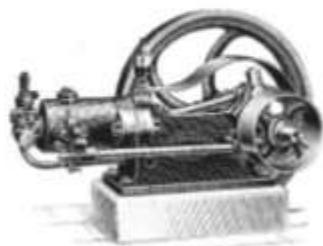


# HAUGHLEY & WETHERDEN PARISH NEWS

## *WOOLPIT STEAM*

**Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd June 2024**



At Warren Farm, Wetherden,  
Suffolk IP14 3JX

A14 junction 47a eastbound (from Bury)  
junction 49 westbound (from Ipswich)

### **Featuring**

- Steam engines, tractors & working demonstrations
- Vintage cars, motorbikes & commercial vehicles
- Stationary engines
- Vintage & modern fairground

### **Admission**

Saturday - Adults £8.00, Children £2.00

Sunday - Adults £9.00, Children £2.00

Entry is cash at the gate.

Sorry but no electronic payments or advance tickets

Show open from 9.00 - 5.00 both days

[www.woolpit-steam.org.uk](http://www.woolpit-steam.org.uk)



# MAY 2024

# PALMERS BAKERY

## HAUGHLEY

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Freshly Made Sandwiches & Filled Rolls

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Brett's Bakery Needham Market & Freshfills of Claydon  
Seven Generations of Baking, Tradition & Service for Over 150 years*

# DATES FOR THE DIARY - 2024

## MAY

Sat 4th	*Community Café, Haughley Village Hall	10.00am
Sat 4th	*Film Nights, - "The Great Escaper"	7.00pm
Sun 5th	* Haughley Park, Bluebell Woods	2.00pm
Mon 6th	*Wetherden Town Lands, May Day Fayre, Wetherden	10.00am
Sat 11th	*Community Litter Pick	10.00am
Sat 11th & Sun 12th	Weird & Wonderful Wood, Haughley Park	10.30am 10.30am
Mon 13th	*Haughley Parish Council, Annual Parish Meeting Haughley Village Hall	7.00pm
Tues 14th	*Bingo - Haughley Pavilion	7.00pm
Sat 18th	*Twinning Association, Caribbean Night, Haughley Village Hall	7.30pm
Thurs 23rd	*Annual Parochial Meeting, St Mary's Church Wetherden	7.00pm

## JUNE

Sat 1st	"Community Café, Haughley Village Hall	10.00am
Sat 1st	"Film Nights - "One Life", Haughley Village Hall	7.00pm
Sat 1st & Sun 2nd	"Woolpit Steam, Warren Farm, Wetherden	9.00am 9.00am
Wed 5th	*WI Open Evening, the U.S. Air Force in East Anglia Haughley Village Hall	7.30pm
Thurs 6th	*DDay Commemoration in Haughley	6.30pm
Sat 8th & Sun 9th	*Haughley Open Gardens & Flower Festival	1.30pm 1.00pm
Wed 24th	SWT Wildlife in our Gardens, Stowupland Village Hall	7.30pm

## JULY

Sat 6th	*Community Café, Haughley Village Hall	10.00am
Sat 6th	*Film Nights - TBC	

## SEPTEMBER

Wed 25th	SWT, The World Land Trust, Stowmarket Football Club	7.30pm
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## OCTOBER

Sat 12th	*Community Litter Pick	10.00am
Sat 12th	*Autumn Get Together, Haughley Village Hall	7.00pm

## NOVEMBER

Wed 27th	SWT, Bats in Suffolk, Stowmarket Football Club	7.30pm
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\* See advert for further details



theWI  
INSPIRING WOMEN

Regrettably, our speaker for the April meeting cancelled at the last moment but we were delighted to welcome Peter Partis, the husband of one of our members, who stepped in with just 10 minutes to prepare! Peter spoke about his considerable experiences of African culture, having lived and worked in different parts of the continent. His stories were entertaining and sometimes alarming as he shared tales of spiders the size of boxing gloves and crocodiles lying in wait for natives who were regular bathers in Lake Kariba. On one occasion his wife had to row for her life on the Zambezi when being pursued by a determined Hippo! Peter became used to the challenges of regular house break-ins for computers and video recorders and adapted his lifestyle to stay safe in a sometimes unpredictable but diverse and colourful environment.

We are pleased to report that the ABBA 60s & 70s night organised by our member Tracey Rayner, in aid of Haughley Evergreens, was a great success. A really enjoyable evening for all and almost everyone up on the dance floor.

Our speaker at the May meeting is Jane Riches from the TSB talking about avoiding fraud and scams and her talk will be followed by our WI news and cheese and wine.

On 5 June we will be pleased to welcome the wider community to our Open Meeting "Overpaid, Oversexed, and Over here - the U.S. Airforce in East Anglia" by Dr Geoffrey Kay.

