



THE HEACHAM NEWSLETTER

May 2022

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Heacham Village



Sunday 8th May 9am - 2pm

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your letters..



Dear Newsletter,

Heacham

PC - Community Centre Project

I was pleased to see Dave Curtis' letter (April Newsletter) about the vote he organised.

BUT- and this is a big but - there is a disturbing aspect to the results.

DC pointed out that there are 2661 properties in Heacham, but he had only been able to ballot 2560, meaning that 101 properties did not have a chance to voice an opinion. Of the 2560 properties balloted, 35 were for option 1 and 780 for option 2, with 10 spoiled papers (with a simple vote option 1 or 2, how do you spoil a paper?) This gives a total of 825 returns from a ballot of 2560 - i.e. 1735 properties did not bother to vote. This means that more than half the village did not bother to vote.

Having been presented with figures - £1.3 million borrowed, repayable over 50 years @ £58,110 p.a. - what is the problem other than apathy on a huge scale? Are those 1735 non returners, plus the 35 for the project and the 10 spoiled papers, happy to be lumbered with a massive debt for years to come?

I said in my previous letter (April Newsletter) that I had the impression that many village residents felt that the PC do not listen to residents' desires and opinions, but the impression now is that, in the immortal words of Rhett Butler in 'Gone With The Wind', "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn."

Among those who do give a damn, and who try to do what is right for our village (780 properties, i.e. less than a third of the village), the fear is that this white elephant project will be bulldozed through. If so, the only ones with a right to complain will be those who voted against the project.

There is a famous quotation, variously attributed to Edmund Burke and Stuart Mill. Far be it from me to suggest that the Project is evil, but the principle is the same: "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing."

To put it simply, if you sit back and say and do nothing at this stage, do not complain later if you, your children and your grandchildren are lumbered with paying off an unnecessary and extravagant debt to pay for an unnecessary and extravagant white elephant.

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Dear Newsletter,

Heacham

'Response to Wild Ken Hill letter – April Edition'

I write in response to the letter in the April Newsletter from MW.

Anyone who has stewardship of agricultural land either by small holding or great estate, most certainly has a great responsibility. They must balance the explicit need to feed the nation by growing crops or rearing animals by taking the responsibility of balancing food production with the need to ensure the future of our nation's wildlife and the environment in which it is to be found. A monumental task. I for one would not feel competent in telling people how it should be done!

Cover crops for game shooting plus feeding and maintenance of the land benefit all wildlife, not just game birds. Without gamekeepers/conservation officers, who would do it and pay for this work? It also appears more people are rediscovering game birds and venison for the table.

I saw the visiting Sea Eagle and I have to say what a magnificent sight it was. If the increasing numbers of Red Kite, Buzzard and other raptors are anything to go by, the appearance of Sea Eagles will no doubt be a more regular occurrence.

We try to collect all our cartridge cases and wads – in fact the cartridge industry is trying hard to develop biodegradable or paper wads for steel shot cartridges (lead shot has not been used for wildfowl for over 20 years). Shotgun cases on the beach are not as a result of our activities, we do not shoot over the beach/sea. Additionally, we carry out regular maintenance on the marsh/feeding and litter collection ourselves.

I had no intention of being 'deliberately vague' in my December response to MW because our season did not end until the end of January and I wrote my reply in November. I will fill in some gaps. How many animals are reared in the UK, on an average year for human consumption? Courtesy of Google: Cattle 2.6 million; Sheep and Lambs 14.5 million; Pigs 10 million; Chickens and birds generally 1 billion; Fish 80 million. These figures do not, as far as I am aware, include those reared by individuals for home consumption and egg production. It is likely with an increasing population these numbers will not decrease.

Heacham Wildfowlers take on an average year between 250 and 310 wildfowl over the 5 month season (about 35/65 split between geese and ducks) - each member taking an average of 10 birds each (2 per month). As previously stated, we try to maintain the area but have no control over visitors, dog walkers and the disturbance and predation that entails; we feed over the winter and do not shoot when the winters are harsh and the ground and water frozen.

I am sure that some members of the community disagree with shooting and they are entitled to their opinion and I respect them for it. As I sit typing this letter, I am eternally grateful to be born and living in a country that can have open discourse without one view or the other being cancelled.

Norris Taylor

Hon Secretary Heacham Wildfowlers

April Fool Article

For those who hadn't realised, last month's edition contained an April Fool's article on the release of Arctic Foxes to control ducks and vermin around the Bray's Pit area:

Our thanks go to those who contacted the Newsletter about the article, a selection of the replies are shown below.

We published this article in the spirit of April Fool's Day and in no way intended to cause any harm. Those who were disturbed by the thought of such dastardly deeds at Bray's Pit by the mythical foxes, might have been more disturbed by the activities of a buzzard last year around duck breeding time. Or the horrific swallowing of whole ducklings by the gulls that patrol our village, that was a sight not for the faint hearted.

THN



Heacham

Dear Newsletter

'Arctic Fox or April Fool?'

In April's edition of the Newsletter it was suggested that employing Arctic foxes as a means of controlling Heacham's duck population might be considered. An interesting idea but how long would it be before the foxes decided to head north in search of an environment more to their liking? Why not good old Reynard our native red fox, he'd be in his element at Bray's Pit, all that lovely feathered food hanging around just waiting to be scoffed and no hunting fraternity pursuing him! Or perhaps establishing a badgers' sett in the vicinity of the pit might be considered; badgers are unlikely to harm the ducks



HEACHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Royal Scarecrow Trail

The Parish Council would like to invite the village to take part in a royal themed scarecrow trail to take place over the Jubilee weekend from Friday 3rd June 2022 until Sunday 5th June 2022.

Let's brighten up the village and create lots of 'royalty'-themed scarecrows to display in your front gardens.

A trail map will be created for a fun family activity. Prizes will be awarded to two winning scarecrow builders determined by public vote.

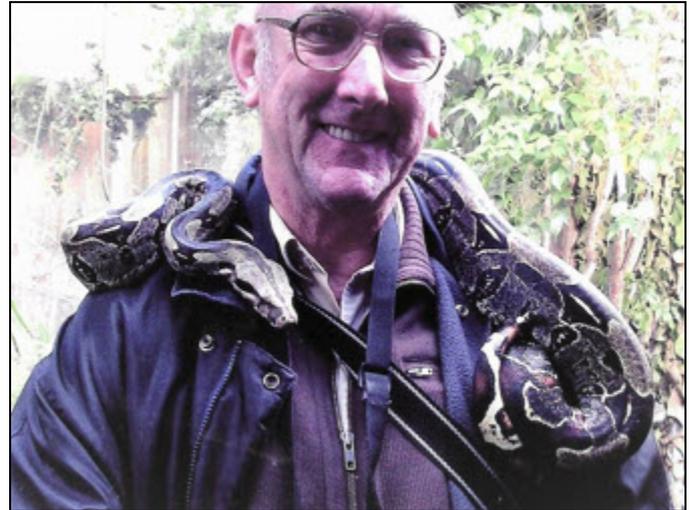
To take part, just register your scarecrow with the Parish Office – email: heachampc@btinternet.com by Monday 16th May 2022. This will ensure your location is added to the trail map.

Maps will be available before the event from several community locations, to be confirmed, from Monday 30th May 2022.

We really hope to see some wonderful creations.



but they'd snaffle up their eggs as fast as they were laid. Maybe allowing a couple of ferrets to 'accidentally' escape near Bray's Pit might work too, anyone into blood sports? As a last resort, consider releasing a large snake like a boa constrictor at the pit or equipping small boys with free catapults, such ideas might have their limitations however, it could result in your cat or dog being eaten and your windows getting broken!



Photographed above: The writer with a red-tailed boa constrictor from the Amazon rain forest, a snake not suitable for release at Bray's Pit!

On a rather more serious note though, it seems that the number of ducks currently around Bray's Pit is disproportionate to its capacity; this discourages other forms of wildlife and may encourage avian infections with possible consequences for the human population. Mallard ducks for instance, even when they appear clean and healthy are known to be carriers of the Salmonella bacterium externally and internally and dust inhaled from dried duck faeces can cause quite serious respiratory problems.

Only recently some 30,000 farmed ducks had to be culled in Norfolk due to bird 'flu'; there have also been other outbreaks of this highly contagious disease in the county and elsewhere. As for those who constantly complain about traditional country pursuits like wildfowling, it is suggested they visit any place where live chickens, ducks or turkeys are being dispatched for human consumption. They would then have something to whinge about!

Mike Hurn
(Address supplied)



Heacham

Dear Newsletter

Duck Control at Bray's Pit

On reading your article on duck control at Bray's Pit, a better idea would be to introduce four Pelicans. They would make light work keeping the duck population under control, also any ducks with injuries. The Pelicans could then make a move on the geese and their goslings. It would far safer for the public and their pets.

It could be implemented by 1st April 2023.

Ian Baxter
(A caring person of Heacham)
(Name & address supplied)



Heacham

Dear Newsletter,

Mothering Sunday photos linked to 405th Memorial of Pocahontas and 400th Memorial for John Rolfe

As you know we celebrated the 405th & 400th Memorials of Pocahontas and John Rolfe on March 21st & 22nd 2022.

So I was delighted to see on the Pocahontas Peace Project that Chief Anne Nelson Richardson was given another special award at Virginia for her special Pocahontas Peace Project with photo attached + shared on the Heacham Heritage Facebook.

Pocahontas is also remembered in England as the Mother of two Nations on Mothering Sunday and the Dove of Peace.

You can see these flags at the Pocahontas Heacham village signpost and beside her special Mulberry Tree Pocahontas planted in 1616, still growing at their old Rolfe Manor Farm now the lovely Manor House Hotel, Heacham.

This is where we are planting a new Mulberry tree for this special triple 400th and hopefully they will celebrate on Thanksgiving Day, November 24th 2022, with more special framed Pocahontas 'history' paintings in their two lounges inside the Manor Hotel.

Also a Peace Blue Dove small flag is under the alabaster face of Pocahontas inside the Heacham Church opposite his famous stepfather's (Dr Robert Redmayne) huge tomb, and where John Rolfe's parents are both buried below and 22 of their Rolfe family for five centuries.

John Rolfe's stepfather from age 9, Dr Robert Redmayne, has his huge tomb with Latin inscription opposite the Pocahontas alabaster face. He was a successful Cambridge Trinity Lawyer, Chancellor of Norwich Cathedral and the five Bishops of Norwich for 37 years as well as Mayor of King's Lynn, with his huge Redmayne Estate

at Sprowston, now used for Norwich Cathedral School Redmayne Playing Field + Rugby Club and Redmayne View retirement homes. Thomas Rolfe married Elisabeth Washington in Clerkenwell, England. The Washington Kytson Spencer families ancestors also link to HRH Princess Diana's family and then later to other famous Presidents and their wives in America.

A small poster with flowers and Golden 400 is in the Rolfe family burial garden for their many famous family; Antarctic explorers, Commanders, Majors, Admirals, RAF Squadron leaders + Headteacher of Gordonstoun School Scotland. This garden is outside St Mary's Heacham Church near the Rolfe Acre 1600 burial plots given in 1897 by Admiral Ernest Neville Rolfe, the Church Warden at Westminster Abbey in London. His plaque is inside the Abbey and his Rolfe ancestors have plaques inside Norwich Cathedral and in St Nicholas, the oldest Chapel in England at King's Lynn, by the font for Francis Rolfe + his wife + children. He was born at Narford Hall Red Lodge in 1618 with its famous Mulberry tree thankyou gift from King Charles 1.

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The Chapel is opposite where John Smith worked for five years as junior secretary at the Tudor Rose House for Sir Thomas Sendall -the Mayor + wine merchant near where their Rolfe + Redmayne ships sailed the world from the old Boal Quay for four centuries.

I was also very pleased to hear that John Rolfe's Tobacco is being used 'pharmed' successfully for more deadly diseases including Covid in America made at Kentucky + San Diego ZMapp Labs + Canada + Germany and in Thailand they are using this medical research successfully for their own new Covid vaccines made from 'pharmed' Australian tobacco and for many other tropical diseases that hopefully will save many more lives.

Mrs Christine Dean



Left: Pocahontas Mulberry Tree, Heacham Manor Hotel.



Left and Above: Heacham signpost on Monday 21 March 2022. Pocahontas 405th Memorial Day & Tuesday 22nd March for John Rolfe's 400th Memorial Day 2022.



Right: Rolfe Family Burial garden outside the church near the Rolfe Acre 1600 burial plots given by Admiral Ernest Neville Rolfe in 1897 the Church Warden at Westminster Abbey.



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CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HEACHAM



Heacham Parish Church

As I write this we are, courtesy of the 21st century communications networks, witnessing first-hand the most appalling situation continuing to unfold in Ukraine. Day after day for the past two months our media has shown us sickening pictures of innocent women, children, and the elderly slaughtered while running for their lives from their war shattered homes and battle ravaged communities. What the situation will be when you read this I hate to imagine.

Too close to home for comfort we are observing ‘Man’s inhumanity to man.’ First used by Robert Burns in his poem ‘Man was made to mourn’ this memorable phrase has been adopted into common English usage.

Many and sharp the num’rous ills inwoven with our frame!
More pointed still we make ourselves regret, remorse, and shame!
And man, whose heav’n -erected face the smiles of love adorn, -
Man’s inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn!

Yes, man was ‘heav’n erected.’ God created man in his own image and love is most definitely one of the defining features of God which man has inherited BUT we have also inherited free will. It is by our own choice that men behave atrociously towards one another and ‘make countless thousands mourn.’

Alan Paton, South African author, and anti-apartheid activist wrote, “There is only one way in which one can endure man’s inhumanity to man and that is to try, in one’s own life, to exemplify man’s humanity to man.” The response of many across Europe and UK who are opening their homes to Ukrainian refugees is precisely that. It is also what Jesus taught and practised during his earthly life, treating all human beings as equal and in need of love. He said, “I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full!” John Ch 10 v 10 NIV.

God the Father’s compassion, mercy, and love know no bounds but since Jesus the Son ascended to heaven, he has no human hands. We must work out His acts of compassion, mercy, and love upon our fellow human beings. Each and every generation has this responsibility to serve where we are and in whatever situation God places us. No, we cannot solve the world’s problems singlehandedly, but Jesus assured us “whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” Matthew Ch 25 v 40 NIV

Penny Sutton
St. Mary’s Ministry Team

Church Opening Times

The Church is open from 10am to 4pm every day.

May 2022 Services

There will be a service in church every Sunday at 10am. Services are live streamed on Heacham Parish Church YouTube channel. We also have a recording of the service on our YouTube channel which will be available each Sunday, after the service has taken place.

- 1st May:** Holy Communion
- 8th May:** Morning Prayer
- 15th May:** Thanksgiving for Heacham Parish Church + Holy Communion.
- 22nd May:** Ascension Evening Service at 6.30pm at Heacham Methodist Church
- 29th May:** Holy Communion

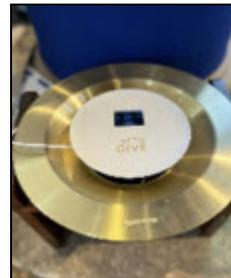
Coronavirus Update

Although all the rules have now been lifted, we will still be doing all we can to take care of each other in church including wearing face coverings and if possible, checking we have a negative LFT result. We will continue to keep the back of the church set up with socially distanced seats.

We worship in a number of different ways including:
HEACHAM PARISH CHURCH online
on Heacham Parish Church You Tube channel

HEACHAM PARISH CHURCH in church
At 10am every Sunday morning

New Technology



Exciting news – the Church has the technology! This is our brand new GoodBox, and it is now up and running in church. We can accept donations using watches, phones, cards etc. and have arrived in the age of contactless giving. It is really easy to use - so please come in and give it a try!

Bereavement Support Group

Meetings are on the first Thursday of each month. The next meeting is on 5th May from 10am till 12 noon, at the Pine Residents Hall. For more information contact the Church Office.

Heacham Village Yard Sale – Sunday 8th May

Come and visit the church stall outside the Church Hall/Library in the High Street.



Heacham Parish Church

Cupola and Bell Appeal



During 2022 we will need to rebuild the cupola and rehouse our Sanctus bell

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Annual Meeting (APCM) - Sunday 15th May 2021

There will be a celebration of the life of the church and a thanksgiving service on Sunday 15th May. This will be followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (the legal part) and then everyone is invited to bring a packed lunch (and lots of cake) and hopefully, weather permitting, we can enjoy a sunny picnic together.

