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A black and white photograph of a kite flying in a cloudy sky. The kite is a diamond shape with a long tail. In the background, there are trees and a house with a chimney. The overall scene is a peaceful outdoor setting.

Stowupland News

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Welcome to October's edition of Telstar. In this edition you will find detailed reports for the year covering the work of the Parish Council and the Parish Clerk. PC Stefan Henriksen tells us about his role as a Community Engagement Officer, and the Stowupland Local History Group reports on their latest research into past times in Stowupland and surrounding areas. If you belong to a group or organization and would like to see it featured in the magazine we would be happy to hear from you. Look out for details of village events and meetings such as the monthly coffee morning at the URC Chapel, and Community Bingo at the Village Hall. Also, if you would like to get more involved, the Sports and Social Club are asking for your help this month.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT



This month I can report on the loss of a very well used facility at Allard's. The village post office, the Butcher's shop and Cafe are now closed. This will be a huge loss to the village and the surrounding area.

The Parish Pouncil has written to Post Office Counters Ltd to find out what steps they are taking to find alternative premises for the post office. I understand that they are keen to work with any local business in the village that may be interested in taking this on as an extension of their existing business. We will have to wait events and see how things develop. We will keep you updated as we hear from the post office.

Sunday the 9th September saw the annual Walkers Cup take place between Stowupland and Old Newton. The weather was good and this gentle stroll between the two villages brought out 151 walkers. This was an opportunity to get some exercise and enjoy friendly chats along the way, with refreshments at the Retreat in Stowupland and the Sports and Social Club at Old Newton to look forward too. The winner of the cup is determined by the village that has the most walkers for the day. This is still to be announced. Thank you to the organisers for their efforts both on the day and the build up to it. There is a lot of planning and preparation needed for the event to take place. Next year it will be on Sunday September 8th so, whether you are new to the village or a resident of some years, come and join in the fun.

One or two residents have spoken to me about the state of the verges around the village, notably in Mill Street and from the garage down the A1120 to the A14 roundabout. Claire Pizzey our Parish Clerk has been in touch with our County Councillor Gary Green about this issue and has been told that the County Council contractors are behind schedule due to the recent weather conditions. They are working hard to rectify the situation, let's hope they will get to us soon.

Jerry Voden Chairman Stowupland Parish Council.

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DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT



Locality Grants

As I mentioned last month, each member of the District Council has been allocated £6250 to spend on local projects. I have received four bids for projects in Stowupland and passed these on for payment to the bidders. I'm sure that more will be coming in soon. I (along with many other District Councillors) have also allocated £250 from my budget to The Mix, following the theft of their catering vehicle, to enable their projects to continue whilst they wait for a replacement vehicle. Please think about any organisation or club in Stowupland, of which you are a member, and if they might wish to submit a bid for some of this money. It needs to be a bid for a specific project or purchase of equipment and cannot be used on general running costs of an organisation. Please get in touch with me if you have something in mind.

Homelessness Provision

The Foyer in Hillside, Combs Ford has been brought back into use and will more than double the Council's provision of accommodation for families and vulnerable people in Mid Suffolk who find themselves without a home. The Foyer, previously owned by Flagship Housing, has been unused for over a year. Mid Suffolk District Council purchased the building, and have carried out repairs and alterations to provide housing for 17 vulnerable families and individuals, while the Council investigates their housing needs and requirements. The Foyer will provide a mix of single, double and twin rooms.

5 Year Housing Land Supply and the Joint Local Plan

The 5 year land supply details are being tested at planning inquiries. I attended the first day of the inquiry into the refusal of an application for a housing development of 49 homes in Woolpit; the appellants scrutinised almost every development proposal claimed by the District Council to be deliverable within the next 5 years. The appellant's witness sought to persuade the Planning Inspector that MSDC have only a 3.4 year supply of housing land. The decision on whether or not to allow the development will hang almost entirely on what figure the Inspector accepts as housing land supply. His decision is expected to be given in mid to late October.

Development of 18 homes on land opposite Holy Trinity Church

This outline application gained approval from the Planning Committee in May 2018, subject to certain conditions, including completion of a Section 106 agreement. However, before the Section 106 Agreement was finalised, MSDC claimed a 5 year supply of housing land. One of the material considerations that officers and the committee took into account when evaluating the application was the lack of an adequate supply of housing land. This application is being re-evaluated and MSDC have programmed for the application to be considered by committee again on 26 September.

Council House Letting

Officers have been carrying out a project to devise new ways of working to reduce the time between a Council property being vacated and new residents moving in. This has very been successful resulting in a reduction from around

50 days in Spring 2018 to 20 to 25 for the last couple of months. This has been achieved almost entirely by better programming and coordination of workforce.

District Council ward boundaries

The Boundary Commission's final draft proposals are now available. These show Stowupland included in a two-member ward which also includes the parishes of Haughley, Wetherden and Old Newton with Gipping and Dagworth. One of the reasons for the review was the recent and predicted growth of housing in Stowmarket. However, the new warding arrangements are based upon the premise that there will be very low growth in the ward covering the four parishes. Clearly, in Stowupland alone there could be an increase of some 700 electors. This would be a huge percentage increase from the present figure of around 1700. Significant increases in the number of electors are also likely in Haughley and Old Newton and the cumulative effect may be enough to trigger another review.

Keith Welham, MSDC District Councillor for Stowupland ward
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VOLUNTEER DAY AT RED GABLES, STOWMARKET

On Tuesday 9th October Red Gables is hosting a Volunteer Day in Stowmarket. We are working with Stowmarket Town Council to encourage more people to volunteer and we would like budding volunteers to come along and see what opportunities are available.