Tickets are £5 each to those Who are not members of Haughley WI and are now on sale in the Post Office or through WI members.

On 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June, a couple of our members are participating in the village Open Gardens event. We will also be providing a floral exhibit for the Flower Festival to be held in the church that weekend.

Anyone interested in joining our lively group can come and try one of our sessions first.

Julia Brook. Jane Thompson.

A decorative border featuring stylized line drawings of flowers and leaves, including a large bell-shaped flower on the left and a five-petaled flower on the right.

WETHERDEN TOWN LANDS

# MAY DAY FAYRE

MONDAY, MAY 6TH 2024

10AM-3PM

CAR PARK ACROSS FROM  
THE MAYPOLE PUB

**10:00AM FAYRE OPENS**

**10:30AM HAUGHLEY HOOFERS**

**11:30AM WELL DRESSING UNVEILED**

**LOCAL CRAFTS, PRODUCE AND  
MORE!**



## ST MARY'S CHURCH WETHERDEN

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting  
Including the Meeting of Parishioners  
will be held on

**Thursday 23 May at 7.00pm for 7.30pm  
in the Church**

You are invited to come and contribute as we review the  
past year and consider fresh ideas for the future.

The meeting will elect Churchwardens and the  
Church Council for the coming year

Please join us for refreshments from 7.00pm

WETHERDEN BAPTIST CHURCH INVITES YOU TO A...

★ **COMMUNITY CAFÉ** ★

*2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month*

*1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month*

*10am to 12pm*

## HAUGHLEY & WETHERDEN TWINNING ASSOCIATION

are pleased to be welcoming our families from Noyelles-Les-Seclin, France, to a

Caribbean themed evening of music and food



7:30pm

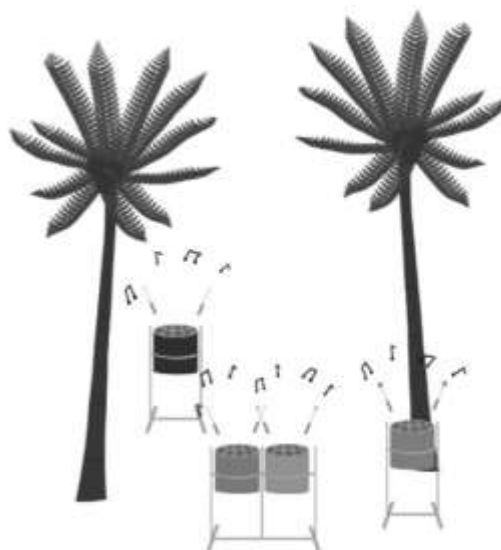
Saturday 18th May  
Haughley Village Hall  
£22 including food

There will be a limited number of tickets available to members of the local community who want to see what the Twinning Association is all about or simply to have a good night out.

We will be entertained by the Phaze 2 Caribbean Steel Band and will enjoy a selection of genuine Caribbean foods.

Please bring your own drinks and feel free to dress casual, and brightly, for the tropics!

tickets available from  
Roger Tricker  
haughleywebmaster@gmail.com  
or 01359 242904.



## NEWS FROM YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

**Funding for community projects:** The Localities Awards are open for this financial year. If your group or organisation needs a grant (from £250 to approx. £1000), please contact one of us for an application form. Forms are also available at [www.midsuffolk.gov.uk](http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk) and completed forms must be returned to one of us and not directly to MSDC.

**Nationally significant infrastructure project (NSIP):** A 750 acre solar farm NSIP near Mendlesham has been proposed. This proposal will be determined at a national level for the Planning Inspectorate. The Secretary of State makes the final decision. MSDC are just a consultee, in the same way a resident or parish council is, but we have requested more clarity about certain aspects of the application including connection to the grid, infrastructure and the effect on communities, businesses, heritage and the environment.

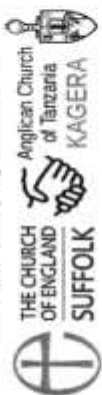
**Anti-social behaviour:** We have heard of some reports of anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the area which we have raised with the Community Safety Officer at Mid Suffolk. They do need to hear directly from residents so if you witness any ASB or have concerns, please report these to Mid Suffolk at [www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/report-online](http://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/report-online) (If there is evidence of criminality, this should be reported to the Police.)

**Devolution in Suffolk:** A reminder that Suffolk County Council's consultation on Devolution is open until 26<sup>th</sup> May. See [www.suffolk.gov.uk](http://www.suffolk.gov.uk) for details.