Celebrating The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

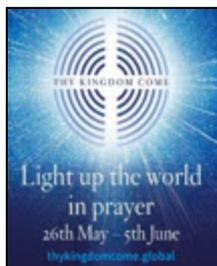


We are delighted to join Heacham Community celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Please come and see our three Coronation scarecrows, floral displays, and handmade Royal bunting over the jubilee weekend. We will also be offering refreshments in church from 10am to 4pm on Friday and Saturday. There will be children's activities too. Everyone is also welcome to join us at our Platinum Jubilee Celebration Service on Sunday 5th June at 10am.

Thy Kingdom Come –

26th May to 5th June 2022

Join the global wave of prayer calling all Christians to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know the love and peace of Jesus Christ. Here in Heacham we will have a labyrinth like last year, and there will be prayer stations in and around the church. Find out more via our website, and our Facebook page.



Prayer Tree

We have a prayer tree in church on which you can write a name or situation that you want to pray for, and you want the church to pray for, by writing and hanging it on the tree. God hears your prayer and we will pray for you. If you can't get to church and would like a name added let Rev'd Veronica Wilson (heacham.vicar@gmail.com) know.

Prayer

Every weekday morning at 9am a group meet on Zoom to pray for our village community. We pray for all who live and work here, for our shops and businesses, our schools, residential homes, surgery, amenities, etc.

If you would like us to pray for you specifically, or someone or a situation on your heart, please ring or email Veronica (details below).

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St Mary's Church Office: Julie Turner 572539 (answerphone)

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HEACHAM METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: Rev. Dr Richman Ncube

May 2022



SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE 10.30am - All welcome

1st May: Church Fellowship

8th May: Sheila Johnson

15th May: Church Fellowship

22nd May: Terry Martin

29th May: Sharon Esposito

Midweek Communion

The May midweek communion will be on Wednesday 11th May at 10.30am conducted by our Minister Rev Dr R Ncube. All who love the Lord are welcome.

Bible Study

The monthly Bible study will be on Thursday 13th May 10.30am led by our minister Rev Dr R Ncube. Come and join this lively study group. All welcome.

The Fellowship is back

Yes, the popular afternoon meeting for both men and women resumes on Tuesday 24th May at 2.45pm. Everybody welcome.

Coffee Morning

The May coffee morning will be held on Saturday 21st May at 10am - 12noon. Hopefully the spring weather will be kind to us. There will be a book and jigsaw puzzle stall. Come and join us for a very pleasant morning with coffee, cake, company and a chat.

Games and Bowls club

With better weather expected we are hoping for increased numbers at our Friday afternoon fun sessions. On the first Friday each month we have a games afternoon with darts, dominoes, draughts etc. May's date is the 6th and on the third Friday afternoon it's short Mat bowls. May's date is the 20th. Both start at 2.30pm till 4.30pm. Why not give it a try.

Midweek Diary for May

Tuesday 24th The Fellowship 2.45pm
Wednesday 11th Holy communion 10.30am
Thursday 26th Bible study 10.30am
Friday 6th Games afternoon 2.30pm
Friday 20th Bowls Club 2.30pm
Saturday 21st Coffee Morning 10am-12 noon

Please note... holidaymakers staying locally are very welcome to all Services and midweek activities at Heacham Methodist Church. We hope you have a happy holiday.

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead"

1 Peter 1:3

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Hunstanton Catholic Parish

The Pope's prayer intention for May 2022: **Faith-Filled Young People**. We pray for all young people called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depths of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Our Lenten Alms donations this year were divided between the St Francis Leprosy Guild and Aid to the Church in Need. Lent Fast Day donations went to CAFOD who support long term projects as well as any emergencies that occur.

A few members of the parish have been getting together, originally to discuss the Synodal consultation, but have carried on with the meetings to discuss ways to enliven the life of the parish following the drop in attendance due to the pandemic of the last couple of years. The dates of the meetings will be published on the website and in the weekly church bulletins and anyone interested in contributing in any way is more than welcome to take part.

Sr Danuta is guiding a regular parish study/discussion group at the Convent every Tuesday, 4.00-5.00pm, looking in more depth at the readings for the following Sundays. All are welcome to come and take part.

The Sisters at St Theresa's Convent, Sandringham Road, are now offering daily Mass at 12 noon. Please confirm with them if you intend to be present. Contact 01485 532837.

For Parish news including Mass times and prayer requests, please see the **Parish News** page on our website. For information about live streamed Masses in the Diocese and related matters, including Coronavirus updates see the **Links** page of our website at:

www.hunstantoncatholicparish.org

People are advised not to go to Mass if they have any Covid symptoms, however mild. Wearing masks when coming to church is still advisable, and hand sanitiser is still provided. We now have communal singing of hymns at our Sunday Masses.

The Sunday Masses are at 9am at Mountbatten Road, Dersingham and 11am at Sandringham Road, Hunstanton.

Daily Masses are at 10am at Hunstanton on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays and 10.15am at Dersingham on Wednesdays.

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The Prudent Pensioner

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Note: using this method, you will need to prepare the rhubarb the evening before making the crumble.

Ingredients:

3 or 4 large sticks rhubarb
Sugar

For the crumble topping:

85g/3oz. flour
40g/1½ oz. butter
30g/1 oz. sugar
15g/½ oz. rolled oats

You will need a half litre/1 pint ovenproof dish.

Clean rhubarb and remove any discoloured bits. Cut into pieces approximately 4cm/1½” in length and place in a bowl or jug.

Sprinkle one tablespoon of sugar over rhubarb pieces, cover and leave overnight in a cool place. The sugar will draw juice from the rhubarb.

Next day:

Put rhubarb and juice into a saucepan, place over a medium heat and cook gently until rhubarb begins to soften. Turn off heat. Add more sugar if necessary and stir. Place in ovenproof dish, cover and leave to one side. Pre heat oven to 190C.

In a mixing bowl, rub butter into flour until it resembles fresh breadcrumbs then add sugar and rolled oats and mix well. Spread crumble topping evenly over rhubarb and bake in pre heated oven for 15-20 minutes or until topping is golden.

This is nice served with custard, cream or ice cream.

My updated book “Less Waste more Soup” 45 easy, budget friendly recipes for nourishing soup is now available from Amazon. A search for Doreen Reed will find it (together with my books of light hearted poems and tales). It is also available from Ridouts Bakery in Heacham, Docking Farmers Market and Folgate Farm shop Waddington, Lincolnshire.

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General Knowledge Quiz

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1. What is the name of the loudmouthed, kleptomaniac robot in Matt Groenings animated sci-fi series "Futurama"?
2. What is the medical name for the thin tube, about 4 inches long which sits at the junction of the small intestine and the large intestine?
3. In which 1956 romantic western film did Elvis Presley play the character Clint Reno and sang the film's title song?
4. Which English city is home to the longest pleasure pier in the world at 1.34 miles in length?
5. What is the name of the modern Japanese martial art descended from Kenjutsu, that uses bamboo swords and protective armour?
6. Which Shakespeare play set in Paris and Florence has the King of France and the Duke of Florence among its characters?
7. What is the proper name given to a fixed regular sum of money paid as a salary or as expenses to a clergyman or a teacher?
8. What is the main ore from which uranium and radium are extracted?
9. Which crime writer created the character of Chief Inspector Wexford in her books?
10. What is the correct term for the science of determining the age of trees by counting the number of rings in their trunks?
11. What was the name of the T.V. Police series in the early 1980s in which Jimmy Nail played the eponymous detective?
12. Which bitter-leaved salad vegetable, from the Chicorium family is also known as "leaf chicory"?

Answers on page 40

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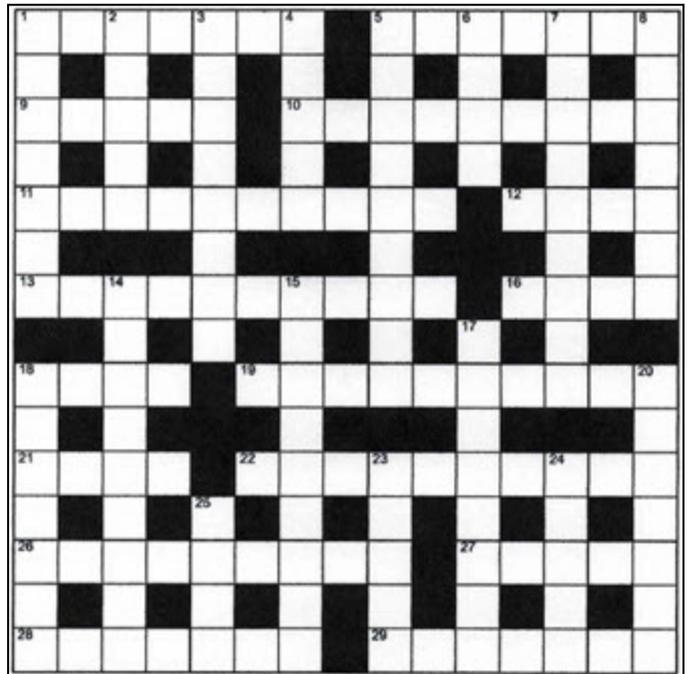
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Across:

1. A brief kip is needed before important election race starts (7)
5. Precipitate live coverage of United (7)
9. Dress - get a move on! (5)
10. They deflect aspersions aimed at bikers (9)
11. One is learning to appreciate a change to new design (10)
12. Sticker needs good contact (4)
13. It's caused by inflammation – cure isn't in diet (10)
16. Say nothing to upset mean personalities (4)
18. Settlement of award to run into millions (4)
19. Baronet's up to organize shoot for Chinese ... (10)
21. ... and a group of musicians (4)
22. Offer support to Spain (extensive) in the near future (6,4)
26. They are unconventional leaders (9)
27. That is side dish to go with the starter (2,3)
28. One is very depressed we hear – it's awful having no one to play with (7)
29. It could describe a diner in Cornwall or Jersey (7)

Down:

1. In Paris some find it impossible to establish harmony (7)
2. Captain admits first mate cut corners (5)
3. I end trip upset, but undaunted (8)
4. Pay to get watch back (5)
5. Censorship of feedback is blocked by Democrat (9)
6. Second injury signifies end of game (4)
7. Cycle from Germany and perform heroic acts (7-2)
8. Standards applied to officers in the US navy (7)
14. Charlie is insensitive to row on telephone (9)
15. Batting first, English cricket side have a new captain in the middle looking ungainly (9)
17. A penny dainty or fancy (8)
18. Charlie's brief is to acquire serious capital and support for vehicle (7)
20. With little room to manoeuvre show hesitation and get more screwed-up (7)
23. Removes spars blocking opening (5)
24. Open? It's about time! (5)
25. Food that is underdone? (4)

Solution on page 40



App transforms admin at award-winning

West Norfolk Home Care Company

A new app developed by an award-winning West Norfolk home care company is helping to streamline record keeping while reducing waste.

Carers at family-run firm Extra Hands, based in Heacham, can now use their phones to instantly access online forms rather than having to fill in and send back paper versions. The app is also being developed as a training resource, which will offer a library of 'bite-size' videos which carers can readily access.

Justin Mayes, training manager with Extra Hands, which was set up in 1993, said it was a practical way to deal with essential forms. One example is the logging of financial transaction forms, which record when a service user gives a carer money to pay bills.

Justin said: "It used to be that all of our service users had a sheet of paper and every financial transaction was filled in on the sheet of paper and the idea was it came back in quick time. Now there is no delay at all - every single financial transaction comes straight through to the office to the manager. It is there instantly, they can see exactly what is happening and put the information onto the service user's records."

Other forms which are available on the app to help staff tackle day-to-day administration include mileage form, holiday requests and their service users' vaccine records.

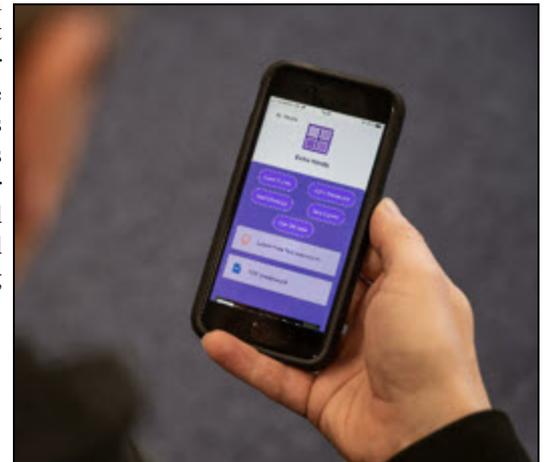
The app is also being used to help new members of the team at Extra Hands. New staff can log different tasks they have completed via the app to build up evidence towards completing their care certificate.

Justin said the app was also being developed to include links to training resources, including 'refresher' videos on topics such as catheter care, diabetes and bed making.

"It is short bite-size videos, with the aim of enabling carers to refresh their existing knowledge," he said. "A resource library will be built up that carers can tap into if they want to have a reminder of a particular topic."

Other uses for the app include allowing staff to access a link to online staff meetings or catch up with a recording of it if they cannot attend. The app can quickly be downloaded on phones and the majority of carers at Extra Hands, which provides a variety of home care visit packages across Norfolk to suit all requirements and budgets, are now using it on a daily basis.

Justin said there had been positive feedback from staff on how easy it is to use. He said: "The new app means we have a lot of forms coming back more quickly than ever before. It streamlines the system and makes it easier for everyone involved, as well as saving paper being printed off and reducing waste."



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Hedgehogs in 2022

The British Hedgehog Preservation Society (BHPS) is 40 years old. Founded in Shropshire in 1982 by Major Coles, it came about when he noticed hogs were getting trapped when falling into cattle grids. He persuaded Shropshire Council to install escape ramps in them all. When you are out and about look in such grids to see if anything is trapped. Rescue it if you can, call the RSPCA if you can't. Ask your County Councillors to follow Shropshire's good practice.



Internet

The hedgehog has continued to suffer serious decline in numbers over many years. This is worst in rural areas where numbers have fallen between 30% and 75% since 2000. The eastern half of England, us, shows the largest fall. The decline in urban area appears to have stabilised largely due to the very large network

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of volunteers who work to improve habitats and produce hedgehog friendly communities.

Hedgehog Awareness Week runs from 1st – 7th May. These are the things you can do to help:

1. Make a Hedgehog Highway– 5 inches, 13cm, square gaps in the bottom of fences or walls. Log your highway at www.bighedgehogmap.org
2. Create an undisturbed log pile which will offer shelter and food opportunities.
3. Buy or make a hedgehog box for winter protection. www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk/hedgehog-homes
4. Offer visiting hogs water (important here) cat biscuits and meaty cat or dog food (never milk), particularly in the spring and autumn to fatten them up. Extended dry weather makes feeding difficult as the ground is hard and earthworms difficult to find. Slugs will be less common.
5. Check areas carefully before mowing or strimming. Ask council operatives to do the same. Hire shops should have labels on machines.
6. Do not use insecticides or poisons in your gardens. Ask Councils to do the same. Note that metaldehyde slug pellets and materials containing metaldehyde are now illegal to sell, supply, store or use. Report any you see on sale to the store manager and, if necessary, the environmental health department of your Council.
7. Ensure there is an easy route out of ponds and pools. Hogs can swim but cannot always scramble out of them.
8. Create a wild corner in the garden to provide shelter and feeding opportunities.
9. Join BHPS

I have occasional hedgehogs in the garden and I know others in Heacham do. We are lucky but they need nurturing and their habitat looking after.

If you find a sick or injured hedgehog ring 01584 890 801 for advice. This is the BHPS helpline.

RSPCA East Winch Wildlife Centre, Gayton Rd PE32 1LG, 'phone 0300 123 0709, are excellent and look after hundreds of hedgehogs, particularly through the winter. They get through a lot of old towels.

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Terry Parish

(Prepared with much reference to and copying of the Spring 2022 BHPS Newsletter. They won't mind.)

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The Community Building – an Unofficial Potted History!

I have lived in Heacham for over 40 years. My husband was born here, his parents Mary and Bob Harrod (sadly no longer with us) known to many in the village. Our children were raised and educated here in this lovely village. When I took early retirement, I decided that with spare time I would like to give something back to the community that was home and when a vacancy arose, I applied and was co-opted on to the Parish Council. I must say before I go any further that I am no longer a member of the Parish Council. I resigned when family commitments meant that I could no longer give of my time so freely. However, without exception, I can say that the people I worked with were lovely, all working towards improving the environment and facilities in the village for all of us to benefit from.