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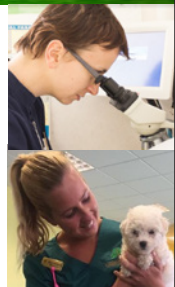
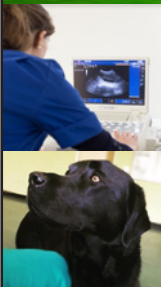
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The meeting opened with 8 members of the public present. The Chairman announced the resignation of Cllr Guy due to ill health and he wished him well soon.

Council Report:

The District Council report can be found elsewhere in Telstar and, although SCC Cllr Green was not present, following a meeting earlier this week with Cllr Reeves and the Clerk, she reported his feedback. She advised that the horse signage should be sorted by the end of September. The Clerk reported that Cllr Green was chasing an update on the Thorney Green Road re-surfacing and, as the inspector dealing with the lay-by at the Primary School has moved on to a different area without the work being carried out as promised, he is now chasing the new inspector to complete the work as soon as possible. Cllr Green has advised that Cllr Welham's complaints about the Gipping Road closure have been sent to the officer in charge amidst conflicting information coming from SCC and he is also trying to get an update on the road markings on Devon Road and the provision of a definitive map of the highway across Thorney Green. The damaged kerbs at the cemetery will be repaired when all the works are complete. The parts required for the SID device have been priced. He confirmed that the moving of the 30mph sign would require a very good reason and a change in legislation which would all incur a cost. He also warned that some urgent repairs need to be made to the Stowmarket viaduct on the A14 which will necessitate its closure for possibly 4 weekends from 9pm 28th Sept through to 5am on the Monday on each weekend to the weekend beginning 26th October excepting the 20th October when there will be an Ipswich Town home match. It may also involve the closure on Monday nights as well following the weekend closures. This will have a massive effect on traffic in Stowmarket and impact on Stowupland. Although HGV's will be directed away from Stowmarket, this may be ignored by some drivers. He will update with some firm dates as soon as he knows.

Matters of Report:

The Clerk reported that the plastic post on the A1120/B1115 junction has been replaced as has the barrier at Columbyne Close. MSDC have advised that the new village road signs should be installed within the next 6 weeks. She advised that she contacted Suffolk On Board following the concerns voiced by residents about the bus service. They stated that following the re-design of the service earlier this year, they had to ensure

that all locations in the village were covered by the different services i.e. 456 and 387 and if they changed the route of 456 to include Mill Cottages it would mean that other stops currently served would have a reduced service. They have asked the operator to monitor the situation but any change in the timetable incurs costs payable to the Traffic Commissioner as well as the cost of reprinting timetables, publicity etc. She also spoke to them about the lack of timetables in the bus shelters but was advised that as the shelters are owned by the Parish Council it is for them to fund the cost of installing them at a cost of £225 per bus shelter. It was agreed that the Parish Council should investigate more cost-effective ways of installing a timetable in each shelter. The Clerk advised that she has sent a letter to the contractor regarding the outstanding works in the cemetery but has received no response to date. It was agreed that she should send another one with proof of delivery. She has yet to receive any quotations for the new bench on the Half a Mow. The Clerk reported that a resident has mended the swing in the Play Park and Cllr Reeves would like to minute her thanks to them. The resident with the overgrown tree at the Hornbeam/ Maple Road junction does not feel that the tree is causing a problem at the moment. Boyer Planning have agreed to meet with the Parish Council in early October and Gladman have asked the Parish Council to review the consultation documentation and have stated that it may be useful to discuss meeting dates later. The Parish Council are to request a meeting with them prior to Gladman submitting their planning application. The letter of support requested by the Stowupland Village Hall Committee has been sent to them in respect of the S106 monies. Cllr Welham reported back on his attendance at the Woolpit planning inquiry which he attended advising that, following the announcement by MSDC that they had 5.4 years' land supply for new housing, the developer disputed this stating that he believed that they only had 3.4 years' supply. The inspector then announced that he would make further investigations himself and then submit his decision.

Public Forum:

One member of the public, who had also sent an e-mail to the Clerk advising of her concerns about the level of traffic using the track behind the Green to access Columbyne Close, requested a review of signage to deter through traffic. Later in the meeting it was agreed to submit a piece to Telstar to remind residents that they should not be accessing their road this way. She also stated that there was a growing problem with fly posting of Slimming World posters around the village and asked that the Parish Council either gets them removed or contacts Slimming World to ask them to desist. Another resident reported the excessive speed of cars driven by parents taking their children to school along Church Road. A number of wheel tracks have appeared over The Green and it was queried

what vehicle had caused these. Another resident asked if there was any development on the repair of the new footpath along Gipping Road. The Clerk will chase Bloor Homes as they had agreed to repair it.

Neighbourhood Plan:

Jackie Ward reported back on the feedback from the pre-submission public consultation. She advised that she has had some really constructive feedback and that she had tabulated the information. There had been good responses from organisations like SCC, Historic England and the Suffolk Preservation Society amongst others. All comments have been taken on board and added to the document where appropriate. One addition was that new developments should be designed to an appropriate village style. Jackie mentioned a development in Mendlesham as an example of what can be achieved. She requested permission from the Parish Council to submit the document to MSDC who will then carry out a 6 weeks' consultation prior to it being sent to the examiner. This was agreed. The Chairman thanked Jackie, