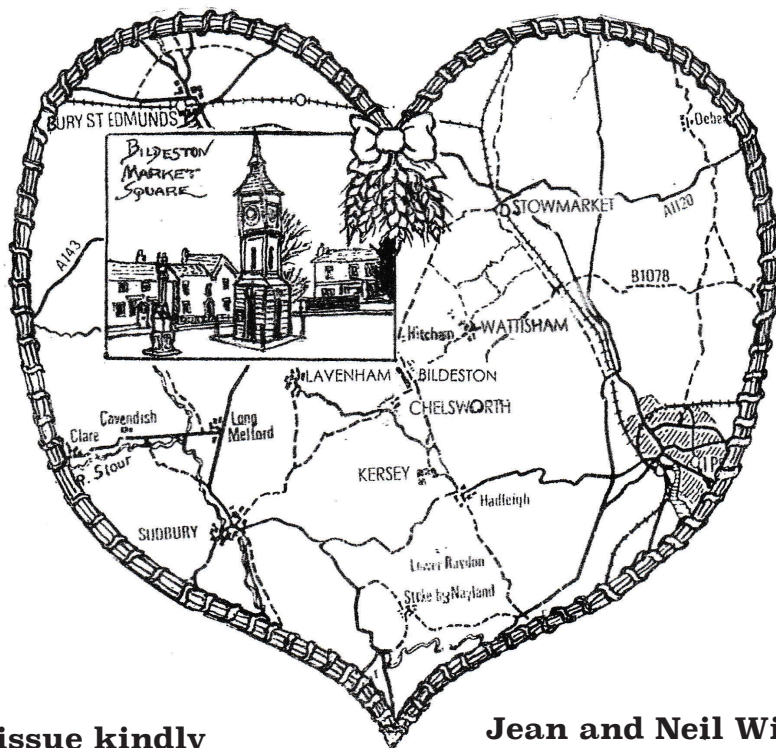


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ED'S COMMENT

March is when certain events seem to be combining to help make sure the mood of the nation changes from despair to delight, sad to happy and from gloom to laughter. A definite pattern is emerging. For example the Post Office has issued a set of 'Only Fools and Horses' special range of stamps, showcasing the classic comedy of Only Fools and Horses. They are issued to celebrate forty years of this classic comedy. The 12 designs feature Del Boy, Rodney, Granddad, Uncle Albert and other favourites. The stamps show some of Only Fools and Horses most iconic moments. One is where Del Boy falls through the bar as he says to Trigger: 'Play it nice and cool son, nice and cool.' A scene which has been voted one of the funniest ever, along with the wrong chandelier smashing to the floor! The hit BBC comedy, which began in 1981, followed the lives of wheeler-dealer Derek 'Del Boy' Trotter (David Jason), his hapless brother Rodney (Nicholas Lyndhurst) and their other family members and friends living on a Peckham estate. The series was followed by occasional specials until it ended in 2003, with Sir David and Nicholas reprising their roles for a Sport Relief special in 2014. Another March milestone is the centenary of Tommy Cooper's birth. The hilariously unique comic was born on 19th March 1921. Although he was a respected member of the Magic Circle, it was the way he engineered his tricks to be unsuccessful that added so much to the comedy. Tommy Cooper was one of the most recognisable comedians on the stage and TV circuit, wearing a fez became his trademark, until his sad death on live TV in 1984. He wrote his own gags, such as:

I met my wife at a dance. I thought she was at home with the kids.

My wife complained that her feet hurt. I said: "You've got your shoes on the wrong feet."

She said: "But these are the only feet I've got."

I bought some HP sauce the other day. It's costing me 20p a month for the next 2 years.

Police arrested two kids yesterday, one was drinking battery acid, the other was eating fireworks. They charged one and let the other one off.

A man walked into the doctor's, he said 'I've hurt my arm in several places'. The doctor said 'well don't go there any more'.

A statue of Cooper was unveiled in his birthplace, Caerphilly, in 2008 for Red Nose Day. This is the link to the third event in this theme of comedy in March 2021. This year on Friday 19th March, Tommy Cooper's centenary, it is Red Nose Day. Comic Relief, which runs the event every two years, aims to "bring the UK together" by focusing on "laughter and helping others". Lenny Henry says "we want to make you smile and bring you some laughter over the coming weeks!" Comic Relief will launch 'Share A Smile'. The idea is to display your favourite joke in your window. They explain: "Laughter can offer some temporary release from problems and so by encouraging people to put their favourite joke in their window, people power can get the nations laughing right across the UK, one home at a time." How true, along with vaccination, laughter remains the best medicine!