I was on the original Community Building Committee. The building was purchased to consolidate all the parish activities, to save on various rents and to provide a community building for all. One of the first things we did was research how other villages had achieved this. We visited Thornham, Dersingham, 2 projects in Sheringham and Neatishead, talking to their committees about a project of this size. We sought the opinion of various groups in the village. We consulted with the Youth Club, we visited Schools. We met with Heacham Car Share Team, representatives from the Library, the Scouts and visited two of the care homes in the village. We held an open weekend, to ask what the people of Heacham wanted from a community building. Heacham Youth & Community Trust came on board and became part of the Community Building Committee, being a very welcome addition. The Heacham Youth & Community Trust came about after a project set up years ago, of which my mother-in-law was a committee member, raised significant funds to provide a building for the youth and community of the village. The team managed to purchase a building but due to lack of funds

and changing government funding the project never completed and the building was sold and project abandoned. A Trust was set up to look after the significant monies raised thus far. All agreed the concept of the new building. A small portion being used for parish offices, a hall for multiple use, maybe a café, space for the library, and as much car parking as possible in the limited space.

Meetings were held with the planning officer at King's Lynn (there was already planning permission in place for a number of new homes on the site) to discuss approach, whether retaining the old building or knocking down and starting again would have more success from a planning point of view. We were advised that retaining the old building would be the preferential approach. An architect was approached to draw up possibilities of both options, retaining the old building, or knocking down and starting again. These were put on display in the library and an open weekend held in The Old Friends Hall, inviting everyone to come and have their say. A ballot was sent out to every home in the village asking everyone whether they wished to see the retention of the old building or a demolish and rebuild. The results came in as a "retain the old building". In my view the Parish Council would have been very unwise to proceed against these views. At this time, ballpark figures obtained also showed that retaining the original building was a more cost-effective option.

Funding was always going to be an issue, as with every project. Originally, we were hopeful for Lottery funding and set about making a bid. However, timing was against us, the Lottery had recently awarded 2 major project bids in the area, Thornham and Dersingham, so a third wasn't looking likely. Also, the building fell into the wrong postcode; if it had been the same postcode as Caley Street we could have gone further with our bid. We did appeal but were told sorry but No. Plans also had to change and reduce in scale and ambition when the Heacham Youth & Community Trust withdrew their offer of support of land and funding as they did not agree with the option of retaining the old building.

Obviously, I'm not up to date with the project's finer details at the moment, apart from what I've read in Newsletters etc but wanted all to understand a bit more of the background. It has taken longer than anyone thought, but we have had 2 years of COVID to contend with and that must have had an impact. I didn't respond to the recent independent poll as the 2 questions did not compute. I mean no disrespect to those who ran the poll, and appreciate they too are only trying to do what is in their opinion the best, but the 2 questions bear no correlation. I still believe the original concept of a Central Hub, with people popping in and out to the library, viewing a Heritage section, to maybe a café, to a baby and toddler group, or to the Youth club in the evening sounds delightful, and other villages have managed to achieve this. I do believe that the Parish Council needs to communicate more effectively and maybe now that things have moved on provide a full update again, thus ensuring that the village as a whole still shares the same vision. If the project does not go ahead though I suspect that the right decision will be to put the site back on the open market to be sold.

I am so saddened and also somewhat angry at the negative and even personal attacks I have seen posted on Facebook recently. (One reason for putting pen to paper!) It's just so unnecessary. On a positive note, it's good to see the enthusiasm shown. So, if you are still reading, thank you and hope I may have given a bit of background to the project, albeit from my own personal perspective. Please also don't forget the brilliant work that goes on at the hands of the Parish Council, Brays Pit is looking lovely, The Saltings are thriving, the street lights are a credit, the dog bins are emptied, the Millennium Wood looks great and the play area is looking to have some investment. Let's again have some open honest, collaborative, constructive discussions about this particular project and its future.

Pam Harrod



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Extra Hands Rising Star of Home Care Company which helped her own Family

When Ashleigh Daniels took on a new career as a carer, she chose to work at the same home care company which had made a difference to her own family's life.

Her late great-nan used to praise the services provided by family-run Extra Hands when she used them around a decade ago.

Ashleigh, 19, from Heacham, decided to take on a new role last year after becoming fed up being furloughed from her hospitality job during the pandemic and took the opportunity to join the award-winning Extra Hands.

Now she has been named as a 'Rising Star' by Extra Hands, which provides a variety of home care visit packages across Norfolk to suit all requirements and budgets.

Ashleigh previously worked as a waitress in a restaurant, but being on furlough during the pandemic made her reassess what she wanted to do.

She said: "I used to work in hospitality before, but with Covid we were on furlough for about a year and I was fed up of it. I thought this is the perfect time for a new job opportunity and to gain more skills and more understanding about the world. I wanted a bit of a change and my family had always been into care. Around 10 years ago before my great-nan died, she used their services and she used to speak highly of them. I decided I would take the opportunity to join the company."

Ashleigh said she had taken on the new job at Extra Hands with an open mind and no expectations of how it might differ from her previous waitressing role. She is based at the firm's Heacham office and said she had enjoyed getting to know her service users and building up a rapport with them.

"You can see how conversation brightens up someone's day, especially when they are on their own for the majority of the time," she said. "I mostly visit the same people and when we do have new service users, it is about learning what they want and their preferences. I ask them about their family, how their day has been. It brightens up their day as well when they know they will see me tomorrow."

She added: "The highlight of the job has been getting to know service users, getting to know how their life works and how they want me involved in that, as much as I can be. I think that is the best part. I love getting to know them."

Extra Hands, which was set up in 1993, launched the Rising Stars award last year to acknowledge and celebrate the work of the newest employees, who have joined within the last year. One winner is picked from Extra Hands' Broadland office and one from its office at Heacham.



Above: Ashleigh Daniels with her award. Photo by Ian Burt

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'Our Finest Hour'

Well, here we are, on our last week of rehearsals for this two-year, overdue production.

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1940s costumes are fitted - Tick! Service uniforms are ready for collection - Tick!

The 20 audience tables are set with each one spread with a sponsored Union Jack vinyl table cloth - Tick! (Thank you to all our sponsors whose names will be in the Programme). Pots of hand waving flags have been counted and placed in a pot of sand for each table - Tick! Special Souvenir Programmes are being printed as we speak - Tick! The ladies of the cast are worrying about how to style their Victory Roll hairstyles - an iffy Tick on that one! The 1940s Front of House team have the table names, in order to guide you to your specially war connected named tables - Tick!

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Heacham at Night

The Darling Buds of May. Not much to do with astronomy though rough winds do play havoc with telescopes.



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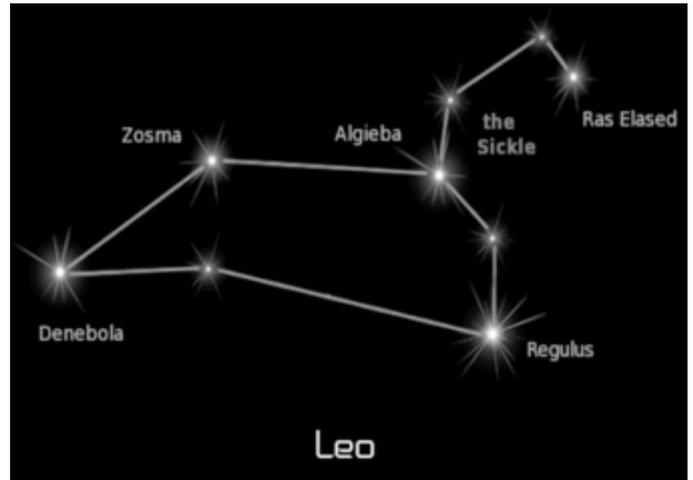
There is a conjunction of two planets, Venus and Jupiter, on the 1st May. A conjunction means they appear very close together. Appear is the right word as, in reality, they are around 500 million miles apart.

This celestial dalliance will tax some of you as it will be visible, low in the east, at 5am. Strung out towards the SE you will find the red dot of Mars and the faint yellowish Saturn.

At the end of the month, between the 25th and 27th, get up even earlier (4.30am) look ESE and Jupiter will be very close to Mars. On the 25th the pair sit just above the crescent Moon.

Something that may suit you better; on the 2nd at around 9pm, look WNW and find a thin crescent Moon. Just to the right of that a bright spark will be the planet Mercury and, just to the right of this Messenger of the Gods will be the Seven Sisters,

the Pleiades. The sky will still be pretty bright but the Sun will have set at 8.30pm so it would be safe to use binoculars from 9pm to scan to the right of the Moon. If you wait until the sky darkens, be aware that Mercury will set, go below the horizon, by 10pm.



Internet

Two stars to find on the 9th at around 11.30pm are Algieba above the quarter Moon and Regulus below it. Both stars are in the constellation of Leo. Regulus is the brightest star in the Lion and one of the brightest in the sky with an apparent magnitude of 1.35 (remember, the lower the number the brighter the object). I wrote about it recently but for those of you who didn't read it, Regulus is a complex system 79 light years distant with a white dwarf as a companion and another binary star gravitationally linked to it.

Algieba is the second brightest star. It is a binary, as so many are, and is 130 light years distant. Their combined brightness, apparent magnitude, is 2.08. A telescope will separate the stars,

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one being orange-red, the other greenish yellow. Both are giants very much larger than our Sun and far more luminous. The reddish one has at least one planet confirmed.

Meteors. At the time of writing, I haven't got to last month's yet. On the (early) morning of the 6th look for the Eta Aquarids. This is the second shower due to debris from Halley's comet. It's worth watching late on the 5th too; you may see some.

And right at the end of May and also 1st June, before dawn, look out for the Tau Herculid meteor shower. I must admit that this a new one on me; no such shower has been observed since 1930. This year there are predictions that it will be spectacular.

The debris for this shower belongs to Comet 73P/Schwassmann-Wachmann. It is a short period comet orbiting the Sun every 5.4 years and will be potentially observable, though very faint, in July and August.

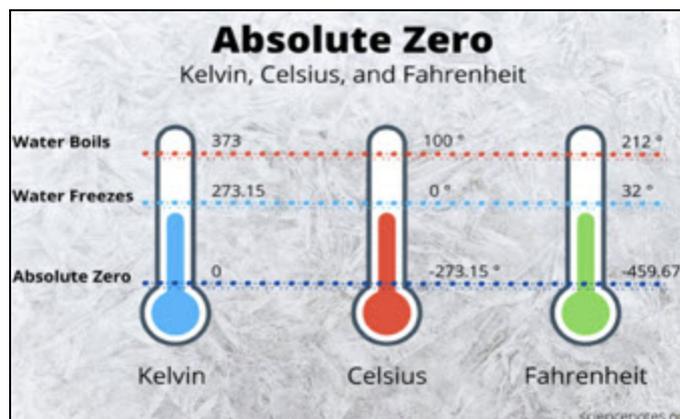


Comet 73P/Schwassmann-Wachmann in 2006 showing multiple pieces creating a debris field. Internet.

In 1995 it split apart and, to an extent, broke up and created more debris. Observations in 2006 showed the comet then existed as 68 pieces. This year, the Earth will pass through this dense cloud of particles which add to those left in 1897 and 1892. Hence the predictions for a good show. Look out for updates about it on line or in the news.

There might be nothing to see but if you don't look you won't know and being told that you missed it isn't the same as telling someone else that they did.

The James Webb space telescope should become operational this month. It has passed all its alignment tests and, at the time of writing, is still cooling down to - 226 °C, - 447 °F. This low temperature is necessary as the telescope is designed to work in the infra-red portion of the electromagnetic spectrum. Effectively, it is detecting very faint heat radiation from objects far, far away. It can't do that, if the sensors are emitting heat radiation themselves.



Absolute Zero is as cold as it gets and the James Webb will be 47°C above that. Internet.



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Meanwhile Hubble is determined to show the youngster it hasn't finished yet. Very recently, the 22-year-old space telescope has looked at extreme weather on ultra-hot exo-jupiters (large gas giants orbiting stars). Apparently, they are so hot that rocks within them vaporise on the side facing their sun, the dust blasts around to the dark side, coalesces and falls – as rocks. Reminds me of Heacham South Beach on a windy day.



Hubble, the old man of space telescopes. Internet

And Hubble just found the farthest star ever seen. Its light started towards us around 13 billion years ago and was magnified by a gravitational lens generated by a giant cluster of galaxies between us and it. You couldn't make it up.

With luck, no need of any lens to help you see the (possible) meteorite event of this year sometime between 30th May and 1st June. Hope for clear skies, lie back, look up, and don't blame me if you see nowt.

Terry Parish

Platinum Jubilee Gala

John Harris is looking forward to presenting 'Platinum Jubilee Gala', in honour of the 70th Anniversary of HM The Queen's Accession to the Throne, on Saturday 4th June 2022 at 7.30pm in Hunstanton Town Hall.

John has already presented Gala shows for the Silver Jubilee (1977 at Loddon, his former home), Golden Jubilee (2002 at the Princess Theatre, Hunstanton) and Diamond Jubilee (2012 at King's Lynn Corn Exchange). He also presented 'Millennium Gala' at the Town Hall, where he has also appeared in plays and at the piano.

Appearing in this year's show will be the West Norfolk Singers, led by Jean Hornbuckle, Malachi Needham, a young saxophonist whom John met in King's Lynn and who turned out to be the son of one of his former pupils, Zimbabwe Fellowship (Methodist Minister Dr Richman Ncube, his family and friends from Africa), Sharon Yates singer, The Platinum Players (mainly former members of the Princess Players), who will perform two comedy sketches. The finale will consist of several patriotic songs and poems, featuring the entire cast, and with the audience invited to join in.

John's career has been in languages, but he has always enjoyed playing the piano, and has raised considerable sums over the years for various charities, including £600 last September for the NHS. Proceeds from this summer's show are to be shared between The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Trust and the Mayor of Hunstanton's Charity (to be nominated by the incoming Mayor in May 2022).

Tickets for the 'Platinum Jubilee Gala', priced at £7 (concessions £5), on sale at Hunstanton Town Hall (Tel: 01485 532402).

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JOHN LE CARRE AND CHRIS RYAN feature on a double bill at the Library this month. Both writers are prolific British authors and, with both having a ‘security’ background, it is not surprising that they have specialised in espionage and thrillers. Whilst John Le Carre is no longer with us, his books certainly live on, many of which have been used for the big screen as well as TV.

What’s New?

Look out for our “**Hello, I’m new – read me!**” bookmark signs on our shelves, alerting our customers, especially our regulars, to new titles.

The Library’s exterior signage is also receiving a spring spruce up – see if you can spot the difference!

We reported last month on Eric Rhodes’ kind donation of an album of photos taken during his walk along our wonderful Norfolk coast in memory of his wife Penny. This album really is an interesting compilation of all sorts of features between Cromer and Snettisham, made all the more enjoyable by Eric’s accompanying comments. Why not pop in, sit in a comfy chair and take a moment to look through them – you won’t be disappointed.

Diary dates:

Sunday 8th May: Village Yard Sale: second-hand book sale outside the Church Hall. All books are 20p each.

Wednesday 11th May at 2.30pm: Local author, Angela Canning, will be reading from her book ‘**Wise Owl and Barn Owl!**’. This fascinating biography tells the story of the lives of two amazing variety club artists, Louis and Yvonne Veness, who started up their own wildlife hospital in Newbury, Berkshire. The book was publicised in The Heacham Newsletter last September. Now you will have the opportunity to meet Angela in person. Please come and support the event. All royalties are donated to a wildlife hospital.

June/July: We are planning to issue a short survey on the library. This will be available as a paper form and also on-line. More details next month.

The Library Team
Enquires: 07398 647119
or the Parish Office 01485 572142

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ

HEACHAM COMMUNITY & HERITAGE BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE



The Community & Heritage Building project has always been subject to the Parish Council obtaining external finance and, in particular, a loan from the Public Works Loan Board (PWLB).

Due mainly to Covid, the Council was warned initially upon application to the PWLB that there would be extreme delays in approving loans, possibly for as much as up to six months.

At the time the application was made, the Council anticipated spending around £36,000 per annum in loan repayments based on the fully costed tenders it had received of around £1.1 million and the interest rates at the time.

The financial landscape has now totally changed. Inflation, especially in building materials, and interest rates, have now increased to levels that could not have been anticipated and that we have not seen for many years.

While the Council is still convinced that the development would have been an enormous asset to the village for many years to come, it has now concluded that, sadly, in the changed financial climate, the project is now unaffordable.

Consequently, an urgent discussion needs to take place on how to cater for the Parish Council and Heacham’s needs in the future, which may also involve the various landlords from whom the Council currently rents premises.

With the decision made not to proceed with the development, the Council will still need to find alternative accommodation at least for the library and the Parish Office. In order to fund this, and to recover the costs of the project to date, the Parish Council will have no option but to sell the Old Dairy site.