Councillor Rachel Eburne  
rachel.eburne@midsuffolk.gov.uk  
Telephone: 01449 673311

Councillor Janet Pearson  
janet.pearson@midsuffolk.gov.uk  
Telephone: 01449 678788

The Kagera link – working together to improve lives in Northwest Tanzania  
[www.cotesuffolk.org/kagera-link-diocese](http://www.cotesuffolk.org/kagera-link-diocese)



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND OF TANZANIA  
SUFFOLK  
KAGERA

### St Mary's Church, WETHERDEN

**During Lent members of the church supported the Bishops' Lent Appeal for Kagera, our link Diocese in North-West Tanzania.**

A service collection at the beginning of Lent raised **£164.20** towards the Appeal and during Lent a further **£303.80** has been raised.

This fantastic total of **£468** is enough to buy a 5,000 litre water tank (£350) with money left over to buy pipes, taps etc.

Our thanks to everyone who helped to raise this money to support the people of Kagera.





# Community Litter Pick

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Time 10.00am**

#### MEET AT:

- Haughley New Street at former White Horse car park
- Haughley Green, Fir Tree Lane at the air raid shelter
- Tothill, top of Fishponds Way
- The Green outside the Coal House

**Let us have a greener cleaner Parish**

#### Haughley Needs You

Litter pickers and Hi Viz jackets provided

A chance to meet new people

Children supervised by an adult are very welcome!

Help improve your neighbourhood

*Other Litter Pick Dates*

*Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October*



#### Haughley Parish Council

Clerk: [clerk@haughleypc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@haughleypc.co.uk)

Chairman: [gerald.brown@haughleypc.co.uk](mailto:gerald.brown@haughleypc.co.uk)

# HAUGHLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Chairman: Councillor Gerald Brown

Clerk: Claire Pizzey

E-mail: [clerk@haughleypc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@haughleypc.co.uk)

Address: 2 Broomspath Road, Telephone: 01449 677005

Stowupland, Stowmarket IP14 4DB

## Haughley Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Haughley Village Hall 7.00pm**

An annual parish meeting is organised by the Parish Council and it is an opportunity for the Parish Council, organisations and charities within the village to report on their activities during the last year.

It is also an opportunity for the residents to meet their Parish Councillors and ask questions and provide feedback to the council and all these groups.

Refreshments will be available from 7.00pm when the Parish Council will be making a presentation on the public consultation running for Suffolk County Councils Devolution.

We look forward to welcoming you in.

Any questions then please contact the clerk on [clerk@haughleypc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@haughleypc.co.uk)

# HAUGHLEY VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE AUTUMN GET-TOGETHER!



DANCING

LIVE MUSIC

**featuring Savannah Love**

covering hits from the last 7 decades including:  
Tina Turner, Elvis, The Real Thing, The Mavericks,  
The Beatles, Adele, Bon Jovi, The Shirelles, Stevie  
Wonder, The Blues Brothers and loads more!

**Saturday, 12th October**

**7.00 - 11.30pm**

**Haughley Village Hall**

**Bar - Plough man's - Raffle**

**Tickets: £12**

Available from The Post Office  
Sue Lewis (07709 715 935) or  
Lynne Mahon (07941 116 240)



**Chairman:** Mr Tim Hart  
**Vice Chair:** Mrs M Buttle  
**Secretary:** Vacant  
**Email:** [acsargent48@gmail.com](mailto:acsargent48@gmail.com)

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Do you know of a veteran in the Haughley area who needs our help? We provide lifelong support for the Armed Forces community - serving men and women, veterans, and their families. If so please get in touch via our website or via the email above.

Our socials take place at Haughley Football Club from 7.45pm on the **SECOND Thursday of EVERY month.**

Come along and say hello.

To view our full calendar of events go to our website:

[www.britishlegion.org/branches/Haughley](http://www.britishlegion.org/branches/Haughley)

Or search [Haughley Royal British Legion](#)

[www.thehaughleywarmemorial.wordpress.com](http://www.thehaughleywarmemorial.wordpress.com)

## COMMEMORATION IN HAUGHLEY



- 18:30 Church Bells Ringing
- 19:00 Display in the church with Film Show. Teas and refreshments available
- 20:45 Wreath laying and candle lighting at the Memorial
- 21:15 Beacon lighting on The Green

<https://www\wpbells.org/a-date-for-your-ringing-diaries-80th-anniversary-of-d-day-thursday-6th-june-2024/>

# HAUGHLEY SINGING FOR WELLBEING GROUP

## GREAT NEWS !!



WE HAVE FOUND OUR MUSIC LEADER

WE PLAN TO MEET ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> AND 4<sup>TH</sup> WEDNESDAY  
OF EACH MONTH

AT THE GREEN ROOM IN HAUGHLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7:30 PM

OUR FIRST MEETING DATE IS 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

The physical and mental benefits of singing as a group  
are well documented. Don't be the one that says I can't sing and  
miss out on these wonderful evenings.

