the glaze ingredients. Brush 1/3 of the glaze roughly over meat and into fat.
- 8. Roast for 25-30 mins basting with remaining glaze every 10 mins until deeply caramelised.
- 9. Serve warm or at room temperature in slices.



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BILDESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes for virtual meeting held 14 October 2020, 7.00pm, via Teams Present:Cllr Andrew Gutteridge, Cllr Ashley Hubbard, Cllr Peter Hutchings, Cllr Sarah Leigh-Hunt, Cllr Richard Lester, Cllr Virginia Tuck, County & District Cllr Robert Lindsay, Alex Banks, Clerk -Angela Chapman

C61/20/21 Chairman's Welcome & Apologies

Chairman Peter Hutchings welcomed everyone to the meeting. No apologies given.

PH advised the meeting Richard Powell had resigned from the Parish Council, leaving a total of 2 Casual Vacancies.

C62/20/21 Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests - None.

C63/20/21 Requests for dispensations in respect of pecuniary interests - None.

C64/20/21 Minutes of the meeting held 26 August 2020 approved as a true record of the meetina.

C65/20/21 Adjournments – meeting adjourned at 1933hrs

Chairman Peter Hutchings introduced Alex Banks, who had joined the meeting and gave a brief resume of himself. Chairman Hutchings proposed a motion to co-opt Alex Banks to the Parish Council, approved unanimously.

Report from County Councillor Robert Lindsay

No reply or further information from SCC on 20mph limit for the High Street, Police suggested length of limit be reduced, will try to resist this. Mark Stevens, SCC Highways is leaving, not sure who will pick the case up in his absence. Police accepted in principal the 20mph limit but Mark Stevens would rather see 20mph limit start further into the village. Cllr Andrew Gutteridge suggested its down to the weight of the argument.

Quiet Lanes - SCC have funding for Quiet Lanes project, Parish Council to register an interest. For roads/lanes where there are low traffic volumes already, to make vehicles aware of pedestrians, cycles & horses. Consent Lane and Church Road suggested. RL reported that a survey carried out in East Suffolk the scheme proved to have a neutral impact.

Had contact with BDC Housing dept re Paddocks Way. PC asked RL to escalate as the situation has been protracted. Reconvene 19.37hrs

C66/20/21Planning Applications

APPLICATION FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT - DC/20/02780

Proposal: Application for Listed Building Consent - Replace door to front elevation like for like; Remove 2 No. internal walls; Replace and raise roof to single storey rear extension, install insulation and insert door

Location: 133 High Street, Bildeston, Ipswich, Suffolk IP7 7EL

Comment: No objection

APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREE(S) IN A CONSERVATION AREA - DC/20/04092

Proposal: Notification of Works to Trees in a Conservation Area - T1 (Sycamore) - Take down

crown by 20ft.

Location: 23 Duke Street, Bildeston, Ipswich, Suffolk IP7 7EW

Comment: No objection

APPLICATION FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT - DC/20/03672

Proposal: Application for Listed Building Consent - Removal and replacement of rear fenestration. Installation of 2no. conservation roof windows. Erection of rear open porch. Part demolition of outbuilding and alterations to form workshop/store. Reconstruction of part of rear wall following the installation of new fenestration. Lime Rendering of dormer window following removal of



boarding. Removal and replacement of rotten fascias and bargeboards

Location: 9 - 11 Duke Street, Bildeston, Ipswich, Suffolk IP7 7EW

Comment: No objection

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION WITHOUT COMPLIANCE OF CONDITION(S) - DC/20/03801

Proposal: Application under S73 for removal or variation of a condition following grant of planning permission DC/19/03215. Town and Country Planning Act 1990. Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990. To vary Condition 2 (approved plans and documents) increase in size to provide adequate layout to impose safe social distancing in the work place.

Location: Manor Wood, Ipswich Road, Bildeston, Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7BH. Comment: Deadline expired.