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Romans

Kingfisher class has been working hard continuing with learning about the Romans. They were set the challenge of drawing a Roman soldier. They had some fantastic drawings, some of which were highlighted in our weekly celebration assembly hosted virtually for pupils and parents

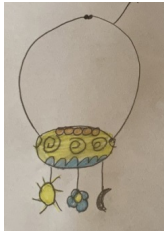


Rocks

In Science, Kingfisher class have been learning about the different types of rock. Teachers set the class a task of creating their own igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rocks of chocolate. They had great fun being chocolate scientists.

Dragons

Robin class has been working really hard on their writing. They have written dragon poems, descriptions of dragons and described dragon eggs as well as producing some amazing drawings - well done Robins!



Ancient Greeks

Pupils in Kestrel and Owl class have been learning about the different accessories that were worn by the Ancient Greeks. Ancient Greeks that were wealthy wore a lot of jewellery. Look at some of the designs the children came up with themselves.

Work in School

New additions this term to our school is

- Installation of recycled plastic fencing around our early years and key stage 1 areas.
- New Moulded Play Bark to our Trim Trail and around to our Gazebos and Tipis



We are really proud of what we have been able to achieve in our school and we hope the children will be able to get back into school soon to enjoy their great surroundings!

If you are considering Bildeston Primary as a school for your child, do please get in touch with us. When restrictions allow, we would welcome a visit after school hours due to Covid-19. Please phone the office on the number below or email us. We would love to meet you.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO CHAMBERLIN HALL.



One of the sad victims of the Covid 19 restrictions is the opportunity lost to the village to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Chamberlin Hall.

The village hall was opened in March 1996, funded largely through a hugely generous donation from the estate of Kate Chamberlin. (pictured left)

It was her wish to improve and enhance the community facilities for everyone in the village she loved so much.

To that end a planning group came together and managed the project from design to build and its grand opening in March 1996.

A wonderful collection of photographs is permanently displayed in the foyer of the village hall which was named in her honour. The photographs capture every stage of the build from marking out what was once part of the farmer's field to its completion and handing over of the keys to members of Bildeston Parish Council.

We can only hope that in the very near future, when lockdown restrictions are eased, the village can commemorate the 25th anniversary of one of the best village halls in the county.

Chamberlin Hall

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*** What's on in March**

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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)
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Jan to 15 Feb Government target for vaccinating top priority groups	Older care home residents	0.3m
	Care home workers	0.5m
	People aged 80+	3.3m
	Health and social care workers	3.8m
	Ages: 75-79	2.3m
	70-74	3.2m
	Clinically extremely vulnerable people (under 70)	1.2m
End Feb to April Remaining priority groups	Ages: 65-69	2.9m
	16-64 with underlying health conditions	7.3m
	60-64	1.8m
	55-59	2.4m
	50-54	2.8m
By autumn Programme expanded to all adults	Rest of adult population	21m (approx.)

Note: Dates approximate. Some people will fall into more than one category

BILDESTON HEALTH CENTRE COVID UPDATE

Some good news, we are now calling our patients in Priority Group five for their Covid vaccination, this is patients aged 65-69 years.

As we are currently vaccinating with the Oxford AZ vaccine we are able to pick up supplies on a daily basis to run small clinics here at Bildeston. This will change when the hubs receive the Pfizer vaccine – please appreciate we have absolutely no control over which vaccines are sent or when.

A reminder of the Priority Groups

1. residents in a care home for older adults and their carers
2. all those 80 years of age and over and frontline health and social care workers
3. all those 75 years of age and over
4. all those 70 years of age and over and clinically extremely vulnerable individuals
5. all those 65 years of age and over
6. all individuals aged 16 years to 64 years with underlying health conditions which put them at higher risk of serious disease and mortality
7. all those 60 years of age and over
8. all those 55 years of age and over
9. all those 50 years of age and over

A big plea!

We have a team working really hard trying to call patients in cohort 6 - Can we ask that you wait for us to call you, our reception are getting inundated with calls and enquiries. We do appreciate everyone's anxiety and are doing our best. Patients are asking us if they can book their second vaccine appointment. Please do not call us to book, we will call you, once we know when we can book and when our vaccine delivery date is.