Tribute must be paid to all the staff and volunteers who have spent many hours, or even years, seeking to bring this development to fruition.

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PC=Parish Council Office, Pound Lane
MC = Methodist Church Hall, Station Road
SM = St Mary's Church Hall, High Street

OFH = Old Friends Hall, Sunnyside
PRH = Pine Residents Hall, Wilton Rd
SG = Scout & Guide Hut, Sunnyside

HSC = Heacham Social Club
PH = Public Hall
NC = Neville Court

MONDAYS

Fitsteps 9.45am To book Tel:Jaime 571395 or 07765433100 or email jaimefitsteps@gmail.com (PH)

Pop-Up Coffee Shop 10am - 12noon at Dersingham Village Centre. Coffee, tea, hot chocolate and cakes

CHAT Club 2nd Monday on the month 10am – 12noon Hunstanton Community Centre

Coffee Morning Sunnyside Close (Retirement Housing for 60+) 10.30am Tel : 570492

Cameo Club (Activities for over 50's) 10.30am Salvation Army, Alma Road, Snettisham

Fitness Pilates 10.55am Contact Jaime (see Fitsteps) (PH)

Norfolk & Waveney Mind Heacham Safe Haven 11am – 2pm Music group free drop in at 4 Poplar Ave 01485572707

Seated Fitness 12.10 am Contact Jaime (see Fitsteps) (SG)

Strength & Balance Class 1.30pm Hunstanton Conservative Club.

Craft Club 2-4pm every week (ex Bank Holiday) (PRH)

Heacham Flower Club 2.30pm every 3rd Monday January – November. For info tel Joy Waldron 07594616597 (MC)

Football Under 14's 6-7pm Contact Jason 07867527706 (HSC) paying fields

Fitsteps 6.30–7.30pm at Snettisham Memorial Hall. To book: Jaime 07765433100 or jaimefitsteps@gmail.com

Hunstanton Bridge Club 6.45pm for 7pm Online Pairs with RealBridge. See bridgeweb.com/hunstanton for details

Heacham Table Tennis Club 7pm League Matches in the Hall (PH)

Line Dancing 7 – 8.30pm Hunstanton Community Centre. £4:00. Tel: Louise on 07722124941.

Heacham In Bloom 3rd Monday Monthly 7pm (OFH)

Heacham & Sandringham Camera Club meets 1st Monday of the month 7.30pm at Babingley Social Club

Heacham Wives Group – 2nd Monday of most months 7.30pm at Cunningham Court Community Hall. Contact Joy Waldron Tel: 07594616597

Watlington Jazz Club 7:30pm 2nd Monday of the month £5 on the door at Watlington Sports and Social Club.

Cash Bingo 8pm United Services Club, Homefields Road, Hunstanton

TUESDAYS

Kundalini Yoga 9.30am at Dersingham Village Centre. Contact Gail on 07837 761724

Norfolk & Waveney Mind - Safe Haven 10:00 - 2:30 free drop in social group at 4 Poplar Ave. tel :01485 572707

Snettisham Art Group 10am – 12noon at The British Legion Hall, Snettisham. Call Les on 01485 572370 for further details.

Active for Life Classes for the over 60s at Heacham Surgery Classroom. 10.15 – 11.15am. Tel Pat 298429

Carpet Bowls 10.15 for a 10.30 start £2.50 Tel 570460(PH)

Gentle Pilates and Exercise Class 10.15am Dersingham Methodist Church Hall. Contact Anne on 07717333234, or email activelhealthpam@gmail.com

Coastal Stroke & Support Group 10.30am –12.30pm at Hunstanton Methodist Church Austin St

Colour Yourself Calm 11am – 12 noon Hunstanton Library 01485 532280

Friendship Lunches 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. 12.30 pm Two-course meal £7. To book call Shirley on 01485 540644 at Dersingham Village Centre

Heacham Carers Support Group meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday monthly 1-3pm at A Piece of Mind, 4 Poplar Avenue. Tea Coffee & a chat For more info Tel: 572707

Cafe for the Bereaved 2pm Fortnightly – starts February 15th Hunstanton Library. 01485 532280 or email hunstanton.lib@norfolk.gov.uk

Walk and Talk 2pm 2nd Tuesday of the month. Hunstanton Library
Social 50/50 Dance 2-4pm at Reffley Community Centre PE30 3EQ. Tickets £4 each. 07787966000

The Fellowship 2.45pm Every other Tuesday (MC)

Stretch and Relax Classes 5.15-6.00pm Sedgeford Village Hall. £5 (proceeds to SVH and charity) to book contact Kyra on 07968354431 or kyracruise7@gmail.com

Weight Watchers 5.30pm (OFH)

Slimming World 5.30pm & 7.30pm at Hunstanton Community Centre Avenue Road Tel: Jo 07942 818059

Football Girls 6-13 YO 6-7pm, Boys U11's 7-8pm Nathan 07811 629910 £1 (HSC)Playing Fields

Norseman's Boxing Gym Jnr 6-7pm £2 and Snr 7-8pm £3at Unit 12 Heacham Hall Ind Est. geezersales@btinternet.com

Pilates 6.15pm Dersingham Methodist Church Hall. Contact same as 10.15am class.

Heacham Youth Centre every Tuesday 6.30-8.30pm at Church Hall, 17 High St

1st Heacham Guides 6.30 – 8pm Tel: Sue Theunissen 07833747059 or just come along (SG)

Hunstanton Tang Soo Do Club Korean martial arts of self defence 'all ages' 6.30 - 8.30pm at Smithdon High School For details contact Ian on 07806 622154

Brass Band Practice 7pm Snettisham Salvation Army, Alma Road, Snettisham. Tel: 07436 425118



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St.Mary's Church Snettisham Men's Group 2nd Tuesday of every month at The Visitors Centre Snettisham 7.30pm. £2 each
St.Mary's Church Snettisham Ladies Group 2nd Tuesday of every month at 100 Station Road, Snettisham. £2 each
Village Voice Live every 2nd Tuesday 7.30pm. Informative talks £5 inc refreshments at Dersingham Village Centre 07707832295
Poker Games (friendly) 7:30pm United Services Club
Village Cinema last Tuesday of the month 7:30pm Dersingham Village Centre. £6 Details 01485 543195

WEDNESDAYS

Car Boot Sale 8am – 12 noon Heacham Social Club sports field
Docking Market 9am-1pm in The Ripper Hall Local Produce, Craft and Gift Stalls Tel: 576233
Scallywags Parent, Baby & Toddler Group 9.30 – 11 am (from 20th April) £2.50 Tel: Jo 07395 077622 (SG)
West Norfolk Mind Day Centre 10am –3 pm at 4 Poplar Ave Tel: 01485 572707 www.westnorfolkmind.org.uk
Family History One to One 10 -11am Hunstanton Library 01485 532280
Community Coffee Morning & More (starting 27th April) 10am - 12noon All ages welcome £2 (OFH)
Just a cuppa 11am Hunstanton Library 01485 532280
Yoga 10am –11am at Sedgeford Village Hall, £6. For further information call Alison 01485 571062
The Old Schoolgirl Friends of Heacham School meet for a 'Coffee and a Chat' the last Wednesday of the month 10.30am at Norfolk Lavender Tel: 570742 or 579126
Midweek Communion 2nd Wednesday of the month 10.30am (MC)
Yoga 10.30 - 11.30am Hunstanton Conservative Club
Carvery Lunch from 12noon - 2pm at United Services Club. One course for £7.95, two for £9.95, To book - 07901 524778
Trefoil Guild 1st Wednesday of the month 2 - 4pm For info please ring Judith on 01485 571311. (NC)
Job Support 2 – 4pm alternate Wednesdays Hunstanton Library 01485 532280
Book Group 2pm 3rd Wednesday of the month Hunstanton Library 01485 532280
Wolferton Singers 2 – 4pm Heacham Church. Contact Andrew 07942 800294 or email apearson@adap.co.uk
Tea Dance 2 – 4pm Snettisham Memorial Hall £5 Tel Dinky on 07787 966000
Friendship Group 2pm at Salvation Army. Alma Road, Snettisham
Heacham Little Dragons Korean martial arts of self defence Ages 5+ 4.30-5.30pm Tel: Ian 07806622154 (SG)
Heacham Beavers boys and girls aged 6-8yrs, 5.30pm-6.45pm (term time only) call 07788 888921 (SG)

Tai Chi & Kung Fu 6–7.15pm-Childrens Kung Fu 7.15–8.15pm-Adult Tai Chi 8.15–9.30pm-Adult Kung Fu Tel:Derek 01553 674779 (PRH)
Kundalini Yoga 6.30pm–7.30pm at Ringstead Village Hall. Contact Gail on 07837 761724
Fire Cadets at Hunstanton Fire Station 7–9 pm Boys & Girls 13yrs+ Come along for a fun and interesting evening learning about all aspects of fire safety Tel : 07710 066145
Hunstanton Community Choir 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm, The Way Christian Fellowship Hall, Downs Close, Hunstanton. First week free, no singing experience required, more info contact: Lesley.trebbick@btinternet.com
West Norfolk Singers 7.15 - 9.15pm For info Tel: 571315 Anne Davis www.westnorfolksingers.org.uk/ (MC)
Snettisham Garden Club last Wednesday of the month 7:30 – 8:30pm at the Memorial Hall. For info call Gail Lees 01485 541279 or Addie Thompson 01485 544754
Whist 7pm Hunstanton Conservative Club
Men's Fellowship 3rd Wednesday of the month 7.30pm at The Salvation Army, Alma Road, Snettisham

THURSDAYS

Yoga for healthy living 9.30-10.30am £6. For info Tel: Alison 571062 or email medullayoga@gmail.com (SG)
Kundalini Yoga 9.30am at Dersingham Village Centre. Contact Gail on 07837 761724
Table Tennis Club 10am (PH Top Room)
Pop-Up Coffee Shop 10am - 12noon at Dersingham Village Centre. Coffee, tea, hot chocolate and cakes
Coffee Morning 10am - 12noon at The Salvation Army, Alma Road, Snettisham
Bereavement Support In Heacham 10 am till 12 noon on the first Thursday in the month. Contact the church office 01485 572539 / email: heacham.church@gmail.com (PRH)
Norfolk & Waveney Mind - Safe Haven 10:00 – 3:00 Day centre (specifically for older people, dementia friendly) personal budget/self funded at 4 Poplar Ave. 01485 572707
Snettisham Art Group 10am – 12noon at The British Legion Hall, Snettisham. Call Les on 01485 572370 for further details.
Carpet Bowls 10.15 for a 10.30 start £2.50 Tel 570460 (PH)
Stretch and Relax Classes 10.30 – 11.15am Sedgeford Village Hall. Details as on Tuesdays.
Yoga 11am -12 noon Hunstanton Conservative Club
Craft Club 3rd Thursday of the month, 1pm - 3pm at The Salvation Army, Alma Road, Snettisham. Bring your own project.
Ringstead Art Club meets weekly 2am – 4pm Ringstead Village Hall. Monthly workshops Contact: Pauline Atkinson atk_hornbeams@yahoo.co.uk or Lois Carrick loiscarrick21@hotmail.co.uk
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Bingo 2pm at Sunnyside Close (Retirement Housing for 60+) Tel: 570492

50/50 Tea Dance 2 – 4pm at Hunstanton Community Centre, Avenue Rd. £4 inc refreshments. All Welcome

Tea Dance every week. Old time line dancing and sequence 2pm –4.30pm at the Public Hall. Call George 01775 670294

Hunstanton WI 4th Thursday of the month at 2:15pm Methodist Hall, Hunstanton.

Children's Yoga 7 to 11yrs 4 –5pm (limited spaces) To book call Alison: 01485 571062 (SG)

Football Under 7's, 8's, 9's, 10's 4.30 - 6pm U14's 6.30 - 7pm Adults Open Match 8-9pm Contact Jason 07867527706 (HSC) playing fields

1st Heacham Brownies Term Time Girls 7 - 10yrs (MC) 5.30 – 7pm Tel: Sara (Brown Owl) 517028 or 07876 564084

Judo 5 - 6pm 3-6 year olds; 6 - 7pm 6-11 year olds; 7pm-9pm 12years up (including adults). £2 per class (first one free) . Call Josh 07432 586668 (PH)

Hatha Yoga at Heacham Infant School 6.30 – 7.30pm. £7 per person Alison 01485 571062 (PH)

Hunstanton Bridge Club 'Duplicate Bridge' 6.30pm for 6.45 pm. From Sept 16th at Old Hunstanton Village Hall

Hunstanton Army Cadets Hunstanton Community Centre 7.00-9.30pm Young people in School Year 8 Contact: Martyn Hannant - 07824184259 / 01485 576388

1st Heacham Cubs ages 8 – 10yrs Term Time 6.45 –8.30pm Tel: Sam 572138 or Jemma 07962 611122 (SG)

Snooker League 7.30pm Hunstanton Conservative Club

Social Evening 2nd Thursday monthly 7.30pm (MC)

Rao Buffalos 8pm (HSC Top Room)

Poker Games (league)7:30pm United Services Club

Cash Bingo 8pm at United Services Club

Quiz Night Cash Prizes 9pm at Fox & Hounds

FRIDAYS

Yoga 10.30 - 11.30am Hunstanton Conservative Club

Wool Crafts 11 am Hunstanton Library 01485 532280

Lunch from 12noon - 2pm at United Services Club. Varied menu. To book - 07901 524778

Raffle 1pm Hunstanton Conservative Club

Hunstanton Bridge Club 'Supervised Bridge' 1.15pm for 1.30pm. From Sept 17th at Old Hunstanton Village Hall

Indoor Bowls Club (Carpet) 2.30pm (MC)

Football Under 10's 'Minors' 5 - 6.30pm on playing fields Contact Jay 07711779415 (HSC)

Tai Chi & Kung Fu 6 - 7pm Beginners Tai Chi 7 - 8pm Advanced Tai Chi 8 - 9.30pm Adult Kung Fu Tel: Derek 01553 674779 (PRH)

Norsemans Boxing Club Jnr 6-7pm £2 Snr 7-8pm £3 Unit 12 Heacham Hall Ind Est. geezersales@btinternet.com

Hunstanton Tang Soo Do Club Korean martial arts of self defence mixed club all ages 6.30 - 8.30pm at Smithdon

Cash Bingo 7pm (PH)

Bingo 7.30pm Hunstanton Conservative Club

Wildfowlers Club 1st Friday monthly 7.30pm (HSC Top Room)

Poker In The Club 1st Friday each month 7.30pm (PH)

Social Tea Dance last Friday monthly. £6 inc refreshments at Dersingham Village Centre call Peg Hunter 07930 556675

SATURDAYS

Hunstanton Promenade Parkrun (No need to run, can walk) 9am at The Sailing Club, North Promenade, Hunstanton

Football U13'S 10-11.30am Contact Mike 07804927764 (HSC Sports Field)

Christian Youth Group 3rd Sat monthly 10am-12 noon ages 10-14 Cost £1 at Dersingham Church Hall More info from Karen Creedy 07717231096

Norfolk & Waveney Mind - Safe Haven 10:00 - 2:30 free drop in social group at 4 Poplar Ave. tel :01485 572707

Storytime 11am Hunstanton Library 01485 532280

Games Session 11.30am Hunstanton Library 01485 532280

Raffle with 'Open The Box' 1pm Hunstanton Conservative Club.

Indie Arts Club 2nd Sat monthly 1-4pm at Hunstanton Town Hall Basement Entry & Membership free. Book in advance via email: bookings@wattington.com

West Norfolk Tai Chi Chuan –weekly local Tai Chi classes www.west-norfolk-tai-chi.com for information.

SUNDAYS

Sunday Masses 9am Mountbatten Rd, Dersingham and 11am Sandringham Rd, Hunstanton. Catholic Parish 01485 534675

Sunday Lunch Carvery from 12noon - 2pm at United Services Club. One course for £9.95, two for £12.95, To book - 07901 524778

Sunday Lunch from 12noon – 2pm at Hunstanton Conservative club. Two courses £8.95, please book.

Hatha Yoga 7.30-8.30pm For info Tel: Alison 571062 or email -medullayoga@gmail.com (SG)

Karaoke with Mick 8pm United Services Club

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OTHER EVENTS.

