



# Hundon Herald

April 2021

## ALL SAINTS CHURCH

APRIL 2021 SERVICES

Saturday 3 April 7.00p.m.  
Easter Vigil

Sunday 11 April 9.00a.m. –  
Holy Communion

Sunday 25 April 6.00p.m. –  
Evening Prayer

PLEASE NOTE THAT EVENING PRAYER IS  
NOW HELD AT 6.00P.M.

## EASTER OPENING HOURS SHOP

Good Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8am – 1pm  
Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8am – 1pm  
Easter Sunday April 4<sup>th</sup> - 10am - 12 noon  
Easter Bank  
Holiday Monday - 8am – 1pm

## EASTER OPENING HOURS POST OFFICE

Good Friday April 2<sup>nd</sup> - CLOSED  
Saturday April 3<sup>rd</sup> - 9am – 1pm  
Easter Bank Holiday  
Monday - CLOSED

### ROAD CLOSURE REMINDER

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## Community Plant Sale

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May

10.00 – 12.00

On the Allotment Field

Hundon Allotment Tenants' Association will be co-ordinating a plant sale and supporting Hedgehog Awareness Week at this event. Funds raised will be shared between Hundon Hedgehog Rescue and HATA's Green Heart project which is trying to make the Allotment Field more enjoyable for the community and for wildlife!

If you have any spare plants you could donate, or could even grow for us, we'd be very grateful. We expect there to be house plants, vegetables (including pumpkins!) and flowers (including sunflowers) so we hope youngsters will get involved too.

More information in next month's Herald.

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## **THE RECTOR'S RAMBLINGS: LIGHT TRIUMPHS OVER DARKNESS – EASTER 2021**

Dear Friends

As I write we are almost a year from that very first lockdown, and if I am honest it feels like a lifetime ago. This time last year there was a great sense of uncertainty, as the country and most of the world was shutting down, pulling up the drawbridges in preparation to resist a new and unseen enemy. We all hoped that if we locked down, did not gather to celebrate Easter with family and friends, we would quickly control the virus' spread, and we would quickly be able to return to normal. Of course, we now know that it would not be the short sharp shock we all wished for.

One year on and the virus has taken its toll on our families, neighbours, and communities. I have sadly taken far too many funerals where relatives and friends have not all been able to mourn how they might have wished, and the death toll continues to rise, though thankfully not as fast as at its peak but each life lost remains a tragedy. We give thanks to all those who have worked together in developing the vaccines and rolling them out, and for our health care professionals who have gone way above and beyond what we had any right to ask of them. Nonetheless, this past year has been a reminder to us all, that as the Book of Common Prayer puts it, "even in the midst of life we are in death".

However, this year we are looking forward to Easter with renewed hope. Easter after all is that time when we remember and celebrate that radical individual, who, some two thousand years ago, turned everything that at that time was known, was normal, and was familiar, on its head.

When Jesus died on the cross outside the city walls of Jerusalem on the first Good Friday, those in authority, the Romans, the Priests, the Sanhedrin, the Scribes and the Pharisees, breathed a sigh of relief because that radical, itinerant preacher from the backwaters of the Roman Empire has been dealt with, once and for all. Everything as far as they were concerned could go back to normal.

We now know that Jesus' story did not end on the cross or even in the tomb on Good Friday, but instead it simply signalled the beginning of the next amazing chapter. On that very first Easter Morning, Jesus was raised from the dead. With his resurrection life was restored to all of humanity. He appears to the women who had followed him to the cross. He appears to his disciples who had fled. Having broken the bonds of death, Jesus brought with him a new age of life, indeed a new beginning, a new hope. So powerful was this earth shattering, world changing event, that we are still talking about it, writing about, and living it today.

The early church could not have imagined what that Easter Morning was to begin. They were just grateful to have their friend and teacher restored to them; but in time they began to understand just what Jesus' resurrection meant for the whole world, and so they began to spread out, telling all who would listen about the coming of the Messiah and his promise of eternal life. Indeed, we could even describe the early church as a 'Pandemic of Love'.

So, whilst we continue to live through and with the restrictions placed upon us today, I take comfort that whilst

we have lived through some difficult, dark, "Good Friday" times, I am convinced that there will be far more life for us to enjoy and indeed look forward too. As a society we have been tested, and for the most part we have prevailed, our communities have become better and stronger places as we learned again to put into practice Jesus' commandment to "love our neighbours".