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SPECIAL DAYS THIS MARCH 2021

March is a month full of special days marking all sorts of events and celebrations. Here are some you might like to know about:

St David's Day is on 1st March. St David, the patron saint of Wales when it is traditional for Welsh people to wear a leek or daffodil.

3rd March 2021 is World Wildlife Day. An opportunity to celebrate the many beautiful and varied forms of wild fauna and flora and to raise awareness of the multitude of benefits that conservation provides to people.

4th March 2021 Word Book Day, Annual celebration of books and reading celebrated by reading, book related activities and dressing up as characters from books.

International Womens Day is 8th March 2021, A worldwide celebration of women's rights and celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women across the globe.

Mothering Sunday in the UK is the equivalent of Mothers' Day in other countries. Mothering Sunday is a time when children pay respect to their Mothers. Children often give their Mothers a gift and a card.

Many churches give the children in the congregation a little bunch of spring flowers to give to their Mothers as a thank you for all their care and love throughout the year. Mothering Sunday (Mother's Day) is always the fourth Sunday of Lent, this year it is Sunday, 14th March.

St.Patrick's Day. 17th March 2021, Ireland's national day celebrates the Irish patron Saint Patrick. The day is celebrated all around the world with Guinness and shamrock decorations.

First official day of Spring is Saturday, 20th March the Spring equinox. World Poetry Day 21st March 2021, A UNESCO day to promote the reading, writing, publishing and teaching of poetry throughout the world.

Piano Day 29th March 2021, A day for piano players and lovers to share the joy of the piano. It takes place on the 88th day of the year, for the number of keys on a piano!

Last Sunday in March we add an hour and go onto British Summer Time (BST). A real sign Spring is here!

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I am asking for donations of Easter eggs, chocolates, Easter biscuits and cakes. If you have any gift bags into which we could pack the goodies these would also be appreciated.



If you would prefer to donate money then I will use it towards this appeal to make up the goodies bags appropriately for each family.

Please could you bring your donation to me at Low Barn, Church Road by Sunday March 28th or if you would rather, I can pick them up from you on my daily walk.

My thanks in anticipation and as ever, I am here if you just need someone for a chat.

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- My family and I are doing our part and supporting the NHS by keeping the pub closed and staying in. We will continue to do so until instructed otherwise by the Government. We are keeping very busy home-schooling Ryan, in his second year of high school, and Freya, in her penultimate year at Bildeston primary school. Any spare time is used to try to keep us all fit and active with walks at the weekend...
- We will of course have the Covid-19 vaccination when it is offered to us, the only way we can all get back to some semblance of normality.
- If we can help anyone in any way, please contact us by telephone on 01449 741 434.
- **In the meantime, by staying in, maintaining social distancing, with extra cleanliness and by staying alert we will protect the NHS and save lives.**

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Wash your hands

Wash your hands regularly, with soap, for 20 seconds.



Get tested

Get tested if you have symptoms: a high temperature; a new, continuous cough; a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste.



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A last thank you for all the wonderful messages of support and donations from everyone! Harrison, only 6, completed his 14 miles and here he is crossing the line. He's been completely selfless and ran in all weathers to purely help other people. His original target was £250 and he's raised over £3000! His fundraising page is still open if you'd still like to sponsor him, the link is below. We appreciate every donation. Harrison is completely amazed with how much he's raised! Thank you Bildeston and surrounding villages!

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/harrisons-fun-runs>

BILDESTON FOODBANK NEWS

We are delighted to announce the former Bildeston Coronavirus Support Group which was affiliated with Bildeston Parish Council has broken away from BPC and is now trading as Bildeston Community Support.

Our officers are: Chair - Shaun Moffat, Vice-chair - Gill Buchanan, Treasurer - Sheila Ashton, Secretary - Elaine Haley.

Day to day foodbank operations remain unchanged. We continue to work from Bildeston Baptist Church and our contact details remain: 0333 335 5254, bildestoncsg@gmail.com and via our Facebook page

For donations, please make cheques payable to Bildeston Community Support or pay via BACs to a/c Bildeston Community Support, a/c number 49886479, Sort 523031.

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Bildeston's Annual Litter-pick 2021.

This year, owing to Covid restrictions, we are conducting the litter pick in a different way. If you are willing to assist in this year's effort we are organising the clear-up to take place over the period of Saturday March 13th to Sunday March 21st. We would ask that you work with another person, wear gloves and use a litter picker to avoid touching items, especially discarded masks.

