

## Chairman's Column

Keith Welham, Stowupland Parish Council

### September 2016

Many of you will have read and will recall Sandy's report on the July Council meeting. At that meeting Robert Bloom complained about my insistence that the majority of Stowupland residents do not want the Gladman development and he challenged me to produce facts upon which I based my comments. In response, I offer the results of three questionnaire returns. In 2005, the Parish Plan consultation showed that only 1.6% of respondents felt that a development in excess of 40 new homes would be suitable for the village; the results at the time of the 2010 Parish Plan update were similar. In 2015, the responses to the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire showed that 13 (thirteen) people (4.6% of those responding) felt that a development of 75 or more homes would be suitable for the village. Also, over 200 people wrote to MSDC with objections to each of the Gladman applications with not a single representation in favour of the development. I consider that I was on safe ground when I stated that the vast majority of residents of Stowupland agree that a development of 195 homes is unacceptable.

Nevertheless, we have to move on and, as I stated in my June column, if one or more of the landowners would like to speak to the Council, we will be very happy to discuss future plans for the land. Failing that, we will wait until the land is sold and try to speak to the new owners and attempt to secure the most favourable outcome possible for the village.

Very few residents came along to the MSDC exhibition and consultation on 'Building a Sustainable Future' but most of those who did attend gave feedback to MSDC officers and to the Parish Council at the separate public meeting that we held later the same day. There remains a real concern that other large developments might be permitted and these could result in Stowupland losing its rural character. It was suggested that building one or more new towns, probably not in Mid Suffolk, might be the best way to provide new housing at reasonable cost, and suitable locations might be redundant Ministry of Defence land such as at RAF Mildenhall when it closes.

At the July meeting, the Parish Council supported the principle of the planning application in respect of the proposal for 18 homes on land fronting A1120 opposite the church. There are concerns about using part of that land for dropping off school children due to the difficulty in crossing A1120 and ground testing is needed to determine whether or not the area of land offered to the Council for an extension to the cemetery is suitable for that use. The Parish Council will be represented at MSDC planning meetings when this and the application for 75 homes to the west of Thorney Green are considered but we do not yet have a date for either application to be decided.

I am becoming increasingly concerned about the way some councillors and council clerks are treated. This may be a countrywide problem but it is very concerning. Some of the emails sent to Claire and to the Council border on abuse and often the subject of the emails are not within the Parish Council's responsibility. A common complaint is poor maintenance of highways and verges. All we can do is pass these complaints to Suffolk County Council and more often than not the complaint is not remedied. For more than a year we have been trying to get the potholes and cracks in Thorney Green Road dealt with, only to be told that the road may be surface dressed in 2018. SCC has not responded to our many requests to cut back the vegetation on the footpath alongside Thorney Green Road and restore the path to its original width. Please be assured that we (and particularly Claire) are doing all we can. If you do have any issue to report to the council, please, contact Claire by telephone only within her office hours of 10.00 to 12.00 Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you are able to email, this is often a better means of communication and will enable Claire to direct your concern to the correct people to deal with.

We are always pleased to see residents at Parish Council meetings on the second Thursday of every month at 7.30 in the URC church meeting room. Our county councillor, Gary Green, usually attends and these meetings are the ideal opportunity to speak directly to the person who should be able to deal with complaints about highways and verges.

Keith Welham, (Chairman Stowupland Parish Council.)



# **District Councillor's Report**

District Councillor Report to Parish Council, August 2016 Many of you will have read in the local press that the MSDC Chief Executive has left the authority and that Deborah Cadman, Chief Executive at Suffolk County Council, is now overseeing MSDC in addition to her role at SCC.

You may also have read that the Conservative administration at Babergh and MSDC have indicated a preference for moving staff from Hadleigh and Needham Market to share the SCC office in Ipswich. This preference has been announced without any proper consultation. I am very disappointed that staff does not appear to have been given any information in advance of the apparent decision to move their workplace to Ipswich. If such a move does take place, the local economies of Needham Market and Hadleigh will suffer; staff that currently walk or cycle to work will have to make alternative arrangements.

Following the period of consultation on the Devolution Deal for Norfolk and Suffolk, we await a report on the consultation responses and this should soon be available on the website: www.eastangliadevo.co.uk. The next step will be for the Secretary of State to decide whether or not the Deal should proceed and, if so, to make an order, subject to Parliament approval, to set up a new combined authority. If the order includes a requirement for an elected mayor, an election for the office of mayor of the new authority will take place in May 2017.

Consultation on a draft Local Development Order (LDO) for the Food Enterprise Zone, which will be part of the proposed Gateway 14 Business and Enterprise Park (also known as the Mill Lane development), was carried out during July and August and an officer recommendation to members of Planning Referrals Committee to approve an LDO will be considered shortly. The LDO will be broadly in line with the conditions which will form part of the permission for the overall development but will enable businesses associated with the food industry to gain permission without the need for a full planning application. The site is being marketed but we have no information on a start date for construction.