This is not a choir



BRING A DRINK AND £5 (cash) per session

You can register your interest by emailing:  
elainelynnHSW@gmail.com



**OPEN**  
**Sundays**  
**April 28<sup>th</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**2.00 to 5.30 pm**

**Haughley Park**  
**Gardens and Bluebell Woods**  
**Teas in Barn**  
**Adult £4, U16 free – CASH ONLY**  
**(for Wetherden Parish Church)**

### St Mary's Church Wetherden

Clarissa & Robert cordially invite you all to  
a



### Coffee Morning

on  
Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May  
from  
10.30am to noon

at  
**Mutton Hall, Wetherden**

There will be tea, coffee & biscuits  
a bring-and-buy table & raffle.

Everybody is welcome:  
the more the merrier.



Like us on Facebook - Wetherden Church

Haughley Playing Field and Pavilion News  
King George's Field, Haughley charity No. 193471

**Play Equipment repairs are underway thanks to:** Haughley Block Plant donation, Pride in your place grant, District Council locality grant and Haughley Parish Council. I think you will all agree our playing field looks great. This is a combination of paid contactors and volunteer work. Unfortunately, due to a delay in parts being delivered some repairs will not be done until the end of June.

**PICK UP YOUR DOG POO.** Most people do tidy up after their dogs, but we are seeing an increase in the amount of poo being left on the field. This is **UNACCEPTABLE**. This is a charity field for everyone's pleasure. The football clubs are all run by volunteers, and they are forced to add extra checks to the pitches before matches. It has been known for matches to be paused to clear up dog mess that has not been spotted in advance. Dogs should be kept on leads and their poo removed by the owner or dog walker.

**Other news** - We are liaising with the Plug in Suffolk scheme to see if we can get an EV charging point based in our car park for community use. A small working party has started cleaning the paths and Patio around the pavilion. We will continue this and move onto other areas to spruce up the pavilion whilst we work on the broader plans for refurbishment.

**The Easter Egg Hunt 24<sup>th</sup> March run by the Scout group saw the Playing Field buzzing with activity.** It was a lovely afternoon and great to see so many families enjoying a walk around the field, then staying to play.

**Grassroots Football.** We have 8 Youth teams of varying ages. At our meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> April we heard all 8 teams have won their matches for the previous three weeks. The adult teams are also seeing an increase in support on match days which is wonderful.

**Bowls season has begun.** The bowls club is thriving and considering a waiting list due to numbers.

**Advertising board at the entrance to the Ron Crascall pavilion. If you would like to advertise your business, please contact us via the parish clerk. Clerk@haughleyipc.co.uk.** The charge will be £250 a year for an A5 size advert, and the money raised will help the upkeep and general maintenance of the playing field and equipment.

**Clubs and Regular activities at the Playing Field & Pavilion**

**Salcerbox – Sally Sally Faiers [sally.faiers@outlook.com](mailto:sally.faiers@outlook.com) 07907115259**

**Mondays 6.30 – 7.30pm**

**Yoga – Bethany [serenityyogabethany@outlook.com](mailto:serenityyogabethany@outlook.com) Wednesdays 9.30-10.30am**  
Upstairs function room.

**Heels Your Soul – Paige Taylor [heelsyoursoul.dance@gmail.com](mailto:heelsyoursoul.dance@gmail.com) Wednesday evening classes from 6.30pm**

**Bingo Every second Tuesday of the month, 7pm for 7.30pm eyes down. This year's dates are 14<sup>th</sup> May, 11<sup>th</sup> June, 9<sup>th</sup> June, 13<sup>th</sup> August, 10<sup>th</sup> September, 8<sup>th</sup> October, 12<sup>th</sup> November & 10<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Royal British Legion** meet every second Thursday at the Pavilion.

**Beavers, Cubs & Scouts** Carly Banthorpe 07976294616 or Richard Stacy 01449 673311.

**HUFC** –Senior football contact – Lee Forsdyke 07472902302

**Haughley Youth Football** contact – Carly Banthorpe 07976294616

**Bowls Indoor or Outdoor** - contact Peter Mead 07845068679 Indoor Bowls  
Julia 07774560507

**There are three rooms for hire at the Pavilion**

Upstairs Function room –Thirza Shaw – [trtinker@aol.com](mailto:trtinker@aol.com) or 07786 375441

Haughley Football club bar room – Ian Wilkinson 01449 773399 or Lee  
Forsdyke 07472902302

Scouts Hall or folding table & chairs – Richard Stacy 01449 673311.

**SHOPPING ONLINE - THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT US WITH  
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**<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/kinggeorgefldhaughley/>**

Or go to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and select King George's Field, Haughley as your  
chosen charity.