So, with a slight change to normal operations this is how to get involved:

1. Contact Jo Silburn on 01449 257045 to select an area to clear.
2. Choose your day and contact Robin Sidgwick on 01449 740404 to arrange the collection of your Hi-vis jacket, litter-picker and bags.
3. Conduct your litter-pick.
4. Deposit your filled rubbish bags inside the clock tower and return equipment to Robin.
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SESAW NEWS

Everyone seems to be in a reflective mood as we mark the changes in our lives over the last year so here are a few words from Mum – better known to you as Maggie.

"Many of us have come to acknowledge the truth of that old adage, 'You don't know what you'll miss until it's gone', be it a person, a pet or the disrupted rhythm of life.

The current situation has brought home to us at SESA W, how much we miss the help and commitment received from Firms in the past. It's very apparent just how much hard work and effort they put into helping us maintain the kennels and catteries on site, thus giving us more time for the animals. That said we are still here, a bit scruffier, up to our ears in mud but never the less the animals are clean, warm in their heated kennels, well fed and loved, So what's to moan about? Spring is on its way, it will get dryer and we look forward to releasing a Buzzard, see below, that was bought into us starving. It is now eating well and waiting for better weather to go back to its territory. It is a similar scenario for a Barn Owl which will be taking wing in the near future. So don't forget, if we can help we are here, operating nearly thirty years and facing the future with hope and compassion."

That's enough for now, Mum. It's time for you to feed all the animals including me, your usual correspondent, Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua. Suffolk & Essex Small Animal Welfare, Reg.Charity No.1124029, Stoke Road, Leavenheath, CO6 4PP. Tel: 01787 210888 www.sesaw.co.uk





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NATIONAL CENSUS 2021 SUNDAY 21ST MARCH

Full censuses have taken place in the different parts of the United Kingdom every ten years since 1801, with the exceptions of 1941 (during the Second World War). In addition to providing detailed information about national demographics, the results of the census play an important part in the calculation of resource allocation to regional and local service providers by the UK government. The most recent UK census took place in 2011. The censuses were initially conducted partly to ascertain the number of men able to fight in the Napoleonic Wars, and partly over population concerns and the planning needed to make sure everyone could be fed.

Recorded population data is used by governments for planning things like healthcare, education and employment services at a national, regional and local level. The official meaning of a census from the Oxford Dictionary says it's;

“the process of officially counting something, especially a country's population, and recording various facts.”

Taking a census usually involves all householders completing census forms that list information about their lives and their family on a specific day periodically. This one, however, will be the first digital all on-line. There will be forms for those unable to access the internet.

In the UK, censuses have been taken on a given census day every 10 years since 1801 with just one exception. The 1941 census didn't happen due to the Second World War.

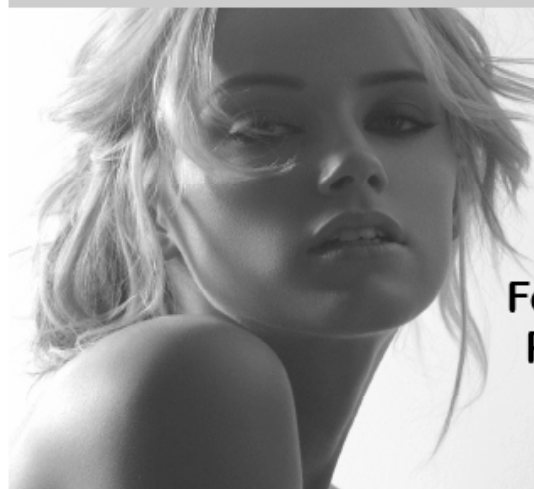
That wasn't the only problem to affect census records during wartime. A fire in 1942 completely destroyed the 1931 census for England and Wales. Due to UK privacy laws, 100 years must pass before the public can access census records. The 1921 census is the next census to be released. It's scheduled to arrive in 2022.

The next census is planned for Sunday 21 March 2021.

Census 2021 will be the first digital-first census. It's easy to do and can be done on any device. You'll get an access code from the Office for National Statistics. Simply go online and enter the code into the secure website to get started. Everyone will be contacted nearer the time with information to let you know what you need to do.

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BILDESTON'S WHO'S WHO

This month I spoke with Neil and Jean Wimpres.