C67/20/21 Projects and Progress Reports

- a) new village sign has been ordered and Terms & Conditions signed and returned at a cost of £4,775+VAT. Its expected to be ready to install next summer. Councillor Ashley Hubbard is arranging for a quote for the new plinth to hold the sign. A decision needs to be made where the old one will be located.
- b) Projects for 2021–virtual meeting to discuss, Wed 4 Nov, 7.00pm. Councillor Sarah Leigh-Hunt to set up Teams meeting with spreadsheet plan.
- c) Bildeston Coronavirus Support Group& Food Bank Chairman Peter Hutchings reported there lots of positive vibes about the group and the work they are doing. Meeting suggested with lead of group to help move forward and supporting the future. Control of finances to be confirmed.

d) Village amenities-

- -proposed new seating area in Market Place, plans received. Chairman Hutchings proposed a consultation of residents about the change and loss of 2 car parking spaces. Data collected by resident suggests there are spare car parking spaces morning and evening. Lightweight removable bollards were suggested for events, but planters could also be moved to maintain flexibility of the area
- New seats and tables would be provided. Further discussion before decision made.
- Chairman Hutchings to obtain quote for new flag pole.
- Councillor Ashley Hubbard reported the Kate Chamberlain plaque had been found and will be reinstated, to its original place, on the clock tower with a new wooden backing board.
- no response from Abbey Memorials
- Clockwinder will now open and close the Clocktower each morning and evening.

C68/20/21Administrative, Finance & Governance Reports

- a) payment for approval no payments were able to be made this month due to a change in Clerk and banking mandates being changed
- b) ratify the purchase of new laptop and mobile phone for Clerk's use approved C69/20/21 Matters to be bought to the attention of the Council

Chairman Peter Hutchings reported he has stood down from the Chamberlain Hall Committee, therefore the Parish Council would need another representative to attend CH meetings.

VT- had been asked by a resident if signs could be put up in Consent Lane to alleviate speeding traffic

AH – Christmas tree to be ordered from Rougham Estates

SLH –asked all Clirs for photos of themselves for the website contact page along with contact details

Homestart Toddler Group - change of leader, put on next agenda

PH – had been much discussion in the village about the coppicing of trees and hedges in and around the village. AB offered to email land agent.

RL - Remembrance Day –socially distanced service in the Square to include Rev. Elke, Baptist church and primary school, St Mary's Church has a COVID risk assessment in place; Royal British Legion will not be holding door to door collections, therefore tables in the Square with poppy boxes for donations. There will be no Stowmarket band.

PH – any anti-social behaviour should be reported to Crimestoppers

C70/20/21 Items for agenda: Homestart Toddler Group; Clockwinder's renumeration Meeting closed 2100hrs.

Next meetings: Wed 4 Nov 2020 – Programming and Planning meeting 7pm via Teams

Mon 9 Nov 2020 – Parish Council meeting 7.30pm via Teams

DRAFT Minutes for virtual meeting held Monday 9 November 2020, 7.00pm, via Teams Present:Cllr Alex Banks,Cllr Andrew Gutteridge, Cllr Ashley Hubbard, Cllr Peter Hutchings, Cllr Sarah Leigh-Hunt,Cllr Virginia Tuck, County & District Cllr Robert Lindsay,

1x resident, Clerk - Angela Chapman

C71/20/21 Chairman's Welcome & Apologies

Chairman Peter Hutchings welcomed everyone to the meeting. No apologies given.

C72/20/21 Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests - None.

C73/20/21 Requests for dispensations in respect of pecuniary interests - None.

C74/20/21 Minutes of the meeting held 26 August 2020 amended 5/C65/20/21 to 'the Police would rather see a 20mph limit...' not Mark Stevens, then approved as a true record of the meeting.

C75/20/21 Adjournments - meeting adjourned at 1906hrs

Resident Robin Sidgwick attended the meeting to give further details to the proposed new seating area in the Market Place. Discussion included moveable bollards and planters to allow for space flexibility, parking data was provided.

The Parish Council agreed as a public meeting is not possible due to the pandemic, a piece will be put into the Bugle asking for comments by email.

Report from County Councillor Robert Lindsay

RL reported SCC did not think the 20mph limit would work in Bildeston as it hadn't worked in another village. Cllr Andrew Guttridge pointed out that was immaterial it is whether the policy criteria are met, and it is. Cllr Virginia Tuck asked RL to make direct representations to Andrew Reid, Highways SCC. AG to put report together and copy in RL.

RL reported he will vote for Babergh DCdraft Local Plan, representations to be made by 23 December 2020. Councillors Andrew Guttridge and Alex Banks to put forward representations regarding the land on Wattisham Rd which was included in the Plan.

Reconvene 19.30hrs

C76/20/21Planning Applications

Planning Appendix A – Items for comment by the Parish Council None Planning Appendix B – Items determined by Babergh DC

Application for Non Material Amendment to Condition 9 relating to B/15/01433 - To allow for alterations to wording relating to footpath.