May

May Events at Anmer Social Club

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Monday 9th 7.30pm (club open 7pm) Bingo. £6.50/book of 10 cards, £1.75 a flyer card

Friday 20th 7.30pm (club open 7pm) Film - West Side Story £4

Friday 27th 7.30pm (club opens 7.30pm) Quiz Night £2pp

Saturday 28th 12 noon Craft Fair, Carboot & Dog Show

May Events at Hunstanton United Services Club

Saturday events start at 8.30pm, Fridays at 8pm

Saturday 7th Shane Gould. 60's & 70's

Friday 13th Band Age. All eras

Friday 20th Quiz Night £4pp with supper

Saturday 21st Cecil Faryi. Motown

Saturday 28th Just Us. All eras

May Music at The Nelson Church, Burnham Thorpe

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Friday 6th 7.30pm Joo Yeon Sir (violin) and Irina Andrievsky (piano) £20

Saturday 7th 7.30pm The Cordial Brass Quintet £15

Saturday 8th 3pm Irina Andrievsky (piano) Tea and cakes served from 2pm

Sunday 1st May Open Day at RAF Bircham Newton Heritage Centre www.rafbnmp

Thursday 5th May Susan Barnett, with 'Hollywood Royalty' at Stanhoe and Barwick WI. Contact Valerie (01485 576261)

Saturday 7th May from 11am Glebe House School, Hunstanton, Fun Dog Show. Judging 1pm. £1.50/class, info on 01485 534481, newsdesk@thebarkingbugle.co.uk or www.thebarkingbugle.co.uk

Sunday 8th May 9am - 2pm Heacham Village Yard Sale. Contact Jemma Greef 07799580206 greef25@aol.com or Janet Race 07940851772 janetrace@jayars.co.uk

Monday 9th May 10am - 2pm Hunstanton Town Hall, Jobs Fair

Monday 9th May 2pm Sedgeford Village Hall. The Arts Society Lecture - An Introduction to Norwich Silver by Christopher Garibaldi. www.theartsocietynorfolk.org.uk

Friday 13th May 7.30pm and **Saturday 14th May** at 2pm and 7.30pm The Pocahontas Players present 'Our Finest Hour' at the Public Hall

Friday 13th May 'Blokos of a Feather' at The Princess Theatre, Hunstanton

Sunday 15th May 10am - 4pm Wereham Village Hall. Emma Bridgewater Bring & Buy sale. Stalls £10. Contact Suzanne 07759253876 suzannek.cameron@gmail.com
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Monday 16th May 2pm Community Hall, Avenue Rd, Hunstanton, u3a meeting. Speaker Susan Barnett will be talking about 'Sandringham Secrets'. Please go to the u3a Hunstanton website at www.u3asites.org.uk/hunstanton for further info

Wednesday 25th May 10am - noon Community Coffee Morning and More, Old Friends Hall

Wednesday 25th May 7.30pm Memorial Hall, Snettisham. Snettisham Gardening Club. Mrs Robyn McDonald will be talking about Orchids and other house plants. For info call Gail Lees 01485 541279 or Addie Thompson 01485 544754

Thursday 26th May Open Day at RAF Bircham Newton Heritage Centre www.rafbnmp.org.uk

Sunday 29th May 12noon - 5pm Sedgeford Open Gardens. 11 gardens open, lunch and teas in the Church, music by Panama 12 - 3pm in the Church. Call 01485 579002 or 07747126079

Tuesday 31st May 7.30pm Dersingham Village Centre, Film Night - 'The Father'. Doors open at 7pm £6

June

Jubilee Celebration Events in Hunstanton

Thursday 2nd June Music Festival on the Green organised by the Hunstanton & District Festival of Arts, followed later that evening by the lighting of the beacon.

Friday 3rd June events and entertainment in the Town Hall all day, commencing with a Vintage Tea Party, a Royal Quiz and a 40s & 50s Tea Dance/Singalong.

Saturday 4th June John Harris with his production of 'The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Gala' event at the Town Hall.

Sunday June 26th Carnival

Jubilee Celebration Events at St Mary's Church, Heacham

Friday 3rd June – Sunday 6th June

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Platinum Jubilee Celebration Service Sunday 6th 10am

Thursday 9th June Platinum Jubilee Tea at Stanhoe and Barwick WI. Members only event but you are welcome to become a member.



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The Bridge of Sighs (The Ballad of Lady Sarah)



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There upon the Bridge of Sighs
Behold the Lady Sarah.

Her beauty known throughout the land
Yet none would come and take her hand
A magician with a magic wand
Had spellbound Lady Sarah.

Down on the lake shore, to the west
With sword and shield and chain mail vest
A knight set out upon his quest
To free the Lady Sarah.

With eyes of steel and hair of flame
Rowed the knight who had no name,
Through the misty waters came
Towards the Lady Sarah.

She felt his presence on the lake
Knew how long the journey take
"Go back, go back for pity's sake"
Whispered the Lady Sarah.

He heard the raven's mournful cries
Though the mist did sting his eyes
On towards the Bridge of Sighs
Rowed the nameless hero.

At last he saw her standing there,
Her angel face, her golden hair
He left the boat and climbed the stairs
Towards the Lady Sarah.

She watched him land this unknown knight
With sword and shield and armour bright,
Come to save her from her plight
To free the Lady Sarah.

With hand held out on bended knee
"I've travelled over land and sea
My sworn quest is to set you free
Take my hand and come with me"
He begged the Lady Sarah.

"Brave knight be you not so bold
Until in your arms you've had me hold
My darkest secret I have told"
Replied the Lady Sarah.

She looked into his steely eyes
"I cannot leave this Bridge of Sighs
Until I have true love that dies"
Lamented Lady Sarah.

He held her tightly to his chest
Felt her heartbeat in her breast
"I am the one It is my quest"
He told the weeping lady.

He led her to the farthest tower
There upon her feathery bower
Until the mornings early hour
Did love the Lady Sarah.

On the bridge when morning came
Stood the knight who had no name
"My love no-one can hold the blame"
He told the Lady Sarah

And taking off his chain mail vest
Did plunge a dagger in his chest
Thus, he did fulfil his quest

"Farewell my Lady Sarah".
One last caress of fingertips
One last kiss to her lover's lips
As from the bridge he slowly slipped
"Farewell my knighted hero"

From the bridge her lover fell
Into the waters inky well
And with his death did break the spell
Set free the Lady Sarah.
With tears cascading from her eyes
A heart too broken to disguise
She stepped down from The Bridge of Sighs
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The Big Plastic Count

Are you troubled by the amount of plastic waste you are filling your wheelie bin up with every week?

Are you sick of seeing so much plastic litter on our streets, in the countryside, on our beaches, in the sea and in our rivers?

I am writing to invite all the readers of the Newsletter to take part in THE BIG PLASTIC COUNT which is taking place between 16TH AND 22ND MAY 2022.

WHAT IS THE BIG PLASTIC COUNT? It is a nationwide survey being set up by EVERYDAY PLASTIC to show the true extent of plastic waste we are generating as a society. As I write, over 70,000 people across the UK have already signed up to take part. All you have to do is simply collect all the plastic waste your household generates for one week. You will be sent an information pack (on recycled paper & plastic free!) to record the amount and type of plastic waste you have collected. This will then make it possible to calculate how much plastic waste your household accumulates over the course of a year and also show how much of it is likely to be recycled and what is most likely to actually happen to the rest!

WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT? Having recently voted through the new Environment Act the Government will be setting legally binding targets this year to reduce the amount of single use plastics that we use. If we can demonstrate with the BIG PLASTIC COUNT how serious the problem is then we can encourage the Government to set far reaching and ambitious targets, e.g. REDUCING SINGLE USE PLASTIC BY 50% BY 2025. At the moment plastic production is actually increasing and is set to double by 2040! Our recycling system cannot cope and many plastics cannot be recycled anyway or are too costly to recycle. This leads on to another problem for the people of West Norfolk specifically. Many of you will remember the King's Lynn waste incinerator that was proposed a few years ago? Well that problem is set to return with another waste incinerator being proposed a few miles down the road in Wisbech. This proposal will have all the negative impacts for West Norfolk residents that the original King's Lynn project would have done. Increased traffic movements, harm to the environment and risks to human health. Yes, much plastic waste is disposed of by simply burning it! If we can drastically reduce the amount of plastic waste being generated then the justification for waste incinerators will disappear.

To sign up to THE BIG PLASTIC COUNT go to <https://thebigplasticcount.com>

The survey is being set up and organised by EVERYDAY PLASTIC a non-profit organisation dedicated to educating the public about plastic and the problems it causes. To find out more about them please have a look at their website at <https://www.everydayplastic.org>

Many thanks.

Stuart



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Sallywags Parent, Baby & Toddler Group

Warm Welcome & Warm Welcome Back!

The Sallywags doors (at last) are open again!..... Not forgetting the windows too!!!!

Back in term time Wednesdays , lots for you and your little ones to explore - from paint to puzzles - books to bricks - swings and slides on garden days! Find us at **The Scout Hut Sunnyside Heacham from 9.30-11am!** We ask £2.50 per family for the 3 Rs - rent, refreshment & resources. Pop along for a play! Looking forward to meeting you and your little ones!

Jo xxx

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As mentioned above, windows will be open for ventilation. In addition to our cleaning routine there are hand sanitiser points for your use and cleaning products available.

Refreshments are included, please feel free to bring own drinking vessels and / or equipment etc if you wish



With thanks to Flo, Rachael, Liz and Hilary & Graham for their recent Sallywags help and Heacham Youth & Community Trust for replacing perished equipment & resources and meeting insurance costs for us – here is a pic of our colourful delivery - THANKYOU!



Heacham FC

"WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS"

Heacham FC will be playing in the Thurlow Nunn League next season after clinching the Anglian Combination Premier Division following a resounding 5-0 home win against Norwich CEYMS, watched by a record home crowd of nearly 150. The league title was achieved with still 6 games to play. This tops a remarkable rise from the North West Norfolk League, Division 1 in the space of just 7 years. A promotion party is planned on St. George's Day 23rd April when Beccles Town will be the visitors and the Club will receive the Championship Trophy, the Sterry Cup. This brilliant achievement this season has been down to a collective effort all the way throughout the club, from the Chairman, the players, management team, coaches, volunteers, sponsors and not forgetting the wonderful support the team has had from the Supporters, both home and away.

Here are details of the teams recent results:-

- Blofield (away) won 4-0
- Waveney (home) won 2-0
- Acle (away) lost 0-1 (the first league defeat of the season to report)
- Norwich CEYMS (home) won 5-0
- Caister (away) drew 3-3
- Bradenham Wanderers (away) won 9-1

Remaining fixtures:-

- April 23rd Beccles Town (home) k.o. 2.30
- April 30th Scole United (away) k.o. 2.30
- May 2nd Dussindale (away) k.o. 12 noon
- May 7th Long Stratton (away) k.o. 2.30

Meanwhile, the Reserve team have nearly completed their season and they have had a mixed bag of results in recent times:-

- KLSC (home) lost 0-6
- Birchwood (home) won 4-0
- Watlington (away) lost 0-3 (league Cup s/f)
- Birchwood (away) - game conceded (unable to raise full team).

The Reserves final game v Watlington (home) is scheduled for April 23rd k.o. 2.30. This means that the Reserves will probably now finish in 3rd place.

With promotion to the Thurlow Nunn League secured, ground improvements have been made and will continue throughout the coming months. Also planning permission has been granted for the installation of floodlights.

The Supporters Club has flourished this season and membership has now reached a staggering 178 members (from 112 last season). The Facebook page has now 372 followers. The '100 Club' has proved to be a great success this year and recent winners have been: No.74 Duane Gowen (March) and No.16 Matthew Stevens (April), who both won £50. The draw for May is scheduled to take place on 7th May. If you would like more information and the benefits of joining the Supporters Club, then please get in touch by contacting me on the email address shown.

With the prospect of larger crowds next season, we are still looking for volunteers to help out on match days. It's a great friendly club/atmosphere and if you would like to join our 'family' please get in touch.

"COME ON HEACHAM - THE CHAMPIONS"

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The Salvation Army Celebrations

Celebrations – most of us like a celebration. There always seems to be something to celebrate, anniversaries, weddings, passing exams, passing driving test, births. If there is an occasion, we celebrate it.

At the Salvation Army we have been celebrating during the month of April. Now that restrictions have been lifted, we have been able to start up our programme of regular events. This commenced on the first Thursday of April with our Craft Club. Twelve of us gathered on Thursday 7th April 2.00pm- 4.00pm. We had a really good natter and caught up with all the news. There were various crafts, personal items being made. But also there were patterns and wool for people to make little knitted teddy bears for stillborn babies and their Mums. If you like crafts you are welcome to come and join us on the first Thursday in the month at 2.00pm.

Also commencing in April were our coffee mornings. These are held on 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 10.00am – 12 noon. Everyone is welcome to come and sample the homemade cakes and scones.

Our Men’s Fellowship meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. They have tea and coffee and a natter. They say women can talk but if you come to Men’s Fellowship you will realise that men can talk just as well as women.

The biggest celebration this year is the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee. I can remember as a girl being called into the school hall to be told that the King had died and Princess Elizabeth was now Queen. We all rushed home to tell our parents. It doesn’t seem possible that it is so long ago. We all celebrate this special occasion with Her Majesty.

For Christians during April, we celebrated Easter and the Resurrection of Jesus. He died for each of us but he rose from the grave. As it says in Luke 24: verse 6, He is not here he is risen.

Enjoy all your celebrations this year and always.

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Hospice to install a Butterfly Meadow at Sandringham Estate

This summer, during the Platinum Jubilee year, hundreds of steel blue butterflies will be installed in the gardens of Sandringham House in a collaborative project with The Norfolk Hospice Tapping House and the Royal Sandringham Estate.

1,500 butterflies will be crafted by local blacksmith Nigel Barnett of Fransham Forge, Great Fransham and painted blue in the style of the Silver-studded Blue butterfly, a species which can be found in Norfolk. They are now available to reserve for a suggested donation of £25 per butterfly.

The Butterfly Meadow is a remembrance campaign by The Norfolk Hospice which will echo the poppy installation at the Tower of London. The butterflies will be affixed to steel poles so they can be easily planted in the ground - they will measure approximately six inches wide and three-foot-high.

Anyone can be a donor, not just those whose family members were cared for by the Hospice. The Norfolk Hospice are an independent registered charity based in the village of Hillington, located just four miles from the Sandringham Estate.

The Butterfly Meadow will be installed in the Gardens of Sandringham House from July 16th and the display will be open to visitors until September 1st. Once the installation closes, donors will be able to collect their butterfly from The Norfolk Hospice.

Lyndsay Carter, Chief Executive at The Norfolk Hospice, said: “We are extremely grateful for the tremendous support from the Sandringham Estate who are very kindly allowing us to use their beautiful gardens as the location for the installation and to Fransham Forge for creating such a lovely keepsake.

“The butterflies are a beautiful way to remember someone special to you and commemorate their life. They may have been cared for by The Norfolk Hospice, they might have been lost to Covid-19, or they may simply be someone very special to you. We hope that the public get behind this campaign and remember their loved ones and support the vital work of the Hospice at the same time.

“The Butterfly Meadow, with the backdrop of Sandringham House, will be a spectacular scene and we can’t wait to see the installation this summer.”

You can reserve a butterfly for a donation online at www.norfolkhospice.org.uk/butterfly or by calling The Norfolk Hospice on 01485 601701.

For Sandringham House opening days and times this summer, please see www.sandringhamestate.co.uk.



Pic 1: Hospice Nursing Staff L-R: Topaz Fuller, Rachel Ash, Kerry Collison with a prototype of the steel butterfly)



Pic 2: Nigel Barnett of Fransham Forge with the steel butterfly prototype)



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The Norfolk Hospice appoints new Chief Executive

The Norfolk Hospice Tapping House welcomes Nicola Ellis as the new Chief Executive as Lyndsay Carter steps down in June.

Lyndsay came to the Hospice just as the service was moving to its new purpose-built facility in Hillington, Norfolk in 2014. During her time at the Hospice, she has introduced the nine-bed Inpatient Unit and Rapid Response Service. Under her leadership the Hospice at Home, Therapy Service and Family Support Teams have also grown exponentially.

Lyndsay, who has been the Chief Executive of the Hospice for the last eight years, said:

“It has been an honour to work at the Hospice and it is with great pleasure that I now hand over to my successor Nicola.”

Nicola Ellis has worked at the Hospice for nine years and has represented the Hospice at both operational and strategic level. She has developed a reputation as one of Norfolk and Waveney’s leading figures in palliative and end of life care and has been instrumental in the development, oversight and review of integrated working.

She is passionate about the role the Hospice plays in the wider Health and Social Care landscape and will look to further develop the Hospice’s reputation for delivering excellent end of life and bereavement care.