Neil and Jean met in their teens and married in Hackney, East London in 1973. They moved into their first home in Ilford Essex. Their daughter Kelly was born in 1978 which was the same day that Jean's parents – George and Gladys Buckley completed on the sale of their new house in Dukes Street. I am sure many of you will have fond memories of George and Gladys with their strong Cockney accent and they always had time to have a chat with you while out and about around the village. Neil and Jean used to visit their parents frequently and got to know the village and the people very well, so they decided in 1988 to sell their house, give up their jobs and move to Bildeston.

Neil started working at a small joinery company in Needham Market, of which he later became part owner; he then retired early in 2013. Jean meanwhile worked part time for Country Maids, a local company in Bildeston.

Since moving to Bildeston Jean has been on the Committee of Chamberlin Hall on three separate occasions. Whilst on the committee Jean directed and appeared in several of the pantomimes and shows. The first one being after the fire at the Hall, and Jean and the cast had to rehearse in a porta cabin in the car park.

Neil is currently on the committee of the hall, as one of trustees and he is responsible for looking after the internal maintenance of the building, Neil also runs the snooker club at the hall and also belongs to Bildeston bowls club, Neil's other hobby is fishing.

Neil and Jean have lived in Bildeston for over 32 years and they hope to be accepted as "locals" as they have no intention of moving away from our lovely village.

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Recipe of the Month

Beef and Guinness Ragu

with thanks to Alison

Ingredients

A supper dish that's just what's needed on a chilly evening

Serves 2

2tsp olive oil
1 small onion finely chopped
200g beef braising steak, cut into 2.5cm pieces
1 tbsp plain flour
1 carrot peeled and roughly chopped
1 tsp wholegrain mustard
1 tsp dried thyme
200ml Guinness
400g tin chopped tomatoes
1 tbsp tomato puree
150g Pappardelle pasta
Grated parmesan to serve [optional]



Method

- 1 Heat 1 tsp oil in a medium pan [that has a lid] over medium heat and fry onion for 5 mins until softened. Pat the beef dry with kitchen paper then toss in a bowl with the flour and some seasoning.
- 2 Empty cooked onion into a separate bowl. Return the pan to the heat and with the remaining oil fry the beef until browned all over, about 10 mins.
- 3 Add the carrot and return the onion to pan, stir in mustard, thyme and Guinness and bring to the boil.
- 4 Cover and simmer for 1 hour stirring occasionally until the beef is almost tender. Remove the lid and simmer for a further 20 mins stirring frequently to thicken.
- 5 Bring a medium pan of salted water to the boil and cook the pasta according to packet details.
- 6 Drain and serve pasta topped with the ragu and parmesan.

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BILDESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes for virtual meeting held Monday 8th February 2021, 7.00pm, via Teams



Present: Cllr Alex Banks, Cllr Andrew Guttridge, Cllr Ashley Hubbard, Cllr Peter Hutchings, Cllr Sarah Leigh-Hunt, Cllr Richard Lester, County Cllr/ District Cllr Robert Lindsay, Cllr Virginia Tuck, Ray McCann – guest, Clerk – Angela Chapman

C102/20/21 Chairman's Welcome & Apologies

Chairman Peter Hutchings welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies received: None. Chairman Hutchings welcomed Ray McCann to the meeting, proposed Council co-opted Ray McCann on to the Council, seconded by Cllr Virginia Tuck, motion carried.

C103/20/21 Declaration of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests:

Cllr Alex Banks – Bildeston Sports Field, Cllr Ashley Hubbard – Kings Pightle Nature Reserve; Cllr Richard Lester – Kings Pightle Nature Reserve, St Mary's PCC.

C104/20/21 Requests for dispensations in respect of pecuniary interests - None.

C105/20/21 Minutes of the meeting held 11 January 2021

amended under C98/20/21 a) Projects & Progress Reports to read 'Bildeston Coronavirus Support Group'; C96/20/21 RL to read in full Robert Lindsay, then signed as a true record.

C106/20/21 Adjournments

– meeting adjourned at 1921hrs

County & District Councillor Robert Lindsay reported 20mph limit through the village had been agreed in principle by SCC Highways, design and cost estimate to be drawn up. Robert Lindsay to have a virtual meeting with Cllrs Andrew Guttridge and Ray McCann to move the project forward. Cllr Guttridge asked about County Council contributions, CC Robert Lindsay confirmed that it would have to wait until after the May elections, however, CIL monies could hopefully be used. Paddock Way fence removed.