Location: Land East Of Artiss Close And, Rotheram Road, Bildeston, Suffolk

I write to confirm that the following amendments to the above proposal have been determined to be approved as listed below.

Amendment Details Approved:

Amendment to the text of condition 9 of planning permission B/15/01433 as detailed within the supporting documentation received on 20th October 2020: This change is acceptable as the text of the condition as granted contains an error. Extension to the public footpath to connect to the estate roads within the site would be made through the north east corner of the site, and

not as stated within the issued condition, through the north west. For the avoidance of doubt the condition should read as:

ACTION REQUIRED PRIOR TO OCCUPATION: PROVISION OF FOOTPATH LINK

No development shall commence until the details for the public footpath link to be created and subsequently constructed in the north east corner of the development site linking the existing Public Right of Way, Bildeston Footpath Number 1 with the nearest estate road within the development site to be adopted as highway have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority and the footpath link has been constructed in accordance with the approved details.

Reason - To ensure that there are good pedestrian links with the village centre and to connect the site with adjacent footpath networks. It is intended that this linking footpath is hard surfaced.

DC/20/04563

Proposal: Application for works to tree/s in a Conservation Area - Fell 1No Ash tree as it is too large, leaning tree overhanging garden and has ash die-back.

Location: **Verandah House, 150-152 High Street, Bildeston, Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7EF**Babergh District Council as Local Planning Authority, hereby give notice that it DOES NOT WISH TO OBJECT.

C77/20/21 Projects and Progress Reports

- a) **Programming/ Planning** Councillor Sarah Leigh-Hunt will update the plan, further meeting in New Year. Confirmed Crown railings refurbished.
- b) **BCSG**-Lead of group unable to attend meeting, decision made to write to BCSG to confirm accountability and funding. It was agreed the Parish Council have certain constraints and legalities to consider.
- c) Village amenities-
- proposed **new seating area in Market Place**, discussed under Adjournment section of meeting
- Councillor Alex Banks reported the **Sports Field Pavilion** is locked down due to pandemic. There is considerable water logging on the football pitch and flooding in Consent Lane. Councillor Banks and Councillor Ashlev Hubbard to meet on site to find a way forward
- Councillor Hubbard reported the Christmas tree for the Market Place has been ordered, delivery Tues 8 Dec, teleporter organized. Councillor Andrew Guttridge would check the lights in readiness.
- Councillor Hubbard asked the Council to consider increasing the Clockwinders pay as they are now undertaking extra duties Council approved. To be ratified at December meeting
- Bildeston Toddler Group/HomeStart advised the Parish Council they had funds despite the group not now meeting. Councillor Sarah Leigh-Hunt gave 3 options, Councillors asked where the funds were obtained from. Councillor SLH will report back to Dec meeting.

C78/20/21Administrative, Finance & Governance Reports

a) payment for approval – payments were put on bank account ready for authorisation. Payments sheet to be put on SharePoint each month

C79/20/21 Matters to be bought to the attention of the Council

Chairman Peter Hutchings reported the pared down Remembrance Service in the Market Place organized with the Churches and other organisations went well. Disappointed by some resident's reactions.

Councillor Virginia Tuck reported the fire hydrant in Chapel Street was leaking. It was decided to contact Fire Services to check working correctly.

C80/20/21 Items for agenda

Local Plan; Paddocks Way; HomeStart Toddler Group Meeting closed 2108hrs.



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Bildeston Foodbank Christmas Appeal - please help. Christmas is going to be very different this year and for some it will be a lot harder. We are planning to make Christmas special for all the families we support, both in and around Bildeston. We are now taking financial donations which will be specifically used to purchase Amazon vouchers for us to distribute. Hopefully, together we can help alleviate some pressure and create a few smiles. If you would like to donate, please contact Shaun Moffat at Bildeston Foodbank on **01449 257136** or email **bildestoncsg@gmail.com**

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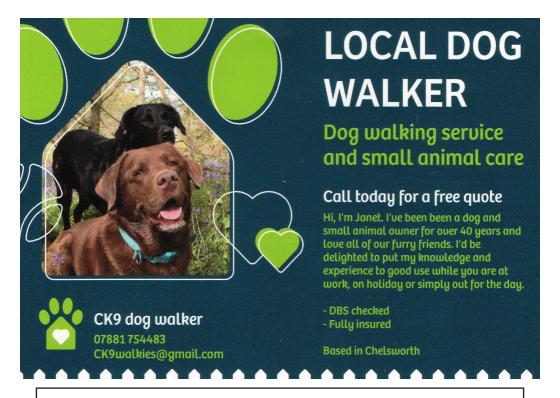
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KENNY'S SESAW NEWS