Mid Suffolk and Babergh Councils have been carrying out a consultation as part of the preparation work for the Joint Local Plan. This has included displays around the theme of 'Building a Sustainable Future' in both Stowmarket and Stowupland where visitors could speak with officers and local members, and give verbal and written feedback. If the Devolution Deal is agreed in its present terms, it will require Suffolk and Norfolk to provide 200,000 new homes, including affordable homes and will receive £130million from central government; that's around £650 per home. The Assessed Housing Need for Mid Suffolk is 11,000. Where should they be built? Stowmarket has seen growth in recent years and that is continuing; Stowupland faces the prospect of 195 new homes and further planning

applications for a total of nearly 100 awaiting decision. The whole of the A14 corridor is under pressure and this will continue until MSDC have a sound housing strategy and can demonstrate that there exists a 5 year supply of land available for housing development.

One of the applications for housing development is on land just over the A14 as you travel up from Stowmarket station to Stowupland. You may have seen the 'Mind the Gap' posters. It is vital that Stowmarket and Stowupland do not coalesce and retaining a significant undeveloped strip between Stowupland and A14 is essential. This application for 75 homes and the one for 18 houses in Church Road are likely to be considered by MSDC Planning Committee within the next month or so.

The growth of Stowmarket and some other settlements has triggered an Electoral Review. Some elected members are now representing many more residents than when the ward boundaries were last established; the growth of Cedars Park has contributed to this. The likely growth in the number of residents in Stowupland will also be taken into account. The review will take up much of this year and next with final recommendations being published in October 2017. The changes will take effect at the next District Council elections in May 2019.

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# Parish Council Report

### August 2016

The meeting opened on time with 9 members of the public in attendance. There was no report from the Suffolk County Councillor who was unable to attend due to work

commitments and there was nothing for Stowupland in the generic report from the Police. The District Councillor's report is reported elsewhere in Telstar. Councillor Bickerdike had written to express his concern that personal commitments will mean that he will be unable to attend a number of future Parish Council Meetings and because of this has decided to tender his resignation from the Parish Council but will be willing to assist in any practical way that he can in the future.

#### Matters of Report:

The Clerk reported that a meeting is to be arranged between a small number of members of the Village Hall Committee and the Parish Council in September to resolve all outstanding issues. She also advised that she has received back the signed copy of the churchyard maintenance agreement; however this had been amended by the PCC despite both parties' earlier agreement to the presented wording. The Parish Council are not prepared to agree to these changes and will discuss this with the PCC at the meeting due to be held with them in early September. She advised that a quote has been received to cut back the conifers in the cemetery and approval has been given to carry out the works. The Clerk reported that she is still awaiting information from URC regarding providing a loop system in the meeting room. She has arranged a meeting with Stowupland Falcons for 20th September and reported that Anglian Water have agreed to come along to a Parish Council Meeting, date still to be confirmed.

#### Public Forum:

Mr Cooper stated that he felt that money spent by the Parish Council in the past on solicitors' advice regarding access to the land in Grays Close should be claimed back from the seller of the land. This is to be referred to Finance and Policy Committee for consideration. He was also concerned about comments being made by the builder against past members of the Parish Council. Mr Castle voiced concerns about the state of the track leading to his and his neighbours' properties which he said was damaged by traffic that used it for both the 5 a side event and the Music on the Green. He feels that some financial recompense should be sought from the event organisers. Mr Churchill was unhappy about the way he was prevented from speaking at the July meeting and submitted a letter outlining his feelings. This will be responded to formally by letter. Mrs Bloom asked if the hedge along Devon Road could be trimmed.

#### Building a Sustainable Future Exhibition:

Following the recent public meeting held in July, it was agreed that a number of points should be made formally to MSDC outlining the Parish Council's concerns about the District Council's failure to provide a 5 year land supply giving villages such as Stowupland no chance to put forward their own plans for sustainable development suitable for this village.

#### Music on the Green:

The organisers of this event have now started to rectify the damage to The Green and it was agreed that they would be given until the end of August to make good all the damage and no decision will be taken at this juncture as to any future events to be staged on the Green.

#### **Sub-Committee Reports:**

Following the recent allotments inspection it was agreed that those allotment holders who have received warnings about the state of their plots and have failed to improve their condition would be given notice to leave. Overall, most of the plots were found to be in good condition. The Community Events sub-committee reported that the bingo evenings would recommence in September and then regularly through the forthcoming months. There is also to be a table top sale on 10th September. The Parish Council agreed the recommendations made by the Finance and Policy sub-committee to transfer funds into the cemetery and play park projects. Councillor Brand reported back on the correspondence sent to SCC in respect of the County Council's responsibilities to maintain the highways and verges in the village and their unsatisfactory response. He will continue to pursue these matters in order to receive a satisfactory outcome for the residents of the village. The Clerk reported that the skip has been delivered to the cemetery and all funeral directors have been advised accordingly. Work is due to start on the Church Hall turnaround in September. Councillor Jennings will be looking at all the footpaths in the village before submitting her report to the County Council.

The defence of the Walker Cup between Old Newton and Stowupland is due to take place on 11th September and as many walkers as possible are urged to take part as Old Newton are determined to win back the cup.

The Green will be inspected on 1st October.