Precept increase – SCC – 4%, Babergh DC – likely 3%.

BDC Cabinet met last week, agreed parking charges to go ahead in Hadleigh and Sudbury from September, first hour free, £1 for a maximum stay of 3 hours.

Reconvene 19.45hrs

C107/20/21 Planning Applications

Planning Appendix A – Items for comment by the Parish Council

**APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREE(S) IN A CONSERVATION AREA -
DC/21/00204**

Proposal: Application for works to trees in a Conservation Area - Trim and remove dead and damaged branches (T1) Sycamore; reduce height by 1m (T2) and (T3) Sycamore trees. Remove dead and damaged branches ((T4) and (T5) Ash Trees.
Location: 3 Squirrells Mill Road, Bildeston, Ipswich, Suffolk IP7 7DY
Comments: No objection

DC/21/00516

Proposal: Householder Planning Application - Erection of single storey extension and alterations to fenestration
Location: Silwood Barns, Consent Lane, Bildeston, Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7SB
Comments: No objection

DC/20/05657

Proposal: Planning Application - Replacement of first floor rear non-opening obscure glazed windows with openable windows
Location: 1A and 1B Brookfield, Bildeston, Ipswich, Suffolk IP7 7EH

Comments: The Parish Council object to the application and would ask Orwell Housing to find another technical solution to provide ventilation to the bedrooms in the dwelling, this was a planning condition at the outset.
The Parish Council considers this based on privacy and to protect amenities of neighbouring properties. It is noted 1 bedroom does have a dual aspect.

Planning Appendix B – Items determined by Babergh District Council

DC/20/05525

Proposal & Location of Development:
Householder Planning Application - Installation of garage doors and garage roof windows
Hill Top Barn, Church Road, Bildeston, Ipswich Suffolk IP7 7EE
Granted.

C108/20/21 Projects and Progress Reports

- a) 20mph speed limit – High Street - discussed in CC Robert Lindsay's report, see above.
- b) Bildeston Community Support – Cllr Virginia Tuck reported the group are opening a bank account in the new name of the group and have set up collection points in Monks Eleigh and Hitcham. The PC agreed the Constitution was adequate and to transfer money to BCS bank account once set up and details received.
- c) Village amenities:
Village sign – Cllr Ashley Hubbard reported brick plinth design to be drawn up to take the post for the sign which is expected May/June 2021.
Cemetery - Cllr Hubbard reported there have been 4 burials and 1 pending interment at Grove cemetery since beginning of year.

Consent Lane - waterways/ ditches have been overflowing, 4 further land drainpipes have been found draining onto the highway. Cllr Alex Banks will contact land agent and meet with Cllr Ashley Hubbard to assess the drainage on Consent Lane, also Sports Field which has been flooded recently.

Resident on Consent Lane reported property flooded since hedging removed on field between church and Consent Lane.

Chairman Peter Hutchings enquired about broken manhole drain cover on corner of Wattisham Rd/ Chamberlin Close to CC Robert Lindsay who reported SCC had attempted to flush it out but had come up against an obstruction, probably tree roots therefore pipe may need replacing, SCC have advised there are no funds for repair at present, it is not considered a priority so may be some time before it is repaired.

Chairman Peter Hutchings reported the public rights of way footpath opposite the church towards Chelsworth has been fenced off. Clerk to write to ask for removal.

Sports Field – Cllr Alex Banks confirmed the Pavilion is closed due to the COVID pandemic.

d) Market Place – Robin Sidgwick attended meeting and answered questions from Cllrs, it was agreed and approved Robin Sidgwick will kindly supply labour/ materials/ funding for planters, seating and bollard removal replacement, PC will carry out constructional/ surfacing work and fund same, with any donations towards project going through the PC. Cllr Virginia Tuck will help Robin Sidgwick plant up the planters.

e) Paddocks Way – see CC Robert Lindsay report C106/20/21

f) Quiet Lanes/ SCC - registered with SCC, huge uptake of registrations.

C108/20/21 Administrative, Finance & Governance Reports

a) payment for approval – payments sheet approved Cllrs Tuck & Guttridge

b) Scribe accounting system – Cllr Leigh-Hunt reported having had a demonstration of the system, will enable Clerk/RFO to produce reports easily, clear interface, help/ support centre available, price reasonable, very transparent for all Cllrs to access. Despite not having a huge number of transactions the Council's accounts does have 'quirks'. Agreed and approved to use the system from 1 April 2021 for new financial year. Clerk/ RFO to set up.