Thirza Shaw, Chairman & 50/50 Club Administrator, Email [trtinker@aol.com](mailto:trtinker@aol.com) Phone  
07786375441

**Dogs are welcome at the playing field, however, please keep them  
on their leads and pick up your dog's poo.**

## SUFFOLK OPEN STUDIOS 2024



**ANNA BRADSHAW**

MY STUDIO WILL BE OPEN  
8/9th June and 15 /16th June 2024  
10 am till 4 pm

**ALL ART WORK IS FOR SALE**

2 Cobbs Place, Fir Tree Lane  
Haughley Green, IP14 3RP  
07714 092706

I shall be working in the studio on those days and would  
welcome a break to chat.

The garden will be open as well on both weekends



# **JIGSAW FESTIVAL**

**18th - 19th May 2024**  
**10am - 4pm**

**PARK FARM**  
**WYVERSTONE**  
**IP14 4SP**

**Over 1000 Jigsaw Puzzles on display and for sale**

**Bacton Community Workshop Demonstration**

**Raffle**

**Tea & Homemade Cakes**

**£2 Entrance**

**Children under 16 free**

**Contact Penny Black**

**01449 781913**

**Proceeds to Wyverstone Village Hall & Church**



**Whats on at**  
**your**  
**Village Hall**



## **COMMUNITY CAFÉ**

**Saturday 4th May 2024 - 10am–12noon**

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**FILM NIGHTS - Doors 7pm for 7.30pm start**

Admission £4 including refreshments

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2024** – ‘The Great Escaper’ - Drama/comedy starring Michael Caine and Glenda Jackson. In the Summer of 2014 Bernard Jordan made Global headlines. He had staged a “Great Escape” from his Care Home to join fellow veterans on a beach in Normandy, commemorating their fallen comrades at the D-Day Landings 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024** – ‘One Life’ starring Anthony Hopkins, Helena Bonham Carter, Johnny Flynn. True story of Sir Nicholas ‘Nicky’ Winton a young London banker who rescued 669 predominantly Jewish children from the Nazi’s before the borders closed on the eve of WW2.

**Saturday 6th July 2024** - TBC

**\*To find out more about ‘What’s On’ at Haughley Village Hall  
visit our webpage at [Haughley.org.uk](http://Haughley.org.uk)**

**PARISH CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY 2024**

**Benefice of Haughley with Wetherden and Stowupland**

<b>May</b>	<b>Haughley</b>	<b>Wetherden</b>	<b>Stowupland</b>
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am Sunday Praise	11.00 am Morning Worship	9.30 am Morning Worship
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm Ascension Day Service at Holy Trinity, Stowupland		
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am Parish Communion	11.00 am Sunday Praise	9.30 am Worship for All
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm Pizza Team		
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Pentecost	11.00 am URC /Anglican Service	11.00 am Worship for All	9.30 am Morning Worship
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Trinity Sunday	No Service	11.00 am Parish Communion	6.30 pm Festival Communion Service

**Service at Mere View/Thompson Court**

Songs of Praise on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May @ 2.00 pm

In the Lounge at Mere View, Thompson Close.

**PLEASE NOTE**

**The copy deadline for the June issue is**

**WEDNESDAY MAY 15**

Submit to:

The Editor, Oulton Cottage, The Folly, Haughley

Or (preferably) by email: [haughleynews@btinternet.com](mailto:haughleynews@btinternet.com)

# **THE RETURN OF THE EVERGREENS.....**

**Over 70?      Living in Haughley?  
*Register your interest in joining  
Evergreens now!***

Evergreens is open to men and women  
but there is a maximum of 50 people,  
so don't miss out!

We are looking for a good mix of people including  
some who are new to the parish and others who  
have lived here a long time.

There will be an annual membership fee of £5  
(payable to the WI Treasurer on 1<sup>st</sup> July this year).  
Membership will give you a ticket for the Summer  
Tea Party in the Village Hall and  
Christmas lunch at The Kings Arms.

**To register your interest, please give me  
your name and a phone number by  
phone or text:**

**Julia Brook (Haughley WI) on  
07774 560507**

## HAUGHLEY PARISH COULCIL MEETING, 16th APRIL, NOTES

**Issues raised during the public forum:** The frequency of fly tipping. Whilst we live within 2 miles of a free household waste recycling point which only requires booking a slot, we still get frequent incidents of fly tipping. Anyone can use the online portals to report these on the Mid Suffolk District Council website. Mid Suffolk District Council 0300 123 4000 (option 7)/ Report it online

Fly-tipping - Suffolk **Recycling** [www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/what-more-can-i-do/fly-tipping](http://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/what-more-can-i-do/fly-tipping)

The Litter Picker was congratulated on her work and how clean and tidy the village is looking.

