



Hundon Herald

February 2022

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 26 FEBRUARY
IN THE VILLAGE HALL

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Date: Thursday February 17th 2022
Venue: STIRLING HOUSE Training Centre,
Highpoint Stradishall. Signed : Off A143
Admission: £3.00 including refreshments
Time: 7.00pm arrival for 7.30pm start

This talk is linked to the current project to reprint the
Original 1995 'Royal Air Force Chedburgh 1942-1946

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE
Thursday to Sunday -
June 2 to 5, 2022
See p.3

HUNDON VILLAGE SHOP SUNDAY OPENINGS

During Lockdown our Village Shop has been kept open on
Sundays thanks to two people - Denise Thompson and
Martin Waldron— and to them I'm sure you will agree we
owe a debt of Many Thanks. They both feel, and I agree,
we need to get a couple of additional people to help out.
The job involves working 3 hours (9.15am—12.15pm) on a
pre-agreed Sunday each month setting up the newspapers,
serving customers (and possibly having a chat) and
closing the shop. If you are interested in volunteering and
want to find out more either call me on 0781 847 8770
(I prepare the rota) or call in to the shop on a Sunday
morning and Denise or Martin will be happy to explain what
the job entails.

Whilst on the subject of the shop opening hours it would
also be good to get the shop back open on weekday
afternoons. If you are able to volunteer for a 2 hour slot on
a regular basis or fill in slots when you are available the
shop would like to hear from you.

The shop belongs and is owned by the village, if we don't
use it and support it we will lose it and the Post Office,
which we had a lengthy fight with Post Office Ltd to keep.

Jill Brown

SUPPORT YOUR SHOP AND POST OFFICE OR LOSE IT!!

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

February 2022 SERVICES

Sunday 13 February
9.00a.m. – Holy Communion

Sunday 27 February 4.00p.m.
Evening Prayer
(Refreshments afterwards)

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Many thanks to the 40+ residents, the Village Hall Committee and Parish Council members that met on Saturday to share ideas and discuss activities for the whole village over the four-day bank holiday weekend of the Queens Platinum Jubilee. They agreed on a range of community activities to encourage everyone, young and old, to celebrate and socialise together at various times during this national event. The outline for the activities is below and this may evolve further as the plans and timetable are firmed up over the next few weeks. Funding is available from the Parish Council and other sources to hire equipment, for catering and buying materials. Miles of bunting may be required!

Although we already have some generous volunteers that have agreed to organise and support some of the activities - more will be critical to make it all happen.

Anyone with some hours to spare to get involved should drop a note into the Village Shop or send an email to clerk.hundonpc@outlook.com and the coordinators will be in touch.

Provisional timetable of activities:

Thursday 2nd June (Bank Holiday)	Friday 3rd June (Bank Holiday)
<p>National Beacon Lighting Event - early evening at the Village Hall:</p> <p>BBQ, social gathering, and other activities Torchlight procession around the village Bagpipes and trumpets (any players in the village?) National Beacon Lighting at 9.45pm</p>	<p>At the allotment, Orchard and Wildflower Meadows Picnic Lunch Tree planting and plant sale events</p> <p>Afternoon - Cricket 6-a-side on the cricket field and picnic/BBQ</p> <p>Evening at the village hall – Ballet & Dancing exhibition, 'Hundon's Got Talent' show (subject to the talented being available!!!).</p>
Saturday 4th June	Sunday 5th June
<p>Children's activities and Treasure hunt - Church and Churchyard</p> <p>Dog Show/Tug of War – village hall playing fields</p> <p>Evening at the Rose & Crown - Music and BBQ</p>	<p>National Event – 'The Big Lunch'</p> <p>Street Party!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</p> <p>1950s and Red/White/Blue themes, music, open mic, Morris Dancers if available, Teddy Bear Parachuting from Church Tower etc etc etc</p> <p style="text-align: center;">North Street</p>

Other activities:

We are also looking into some coordinated activities in the run up to the event weekend for both children and adults – such as a 'Beacon Trail' around local venues, historic film and photographs from the seven decades of the Queens Reign, upcycling hats from charity shops with Red/White/Blue themes for the Street Party, 'Beacon Tarts' or cake making, Royal Scarecrow competition, bunting making, children's craft and biscuit decorating shows, litter picking etc etc.

HATA is also sourcing free trees for residents to plant in their own gardens/land as part of the 'Queens Canopy' national initiative.

We also want to provide all children with a free commemorative coin so to help us order the right amount please drop a note into the Village Shop or send an email to the address above stating your Family name and the number of children.
Look out for more information on these activities in the next Herald, on the Hundon Village Facebook and in the Village Shop.