C109/20/21 Matters to be brought to the attention of the Council

Play areas inspection report – Clerk to compile list of remedial works to be carried out, forward to Cllrs Andrew Guttridge and Peter Hutchings.

C110/20/21 Items for agenda

112 bus service

Meeting closed 2038hrs. Next meeting: Mon 8 March 2021 7.00pm via Teams

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If you have any questions, or think you would like to join the Parish Council please contact the Clerk on clerk@bildeston.suffolk.org.uk or 07593 584209.

Roadmap for easing Lockdown Stage 1

Stage one is in two parts:

8 March

- All schools and colleges will reopen
- University students can return for practical courses.
There will be a review by the end of the Easter holidays for all other students
- Face coverings are recommended in class for secondary school students and also for parents and staff in primary schools
- Wraparound childcare can also return for vulnerable pupils and where it is needed for parents or carers to go to work, support groups or to seek medical care
- Two people from different households can meet outside for recreation, which can include "a coffee on a bench"
- One nominated person can visit care homes, but will need PPE, a lateral flow test and to "keep physical contact to a minimum"

29 March

- People will be allowed to meet outside, either with one other household or within the "rule of six", including in private gardens
- The stay at home rule will end, but the government will urge people to stay local as much as possible
- Outdoor sport facilities will reopen, including golf courses and tennis and basketball courts
- Formally organised outdoor sports can also restart
- Parents and children groups can return but are capped at 15 and must be outdoors. Indoor groups can take place for vulnerable children and where parents need the groups to go to work
- Weddings attended by up to six people can take place in any circumstances

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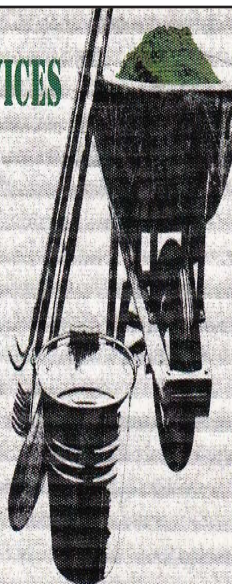
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Pastoral Letter – March 2021 from Revd Elke Cattermole



Dear All,

I have been walking around the garden today on this beautiful morning gazing at the snow drops and the early budding of spring flowers.

It reminds me, when a couple of years ago I was showing a group of young boys and girls from a 'Beaver and Cub' group how to make a posy for Mothering Sunday (Mother's Day). Watching the enthusiasm of the children and their anticipation in giving the gift of the posy on Sunday morning was awesome. We had such an abundance of posies every member of the congregation was given one and some were taken around the village to those who lived alone.

How life can dramatically change when life changing events happen, especially a pandemic. My intention when I arrived in this benefice was to work with the school children making posies for Mothering Sunday. Unfortunately, that could not happen because last Mothering Sunday we had just gone into our first lockdown. This year we are just about to come out of our third lockdown, so another year of not quite the Mothering Sunday or Mother's Day we had been used to in the past. A day when gifts, especially flowers are given to mothers bringing a ray of sunshine into their lives.

Centuries ago the Church developed a tradition of encouraging worshippers to make an annual pilgrimage to their '**Mother**' Church on the 4th Sunday in Lent. This would often be at the local Cathedral and a time when people would share refreshments after the service. Local servant girls would be encouraged to attend and meet up with their families and especially their mothers. On the journey to the Cathedral the girls would pick wild spring flowers from the hedgerows and woods to make a posy to give to their mothers.

This last year has been difficult for many of us as we have not been able to visit our mothers, or as mothers, aunts and grandmothers having those hugs we so long for. We still want to maintain the traditions of Mothering Sunday in our churches today, but we know we are still under restrictions this year.

Let us though think of loving ways we can share by giving a small posy safely or a phone call on Mothering Sunday to someone we know who may be very lonely. We can also say this 'Mothering Sunday' prayer;

Loving God, Thank you for mothers and children and for all the joy of family life. Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother. Be with those who are struggling because they have no children. Be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love. Let your love be present in every home and help your church to have eyes to see and hear the needs of all who come. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Blessing and love to you all during this season of Lent, keep safe and take care.

God Bless

Revd Elke

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Services

Unfortunately due to the virulent strain of the recent virus I have made
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