Haughley in Bloom. A full report will be available at the Annual Parish Meeting

### **Planning**

DC/24/01462- Proposal: Notification of Works to Trees in a Conservation Area - Fell 1 No. Silver Birch (G1), Reduce crown of 1 No. Cherry and 1 No. Oak (G1) by approx 2-2.5m and shape. Location: 50 Old Street, Haughley, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 3NX - supported

DC/24/01464 - Proposal: Full Planning Application - Conversion of agricultural building to form 1No dwelling. Location: Old Hall Farm, Haughley Green, Haughley, Stowmarket Suffolk IP14 3RR - supported

DC/24/01518 - Proposal: Application for Listed Building Consent - Remove existing render to front elevation and re-render using Warmcote lime plaster, carrying out repairs as necessary, re-render and repaint. Location: 32 Old Street, Haughley, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 3NX – support.

**Junior football pitch** on Bloor's homes estate – a report was received from Parkers Pitches regarding the suitability of the surface and potential work required so that Council could consider the offer of a commuted sum to cover line marking and goal posts. Attention was drawn to the volume of stones and debris close to the surface and the work that would be required to make it suitable to reseed for a safe playing surface. It was agreed to go back to Bloors to say we will consider a relevant commuted sum once the ground is in a suitable state to be used as a pitch.

**Allotments parking area improvement** – After a meeting with a representative from John Sisks and Sons it was agreed that they would clear the area, leave a small section to allow wood chippings to be kept and hard surface a section to allow tenants to drive vehicles onto the site. They are keen to recycle materials from the A14 project and the work would be completed by the time they have finished the improvement works.

**Miscellaneous** – concerns raised regarding the expansion of Woolpit Business Park and the potential increase in traffic needing to link with the A14. Play equipment repairs have been delayed due to delay in parts being available.

A large proportion of this month's agenda was given over to the necessary financial year end checking of documents to submit for audit and other official forms. Not the most exciting of tasks but nevertheless very important.

**The next Village litter pick is Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Annual Parish Meeting will be Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at the Village Hall**

Full draft minutes will be available on the Parish council website

[www.haughleypc.co.uk](http://www.haughleypc.co.uk)

**Our next meeting is 21<sup>st</sup> May 2024 7pm at the Ron Crascall Pavilion**

# HAUGHLEY VILLAGE HALL COMMUNITY CAFÉ



**Saturday  
4th May  
10am-12 noon**

Join us at the Community Café for freshly ground coffee, a selection of teas or hot chocolate and delicious homemade cakes.

Browse the stalls selling a variety of handmade items including:  
greetings cards, jewellery, gifts and pieces for the home

**COME AND JOIN US!**

**For more information contact :**

Lindsey Philpot : 01449 675703/07765886690

Lynne Mahon : 01449 674085/07941116240

## ELMSWELL HISTORY GROUP

Our April meeting welcomed back Jacquie Norman for her second talk on “*Tudor Costumes*” which included wonderful replica samples of the elaborate costumes made by Jacquie herself. She explained that these clothes were made from natural fibres such as wool, silk, hemp, and linen although those for the lower classes would have been made from canvas (similar to denim). Durance was a tightly-woven fabric which was fire retardant so was used for aprons. The triangular area between Bury St Edmunds, Clare and East Bergholt was famous for its production of broadcloth (a dense woven cloth historically made of wool). Its manufacture originated in Flanders but, when the French protestant Huguenots were persecuted there in the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries, they migrated to East Anglia and passed on their skills to local weavers. The strictly-observed Sumptuary Laws governed what everyone could (and could not!) wear and were based on earnings, i.e. designed to keep everyone “in their place”. There was some wonderful vocabulary from this period, e.g. “farthingale” (hooped petticoat), “kirtle” (dress), “carbage” (cloth offcuts used to stuff a bustle, being a cushion worn by women to hold out their dress below the waist at the back: this word being the origin of the American *garbage*), “pickerdills” and “tassets” (flaps at the hip on men’s jackets), “gilligaskins” (straight tubular men’s trousers), “venetians” (like Bermuda shorts), and “pantoffles” (oversized slippers for outside wear). Confusingly, Tudor skirts were called petticoats! It was basically just the linen underwear which was washed: otherwise everything else was merely brushed after each occasion, while any stains were spot-cleaned with special natural lotions by very skilled and knowledgeable laundrywomen. Hooks and eyes were invented by the Tudors, and reputable ladies were laced into their garments by *straight*-lacing (*not* crossed lacing), hence a strait-laced lady. When Catherine of Aragon became Henry VIII’s first wife, she introduced Spanish fashions to England, including black-dyed tunics for the men (think Rowan Atkinson in the *Blackadder* t.v. series) which only the very wealthy could afford because black was an extremely heavy and expensive dye. This was the time just after the Spanish Armada in the 1580-90s. Apparently, the average Tudor male was 5’7” tall – no wonder Henry VIII at 6’2” made such a commanding figure!

Our outing to **Ely’s Fenland Museum** will be on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July, for which tickets will be on sale at our meetings on 9<sup>th</sup> May and 13<sup>th</sup> June (or from 01359-242601), and are priced at £5.50 for members or £6.50 for non-members.