We hope the Lockdown has ended when you read this so that our plans are safe and not scattered. Our indefatigable fundraisers should be selling 'classy gifts' and running a Tombola at the Festive Fair on Saturday 12th December at Bridge Farm Barn, Monks Eleigh, IP7 7AY. Sharon's Christmas face masks, including the "Maggie's Farm" design, will also be on offer, quite the must-have fashion accessory for humans! Sadly the annual Sudbury Christmas Tree Festival in St. Peter's Church has been cancelled. We are still rehoming animals by appointment only but politely ask that nothing is left at the Sanctuary without prior arrangement. We have to limit intake because everything must be quarantined to protect volunteers and bedding, food or sale goods left at random make this impossible. Thank you for your unwavering support and best wishes for a safe and peaceful Christmas from all of us, including Ollie (the Black) Cat and me, (Kenny the Boss) Chihuahua.

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Benefice of Bildeston w Wattisham, Lindsey, Whatfield and Semer, Nedging and Naughton.

Pastoral Letter - December 2020 from Revd Elke Cattermole

You may be thinking how you are going to celebrate Christmas this year. The normal celebrations at our Christmas Services, the Nativity Scene and the excitement of the children's participation cannot take place because of the Covid 19 Pandemic. As a Benefice we are planning to put together an online Christmas Service, to be released on the afternoon of 20th December, for all to enjoy.

I have been reading a book called 'Walking Backwards to Christmas' by Stephen Cotterell, who is now the Archbishop of York. He writes in reverse order about the different characters that take us to the Birth of Christ. As I reflected on each of their stories and characters it took me back to February 2019 when I visited the Holy Land, walking in the footsteps of Jesus.

The wonder of seeing - for real - the site of so many of the key events in the life of Jesus of Nazareth. When getting up early one morning to watch the sunrise by the Sea of Galilee, as I with others waited in the pre-dawn darkness. Slowly, the sun began to peep over the hills and then - suddenly - a shaft of golden light shone out across the face of the water and, with a wonder, I realised that Jesus himself would have been all too familiar with the self-same sight.

The journey across the Sea of Galilee in a wooden boat with its mast in the shape of a cross, as well as the Union Jack! The stop in the middle of the lake, and the almost tangible stillness are a whole story in themselves. A truly spiritual moment for us all. The receiving of Holy Communion on the shores of Galilee, from our parish priest and the singing from a nearby group from Spain lifted all our spirits.

Taking part in a service by the River Jordan, the same Jordan River in which Jesus himself was baptised by John the Baptist. Then traveling south I remember the teeming life of Jerusalem around the vastness of the Wailing Wall, the last remaining memory of the magnificent Temple.

Then travelling to the place of his birth, reminds me of the start of Advent with Christmas not far ahead. Once more, although we may do it differently this year, we will re-tell the story of the growing conviction within the Children of Israel that a Messiah was really coming. We will re-tell the story of the annunciation to Mary and the journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem, for the census. We will re-tell the story of the manger in the stable at Bethlehem and the birth of the Light of the World.

I wonder what Manger Square in Bethlehem is like today due to this pandemic, no crowds. As I reflect on the vastness of the Church of the Nativity, the crowds, the smallness of the winding descent as we were led by our guide to the hole where the manger was thought to have been. All quite different to what I had expected, but surreal.

I do know how lucky I am to have been able to go to the Holy Land - to see all those places for myself, to live through all those amazing experiences, to walk in the footsteps of Christ. I do realise that not many people will have had that chance ... but I do hope that, as you read these words, as you hear the stories as they are re-told, this Christmas, as you hear the Christmas carols sung albeit safely from your homes you too will be able to imagine the reality of those events long ago, and give thanks for the coming of God Incarnate.

May I wish you all a happy Christmas and a peaceful, safe, and blessed New Year.

God Bless

Revd Elke Cattermole

Rector

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Advent 3	3.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Whatfield
20 th December Advent 4	11.00 am 2.00 pm 6.00 pm	Holy Communion Special Christmas Service Evening Prayer	Semer Online Lindsey
24 th December Christmas Eve	11.30 pm	Midnight Holy Communion	Bildeston
25 th December	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Semer
Christmas Day	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Nedging
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Baby and Toddler Group	
Baptist Church 9.15 to 11.30am	Not yet restarted
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