The Clerk reported back on behalf of the Play Park Working Group. She advised that she and Sally Reeves had attended the Play Park inspection and they now have a list of play equipment with a 12 month's life span and some with up to 5 years' further use. One item needs to have a new mat put down as soon as possible but all other items can be revisited by the working group and be amended accordingly.

#### Chairman's Report:

He reported that both the Clerk and he had been subjected to some unacceptable rudeness and telephone calls at unreasonable times. See his report elsewhere in Telstar for further details.

#### Clerks Report:

The Clerk advised that her application on behalf of Stowupland for the Christmas Tree Festival at Stowmarket Church has been accepted.

#### Correspondence:

A family member requested information as to the disappearance of their grandmother's headstone from the cemetery. Despite a search by the Clerk of the cemetery, she was unable to locate it and can only advise that its removal was not requested by the Parish Council. A letter was received from a resident requesting information on a tank type vehicle that is sometimes seen driving around the village. It was agreed that this was not a matter for the Parish Council. Other correspondence included an application to erect a shed from an allotment holder, permission to park on The Green for an event to be held at the URC Church and a request to know why a section of The Green outside Berwick House is not always cut by the contractor. Mr Churchill's letter, as referred to in the public forum, was also read out at his request.

The meeting closed to the public at 8.50pm.

Sandy Smith



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#### PLAY PARK GRASS CUTTING

You may have noticed that the cutting of the grass in the Play Park has appeared a bit uneven in recent weeks. Our contractor has had two problems to contend with. The first is people parking in front of the gate



so that he cannot get his mower through to cut the grass. The second is due to the reluctance of parents to control their children and keep them away from the mower. On two recent occasions, only part of the area has been cut because children have been running freely around. Please, if you see the mower in the Play Park, would you take your children outside for a few minutes while the work is completed.

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2016 is a special anniversary for Mid Suffolk Tourist Information Centre in Stowmarket.

This year they celebrate 10 years since moving from their smaller premises in Wilkes Way to the larger centre at the front of The Museum of East Anglian Life. TIC Coordinator, Annette Ellis said 'being based at a major Heart of Suffolk visitor attraction and working in partnership with The Museum has proved a highly successful initiative ... as well as greatly increasing visitor numbers to the TIC, the Museum says that they have benefited greatly from a professional Front of House staff handling all admissions, visitors, memberships and much more besides - (including lost children, a model on assignment, the film crew for Private Peaceful - shot on location at The Museum - & even the odd celebrity visitor!)

The TIC operates the joint gift shop on the Museum's behalf too, which has acquired quite a reputation as somewhere to find 'something a little bit different' - specialising in quality, good value items either made in Suffolk or with a local connection. Whilst some Tourist Information Centres have suffered reduced opening hours or moves to smaller or shared premises, in Stowmarket the partnership between Mid Suffolk District Council & the Suffolk Museum of the Year 2015 - itself a charity - has enabled us to continue to offer all services such as booking accommodation, coach trips & local events, alongside an enviable range and quantity of free information - both for local attractions & visitor guides covering the country - in fact everything that is required of a Visit Britain 'Official Partner TIC'.'

Last year the TIC welcomed over 80,000 visitors - from across the UK & indeed the world - but is here equally with

information, advice and inspiration for local residents too - so if you've never been in - please pop in to have a look around - you might even find something new to enjoy on your doorstep - especially if you have friends or family visiting!

We'll be hoping to hold a small celebratory event in October - so watch local press and social media for details!

As well as being open 7 days a week (summer) & 6 in winter, for walk in visitors, the TIC can also be contacted by phone 01449 676800, email <a href="mailto:tic@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk">tic@baberghmidsuffolk.gov.uk</a>, via Facebook - Stowmarket TIC, or Twitter <a href="mailto:@moreStowmarket.">@moreStowmarket.</a> www.heartofsuffolk.co.uk.

# THE WALKER CUP – STOWUPLAND V OLD NEWTON – SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER

It's that time of year again. Forget football, cricket, tennis, cycling and the Olympics – this is the competition that really matters - the Walker Cup. The rules are simple. The village that has the most walkers making the journey there and back wins the cup. So, all you have to do is walk from the Retreat in Stowupland to the Sports and Social Club in Old Newton and back again. We won the cup last year thanks to a brilliant turn-out. Let's do it again!

The route follows footpaths between the two villages and, at a gentle amble; the walk should take a total of about 1 ½ hours there and back.

The competition is open to all ages from 0 to 90+ so even if you have to be carried you will count as a 'Stowupland walker'. Just register at the Retreat before you start and on your return. Registration is between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

There's a £2 entry donation with all proceeds going to charity (extra donations will be very welcome). So, it's a good cause, you'll see some lovely countryside and if we win we get to keep that lovely shiny cup. What more could you ask?

Margaret Gough Stowupland PC Footpath Group



STOWUPLAND LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

### Marion Harris – Tel. 01449 770895 or email: marion@astronomer.plus.com

### **Stowmarket LHG Visit to Holy Trinity Church**

This was an enjoyable evening for us all and we are very grateful to the members of Holy Trinity Church for their hospitality and to Neil Langridge for his talk about A.G.H. Hollingsworth and the founding of the church. We heard how the Rev. Hollingsworth had come to the Stowmarket parish from Monkstown in Ireland, where he had proved to be not only a caring clergyman, particularly at the time of a cholera epidemic, but also an able fund-raiser.