Nicola said: “I’d like to formally thank Lyndsay for her commitment and determination to bring the highest standards of care to West Norfolk and to raise the profile of The Norfolk Hospice Tapping House within the community.

“She has created and developed the most incredible team of staff and volunteers and I am delighted to have been offered the opportunity to lead the organisation. I am committed to further developing the

excellent end of life care services within this part of the county and continuing to build on our reputation as a great place to work.”



Above: Lyndsay Carter (left) and Nicola Ellis (right)

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'Lady Isabella Takes A Walk'

A Short Story by Nancy E. Robinson

As Rose gazed out of the window across to the trees in the park, she considered the likelihood of Lady Isabella Gloriana II consenting willingly to taking a stroll on this beautiful, crisp, deep snowy morning, and thought, most probably, that it was nil. In fact, Lady Isabella (Belle for short) was currently considering nothing more than the insides of her eyelids as she lay snuggled into the fleecy blanket of her bed, no doubt dreaming of far away sunny Mexico which she had often heard mentioned as being her homeland though, if that was true, she couldn't understand why she was here where it was invariably cold, windy and wet, not suited to her little, slender shape which always seemed far too close to the cold, wind and wet and far too far away from warm sun and balmy interesting breezes. Her delicate little Chihuahua legs twitched as Rose looked on, knowing that soon those enormous eyes would gaze imploringly at her (probably in different directions, it had to be said), begging to be allowed a reprieve on this most inhospitable of mornings. Couldn't a servant bring her a nice tray and then take it away, covered with a discreet cloth to spare her blushes?

"It's no good, Belle, has to be borne I'm afraid. I'll get myself togged up and then we'll find you a warm coat and be off." Belle yawned, turned round in her bed and settled down again, obviously reluctant to even consider the suggestion but, presently, found herself lifted out of her bed and thrust into a woolly coat and harness before she had time to even put the matter to a vote. Now, if she'd been a Newfoundland say, or even a Great Dane, there'd be none of this ignominious yanking out of a warm, comfortable bed without a by your leave, but, then again, Belle understood being a titled lady of superior breeding did bring with it certain obligations and she therefore suffered in silence for the most part and just turned her nose

up a bit higher when lesser breeds deigned to enter her orbit. The fact that turning her nose up brought it closer to interesting scents was never, of course, admitted to.

As Belle was considering the highs and lows of her privileged position, Rose opened the door and let in a most inconsiderate draught which whipped around Belle's little legs with far more freedom than Belle considered seemly on first acquaintance. She sat down and looked to imply with all the Lady Bracknell she could muster that it was obvious there could be no walk today in conditions such as these, much as she really would like to oblige.

A tug on the harness indicated she had not made her position sufficiently clear and she gave what passed for her for a sigh and lifted one delicate leg over the threshold and placed it tentatively on the white covered path, where it promptly disappeared from sight. Belle's eyes swivelled up to Rose in alarm to find out what had happened but Rose was laughing, "Oh, Belle, this is going to be quite a challenge, isn't it? Come on, I'll carry you for a while till we can find somewhere where the snow's not as thick." Belle decided being carried was a distinct improvement and she could look down on other dogs which was surely only right and proper. Her elevated position was only temporary, however, as Rose put her down again when they walked into a wooded area where the snow hadn't penetrated through the thick canopy, though hung threateningly in the branches. Although it was very cold, Belle found she enjoyed the wondrous array of sights and smells, though not so much the sudden, unexpected falls of snow from the trees and she didn't take kindly to Rose laughing at her expense every time this happened - there would be a reckoning, she decided.

A sudden change in wind direction blew this thought and all others from her mind, bringing, as it did, the most intoxicating aroma to her nose that she could ever recall and she stood as tall and stiff as it's possible for a little lady Chihuahua to achieve while she waited



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as the delightful, heady aroma came closer. "What is it, Belle - something interesting?" Interesting doesn't come near, Belle thought, Just you wait and see...

"Oh, my," murmured Rose, as approaching through the trees was a sight that certainly stirred her thought processes (and other parts, she chuckled inwardly) but she wasn't quite sure why Belle was so excited as the man approached, well wrapped up in a long warm coat and scarf, corduroy trousers and heavy-duty walking boots but, seemingly, with no canine companion in sight. Tall, dark and handsome just about came close, Rose thought, feeling like something out of a 19th century romantic novel and wondering if a swoon would be in order, when the man chuckled (and a swoon seemed even more likely), "Oh, now I see what piqued your interest, Jasper, a little lady Chihuahua!" at which point a handsome little face peeped out from the top of his coat and Rose couldn't help laughing "Ah, Belle, meet Jasper I presume." Rose smiled up into the lovely, warm, crinkly eyes of Jasper's owner, who introduced himself as Henry (Hal to my friends) who explained he'd only just moved into the area and thought walking Jasper was a good way to meet people, which had worked out even better than he and Jasper had imagined!

While Rose and Hal were getting acquainted, Belle and Jasper were similarly (though at a somewhat more advanced stage it had to be admitted). Jasper, a Chihuahua with beautiful markings, obviously found favour with Belle who, if Rose was any judge, was flirting and batting her eyelashes outrageously, cavorting in the snow which she had previously not considered worthy of her attention. Oh, how Rose wished she could be so abandoned and, casting a look towards Hal, who was similarly enjoying the antics of the dogs, she thought who knows what a few more walks with Lady Isabella might bring...

The End.

Stanhoe and Barwick WI

Thursday May 5th: Susan Barnett, with "Hollywood Royalty".

Visitors are most welcome; please contact Valerie (01485 576261) for further details and to let us know that you'd like to attend.

Thursday June 9th: Platinum Jubilee Tea

This is a members-only event, but you are most welcome to become a member!

RAF Bircham Newton Heritage Centre

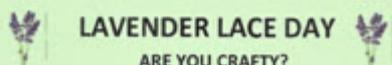
Opening Schedule for 2022

We will open on the following dates in 2022:

Easter Sunday April 17th
Sunday May 1st & Sunday May 29th
Sunday June 12th & Sunday June 26th
Sunday July 17th & Sunday July 31st
Sunday August 14th & Sunday August 28th
Sunday September 11th & Sunday September 25th
Sunday October 30th
and Remembrance Sunday November 13th

As usual we will be open from **10am** until **4pm**. Entrance and parking will be **free**, and disabled access and toilets will be available.

Please note that we do not plan to open during the extra bank holiday weekend planned for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee (2nd to 5th of June) when we anticipate that many key events will be held elsewhere.



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**Jobs Fair,
Hunstanton Town
Hall,
9th May 2022**

A Jobs Fair aimed at hiring workers for the tourism, catering and retail industries, is to be held in Hunstanton in order to address the severe staffing issues that many of the local businesses are facing.

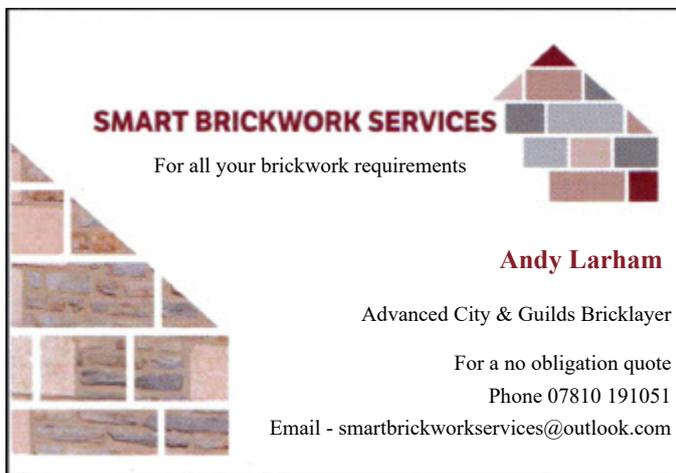
The event, being held in Hunstanton Town Hall 9th May 10am – 2pm, not only aims to give a helping hand to those who are unemployed or seeking a new career but to raise the profile of the hospitality industry, boost recruitment and promote the sector as a career of choice to parents, schools and colleges.

Businesses are being encouraged to join the Jobs Fair to promote their vacancies and to highlight the benefits that a career in hospitality can bring – from fulfilling, long-term employment to fantastic opportunities for training and development. If you are a local business and wish to participate, please contact the Town Clerk on 01485 532402 or by email: clerk@hunstantontowncouncil.gov.uk

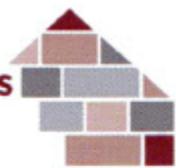
The event has been arranged by Hunstanton Town Council in partnership with Employer Advisers from the Department for Work and Pensions, King’s Lynn Jobcentre and Brian Hallard. Brian has vacancies to fill at the Princess Theatre and has raised concerns regarding the number of local businesses facing staff shortages.

One-to-one advice will be available for attendees looking to explore employment opportunities and to ensure they are ‘job-ready’.

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Music in Thorpe

We hope that May will bring more sunshine and a reduction in Covid levels so that we may safely enjoy all the wonderful music in store at Burnham Thorpe church.

May welcomes one of our favourite musicians; Joo Yeon Sir, the brilliant South Korean born violinist is returning for a fifth time to open our concerts on May 6th at 7.30. Joo Yeon always dazzles us with her technique but is also a great communicator and engages with the audience in whatever music she is playing. She is accompanied by the Russian pianist Irina Andrievsky, who we have persuaded to give a solo recital on Sunday May 8th at 3pm too.

Joo Yeon’s programme includes a well-known piece by the late Baroque composer Antonio Vivaldi, Romances by Schumann and Bartok’s Romanian dances. Irina will perform Haydn, Debussy and Rachmaninov. A Russian pianist playing some incredibly difficult music by a Russian composer will be a highlight of our May concerts I am sure.

Sandwiched between these two concerts is a concert by the brass quintet Cordial. These young Norfolk musicians met while at school and have kept in touch throughout their careers and we are delighted to welcome them to Thorpe to play wonderful resounding music by Telemann, Handel, Gershwin and Britten. Brass quintets are little known in the concert hall so come and listen to this combination of splendid brass in the great acoustics of the historic church.

It has always been the intention of Music in Thorpe to work with local primary schools and this year both Burnham Market and Wells-next-the-Sea primary schools are working with two young professional musicians, Jodie Wiggins and Daniel Chomiak. Over the last few months, the children have been rehearsing songs which Jodie and Daniel will further rehearse with them over two days before a live costumed performance on Friday May 13th at 6pm. Joo Yeon will also be giving a special school recital on May 6th.

Tickets for the Joo Yeon concert are £20, The Cordial Brass Quintet £15 and Irina’s recital £12 each. Tickets are now available for all concerts on www.musicinthorpe.com or call 07989 177079.



Music in Thorpe

**Music at The Nelson Church Burnham Thorpe
May 2022**



Friday May 6th at 7.30pm
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Saturday May 7th at 7.30pm
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"Handel to Gershwin"
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Saturday May 8th at 3pm
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Snettisham Gardening Club

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 25th May at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall, Old Church Road, Snettisham when Mrs Robyn McDonald will be telling us about Orchids and other house plants.

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Any further information can be obtained from Gail on 01485 541279 or Addie on 01485 544754.

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JANET AND JOHN (ALMOST) GOT IT BADLY WRONG!

By Kathryn Gigg Chartered
Accountants, Hunstanton

Consider this scenario. Janet and John have been married for many years, have two adult children and several grandchildren, and are reasonably well off, owning their own home worth about £1m, and having a good level of pension income. A couple of years ago they inherited a share portfolio and a cottage from John's parents (now worth about £600,000), which they use as a Furnished Holiday Let (as defined for tax purposes). It is in a popular location and is let nearly every week, but much of this letting income goes on paying the Inheritance Tax (IHT) on that legacy which is being paid over ten years.

One day this Spring a house in the same village goes onto the market and quickly sells for an eye watering sum. John has just paid the latest instalment of IHT and, after taking "professional" advice from the man in the pub and searching the internet for "saving money on legal fees" he comes up with a cunning plan. He has read that there is no IHT on business assets and that a house is IHT free up to £1m, so he thinks that both properties will be covered. Accordingly, his plan is that he and Janet will give their house (in which they will remain), and the cottage, to their children, but will still draw the holiday let rent which they need to pay off the remaining instalments of IHT. They think that when they die there will be so little in their Estate that everything will have been passed over tax free. As an added benefit they hope that if they need to go into care in the future, (and neither of them are in the best of health), their assets will be so low that the costs will be picked up by Social Services. What could possibly go wrong?

John goes online and downloads the necessary forms from Land Registry, noting happily that he is not compelled to use the services of a solicitor (since he is confident that he needs no "advice"). Fortunately, he gets bogged down in the sections which ask him to confirm proof of identity so takes the form round to a lady he knows who is the local accountant. That meeting does not go quite as planned, and after a bit of probing, phrases like "capital gains tax (CGT)" and "gifts with reservation of benefit (GROB)" come into the conversation. A somewhat deflated John leaves the meeting having discovered just "what could possibly go wrong":

- IHT is charged on both the value of an Estate at death and any disposals in the previous 7 years after deducting a Nil Rate Band of between £325,000 and £500,000. There is a form of taper relief, but this will only apply after 3 years, and only if the gift itself was of a size that exceeds the Nil Rate Bands
- Where an asset is given away but the donor "retains a benefit" the gift is ineffective for IHT purposes as a "Gift with reservation of benefit" (GROB), so the donor is still deemed to own the asset until such time as the reservation is lifted (at which point the 7 years start to run). This would apply to both properties here, the benefits retained being the fact that John and Janet are continuing to live in the house and will still take the cottage rent.
- CGT and IHT have different rules. There is no concept of a GROB for CGT. CGT is charged on gifts between connected persons, even if no money changes hands, so a CGT charge can arise even where the GROB legislation applies for IHT. Additionally, the children will not be able to claim CGT main residence relief on John and Janet's house when it is eventually sold so potentially some value will be caught by both CGT and IHT.
- Whilst Furnished Holiday Lets are treated very like a trade for CGT and Income Tax purposes, the definition for IHT is different and business property relief is only available in the most exceptional cases.

- A tax return for CGT on residential property (other than a main residence) is due within 60 days of completion when such a property is disposed of (whether by way of sale or gift), and the tax arising is payable within the same 60 days. Penalties are due if this does not happen.

- Giving away assets with the intention of removing them from the reaches of social services is deemed a "voluntary deprivation of resources" and the recipients of the assets can become liable for the care home costs.

- Once the properties have been given to the children, Janet and John will be vulnerable to any change in the donee's circumstances. In a divorce, for example, the gifted properties will be taken into account, so Janet and John could find themselves living in a house owned by a divorced in-law – or even homeless, if the houses are sold to provide a divorce settlement.

John agrees that perhaps he should take some advice after all, and the outcome of his subsequent meeting with the accountant will be covered in the second instalment of this article.

Please contact either myself or my assistant Nicola Tarry FCA on 01485 534800 or email kate@kathryngigg.co.uk if we can assist in any way.

Mrs K H Gigg FCA

N.B. Article written in March 2022

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Borough Council News Heacham, Sedgeford and Fring

May Day and mayday. An international holiday and an international distress call. Let's hope May passes without even more dire events in Ukraine. I mention this because the Borough Council has been proactive in organising some emergency funding to oil the process of receiving refugees and has continued to demonstrate solidarity with small actions such as continuing to light buildings in Ukrainian colours and making supportive statements at Full Council. All councillors of whatever political party, or none, support the Borough Council stance.

An Independent Councillor, Tom Ryves, who has business connections in Poland, organised a lorry load of supplies and thanks all those who contributed and helped with the task. Downham Market has a 'Welcome Ukrainians' support group that Josie Ratcliffe, another Independent Group member, helps to organise.

Turning to Borough Council matters. The apparent lack of scrutiny of significant council business continues to annoy many of my members. This has come to the boil because of the work going on towards various large projects in King's Lynn dependent upon a £25 million Towns Deal which government will provide if all criteria are met. Councillors have little say overall, opposition councillors no say at all, as a Towns Board (essentially local business people) governs the scheme, although the Council is liable for its actions.

Staffing problems in the Council reflect those highlighted in the national press. Planning is the department where it shows most. Losses through retirement, moving on, and promotion have been significant. Agency staff are covering gaps and they may be located anywhere in the country so likely have no local knowledge. All authorities seem to be chasing planners and recruitment is not easy.

I am fully aware of the implications of this situation and am calling in more planning applications than usual and monitoring their progress through the system closely. Calling in means they will appear at planning committee if necessary (the great majority of applications are officer delegated).

A recent application for new holiday lets near the Heacham / Sedgeford border was recently refused at planning committee primarily due to its adverse impact on the countryside in the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AoNB). The Norfolk Coast Partnership (NCP) maintained a strong objection to the proposal though planning officers recommended approval. The NCP do know what they are talking about.