Hundon Educational Foundation.

The next meeting of the Trustees will be held in March 2022

Please apply now - applications received after 7 March will not be considered until next time.

GRANTS FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES

If you need financial assistance to pay fees for educational courses (including music and sports), for educational outings, for books or fees for students at college or university, or for any other educational purpose, then you can apply for a grant.

Applications

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To be considered for a grant, you must:

Be under the age of 25 or making an application in respect of a person under 25.

Reside within the Parish of Hundon.

Please apply by email giving the following information:

Name and address of student.

Age of student.

Your sort code and account number and the exact account name.

Details of your application.

Due to restricted funds the trustees cannot normally make grants for routine traveling expenses.

General Data Protection Regulations

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Emails should be sent to beaufordlodge@hotmail.com by 7 March 2022 and will be acknowledged and dealt with in the strictest confidence.

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May 21*

June 18*

July 30

September 17*

October 15*

November 19*

*dates coincide with Clare Market

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Breathe and Relax!

Well, our last meeting was so relaxing yet refreshing. Chair yoga is a definite item on my 'to do' list for 2022.

Sally took us through our paces, giving us all the opportunity to take it easy if needed. It was a wonderful evening followed by a refreshing cuppa with the obligatory chocolate biscuit, or two!

Our next challenge will be felting, on **Thursday 10th February, at 7.30pm** in the village hall with one of our members, Sharon, showing us the ropes. A spring daffodil 🌸 🌸 is what we aim to produce and our amazing achievements will be posted next month.

Come and join us, give something new a try.

*Call Carol for more information
07882183093*

HUNDON CINEMA

Apologies for having to cancel the film due to be shown on 14th January at such short notice. The next scheduled date for showing a film is 4th February.

We have not as yet confirmed the title so please keep an eye on the notice board outside the hall, Facebook (courtesy of Gill) and the many posters distributed around the village.

Hopefully we choose one that plenty of you will want to see. Bar will be open as usual and confectionery on sale, provided on a sale or return basis from our local village shop (thanks Karen).

Melody

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM EVERGREENS 2022

We got through Christmas Lunch at the Golf Club in Haverhill.

The school children came and sung their Christmas songs to us at the Village Hall. They were lovely to hear.

Our club members gave up giving each other Christmas cards to do a donation. We did well and I have sent a cheque for £100 to EACH—East Anglia Children's Hospice—every little helps.

Pam Deeks

DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Ronnie Buckingham at
the village hall on Monday
4th April and Monday 3rd
October 2022.**

£20 cash on the door only
no bookings

Doors open 6.45pm

Refreshments and raffle money goes to the Hundon Hedgehogs
Pre- School.



HUNDON PARISH COUNCIL

Full Minutes will be available on the Hundon Parish Council Website

Hundon Parish Council met on 19th January 2022 at 7:30pm, Social Club, Village Hall, Hundon

Village Matters

Highways issues can be reported online via the Reporting Tool – <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads-and-pavements-and-verges/report-a-highways-issue/>

The 2022/23 budget was set at the Parish Council meeting on 19th January 2022. The expected net expenditure for 2022/23 is £32,605 with £11,700 coming from reserves and £20,905 coming from the precept. Full details of the budget and precept are available on the Parish Council website.

Trees in Galley Road – The clerk has received confirmation regarding the ownership of the trees and will explore this further with West Suffolk Council.

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.

DC/21/2418/FUL – HMP Highpoint Stradishall

Planning application - construction of 3 x 4 storey houseblocks, new pharmacy, property store, healthcare, education/ vocational training, kitchen, commercial workshop and laundry buildings, 3 x MUGA1s and running track, extension to gatehouse and gym within the secure perimeter fence, together with additional car parking, a new off-site property store, landscaping and external lighting

DC/21/1381/HH – High Gables, Mary Lane, Hundon, Suffolk, CO10 8DY

Householder Planning Application: a. roof light to south-west elevation; b. detached cart lodge

Update from WSC – Cllr M Rushbrook, Cllr K Richardson, Cllr N Clarke

Update from West Suffolk Council (WSC) regarding the pandemic

WSC has been working to support residents and businesses throughout this pandemic, and to date have administered more than £120m in business grants and rate relief.

Omicron variant of COVID-19 is now having an impact on our businesses, WSC will once again be working to administer further Government support to businesses, through grants and rate relief, over the next couple of months.

Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant (OHLG)

Launched on 17 January 2022, this is one-off grant of up to £6,000 for hospitality, leisure and accommodation businesses in the business rates system, whose trade has been impacted by the rise of the Omicron variant of COVID-19.