The Church of England was under pressure because of a growing population and increasing interest in non-conformist churches. Hollingsworth first raised funds to increase the capacity of the Stowmarket church, which the town shared with Stowupland, but when a generous donation was made by the Marquis of Bristol, he decided that it might be possible to build a new church in the village. The Penny Post had been established and seven ladies set about what we would call a mail drop, to raise funds.

The foundation stone was laid with great ceremony at the south west corner of the tower by Charles Tyrrell of Gipping Hall, in 1842. Beneath it was a glass vase containing a parchment with details of the project. The church was consecrated in August 1843.

After hearing about the interior of the Church and having a look around the Church and Churchyard, we moved on to the Church Hall for refreshments; but there was talk of a mystery: where is the foundation stone of the Church? After a careful look at the base of the tower, inside and out, we could only conclude that it had been completely built into the walls!

### **August Meeting**

It was a great pleasure to welcome Pip Wright to our fifth birthday meeting. He explained how, after the dissolution of the monasteries, expensive fee-paying schools were founded but charity schools were also set up, for the education of poor boys. Land would be given by a benefactor and the rent from it used to fund a school, pay the schoolmaster and sometimes provide clothing for the deserving poor boys selected. At Earl Stonham, the school was in the old Guildhall. Each boy was only in school for two or three years but they were

taught to read, write and cost accounts. With an eye to the future, a plot of land was also given to raise money for buying books and apprenticing the boys.

Pip read some very amusing extracts from his book, 'The Class of '63', which follows something of the lives of the eight poor boys who started their education at the Earl Stonham Charity School in 1763. The book is based on original documents but its inspiration owes much to the author's own love of teaching.

Pip Wright's books can be bought at the Tourist Information Office (opposite ASDA), by using the order form on <a href="https://www.pipwright.com">www.pipwright.com</a>, or by phoning 01449 612278.

#### **Talking Point**

Roger Carter remembers his father taking horses down Bridleway 28, to be shod at Creeting – but he does not remember it as 'Maltings Lane' or recognise the name 'Maltings Cottages', though he remembers the burning of the thatch. The names do not appear in the 1964 sale catalogue for Croft Farm, though the building may well have been the farmhouse. Walter and Fred Cubitt lived there and farmed the 57 acre Croft Farm. They gave land to the Chapel for use as a car park.

Just as we were thinking we had no more information, the following turned up,

from 1787 Apr 21 'Ipswich Journal' (capitals as in the original):

#### 'To be SOLD

The Materials of a Malting, now standing on THORNEY GREEN in Stowupland, Suffolk; consisting of the Kiln, Bricks, Tiles, flooring Boards and good Oak Timber.

Enquire of Charles Beard of Stowupland aforesaid; or Tho. Collman of Needham-market.'

Thanks to Marie Ryan, for the use of Ena Carter's notes, John Paddy and Neil Langridge. More next month and on Facebook!

For our next 'Talking Point', does the village have any ghost stories?

#### **Facebook**

Updates and comments on many aspects of village history are on our

Facebook page: have a look - and join in!

#### **Programme**

**Sep 7th** 'The Incendiary Fires of 1844 in Stowupland' by Neil Langridge

The agricultural labourer's life during the 19th century could be far from a rural idyll, issues such as food shortages, unemployment and the new Union Workhouses were a cause for protest. This could take the form of fire-starting and an outbreak in 1844 was focused on the Stowmarket area. Three of these fires occurred on farms in Stowupland and much damage was done. One of the labourers responsible was transported to Australia.

Oct 5th 'Behind the Scenes at Time Team' by Helen Geake
For twenty years Channel 4's 'Time Team' was essential viewing.
For four of these years Helen was a key member of the team. No
doubt she will tell us something of how the series was made with a
few amusing stories of life behind the scenes. Helen qualified at York
University and currently works for the Portable Antiquities Scheme.
We meet at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Visitors are always welcome
and refreshments are available. Admission is £1 for members, £3 for



non-members.

## Stowupland W.I. report

In Colleen's absence, Judy ran the July meeting. After greeting everyone, the formalities of the business were gone through. Members were reminded of the deadline for the September Southwold trip and given details of the London museums visit and Norwich shopping trip later in the year.

We then heard from Rachel Sloan, with her talk entitled "From babies to broadcasting". She started off as a nursery nurse, which gave her the experience to write an article for her W.I. "Through the eyes of a child", for which she won the Suffolk East Federation award. This article was followed by "Police Wife" (her husband is a police superintendent) and accepted for a magazine. This encouraged further articles. When "Listen with Mother" closed on Radio 4, Radio Orwell invited her – unpaid - to run a weekly programme "Child's Play" which ran for 4 years and from

which experience she wrote a book. She was then offered a daily slot and from there, later moved to the BBC, where she interviewed all sorts of people on a wide variety of interests. She had many amusing moments, including trying to commentate on a football match – she lasted 5 minutes! Rachel now runs a business teaching others how to work on radio and to cope with the new technology. She was a good speaker and kept us enthralled.