There is a current application to build two houses on the Hunstanton Road, adjacent to Heacham Park. The land was once part of the Park but passed into different ownership. At the time of writing, the application has generated 56 objections. The application is likely still open on the planning portal. Have a look at it. Planning reference 22/00287/O.

An application in Fring for holiday accommodation and an entertainment venue was pulled a few months ago to enable public consultation. The result of that consultation should be known by now so I and interested parties in Fring will be looking at the new application coming forward.

Heacham's Neighbourhood Plan is scheduled to go to public referendum in July. It is the best hope to ensure development within Heacham addresses the needs and concerns of the people who live in the village and was crafted after much public consultation. Vote for it and I will ensure that it is taken notice of.

Due to rising costs, the proposed new hall / library / office is no longer going to be built in Heacham. This means there is an opportunity to do something really useful with the land. I am taking advice on a possible outcome.

Rising costs are also affecting the living standards of many if not all people. Heating homes is an issue likely to fade from minds as the summer begins but it will be back all too soon come October. There is a scheme to help with appropriate home improvements which is managed by the Borough. I know Sedgeford is investigating this and I will follow it up.

Covid is still with us and there has been a high incidence in West Norfolk. I currently know a number of people who have caught it twice and councillors seem receptive to it. Face masks are not obligatory but please wear them in shops and similar public areas. You may not worry about it but many do and Heacham Ward does have a lot of vulnerable people with pre-existing medical conditions. Locals should know that; visitors may not, so please tell them.

A recent announcement from Government seems to suggest that all Councils will be required to accept household DIY waste, rubble, timber, etc, free of charge. Apparently the government was surprised that this was not the case already. We shall have to wait and see if Norfolk County Council, which runs Heacham recycling centre, takes heed.

Terry Parish
Borough Councillor Heacham Ward
Leader of the Group of Independent Councillors (16 again)

Hunstanton Conservative Club

Entertainment for May

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- Thursday: Snooker - pm
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- Sat 14th: SIMON LEE. All Eras. 8.30pm
- Fri 20th: QUIZ NIGHT with supper. £50 first prize. £4 pp. 8.00pm
- Sat 21st: CECIL FARYI MOTOWN. 8.30pm
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Electric car owners staying at a major north west Norfolk holiday park, Searles Leisure Resort in Hunstanton, can now leave their vehicles' "range anxiety" at home.

That's because the multi-award-winning park, and its neighbouring Heacham Manor Hotel, have just installed 12 high-speed charging plug-ins for EVs (electric vehicles).

And local residents have also been told that they are welcome to come and give their vehicles a top-up at the hotel if their batteries are running low.

Andrew Searle, a director of the 60-year-old family business, said that a growing number of park customers are now moving away from diesel and petrol and embracing electric vehicles. "The only thing holding some families back is concern about the availability of charging points when they make longer journeys, such as going on holiday," he said.

"That is why we decided it was the right time to invest in a network of chargers at both Searles Leisure Resort and Heacham Manor Hotel. I hope our initiative will help increase even further the appeal of north west Norfolk as a holiday destination and boost the benefits which tourism brings to all types of businesses.

"We fully recognise the importance of encouraging more drivers to make the switch to electric, and believe that this move will help provide the extra confidence they need. We also understand how important it is to do our part in reducing the environmental impact caused by CO2 emissions.

"Whilst we are offering the benefit of charging to those guests holidaying on our park, we welcome local visitors and owners to plug in their electric vehicles at any time at the hotel, if they wish," added Andrew.

The chargers at the holiday park and hotel are part of the Pod Point network which provides over 6,000 charging bays across the UK.

Searles was founded in the late 1920s by Andrew's grandfather, Geoffrey, and began life as a modest touring park where a pitch could be exchanged in return for a bag of potatoes. Successive generations of the Searle family have put their own stamp on the park's character, and added to the range of facilities, attractions and accommodation options. Today, Searles provides more than 500 privately owned and rented caravan holiday homes and lodges, as well as 300-plus touring pitches plus luxury timber camping pods.

The park employs around 200 people, plus an additional 50 staff at its Heacham Manor Hotel, which was converted by Searles from a listed Elizabethan building. A winner of many national and regional quality awards, Searles is managed today by Andrew in partnership with his brother Paul and sister Joanna.

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Saturday 7th May 2022

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There are 12 fun classes to enter with loads of rosettes up for grabs to a massive 10th place, plus trophies for Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show. You don't need to pre-enter, just turn up on the day.

Any doggy has a chance of winning a rosette at our Show - you don't have to be glamorous. It doesn't matter if you have a wonky eye or even two, a limp or are missing a few teeth. You could be covered in mud or sand, or soaking wet. We welcome all dogs, pedigree and otherwise. If you're not sure about your parentage there is absolutely no need to be embarrassed because we won't ask for details! Our Show is all about having a fun, woofastic time and celebrating all things canine. We even have an award winning photographer ready to take photos of all you pampered pooches!

Doggies will also have the opportunity to try out flyball and take part in a fastest recall competition. There will be a Trick Masterclass with Ruth, followed by an opportunity for you to show off your best trick and a prize awaits the winner. And if that wasn't enough, K9 Capers have a display team to entertain all of you during the 12 fun classes.

For those who fancy a bit of retail therapy there will be trade stands selling treats (yum yum!!), bedding, collars, leads and toys (yippee!). For the humans there will be ample refreshments, including vegan options. There is also free on-site car parking!

The Barking Bugle wish to woof big thanks to our pals Chris and Claire from Coastal Vets in Snettisham for continuing to sponsor the Show, and to Upp Broadband for sponsoring the Best in Show Trophy.

Please remember that handlers are responsible for you at all times. Be respectful to other dogs and give each other some space! Bitches in season or reactive dogs should not attend the Show. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Enquires to Miss Zsa Zsa at newsdesk@thebarkingbugle.co.uk I can't wait to see you all! Please tell all your doggy pals and their human owners. It will be great fun!

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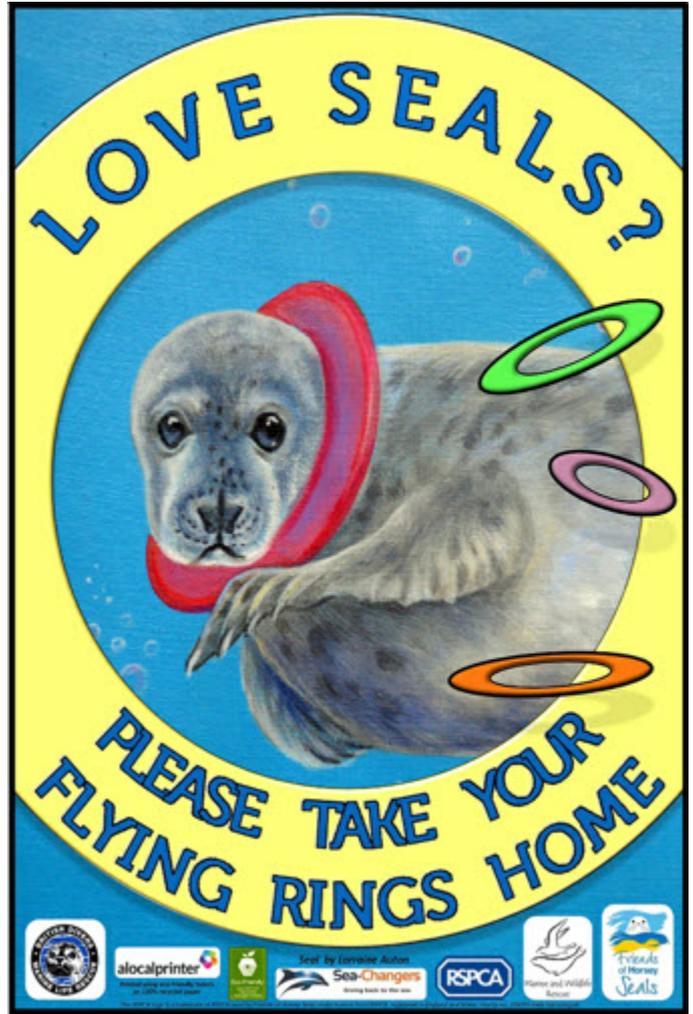
Mayor of Hunstanton welcomes Coastline Runner Luke Douglas-Home

On Saturday 2nd April the Mayor of Hunstanton Cllr Adrian Winnington, was joined by Cllr Cynthia Easeman and Cllr Adrian Eden, to welcome the Coastline Runner, Luke Douglas-Home, to Hunstanton, at the end of the latest leg of his run around the coast of Britain, having set off from Burnham-Overy-Staithe.



Luke, fitting in his run around the coast between his work in London, collects plastic litter as he jogs along (and swims where necessary) to highlight the problem of plastic pollution in our seas and in general.

The Mayor reported that he would be meeting Luke at the path from the cliff top car park to the beach on Saturday 9th April and will be doing a 2 minute beach clean.



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HEACHAM PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022



We are pleased to be able to bring you this report on what the Parish Council has achieved over the last twelve months including how we spent your money in delivering services. It also sets out our planned activities for the next financial period.

CURRENT SITUATION

After two years life is gradually returning to some normality, although we remain mindful that we are still living with Covid. Thanks are due to the Councillors, the Parish Clerk and her support staff, not forgetting all the volunteers in the library and throughout the village, for continuing to work for the community through what has been a very difficult time.

This is the Queen's Platinum Jubilee year and we look forward to celebrating this remarkable achievement with you over the weekend of 2nd-5th June. The Village Carnival Parade will return on 7th August (see more details below).

Come along and join the Parish coffee mornings at the Old Friends Hall which have now restarted on the last Wednesday of each month.

To improve our communication with residents, we are in the process of updating our website. Wishing to concentrate our efforts, we have discontinued the Parish Facebook Page but will continue to post on Village Pages when appropriate. So please keep yourself up to date by checking the website. We are also intending to introduce quarterly 'surgeries' at the Library. This will give you the opportunity to talk directly to Councillors and raise any queries or concerns with regard to the village.

Please remember that all Parish Council meetings are open to the public and notices alerting you to dates, times and agendas are posted on our website, noticeboards and in The Heacham Newsletter.

A future date to watch for: - Neighbourhood Plan Referendum expected 16th June 2022 (to be confirmed).

**Cllr Graham Reader
Chairman**

ACTIVITIES 2021-22 AND PRIORITIES FOR 2022-2023

The Council's project work for the village is managed primarily via individual committees. Work is budgeted for and mainly financed from income with external grant funding sought whenever possible (particularly from the Community Infrastructure Grant ('CIL') scheme from the Borough Council). These committees and works are:-

Natural Environment ('NEC') - looking after our open green spaces:

- **The Chalk Pit & Millenium Wood** (an Area of Natural Beauty);
- **The Saltings** (a priority habitat in the Norfolk Biodiversity Action Plan and a designated County Wildlife site under the stewardship of the Parish Council);
- **Bray's Pit** (also known as the 'duck pond'), a series of ponds and islands off Staithe Road attracting a wide range of wildfowl. All sites require substantial maintenance work each year much of it carried out by Councillors and volunteers. In addition:-
During 2021-2022: cycle racks, picnic tables and seats were installed at all the sites together with information boards and dog bins.
- **Chalk Pit:** preparatory work to promote more wildflowers was undertaken;

- **The Saltings:** the annual reed cutting took place in February 2022 and thanks are due to Mr Richard Brown, the volunteer site warden.
- **Bray's Pit:** work commenced to stop erosion of the far bank. New trees were planted along path boundary, kindly donated by Borough Cllr Terry Parish.

Plans for 2022-2023 include:

- **Chalk Pit:** construction of a viewing area with seating; installation of an information board; major tree reduction to maintain healthy woodland.
- **The Saltings:** construction of a reed covered hide and viewing platform overlooking the water; re-establishment of the protective site boundary line;
- **Bray's Pit:** removal of the decaying wooden posts bordering the front of the site and planting of suitable trees.

Community Activities ('CA') - looking after the Recreation Ground, organising the annual carnival parade and ad hoc events.

Due to Covid no events have been possible over the last two years. However, During 2021-2022:

- **Recreation Ground - skatepark refurbishment:** The ground between the ramps has been resurfaced using a special 'powerflow' concrete. Unfortunately, the work scheduled for Autumn 2021 was seriously delayed due to a mix of Covid related problems and bad weather but was completed in February 2022. The ramps themselves have also been repainted by Parish Council volunteers.

The total project cost was £12,960 inc VAT but a successful bid for a CIL grant reduced this to £2,969.

- **Recreation Ground - play equipment upgrade:** a village survey was undertaken to establish future needs.

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Plans for 2022-2023:

• **Play Equipment Upgrade:** We are in the process of investigating possible designs and costs and plan to hold open days later in the year to show possible options and seek your views. We will also be looking at possible grant funding for the project which we hope to budget for in Financial Year 2023-2024.

• **Queen’s Platinum Jubilee, Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June.** Celebrations formally start with us joining the nation when we light the village beacon at 9.45pm on Thursday 2nd June. Individual organisations will be carrying out their own celebrations and the Parish Council will be producing a ‘programme’ setting out as many events as possible that are taking place around the village.

We are also organising a village ‘royal’ scarecrow trail.

• **Summer Carnival Parade, Sunday 7th August** We are looking forward very much to hosting this again. Our musicians will be the East Angles Brass Band who will lead the parade from College Drive to the Sports Field. This should be a real opportunity to celebrate a return to normality involving as many village groups as possible.

Lighting and Watching (‘L&W’) - looking at building plans, street lighting and general village infrastructure.

During 2021-2022:

• L&W considered over 86 individual building plans, plus a number of amendments to the original plans. In many cases plans are for a range of extension works to existing properties.

Old Friends Hall (‘OFH’) - looking after Hall, Library, Parish Council Office.

During 2021-22:

• The Parish Council moved its meetings from the Council Office at the smaller Jubilee Clinic to the Old Friends Hall to provide more space in line with Covid restrictions.

• The Library re-opened after lockdown in April 2021 at the Church Hall, High Street, having moved from the old bank building immediately pre-lockdown.

Plans for 2022-2023:

• The transfer of the Hall and Library to new premises is currently on hold.

• Coffee mornings have recommenced.

Community & Heritage Building - developing a new civic building for the village

During 2021-2022:

• The project was put out to formal tender and a preferred contractor identified.

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Plans 2022-2023:

Regrettably, the decision has now been taken to cease this project due to the development becoming unaffordable in the current financial climate. Alternative premises for the library and Parish Office are still required and in order to fund this and to recover the costs of the project to date, the Council will have no option but to sell the Old Dairy site.

OTHER INITIATIVES

Parish Partnership Scheme (‘PPS’)

This allows County Councillors to allocate monies towards an infrastructure project in their ward on a match funding basis. For 2022-2023 County Cllr Chenery has agreed to help fund a £15,000 project to widen the narrow pavement along the recreation ground side of Station Road.

Neighbourhood Plan

The Plan is an opportunity for everyone in the village to have a real influence on the way Heacham develops over the period up to 2036. It has been prepared by the Heacham Neighbourhood Planning Group, chaired by Parish Cllr Tracy Raby and supported by a grant from Groundwork UK Neighbourhood Planning Team.

The Plan is expected to be subject to a village referendum on Thursday 16th June 2022. This is a vital document for the future of Heacham and it is really important for you to vote!

FINANCES

Heacham Parish Council’s financial year runs from 1 April to 31 March. The Council is required by law to set an annual budget for each financial year. This must be set in January as the deadline for notifying the Borough Council of the amount of the precept is usually 31st January. The precept is collected by the Borough Council through the Council Tax.



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For 2022-23 the precept is £150,301 which equates to a charge of £76.79 on a Band D property.

Our detailed budget and annual accounts can be viewed on our website or at the Parish Office.

The charts on the following pages show where the money we received came from and how we spent it in 2021-2022:

Council Office: staff, utilities, rents, audits, administration, and parish vehicle costs:

- **Property Management & Services:** Building maintenance, Old Friends Hall, Library, dog & litter bins, management of: Brays Pit, The Saltings, the Chalk Pit & Millennium Wood, Recreation Ground; grass & hedge cutting, general parish maintenance, street lights
- **Grants and donations:** (see section below)
- **Finance & Professional Fees:** bank charges, insurances, audits, professional fees, memberships, training.