When we were challenged by circumstances that we could not control, then we responded and found opportunities to show compassion to those who are the weakest and most vulnerable. And if there were times when we, like those early disciples having witnessed Jesus' crucifixion, were tempted to focus on what we might lose – well, in doing so, we were also able to understand how fortunate we truly are, and perhaps be able to give thanks for the gift of abundant life and the richness of creation which we all too sadly had taken for granted.

I believe that this past year has made us a better people, a stronger community, a more grateful society, and as a result we are able to say that we too really are "Easter People", those who have been re-born, and able to embrace life in all its richness once again.

With prayers for a safe, healthy, and blessed Easter.

*Mark*

The Revd Mark Woodrow



**Sunday 28th March 2021 - Palm Sunday**

9am	Holy Communion	Stoke-by-Clare
10.30am	Holy Communion	Cavendish
11am	Morning Prayer	Clare
2pm	Holy Communion	Wixoe
4pm	Evening Prayer	Hundon

**Thursday 1st April 2021 - Maundy Thursday**

11am	Chrism Eucharist	Cathedral in Bury St Edmunds
7pm	Holy Communion	Clare

**Friday 2nd April 2021 - Good Friday**

9am	Morning Prayer and Litany	Stoke-by-Clare
7pm	Compline	Poslingford

**Saturday 3rd April 2021 - Easter Eve**

7pm	Easter Vigil & First Holy Communion of Easter	Hundon
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**Sunday 4th April 2021 - Easter Sunday**

9am	Holy Communion	Stoke-by-Clare
11am	Holy Communion	Clare
11am	Morning Prayer	Wixoe
4pm	Holy Communion	Cavendish

(all services are subject to alteration or cancellation should COVID rules change)

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## HUNDON PARISH COUNCIL - Full Minutes will be available on the Hundon Parish Council Website

Hundon Parish Council met remotely on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

### Village Matters

**Signpost at the crossroads of Clare Road and North Street** – The fallen signpost has been reported and works ordered.

**2 Farmerie Road** – Removal of the tree at 2 Farmerie Road will commence on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

**Football Field/Wildspace** – Work to tidy the area will commence on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

**Walking dogs off lead** – Query from resident regarding walking dogs off lead. **It is a criminal offence to walk a dog off lead on a road or where signs state dogs should be kept on a lead.** Dogs should also have a collar and a tag with telephone number on.

**Accessibility of minutes** – Full minutes are available on the Parish Council Website at [www.hundon.onesuffolk.net](http://www.hundon.onesuffolk.net).

It has been suggested a copy should be placed on the village notice board. Unfortunately, the Parish Council only have access to one notice board which holds 4 A4 pieces of paper. As a trial, the parish clerk will leave a few copies of the minutes in the Village Shop. These minutes remain as draft minutes until they are adopted at the following meeting.

**Churchyard/War Memorial** - The area in the Churchyard from re-siting the War Memorial has now been made good and barriers have been placed around the War Memorial for Health and Safety reasons, whilst a Risk Assessment is carried out. Thanks to Ewan Nimmons, for completing the work in the Churchyard.

**TVAS** – The machine is now in place around the village.

**Grit Bins** - The grit bin by The Plough is to be replaced.

**Hundon's Little Helpers** - have received the Lord Lieutenant's special Certificate from the High Sherriff of Suffolk and Clare Countess of Euston in acknowledgement of their hard work and support during the pandemic. The Parish Council have agreed to purchase a mount and frame, so the award can be displayed in the Village Hall. Clerk to price a mount and frame.

**Postponed election is due to be held on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021** -

Hundon Parish Council has 5 vacancies. The publication of the Notice of Election will be on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021. All nominations must be received, in person, by West Suffolk Council at 4pm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2021. The timetable and Notice of Election will be placed on the notice board and on the Parish Council Website.

**The Annual Parish Meeting** -

will be held by Zoom on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021. Unfortunately, due to the start of the pandemic this meeting did not go ahead. If you are a local organisation and would like to attend the meeting/send a report of the past year's activities, please email the clerk. The Parish Council look forward to seeing as many organisations as possible.

### Planning applications

These can be viewed via West Suffolk Council. A full list of applications received will be published on the Hundon Parish Council website. No new Planning Applications were received.