After refreshments the report of the recent A.G.M. was read and news of the 2017 meeting announced. Garden Club teas – helpers and cake bakers covered this years' meetings. A community quiz is to be held on Friday September 16th. Patterns for knitting a beanie hat for a newborn were available. Birthday posies were given out and the results of the competitions as follows –

Flower - joint 1st. Yvonne & Carolyn, 3rd. Claire, Baby's Bootees - 1st. Louise, 2nd. Penny.

Judy then asked the members if they wished to continue using the Joan Scarlett cup, given to the competition winner each month. Happily the majority were in favour. The meeting closed with a hope to see most members at our tea party in August.

#### **Outings**

Saturday, October22nd. London Museums – Natural History, Science and V & A. Free admission to all. For special exhibitions there is a charge –

**Natural History** - Colour & Vision – through the eyes of nature – adult £10.80, child and concession £5.40, family £27.

**V & A –** medieval embroidery, history of underwear – both, adult £12, concession - £11. "Revolution" - all aspects of the late 1960s – music, fashion etc. –adult £16, concession £15.

Science - "Wonderlab" adult - £8

Coach fare max. £14. Leave Stowupland 8.30 a.m. depart London 4.00 p.m.

Saturday, November 26th. Norwich shopping (not compulsory – just enjoy the city) leave Stowupland 9.00 a.m. – depart Norwich 4.00 p.m.

Friends and family welcome to both. Contact Judy Clarke for more details (01449 615386)

### Stowupland Village Hall update.

#### **Jerry Voden VHMC**

This month I would like to start by thanking all residents who support the village hall recycling area. Papers and bottles and all our other banks are well used and the income goes a long way to help with the running of the hall and its facilities on a day to day basis. While this is extremely welcome, we are not able to accommodate "FLY TIPPING" which happened this month in the form of a foam mattress and parts of a bed. This causes our caretaker and the committee a considerable amount of work as well as having to move it as it was blocking one of the bottle banks.

Please could I remind everyone that this is **an offence** and anybody caught will be reported to Mid Suffolk District Council and will be fined. Also we are asking for residents help if they see anyone dumping stuff that is not part of the recycling that we have in the area. Please let the caretaker or a member of the committee know with as much detail as possible so we can pass this onto MSDC.

With the school holidays on it has been a fairly quiet month for the hall, however we are still looking to increase our weekend bookings so if you would like to know more about the hall and its facilities please contact our booking secretary Hugh Blanch on 01449 612156.



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# Holy Trinity Church. Rev David Swales

Dear Friends,

One challenge of writing for Telstar is the problem of commenting on current events. During the time between the deadline and publication, events will usually have moved on – sometimes in dramatic or appalling ways – and any comment may be well out of date: especially when every day seems to bring new tragedies, atrocities or crises.

But one comment can surely be made. At times like this, many rightly ask questions about the Christian Faith: Does it hold any answers? Is it perhaps part of the problem?

The Church should always be a place where we are able to look together honestly at such questions. It should never be an escape - a cosy, unchanging refuge where we can pretend for a little while that the world outside doesn't exist. It is rather a place where our faith is re-charged and strengthened to serve God faithfully in that troubled world.

Of course, our Sunday worship is a vital part of that process of re-charging and strengthening. But another important part is our **Home Group**, which starts up this month. Why not come along? This autumn we will be exploring the familiar words of the Lord's Prayer. These words of Jesus are so much more than a form of words to say in church: they offer a vision of a whole new life, and a whole new world.

I have belonged to Home Groups throughout my Christian life, and have always found time spent there a good investment, helping me to serve God and other people more effectively. Oh, and they're tremendous fun, too! I hope you will come and join me: *everyone* is welcome!

If you'd like to know more, have a word with me or Rev Chris, or just turn up.

Your friend and vicar. David

\* We will meet alternate Wednesdays, starting 7th September at 7.30pm at The Vicarage, The Folly, and Haughley, IP14 3NS

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#### **CHURCH SERVICES in AUGUST**

4th Sep 9.30am Parish Communion

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11th Sep 9.30am Morning Worship **&** ★ *Trinity Starz* ★

6.30pm Evensong (BCP)

18th Sep 8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Morning Prayer (BCP)

19th Sep (Mon) 10.30am Harvest Praise at Steeple View - All Welcome!

21th Sep (Wed) 2.00pm Harvest Praise at Jubilee View - All Welcome!

25th Sep 9.30am All-Age Harvest Festival Service

6.30pm Parish Communion

(BCP) - Book of Common Prayer)

#### A PRAYER:

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labours of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in want, to the glory of your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### **FAMILIES!**

Please come along to the '1st @ 4' SERVICE on Sunday, 4th September at 4.00pm and enjoy 'Church With A Difference' (with some snacks afterwards)!

Also, we welcome all families and children to our **Morning Worship Service** along with **Trinity Starz** on Sunday, 11th September at 9.30am and please do stay and have FairTrade refreshments with us in the hall afterwards!