Grants and donations

The Parish Council is able to agree requests for small grants and ad hoc donations to organisations that provide benefits directly or indirectly to residents. In 2021-2022 donations were made to:

- The Heacham Newsletter
- East Anglia Air Ambulance Service
- East Anglian Children’s Hospice
- Citizens Advice Bureau
- Heacham in Bloom
- plus an annual grant of £1000 towards the upkeep of St Mary’s churchyard.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE – MAIN ITEMS

What and Where	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	July-Sep	Oct-Dec
Grass Cutting*** Recreation Ground, Brays Pit, Head of Common & part of Woodside Avenue		2 x month	2 x month	2 x Oct
Hedge Cutting Recreation Ground, Brays Pit	Feb			Oct
Litter Bins Recreation Ground, Bus stops at Station and Lodge Road	emptied daily by Parish Maintenance Officer (PMO)			
General litter picking	daily by PMO (and village volunteers)			
Dog Bins (25 bins)	emptied 2 x weekly by Borough Council			
Seats (36 seats)	maintained by PMO throughout year			
Recreation Ground Skatepark Health & Safety checks on play equipment Grass strimming	weekly throughout year by PMO annually by external company weekly Apr-Oct by PMO			
Working Parties (mainly comprising Parish Councillors)				
Brays Pit Removal of dead tree branches/ debris from pond	March			Oct
Saltings Reed cutting	Feb/Mar			
Chalk Pit/ Millennium Wood Bramble cutting, car park maintenance	March			Dec

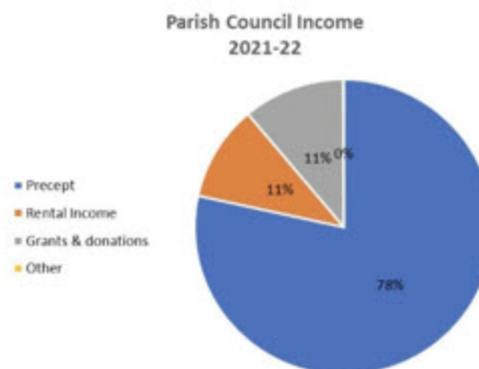
*** Please note that the main grass cutting of village verges is undertaken by the Borough Council

For any enquiries please contact in the first instance:-

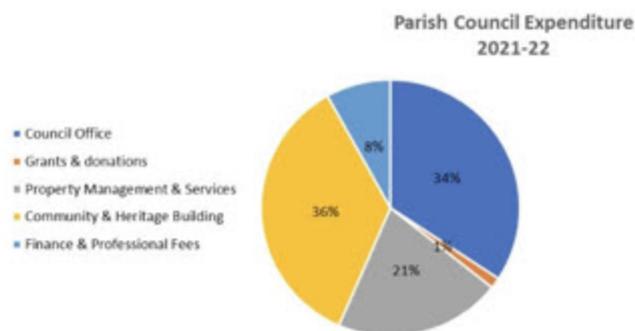
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Email: heachampc@btinternet.com or visit our website: www.heachamparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk

Income 2021-2022 - £177,648 (subject to audit)



Expenditure 2021-2022 - £175,963 (subject to audit)





HOMES FOR UKRAINE SCHEME: PAYMENTS NOT TAXABLE

By Kathryn Gigg Chartered Accountants, Hunstanton

On 31 March, the Government announced that it intends to introduce legislation to ensure that the **Homes for Ukraine Sponsorship Payment will be exempt from Income Tax and Corporation Tax and that the payment will not be chargeable to National Insurance Contributions.** The payment will be made by local authorities. As the payments will be treated as non-taxable income, sponsors (hosts) will be unable to claim a tax deduction for related expenditure.

The Government also confirms that the payments will be disregarded for the purposes of calculating Tax Credits. The **Homes for Ukraine Scheme: frequently asked questions webpage** indicates that the payments will not affect benefit entitlement or council tax discounts.

The announcement confirms that companies that currently qualify for relief from the Annual Tax on Enveloped Dwellings (ATED) and relief from the 15% stamp duty land tax (SDLT) higher rate charge will continue to be able to claim relief while the dwellings are being used under the Homes for Ukraine Scheme, where relief had been claimed on the basis that:

- the dwelling is used in a property development business;
- the dwelling is used in a property trading business; or
- it is let on a commercial basis.

By way of background, where residential property is acquired by a non-natural person (e.g. a body corporate, a partnership of which one or more members is a body corporate, or a collective investment scheme), a 15% SDLT applies if the chargeable consideration exceeds £500,000. The property may also then be subject to ATED.

Reliefs from both charges are available depending on how the dwelling is used. However, for SDLT, this relief may be withdrawn if the criteria cease to be met in the three years following the acquisition.

Companies acquiring property that would otherwise qualify for relief from the 15% SDLT rate, can claim relief if the property is to be temporarily used under the Homes for Ukraine Scheme.

ATED relief for use of the property under the Homes for Ukraine Scheme can be claimed if the property has not previously qualified for relief as a dwelling used in a property development or property trading business or let on a commercial basis.

The legislation, to be included in Finance Bill 2022/23, will have effect from 1 April 2022 for ATED and from 31 March 2022 for SDLT. From those dates, HMRC will not collect any tax that may have been due following a change in the use of the dwelling to be part of the Homes for Ukraine Scheme.

N.B. The above article only provides information regarding the **tax implications** of the Homes for Ukraine Sponsorship Payment. **Homeowners, tenants & landlords welcoming refugees should take appropriate legal/professional advice regarding any need to notify their mortgage providers, landlords & insurers.**

Please contact either myself or my assistant Nicola Tarry FCA on 01485 534800 or email kate@kathryngigg.co.uk if you require advice regarding the tax implications of the Sponsorship payments.

Mrs K H Gigg FCA

N.B. Article written in April 2022

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The History of Norwich Silver

Gold gets all the glory and silver often runs second. But this useful precious metal is to be found almost everywhere and has some unexpected modern uses, such as in car manufacturing, electronics, medicines, water purification and, of course, jewellery and cutlery. Since 2018 global demand has been on the increase with a growing interest in wealth building through silver bars and silver bullion coins. It is so easy to work with that it can even be transformed into a wire the width of a human hair.

Silver has an ancient past and has been an art medium for thousands of years. Traces of mining in present day Turkey go back to the 4th millennium BCE and, of course, the currency stability of the Roman Empire was based on silver coins. Artisans learned and valued its precious properties and trained silversmiths to use this precious metal to make various objects. The mining and stores of silver were integral to the support of ancient civilisations and from 1200 BCE to 100 AD the centre of silver storing had moved from Anatolia to Greece, Crete and the Near East onwards to Spain. As further stores were discovered in Eastern Europe and what is known as Germany today, so did the silversmiths' skills. Many of the world's leading museums house many of their priceless works and those of artists from Rembrandt to Andy Warhol, all of whom have seized on silver's evasive vigour, pursued its metallic mysteries and grappled with the complexity of replicating its colour.

Norwich was one of the most important sites of 16th and 17th century silver manufacture outside of London. It had its own assay office between 1565 and 1702 and a thriving silver trade flourished in the city. It supplied much of the silver for the churches of Norwich and Norfolk.

The Arts Society North West Norfolk will be hosting a lecture by Christopher Garibaldi examining the development of the silver trade in Norwich and the reasons for the establishment of its assay office. This will be held on Monday 9th May 2022 in Sedgeford Village Hall at 2pm. New members are very welcome to join our Society and more details are available on our website www.theartsocietynwnorfolk.org.uk.

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS IN BRIEF

The next Full Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th May at 7.00pm at the Old Friends Hall, Sunnyside.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th May 7pm at the Old Friends Hall, Sunnyside. If any village groups wish to submit a report, please let the Clerk have them in written format by Thursday 12th May.

The Full Council Meeting for June will be held on Tuesday 21st at 7.00pm at the Old Friends Hall Sunnyside.

Please see the Parish Council website, or noticeboard at the Old Dairy Site, Pound Lane and the Parish Office window for agendas. Council Meeting minutes will be posted on the Parish Council website shortly after each meeting (these are draft minutes until they are agreed at the next meeting). The committee meetings have resumed and these will also be held in the Old Friends Hall, Sunnyside. Members of the public are invited to attend committee meetings if they wish.

COFFEE MORNINGS

Everyone is welcome to come along to the Coffee Mornings held at the Old Friends Hall. These will be held on the last Wednesday of each month. Admission is £2 per person.



CARNIVAL

Heacham Carnival Parade and Fete 2022

*** Time to start thinking about your float ***

Walking entrants are also welcomed.

The Carnival will take place on Sunday 7th August: entry forms will be available nearer to the event.

DOG BINS

Heacham Parish Council provide and pay for a number of dog bins throughout the village to be emptied. These are at places where dog walkers seem to use for their walks and were introduced to attempt to reduce the amount of dog fouling throughout the village. They are meant to be used for this purpose only, but it seems some dog owners in the village clear their gardens and deposit all their dog waste into them – this is not acceptable. Dog waste from your property should be disposed of either in a dog toilet on your property or in your black bin (double wrapped); the village should not be expected to pay for the disposal of your dog waste.

PLATINUM JUBILEE

Please could anyone wishing to enter a scarecrow into the competition please email the office with its location so that it can be put on the map, which is being produced as part of the celebrations. If you haven't been able to attend any of the meetings, but wish to advertise any activities you are organising in the programme being produced, then also please let the office know.

DUCKS AND GEESE

Nesting season will soon be upon us and so now is a good time to spot pairs of ducks hanging around on your property, looking for possible nesting sites. If one does lay eggs on your property then let us know and we will send our PMO to come and prick the eggs, so as to try to keep numbers down to a manageable level. Just contact the office, leaving a message if no one is here; also, please make sure you leave a contact number. This is something the Council have carried out on licence for a number of years which does help to control numbers.

CONTACTING THE PARISH COUNCIL

Can we remind residents once again that Heacham Parish Council do not answer questions nor get into discussions on Social Media or in any other publications. The staff in the office are happy to answer any questions or queries anyone may have regarding issues in the village - anything we cannot solve ourselves can be directed to those that can. Please see contact details at the foot of this page.

OLD DAIRY SITE/COMMUNITY BUILDING

Cllr Terry Clay made the following statement regarding the Parish Council plans to cease the Community Building Project. "I'm saddened and upset that a relatively small number of residents and several members of this Council, have seen this project as a risk, rather than an opportunity to be grasped. We have not taken a step forward here but a leap backwards.

"Those responsible for the delaying and eventual stopping of this build have in my view nothing at all to be proud of, rather, they should feel shame, for denying the residents of Heacham a facility, much needed and one which in years to come would have become a very valuable asset for the village. The opportunity we have now squandered will probably never come our way again, having been the ideal site for the facilities it would have provided.

"My sincere thanks go to all those who served on the committee and to those agencies who provided their expertise which enabled a fully costed programme ready for execution, only awaiting funds from the Public Works Loan Board (another story)".

COVID 19

Please remember that the regular washing of hands for 20 seconds should still be undertaken.

THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN FOR THE PUBLIC TO VISIT 10AM UNTIL 12 NOON ON MONDAY, TUESDAY AND THURSDAY.

Please feel free to pop in to speak to us face to face.

Sue is at her desk from 9am until 5pm Monday through to Thursday and can take phone calls, or Liz is available on the phone 9.30am until 12.30pm on Friday.

STAY SAFE AND WELL

Any queries should be addressed to:

Heacham Parish Council Office
Jubilee Clinic Pound Lane Heacham
Norfolk PE31 7ET
Tel 01485 572142

Email: heachampc@btinternet.com
Website: heachamparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk

HELP LINES

HEACHAM GROUP PRACTICE 01485 572769

Heacham Surgery MON TO FRI 08.30 TO 18.30
Snettisham Surgery MON TO WED 8.30 TO 12.30 14.30 TO 18.30
 THURS/FRIDAY 8.30 TO 12.30 Closed p.m.

OUT OF HOURS DOCTOR 111

For out of hours service, please call the NHS Helpline

HEACHAM & DISTRICT COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME 534777

HEACHAM CHEMIST (Boots) 570297

OPEN MON - FRI 09.00 - 18.30, SAT 09.00 - 17.30
 DUTY CHEMIST NOTICE DISPLAYED ON DOOR

HEACHAM PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE 572142

OPEN MON, TUES, THUR 10:00 - 12:00
 STREET LIGHT FAULT REPORT 572142
 BOROUGH COUNCIL OFFICE 01553 616200

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

TERRY PARISH 07885 258428
 STUART DARK 01485 544339
NORFOLK C.C MICHAEL CHENERY 07920 286638

PARISH LIBRARY (in Church Hall, High Street) 07398647119

OPEN MON, WED, FRI 10.00 - 16.00 SAT 10.00 - 12.00

HEACHAM POST OFFICE 570330

OPEN MON-FRI 09.00 - 13.00, 14.00 - 17.30 SAT 09.00 - 12.00

EMERGENCY SERVICES

QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL 01553 613613
 NHS Helpline 111
 DENTIST Emergency only for patients not registered with a dentist 01553 769264
 COMMUNITY MIDWIFE (Ask for Hunstanton M/W) 01553 613613
 POLICE 101
 SAMARITANS Freephone 116123 or (local charge) 0330 094 5717
 CHILD LINE 0800 1111
 SILVER LINE 0800 4708090
 ELECTRICITY (UK Power Networks) 0800 3163105
 ANGLIAN WATER 0800 771881
 GAS ESCAPE 0800 111999
 24hrs VETERINARY CLINIC (Medivet Heacham) 1485 570065

HUNSTANTON LIBRARY 01485 532280

OPEN TUES WED FRI - 9am-7pm
 SAT 9am-4pm MON & THURS - Closed

HEACHAM CHALK PIT RECYCLING CENTRE 0344 800 8020

1st April to 30th Sept 9am - 5pm 1st Oct to 31st March 9am - 4pm

HEACHAM COMMUNITY WEBSITES

www.heachamgrouppractice.org
www.heachamnewsletter.org.uk

HEACHAM HALLS

PUBLIC HALL 570776
 PINE RESIDENTS HALL, Wilton Road Pat Toppin 779208
 METHODIST CHURCH HALL, Station Road Mike Careless 570363
 ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL, High Street Mon - Fri 10 - 12 572539
 OLD FRIENDS HALL Sunnyside 572142
 HEACHAM SCOUT HUT Sunnyside 592041

LOCAL BUS SERVICES BETWEEN HUNSTANTON AND KING'S LYNN

Bus Enquiries:- www.lynxbus.co.uk 01553 611955

	Service		
	34	35	36
	via QE Hospital via Sandringham Coastliner		
Mon - Sat			
1st bus from Fox & Hounds	0659	0745	0729
Last bus from King's Lynn	2000	1600	1630
frequency	2/hr	1/hr	1/hr
Sun			
1st bus from Fox & Hounds	0915	0945	0844
Last bus from King's Lynn	1900	1530	1800
frequency	1/hr	every 2 hrs	every 2 hrs

Smithdon High School Bus Service 36
 1515 Smithdon School to Hunstanton

WNCT Dial-a-Bus Service

Heacham to King's Lynn via Snettisham, Ingoldisthorpe, Dersingham, Babingley Every Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
 For more information, cost of fares, a membership form or to book wnct.co.uk 01553 776971

MAIN PICK-UP POINTS FOR HEACHAM NEWSLETTER First Saturday of each month except January.

Jennings Store, Tesco Express, Lidl, Heacham Fish Bar, Post Office, Norfolk Lavender, Ridouts Bakery, Parish Library, Artworks at Hunstanton Town Hall

MOBILE LIBRARY

Route DER201 TUESDAY Every Four Weeks
From 20th July 2021

09:50	HANOVER GARDENS	12:55	GYMKHANA WAY
10:20	ROBIN HILL	13:15	COLLEGE DRIVE
10:50	RINGSTEAD ROAD	14:40	GIDNEY DRIVE
11:10	ROLFE CRESCENT (Opp.No.22)	15:15	NEVILLE COURT
11:30	SCHOOL ROAD	16:05	POPLAR AVE
11:55	COLLINGWOOD CLOSE	16:25	SITKA CLOSE
12:15	FENSIDE	16:50	NORWAY CLOSE
12:35	JENNINGS CLOSE	17:10	NEVILLE ROAD

DEFIBRILLATOR SITES IN HEACHAM

(Please read instructions and obtain code to activate)

St.Mary's Church - Front Porch. Available 24hrs
Sports Field Pavillion - On the external wall of the pavilion
Fire Station - Only available when someone is in attendance
Chalk Pit Recycling Centre - Outside the gates. Available 24hrs
Pioneer Holiday Park - In yellow phone box adjacent S Beach Rd, 50yds towards beach from main entrance
North Beach Toilets - On wall near entrance to gents. Available 24hrs

Fullers Body Repair Centre



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