### Update from Mary Evans, County Councillor

**Bus Service** - £3 Billion government investment into the bus service aims to promote a more frequent, reliable, cheaper and better co-ordinated bus service. The hope is to utilise the bus service more, rather than using the car post pandemic. Suffolk County Council have launched a new website to support sustainable travel. [www.thewaytogosuffolk.org.uk](http://www.thewaytogosuffolk.org.uk)

**Quiet Lanes Initiative** - is a nationally recognised designation for narrow rural roads which are shared with walkers, horse riders, cyclists and other road users. It encourages drivers to take their time where they see a quiet lanes sign.

**The Suffolk Waste Partnership** - is trying to reach nappy users with a new campaign that has been tested with them and offers a clear message that disposable nappies should never go in their recycling.

Drainage budget to receive an extra £2 Million. Investment of £1 Million in fixing potholes. £3 Decarbonisation Programme to run energy efficient projects in some schools, office buildings.

### Update from Karen Richardson and Marion Rushbrook, West Suffolk Council

West Suffolk Council have paid out around £95 million through grants and rate relief this financial year to thousands of businesses since the pandemic began. Grants are due to be phased out from 31 March to 31 May. Some grants are still available and the deadline to apply is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021.

[www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/c19business](http://www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/c19business)

**Car Parking** – prices continue to remain free or at a lower rate during the pandemic. No final decision has been made as to when prices will increase.

**Parking on kerbs** - Where there are no Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) on roads, the Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE) team do not have any authority. In a case like this it's best to approach the police to see if can be seen as a Highways obstruction offence. For parking infringements where a TRO is present - any member of the public can report a parking issue at [Report street parking infringement - West Suffolk Councils Electronic Forms \(achieveservice.com\)](http://Report street parking infringement - West Suffolk Councils Electronic Forms (achieveservice.com))

**Help for rough sleepers with healthcare service** -

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Using £30,000 of funding secured for one year from West Suffolk Clinical Commissioning Group, the council will be working with clinicians from the Marginalised Vulnerable Adult (MVA) service to provide personalised healthcare to people who have been rough sleeping.

**Holiday Activity & Food (HAF)** - This year, WSC have been commissioned by SCC to take the lead with the activity providers and work with a wider remit than last year. Therefore, covering a wider geographical area. This year we will be responsible for the roll out of the programme and for Easter the council have been provided with £51,600, if this pilot is successful, they will then be given further funding for the Summer and Christmas holidays.

**Next meeting of the Council will take place on  
21<sup>st</sup> April 2021 via Zoom**

**Annual Parish Meeting will take place on  
21<sup>st</sup> April 2021 via Zoom**

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## THANK YOU TO HUNDON VILLAGE

I have received a message from Debbie Stevenson - Purchasing Manager at West Suffolk Hospital. Her department was responsible for distributing the kind gifts of Biscuits, Chocolates, sweets and treats that so many of you donated to the collection for staff at West Suffolk Hospital.

She has asked that I say a very big thank you for your kindness, generosity and for thinking of them, and that such acts do boost moral, so very needed at present.

*Thank you. Helen Melhuish*

## HUNDON GARAGE SALE 2021

I've had several queries about holding a sale this year.

I suggest a date for

**Sunday 4th July 2021**

once COVID restrictions will hopefully have been lifted

If anyone is interested, please can you contact me on

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and if there is sufficient interest I'm happy to organise it.

*Thank you. Helen Melhuish*



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## WEST SUFFOLK COUNCIL

Elections are taking place in West Suffolk on 6 May 2021. COVID-19 secure measures will be in place at every polling station. However, if you would prefer to vote by post, then you can apply for a postal vote. For more information on your options for voting, or to download an application form to vote by post, please visit <https://crowd.in/MWcHS8>

## HUNDON ALLOTMENT TENANTS' ASSOCIATION (HATA)

### Update: March 2021

The HATA committee are grateful to all of the tenants who replied to our consultation document re the allotment field and the Green Heart project. All the replies were positive and included the following ideas:

- Seating areas
- Planting some British hardwood trees
- Hedging to attract wildlife
- A shallow pond for wildlife
- A more user-friendly tap on the water supply
- More standpipes for water in different areas around the field
- Group sourcing for compost, seeds and sundries to save costs
- Creating a community group to build a community spirit and meet socially to get involved in fundraising activities, share equipment and knowledge
- Hold community activities e.g. plant/ crop sales, BBQ, cider making, wassailing, winter fair and informal get togethers
- Training sessions to include harvesting all year round and composting
- Volunteers for some of the grass and hedge cutting and ditch clearance to keep the costs down
- 'Bring a spade or fork' days to help new allotment holders start to clear their space
- Encourage organic growing methods as far as possible
- An Open Day / Plant Show working alongside the Gardening Club
- Creating a walking circuit for everyone in the village to use for power walking, Nordic walking etc. The Government are keen to encourage people to take more exercise and this is a safe, open, green area which is perfect for improving physical and mental health.