The grant is subject to Government criteria, referenced in the guidelines at www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus/business-support/upload/COVID19-Omicron-Hospitality-and-Leisure-Grant-Scheme-Eligibility-Criteria.pdf

Due to fraud prevention and Government pre-payment checks that WSC have to adhere to, they are unable to make automatic grant payments to previous grant recipients on this occasion. Businesses will instead need to make a new application for this payment.

Businesses should apply at www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/c19business. The closing date for applications is 18 February 2022. Grants will be paid out once pre-payment checks have taken place. All OHLG grants are to be paid out no later than 31 March 2022.

Omicron Additional Restrictions Grant (Omicron ARG)

The Government has given WSC £310,000 to offer discretionary grants to West Suffolk businesses. They are currently working through the detail given by Government and are aiming to launch a local discretionary scheme early in the week of 24 January 2022.

Due to the limited level of funding available WSC will invite applications to be made by 20 February, after which they will decide on grant amounts based on evidence of the scale of impact on trade and other criteria. This does mean that no ARG grants can be paid until March 2022 and based on modelling of numbers from previous applications they expect the levels of payment may be relatively small compared to those paid previously.

Businesses should look on the www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/c19business webpage as well as the Council's social media for updates nearer the time.

In line with Government advice, all the previous ARG money allocated to the Council by the Government in late 2020 and early 2021, has already been paid out to help businesses survive last winter, reopen in a COVID-secure manner and to support business recovery.

COVID-19 Additional Relief Fund (CARF)

The Government has announced the above to help businesses that have not previously been eligible for rate relief during the pandemic.

The fund will support councils in delivering a local discretionary scheme. WSC will be going through the Government guidance and modelling a scheme to distribute the rate relief to those businesses that need it the most and who have not already been helped.

WSC aim is to implement this rate relief to businesses ahead of their annual billing in March. Please see www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/c19business webpage where the council will have more detail to share.

Police Survey

Tim Passmore, Police and Crime Commissioner for Suffolk, would like to hear your thoughts on his proposal for the policing element of your council tax for the next financial year.

Council tax precept survey 2022/23 (surveymonkey.co.uk)

The survey will close at 9am on Thursday 27th January 2022.

WSC collect the council tax on behalf of all the bodies mentioned below. In 2021-22 West Suffolk residents paid £104.91 million in Council Tax. The money was distributed as follows:

Suffolk County Council gets £77.32 million (73.7 per cent of the total)

Suffolk Police Authority gets £13.15 million (12.5 per cent of the total)

West Suffolk Council gets £10.08 million (9.6 per cent of the total)

Parish and Town Councils get £4.36 million (4.1 per cent of the total).

Under regulations introduced from 1 April 2013, the council collects business rates locally and retains a proportion to spend on local services

Consultation

Transport Strategy for the East have launched a consultation (closing on 30 January 2022). They still keen to hear from anyone who is interested in improving the transport networks across the region.

All the materials are available on their website – www.transporteast.org.uk/public-consultation, an [animation video](#) to explain their approach.

Face to Face Parish Council Meetings

If you would like to attend the parish council meeting in person, please contact the clerk at clerk.hundonpc@outlook.com as there is limited availability.

A few copies of the full minutes from the December meeting will be available at the village shop. Alternatively, you can view them on the Parish Council Website.

Next Meeting 16th February 2022 at 7:30pm, Hundon Social Club

C/o Post Office, North Street, Hundon, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 8EE

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**PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR MARCH ISSUE
22nd February BY 12 NOON PLEASE**

HERALD ARTICLES

Remember—you can submit articles for the Herald at any time in the month, you don't have to wait until the deadline. Items for inclusion can be emailed, typed or written.

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ST. VALENTINE'S NIGHT—

Details available on social media shortly

STEAK NIGHT on Tuesday evening

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FISH FRIDAY

lunchtime and evening 2 large Fish and Chips £14

2 for 1 on Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtime for selected dishes

HUNDON VILLAGE SHOP AND POST OFFICE

With Valentine's Day just a few weeks away your shop has a good range of boxes of chocolates and Valentine's cards along with cards for every occasion.

It won't be too long now before the trees and hedgerows start to bud and blossom and we can start to think of warmer and longer days. It also means that for hay fever sufferers the tree pollen season is not too far away! Apparently, a good natural remedy to help ease the effects of pollen is to eat honey local to the area in which we live. Hundon Honey is now stocked in the shop so it's a good time to get a jar into the food cupboard and regardless of the hay fever aspect, it's delicious!