#### **FAMILY HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE:**

We warmly invite you to our All-Age Family Harvest Festival service of Praise and Thanksgiving on Sunday, September 25th at 9.30am with a very special welcome to all parents and children and our friends from the URC.

Gifts of fresh flowers to be distributed to the housebound will be most appreciated.

#### **HARVEST SUPPER:**

There is no Ploughman's Lunch in September, instead we welcome you to come along and enjoy our friendly and popular 3-Course Harvest Supper in congenial company on Saturday September 17th - 6.30 for 7.00pm in the Village Hall. The supper will be followed by a short period of entertainment. See page 40 for full details. Any surplus monies will, as usual, be donated to Farm Africa.

#### STEEPLE VIEW & JUBILEE COURT:

The residents warmly invite you to join them for their Harvest Praise Services at **Steeple View** on Monday, 19th September at 10.30am (followed by a short Communion for those who wish to stay). The Jubilee Court Harvest Praise will be at 2.00pm on Wednesday 21st September to which everyone is also welcome!

#### **BEETLE DRIVES:**

We welcome everyone to come along and enjoy some fun in a very friendly atmosphere at the Beetle Drives which will be held on Tuesdays, 6th and 27th September at 2.30pm in the Church Hall.

#### 100-CLUB:

The July winners are:-

1st No.66 Mr P Roberts: 2nd No.32 Mr J Finbow:

3rd No.24 Mrs S Skipper

The August winners are: - 1st No.36 Mrs R Balaam: 2nd No.80 Mrs C Sapsed: 3rd No.1 Dr D Rose

#### **WEEKLY OPEN CHURCH:**

Holy Trinity Church has an **Open Church Session from 2pm to 4pm each Wednesday.** 

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Come on in for a free cup of tea/coffee and a chat, to wait for children coming out of school, perhaps for a quiet prayer, just to enjoy your Parish Church, or to enquire about church activities etc.

#### **FOOD BANK BOX:**

If you would like to donate items for the Food Bank to help those in need of a helping hand, there is a box at the back of the church for you to leave your items. Thank you!

#### **CHURCH HALL HIRE:**

Please remember that the well-appointed Church Hall is available for hire at reasonable rates, and is ideal for children's parties and small groups/meetings. For more information please contact John & Ann Parsell on 01449 672592. Thank you.

#### PARISH REGISTERS

**WEDDINGS.** Our congratulations to those who have recently married:

29th July Ross Myhill & Kelly Allcock

Telstar is also available as a link on the Parish Council website:

## www.stowupland.com

#### CLUB CONTACT DETAILS

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# September Dates

Thur	1	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Sat	3	Viillage Litter Pick & Churchyard and	9.30am	Holy Trinity Church
		Cemetery Tidy-Up		
Sat	3	P.C. Cemetery & Churchyard Sub. Com.	10.00am	The Churchyard
Sun	4	Country & Western Dance	7.30pm	Village Hall
Mon	5	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	6	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Tues	6	Beetle Drive	2.30pm	Church Hall
Wed	7	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	7	Book Group	2.00pm	
Wed	7	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church
Wed	7	Local History Group	7.30pm	Village Hall
		The Incendiary Fires of 1844 in Stowupla	and' by Neil Lan	gridge
Thurs	8	Parish Council	7.30pm	URC Chapel Hall
Thurs	8	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Sat	10	Table Top Sale (Community event)	10.00am	Village Hall
		Doors open for sellers only 9.00am		
Sun	11	Walker Cup		
Sun	11	Country & Western Dance	7.30pm	Village Hall
Mon	12	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	13	TELSTAR DEADLINE DATE - October is	sue	
Tues	13	Mobile Library	9.30am	Jubilee Court
Tues	13	Mobile Library	9.55am	The Green
Tues	13	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Wed	14	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	14	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church
Thurs	15	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Fri	16	Community Quiz - Doors open	7.00pm	Village Hall
Sun	18	Country & Western Dance	7.30pm	Village Hall
Mon	19	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	20	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Wed	21	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	21	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church
Wed	21	P.C Neighbourhood Plan Sub. Com.	7.30pm	URC Chapel Hall
Wed	21	W.I 'Divided by a Common Language	' 7.30pm	Village Hall
Thurs	22	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Sat	24	P.C. Allotments Sub. Com.	10.00am	The Allotments

Sat	24	Summer Fair, Freeman C. P.	School	11.00am	Freeman School
Sun	25	Football Family Fun Day		11.00am	Sports & Social Club
Sun	25	Country & Western Dance		7.30pm	Village Hall
Mon	26	Dance Club		7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	27	Coffee Morning		10.00am	Jubilee Court
Tues	27	Beetle Drive		2.30pm	Church Hall
Wed	28	Baby & Toddler Group		9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	28	Open Church		2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church
Thurs	29	P.C. Finance & Policy Meeting	ng	7.30pm	V.H. Meeting Room
Thur	29	Short Mat Bowls		7.30pm	Village Hall
Fri	30	Coffee Morning for Macmillan Ca	ancer Support	10.00am	URC Chapel Hall
Fri	30	Community Bingo (18+) D	oors open	7.00pm	Village Hall