We will be incorporating some of these ideas into our proposal to the Rogeron Trust. As a committee we are open to any other suggestions from villagers to help us develop this space into the Green Heart of the village.

### Allotments

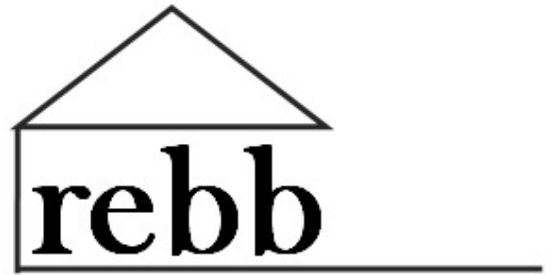
There have been many articles in newspapers and magazines recently about the benefits of having an allotment. These include making new friends, getting fitter, having an outdoor space of your own, improvement in your mental health and of course growing your own fresh fruit and vegetables. Having an allotment has definitely been a lifeline for many of us during this last year and continues to be so in these uncertain times.

There are still some allotments available and if anyone would like to take one on, please email Liz – [liz.hickes@hotmail.com](mailto:liz.hickes@hotmail.com). It can just be a space with a few plant pots or raised beds, some wild flowers and a seat to enjoy the view!

### Coming soon: Plant Sale May 8<sup>th</sup>

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*Liz Hickes HATA Committee*




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## HGC Blog April 2021

### Community Project – Planting the Village Hall Verge

Cowslips and Primroses have been planted and at time of writing I can see a haze of purple crocuses, small wild daffodils, a few snowdrops and yellow aconites and a single tulip in bud. I have found it looks more colourful looking at the verge from the car park rather than the road. You will notice I have put some little notices around the verge informing you that Hundon Gardening Club has planted the whole area with spring flowers for you to enjoy. For it to grow and bloom we ask you to please avoid walking on the grass to prevent plants from getting trampled and damaged.

### Gardening Tips:

For those who are not sure, March/April is the time to cut back:



Buddleia shrubs. (left) If they have got out of hand you can cut them back hard to a bud, they will re-sprout, even if not so many flowers this year. But if you want to control it, bite the bullet and cut back hard.

Dogwoods (Cornus) (right) the shrubs with colourful stems. Difficult to show how beautiful they are in black and white, but if you have ever been on the Winter Walk at Anglesey Abbey you will have seen them in all their glory. To keep their colour these will need to be cut down soon, they will sprout again and stems will be wonderful again next winter when there is not a lot of colour around. I planted some new ones last year so will leave them to grow on this year and cut them down next year. But well established ones will be cut down.



**In 2017 we visited Haughley Park to see the fantastic Bluebell Woods. They are hoping to repeat the experience this year.** The following is taken from their website: **'Between late April and early May, six acres of bluebells burst into bloom creating a spectacular blue-carpet effect in**

**Haughley Park Woods.** The usually-private Haughley Park estate opens its gates for two Sundays every spring to allow people to enjoy the stunning bluebell display in the woods. Those visiting can also delight in the beautiful landscaped gardens around



the manor house. The event takes place on the **last Sunday in April and first Sunday in May**, annually. This is a fundraising event for Wetherden church with volunteers manning the gate and serving delicious teas and cakes in the Barn. £4 Adults, U16s free. Open from 2.00pm to 5.30pm. Gardens and woods open. Tea and cake served in the Barn.' For those with walking difficulties, we are allowed to park next to the woods avoiding the walk from the car park for the house. The woods are all on the level and easy walking with wide paths. We, as HGC, will not be organising this trip but are just letting you know so you can make your own way there. I doubt car sharing will be allowed by then but once there, it is all outside apart from toilets and refreshments in the barn. I am not sure how they will organise the refreshments but assume it will be Covid safe. Have a look on the Haughley Park site to confirm it is still going ahead before you go. I will let members know by email as soon as I know if it is on or off.

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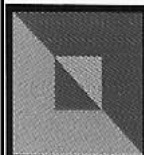
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