SHOP OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday 8am – 1pm
Sunday 10am-12pm

POST OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday 9am – 1pm

Stewart Alderman
Chairman – Hundon Village Shop Committee

Rectors Ramblings – February 2022
(Love and Marriage)

Dear Friends,

I rather like February as a month. It is an odd month, shorter than all the others; it seems to have been squeezed in between the depression of a post-Christmas January, and the promised spring of March. It is the 'Month of Love' with St Valentine featuring prominently for many.

For me February isn't about an (*overpriced*) romantic meal with someone special, particularly as I have yet to find that someone special myself; but February is a time when I do get to think quite a bit about love, as one of the most wonderful things I will get to do this year is officiate at a lot more weddings in the 6 churches in the benefice than in recent years thanks to an easing of COVID restrictions and the fact that many couples now have more confidence that they will be able to have the wedding celebration that they want. In fact, COVID aside, after years of decline, more and more couples are once again choosing to get married in Church, and nationally more than one in three of all weddings will take place in Church of England Churches.

But what is so special about weddings and why does the Church believe that getting married in Church offers the very best way to start a life together as Husband and Wife? Well first off, the coming together of a man and a woman can be traced back to Adam and Eve, who "were made for each other" (Genesis 2). Jesus' own teaching on marriage tells us that it is exclusive, unbreakable and forges a new family unit. Indeed, Jesus' very first recorded miracle took place at a wedding reception: when he turned water into wine (John 2). The idea of marriage then is near on universal, with practically every country and culture on earth recognising the special bond that is created in the act of marriage.

Marriage then has always been part of our loving God's plan for us, and it should therefore be no surprise that increasingly there is academic research which demonstrates that marriage is actually good for you! It states that:

- Marriage makes people far less likely to suffer mental health problems
- Marriage makes people live much longer
- Marriage makes people healthier and happier
- Marriage may reduce stress
- Marriage may help couples develop healthier habits and suppress bad ones.
- A spouse also makes it more likely that there will be someone there to care in times of illness.

Christians believe that marriage really is a gift from God, it therefore follows that a church wedding is the most appropriate place to make such a public commitment to another individual, and we believe that the additional spiritual element that is an essential part of a church wedding, really does transform a relationship to a new and deeper level.

In the marriage ceremony, a couple makes a public declaration of lifelong commitment to love each other. A commitment, which by its very nature is a challenging one; Saying 'I will' to those vows obliges you to forgive and be forgiven. It will be tough at times! So, marriage is a risk, but a risk worth taking. There's plenty of evidence to show married couples are more likely to be healthy, wealthy and wise!

Marriage can change couples for the better and as they change, so their marriage grows along with them. Marriage isn't "a magic bullet", and most married couples will from time to time fall short of God's ideal for love, but a degree of conflict in a marriage can be healthy if dealt with appropriately. But as a Christian I believe that marriage is a gift from God and should mirror the love God has for all of us – love that remains true, faithful, protective, and respectful.

So, if you believe that you have found the person whom you believe that God is calling you to share the rest of your life with – why not speak to me about getting married in your village or town church – a place where many couples have come together in love and faith for centuries!

Mark
The Revd Mark Woodrow



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Business adverts £5 per month. There is a waiting list for businesses from outside Hundon.

FROM A RESIDENT - BE SAFE, BE SEEN

At 4.45pm on 21st January, in the dusk with street lights on, two cars approached each other with dipped headlights along the unit Valley Wash.

Silhouetted in the headlights of an oncoming car was a tall dark shadowy vertical figure with no sign of movement (not a cyclist). At the last minute it appeared to be a person on an electric scooter with no lights and no hi-viz.

This is illegal and antisocial towards the vehicle driver or pedestrian who crashes into the scooter. If you know who this may have been, a word of advice to them would be a kindness and possibly life saving.

HGC Newsletter February 2022

Thursday 20 January 2022 - We had a good AGM turnout despite a cold winter's night and our first AGM since 2020. Reviewing the last two years didn't take long. Once the business was over we all dispersed to either buy a raffle ticket, complete membership forms, pay subs and receive this year's programme, reminisce over scrapbooks, look at our 2022 programme, socialise and, of course, have a hot drink and biscuits, all before we ventured out into the dark cold night.

Thursday 17 February 7.30 at the Village Hall -

You are all invited to our meeting, the speaker is Hawk Honey talking to us about The Forgotten Bees. 'He is a semi-professional naturalist with a keen interest in insects (especially bees & wasps) as well as showing and teaching others in observing and recording our natural world. Adept at bee and solitary wasp ID as well as bat surveys.'