### **October Dates**

Sat	1	P.C. Environment Sub. Com.	10.00am	Outside The Retreat
Sun	2	Country & Western Dance	7.30pm	Village Hall
Mon	3	Afternoon Fellowship - Harvest	2.30pm	URC Chapel
Mon	3	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	4	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Tues	4	Beetle Drive	2.30pm	Church Hall
Wed	5	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	5	Book Group	2.00pm	
Wed	5	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church
Wed	5	Local History Group -	7.30pm	Village Hall
		'Behind the Scenes at Time Team' by He	elen Geake	
Thurs	6	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Fri	7	Children's Chocolate Bingo Doors open	4.00pm	Village Hall

### **Future Events in 2016**

28 Oct	Community Bingo (18+)
18 Nov	Community Quiz
25 Nov	Christmas Bingo (18+)

If you wish to attend one of the events listed, and would like help with transport, please contact Good Neighbours on **07591 539621** 

# Countryside Rambler

Brian Ward

Walking through woodland seems so quiet with very little birdsong as most birds are moulting and go into a spell of not singing during this time. The birds are still there and if you stand still for a while or sit in a hide they will appear. Long Tailed Tits will gather in large family parties and suddenly appear with other species of tit, Goldcrest and even Tree Creeper all in a scattered group. I take it the reason is



more eyes to watch out for predators such as the Sparrow Hawk.

I have concentrated on butterflies this past month; most of the common varieties have been seen with several small populations of Grayling being found. This butterfly is a master of camouflage, once it closes its wings it blends in so well with its background. I have seen several White Admirals around the Dunwich area and Painted Lady butterflies at various locations with some excellent specimens at Sculthorpe Moor nature reserve. This reserve is suitable for wheelchairs and buggies, with boardwalks throughout the whole reserve. The reserve is situated in the Wensum Valley, so expect to see all the usual wildlife associated with woodland, fen and reed beds. Very helpful staff is at hand to answer any questions you have and on our visit the local reserve photographer was present to offer us advice on where to see and photograph various wildlife.

Many flowers attract butterflies in our gardens with Buddleia probably being the most popular. In the wild at this time of year I look for Hemp Agrimony, this plant prefers damp conditions along riversides and fens, its pink flowers attract many

butterflies as well as various bees, beetles and bugs. While you are out hunting for butterflies look out for the Emperor Dragonfly, it is one of our largest dragonflies and is constantly on the wing searching for airborne insects and usually when it lands it is only for a few moments. If you study this dragonfly at close quarters it is quite stunning with its blue body and black markings. The smaller Damselflies of which I believe the Banded Demoiselle is the most delicate and beautiful, at first glance may be confused with a butterfly but when settled, its long slim metallic green body and closed banded wings denotes it as a Demoiselle. It will patrol a small territory along a river and defend it, chasing away other intruding males and will perform a courtship dance if a female enters the area. Some of the best places to see Dragonflies and Damselflies are Wicken Fen. West Stow Lake and river and Knettishall Heath. Along the river walk even a stroll along the river and around Needham Lake on a sunny day I am sure you will be rewarded by spotting several types.

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# URC MINISTER Rev'd Chris Wood

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On Sunday 25th September we unite with our friends from Holy Trinity for their Harvest Festival.

The service commences at 9.30am.

On Friday 30th September the coffee morning will be a special one for Macmillan Cancer Support. It will be at the normal time 10am to 12noon. Please come along and support this very worthwhile cause. In addition to Coffee/Tea and cakes there will be a draw cake and book stall.

The Harvest Festival at the Chapel is on 2nd October when Holy Trinity will join with us for a united service. Worship will be led by John Webb. This service will commence at 10.30am.

Suffolk Historic Churches 35th Sponsored Cycle Ride (now known as the Bike Ride and Stride) takes place on Saturday 10th September when the Chapel will be open to sign in riders and walkers from 9am to 5pm. If anyone is interested in taking part sponsor forms and a list of which churches are open are available from Joyce Gardiner 01449 676149

Services at the URC Chapel are held each Sunday at 10.30am and we cordially invite anyone who wishes to join us in our worship. A warm welcome awaits you.

#### Our speakers for September are as follows:

04th September 2016 Veda Berriman

11th September 2016 Irene Martin

18th September 2016 Rev'd Chris Wood

25th September 2016 United Service at Holy Trinity at

9.30am

Afternoon Fellowship

We recommence our meetings on 3rd October when our speaker will be Rev'd Chris Wood.

We welcome anyone who would like to join us at our meetings (male or female). Come and enjoy the fellowship.

Mary Clark

#### **HOW WELL ARE YOU DOING?**

It was suggested to me some years ago that if all drivers were required to undergo the driving test again – most would fail! It's not that there are bad drivers out there, but it acknowledges that we easily get into 'bad habits' of which most of us aren't necessarily aware. There was an occasion that Jayne my wife was nearly knocked down by a driver on Ipswich Street who had a right go at her (never a good idea!) until, that is, she pointed out that they had undertaken an illegal right-hand turn at speed. Amazingly they still swore at her before they got back into their vehicle and drove off.