Our next meeting on **9<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30pm at the Wesley** (IP30 9EE) will feature Jill & Richard Mann’s talk on *Edith Cavell, East Anglia’s WW1 Heroine*. A devout Christian nurse and teacher, Norfolk-born Edith (1865-1915) was the Matron of a revolutionary training clinic in Brussels when the Germans occupied the city in 1914. A year later, they executed her by firing squad. Do join us on 9<sup>th</sup> May to find out why and much more – everyone welcome.

**For further information about our History Group, please visit our website –**

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## WETHERDEN PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**Present:** Cllr Duncan Perry, Cllr Richard Thurman, Cllr Stephanie Hensley, District Cllr Rachel Eburne, District Cllr Janet Pearson, County Cllr Andrew Stringer, Christine Mason (Clerk) and three members of the public

**Apologies for absence:** Cllr Stacey Lascelles. Cllr Andy Lewis.

**Declarations of Interest:** None declared.

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting:** The minutes of the meeting of Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

#### **District Councillor Rachel Eburne's report**

Councils of Mid Suffolk and Babergh, with a Green Party administration, have been jointly awarded Council of the Year for their collaboration with different partners, working to improve services and focus on communities; as part of the Joint Local Plan part 2, all parish and town councils have been invited to complete a questionnaire regarding services and facilities present in each area; a new rural transport grants scheme with monies available of £600,000 has just been launched to provide passenger transport across the district, deadline 15<sup>th</sup> April.

#### **County Councillor Andrew Stringer's report**

A third Ofsted inspection in a row has led to the resignation of the Cabinet members for SEND; a new director of Children and Young people has been recruited and has experience of turning around local authorities that are underperforming in SEND provision; devolution consultation is now open for public consultation, if agreed it will mean the leader of SCC would be directly elected by people in Suffolk; Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects proposed in Suffolk continue to increase, but as with all Nsip's the government makes the decision with County, District and Parish being consultees in the process.

Local issues: The dangerous pothole at the junction of Warren Lane will be repaired on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March; the timetable for the Quarry planning application is imminent.

#### **Public Participation**

Matters brought to the attention of the parish council included the ongoing problem of vehicles speeding through the village, Cllr Hensley suggested a temporary third speed indicator device that sits on the verge is hired, however, support from the local authorities to bring in the police is essential. To highlight speeding, data from the speed camera needs to be downloaded and sent onto the appropriate authority; unclear signage needs to be reinstated as this could prevent motorists from being prosecuted; relating to concerns raised by the village hall in respect of the abuse of the car park on match days.

Tony (Scouse) from the Youth Football Team informed the meeting he has the opportunity for 40 tons of graded hardcore to be delivered free of charge to the village hall car park. With a tight deadline and permission required, a conference call following the parish council meeting has been arranged by Cllr Hensley between Keith Watts and Tony (Scouse).

### **Clerk's report**

The Clerk confirmed the Locality Budget Grant of £1000 towards the Pavilion refurbishment has been received. A thank you was given to Cllr Eburne. No further matters to report.

### **To receive finance reports and authorise payments**

The finance report was agreed and payments as per the schedule were approved.

### **To appoint the internal auditor for the financial year 2023-2024**

Councillors approved the appointment of Trevor Brown to undertake the 2023/4 internal audit – all in agreement.

### **Planning applications validated since the last meeting**

A planning appeal has been submitted for the erection of 2No. single storey residential dwellings with garages and new vehicular access (following infill of existing swimming pool), The Willows, Park Road, Wetherden, Stowmarket, Suffolk IP14 3J. The parish council objected to the original application.

### **Website**

Still awaiting information from local groups for adding to the website. New Councillor gov.uk emails have been activated.

### **Flooding under the bridge at Ashfield Road/Blocked ditches**

Flooding now cleared. Feedback received states flooding is due to the bank on either side not being retained by grass and is just soil. Contact has been made with the landowners and is being progressed by the Highways Enforcement Agency. No further update at present.

### **Townlands car park resurfacing**

Highways are still keen to support local projects, and with the car park now drying out, a site survey will be undertaken and possibly some works scheduled within the next two weeks. Cllr Perry to maintain regular contact with Highways.

### **To consider common/playing field/projects and concerns**

The whole of the ditch next to the footpath by the football pitch has been dredged and some brambles removed, the top section is still to be done. James Bevan to be contacted regarding clearing out his section of ditch.

A working group to be set up to sort out areas near the tennis courts and to make good the field when the football season is finished.

**Urgent matters to be brought to the attention of the council :** None.

### **Date of next meeting:**

Annual Parish Meeting 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7pm followed by the Annual General Meeting at 7.30pm.