He is currently working as a Visitor Officer at Suffolk Wildlife Trust's Lackford Lakes in Suffolk. He is author of the blog 'Suffolk Naturalist.'

£2 members £3 for visitors including refreshments.

Sunday 21 March - Visit to Kirtling Tower.

It is an NGS open day and is open from 11 - 4 pm Spring flower display, daffodils etc. Refreshments, entry £6 per adult.

Thursday 21 April - 'The Wonderful World of Stinging Nettles' by Fay Jones.

"Nettles are often under appreciated and much maligned but their many uses and merits will surprise you"

If you are interested to find out more come along to our meeting. £2 members, £3 visitors including refreshments.

We look forward to seeing you.

Janet Burrows



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HUNDON SOCIAL CLUB



Bingo is starting again on
Saturday 5th March

Doors open 7pm – Eyes down 8pm

Subs for this year will be waived for all
Members who paid subs in 2020.

Look forward to seeing everyone again.

Free to any takers.

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HUNDON ALLOTMENT FIELD UPDATE



Orchard Extension

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Update on remedial tree work

The weather has been so wet that the field has been inaccessible for the contractor. He will get on with it as soon as the ground conditions permit.

Housing survey and the Allotment Field

We were interested to read the Parish Council's comprehensive housing survey report, though we were unsurprised to see that the responses showed 94% against development on the allotment field.

HATA's request for the Rogeron Trust to show its good will by withdrawing the site from the Suffolk Strategic plan was rejected by the Trust last year. The Parish Council have now formally requested the withdrawal in the light of the housing survey results. We await the Trust's response with interest, and hope, should they again refuse, that they explain to their reasoning to the community.

Parish Council Grant – HATA Hub

We are delighted to announce that the Parish Council has further demonstrated its support of HATA's plans for the allotment field by awarding us a grant of £2000 towards our planned HATA Hub. Over the winter (if it gets a bit drier!) we intend to use last year's grant from Mary Evans to renovate Jimmy's Shed. Then the Parish Council grant will be used towards the erection of a summerhouse nearby, eventually with power and water. This will act as a base for our volunteers, where we can provide somewhere to shelter out of the rain and enjoy tea and coffee!

We intend to buy tables and chairs so it can also be used by the community for small meetings and educational events. If we can also build a sturdy awning and invest in foldaway tables, it can also easily be used for things like plant and cake sales etc.

HATA plans for 2022

We have loads of ideas of activities we would like to organise in 2022. Some will be just for the enjoyment of the community, others educational and involve monitoring the wildlife diversity of the field and improving the richness of the habitats.

We also intend to get involved in the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. We will share more over the coming months.

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Appeal for vigilance after 'heritage' post boxes stolen

Police are appealing for people to remain vigilant to suspicious activity following a series of thefts of post boxes in Suffolk recently. They have taken place over an approximate 10 day period across the county.

The first one took place on 7 January on Hinderclay Road in Rickinghall (crime number:37/1431/22)

Subsequent thefts took place at:

Church View Road, Wixoe at some point overnight between 14 - 15 January (37/3351/22)

Pound Green, Cowlinge at some point overnight between 14 - 15 January (37/2885/22)

The Green, Hawkeden at some point overnight between 14 - 15 January (37/3521/22)

Chapel St. Stoke By Clare at some point overnight between 17-18 January (37/3568/22)

The Green,Chedburgh, at some point overnight between 17-18 January (37/3544/22)

Depden Green at some point overnight between 17-18 January (37/3467/22)

Officers believe the thefts are linked and there is a pattern of the 'heritage' style ones being targeted and also they are all taken from remote and rural areas. The theft is either achieved by cutting them from their mounting metal or wood post but, also possibly, by using angle grinders and chain saws.

Sgt Brian Calver from the Rural Crime and Wildlife Team said: "We know that these are quite valuable and attractive for their antique/collectible resale value, but we are keeping an open mind in that they could be going for their scrap metal value as well.

"What is definite is that such thefts are a big loss of heritage and identity to the village from where they are stolen from. There is also the personal disruption such a theft could cause to individuals who have posted important letters and documents and, that as a consequence, are then sadly lost."

Anyone who knows of the whereabouts of the items stolen or has been offered such a post box for sale in suspicious circumstances should contact Suffolk police. We'd urge people to remain vigilant to suspicious behaviour, activity or noise as well, especially overnight when it seems the vast majority of these have been stolen.

Advice on metal theft can be found here: https://www.suffolk.police.uk/sites/suffolk/files/metal_theft_0.pdf

If you have any information about these thefts please contact Suffolk Police via -

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