The Apostle Paul in one of his letters suggested to the Christians in Corinth that they ought to undergo a period of self-appraisal – a 'Do-it-Yourself' examination – as he was picking up rumours that they'd sadly slipped into 'bad habits' of which they weren't apparently aware. Rather than put them through a rigorous test himself, he gave them advance warning to do an exercise themselves first, in the hope that, by the time he arrived, they'd sorted themselves out and he would be spared having to berate them! (if only OFSTED would do the same ....)

Before they undertook this 'Taking Stock' exercise, he pointed out that it could only be done honesty, suggesting that 'Christ was with them' and reminding them that God knew everything there was to know about them – a gentle reminder that they might fool themselves and others, but they couldn't fool God! [My favourite Psalm is 139: 'Lord, You have examined me and You know me .... You know me through and through ..... examine me and know my mind .... watch lest I follow any path that grieves You and lead me in the everlasting way (REB)]

Thereafter, Paul leaves them to determine how they will conduct

this 'self-examination' other than to gauge it to 'living the life of faith'. Although there are plenty of instances in scripture where we discover that God expects His people to be 'upright' and righteous in all that they say, think and do – although I have to admit its pages are littered with examples of how they fall short of this ideal, but therein lies a reassurance that God is patient and kind, slow to anger (see Psalms 103 and 145)

Jonathan Sacks, the retired Chief Rabbi acknowledges that, although we're 'made in the image of God', there are two sides to human nature – on the one side all that leads to good, and the other that easily strays towards wrong choices. He suggests that, just like an athlete has to train themselves to excel in their discipline, so it is with the life of faith, it's necessary to train oneself to do the right and proper thing, and treat others as you would have them treat yourself.

Paul encourages everyone to undertake a 'self-examination' to establish how well (or otherwise) they are reflecting God's rule of love, but then stresses that, whatever the result, but especially if we're disappointed in what we find, we ought not sulk, give up, or take our bat and ball home. Rather, with God's help, guidance and strength, to do something about it, so that our lives might be remoulded in the things that are of Christ – just as the lovely hymn suggests: 'Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me! Mould me! Fill me! Use me! Spirit of the Living fall afresh on me' [Daniel Iverson (1890 – 1972) © Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, USA]

God Bless, Chris (Rev'd Chris Wood – minister of Stowmarket, Stowupland, Mendlesham & Debenham URC's)

#### BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAIN BOYS 40 YEARS ON

In 1975 four lads, all living in Stowupland, formed a country and western band calling themselves "The Blue Ridge Mountain Boys". During the following years they performed all over East Anglia as well as locally in our towns and villages.

Last year Brian Cocksedge, Gerry List, Peter Laflin and Tony Bridges discussed reforming the band to do a "one off" Country and Western dance in aid of Cancer Research UK. This will take place at Stowupland Village Hall on the 22nd October 2016 from 8.00 pm till 11.30pm.

They are also planning to have a draw to raise further funds for the charity- donations of draw prizes would be most welcome and appreciated.

Tickets for the event will be available at £4 each by contacting Brian on 01449 677499 or Gerry on 01449 675412.

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Throughout the season members have turned up to keep the clubhouse clean and tidy, the bar was stocked and the food was delicious. A big thank you! To all members who helped with these events and weekly tasks.

Finally I would like to share some photos of our open day triples.

Thank you to all members for an enjoyable season.





#### STOWUPLAND ALLOTMENTS

On a glorious, sunny August afternoon (far removed from the wet cold afternoon of the last meeting) I had the pleasure of joining fellow Parish Councillors Keith and Alan for this allotment committee meeting.

It was an absolute delight to see so many well tended and productive allotments and to meet Colin and Andy. Hopefully in time I will be able to meet more of you and that my gardening questions won't be too annoying!

I must take this opportunity to thank Colin and Andy for the beautiful bunches of flowers they gave me which are looking rather wonderful in my kitchen as I write.

Daniela



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#### **Butter Biscuit recipe**

250g butter (cut into small pieces, softened) 140g caster sugar,

300g sifted plain flour, 1 egg yolk, 2tsp vanilla extract.

**Directions 1** T o make the dough: mix the butter and sugar together until its really light and fluffy looking.

- 2 Break the egg and separate the yolk and white, keeping the yolk and adding it to the butter and sugar mix. 3 Add half the flour and mix well
- 4 Then add the rest and mix slowly until you have a nice dough that is not to wet. 5 Knead the dough into a ball
- 6 chill the dough in the fridge for half an hour then roll out the dough to about the thickness of a pound coin
- 7 To make biscuit shapes use cookie cutters or cut circles around the rim of a glass. 8 Grease a baking tray and lay out the biscuits with a little gap between.
- 9 Bake in a preheated oven at 180c (gas mark 4) for 12-15 minutes
- 10 When they are cooked slide them off the tray to cool on a rack.
- 11 Decorate with icing.



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## Family Funday

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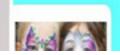
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There will be several stalls for you to enjoy, the Lowestoft Deaf Signing Choir, Singing and Signing Carols, a raffle and a tombola stall.

If you would like to book a stall for the coffee morning please call 01449 678329 and speak to Nigel, Jane or Daphne who can give you more details.

United Response is a registered charity no. 265249

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