## STOWMARKET AND DISTRICT CAMERA CLUB



Itchy Spot, Paula Irvine

Many thanks to our Judge Michael Lloyd, who came to score and critique photographs at our meeting on Monday 11th March. Michael provided constructive feedback to members, as he judged the 4th Open competition of the year. He especially complimented the quality of the colour prints that were presented. Thanks to Michael for a very enjoyable evening.

25<sup>th</sup> March. Colin Westgate FRPS, MPAGB, APAGB was our guest speaker and we were treated to his images of "Iceland in Winter" taken over several years of visits. The images ranged from landscapes to shapes and textures and ended with those of the aurora. His knowledge of Iceland and its place names was exemplary.

We thank Colin for a most informative presentation

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Storm Coming, Geoff Walker

## WETHERDEN VILLAGE HALL

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In the Christian calendar we go from the hope at Easter to starting to preach the message of the Good News in May we first have Ascension Day on the 9<sup>th</sup> May and Pentecost on the 19<sup>th</sup> May it can be said that May is about an ending, and a new beginning.

Ascension Day is when we remember Christ ascending to be with his Father in Heaven, the last time he was to appear to his disciples here on earth. Pentecost is the Birthday of the Church, when the spirit was poured out on the Disciples, which marked the beginning of the Church.

As a Church, we could be said to be having endings and beginnings all the while. The Church over the centuries has gone through many changes both in worship, and the buildings in which we worship, this can be partly seen in the many denominations that we have. The Church of the past years has had to find new ways of being Church.

For the Church to be vibrant and relevant it has to be prepared to change, but not to go along with secular fads, the Church needs to be relevant to every generation, and sometimes for us that has been within the Church, for many years those changes may not always seem necessary.

The challenge that each Pentecost gives us, is first to look back to that first Pentecost, to when the first Disciples were thought to be drunk, but were indeed infected by the Holy Spirit, to learn from them and to move forward in the power of the Holy Spirit. In our secular society Church is not as relevant as it once was, and our challenge is to show the world that the Church can still be relevant to them, and to us.

In his speech to the fledgling Church, at that first Pentecost Peter spoke the words of the prophet Joel:

“This is what I will do in the last days, God says “I will pour out my spirit on everyone. Your Son & Daughters will proclaim my message, your young men will see visions, and your old men will have dreams, yes even on my servants both men and women, I will pour out my spirit in these days, and they will proclaim my message.”

Even today these words still have relevance for us, even in our days where science seems to have all the answers, if we only let the Holy Spirit in, it will be amazing to see how much the Church will become relevant, especially to a society that thinks it has all the answers.

This Pentecost let us treat it as though it is our first, and ask God to send his Holy Spirit upon us, and see where it leads us.

Yours in Christ

Robert

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Unfortunately, when it comes to bank holidays, whether staff have to work is up to their employer, and you don't have to be paid more if you do. The situation will vary from job to job and may depend on several factors such as whether your place of work is open on bank holidays, your hours of work and crucially, what your contract says.

Look at your contract, if you have one, to find out what your personal situation is. Your contract might say you will always get bank holidays off, but it might say you may sometimes be required to work them or will always be required to work. But if your contract says you get bank holidays off you shouldn't be asked to work.

Your contract might say something like: "In addition to bank and public holidays, your annual entitlement to holidays is X days". This means you get public holidays off in addition to your annual leave entitlement, but it might not mean you're entitled to take the specific days off. You may be required to work a bank holiday, in which case you should get another day off instead.

Alternatively, it might say something like: "Your annual holiday entitlement (inclusive of bank and public holidays) is X days" - this means you have to take bank holidays off as part of your annual leave entitlement. Bank holidays will either be deducted from your annual leave allowance (so you'll have to book all bank holidays as paid time off) or counted as additional holiday days.

A common misunderstanding around bank holidays is that employers have to pay you extra for working them. This is not the case. Unless your contract says you'll be paid extra you will just be paid your normal amount. If your contract says you are entitled to bank holidays but you're asked to work, you should be able to take a different day off in lieu. Your employer must follow what's set out in your contract. If they don't, you should raise this with them.

If you don't have a contract, the legal default position is that your employer can tell you when you can or can't take time off. If you'd like to request a bank holiday off, use the normal method for requesting time off.

If you find you need to resolve an issue with your employer, first ask for an informal chat, where you can raise your concerns. If this doesn't get you anywhere, you may need to raise a formal grievance. If you need advice on this, contact Citizens Advice Mid Suffolk.

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


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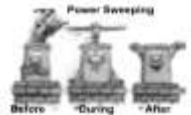
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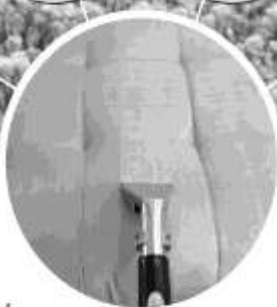


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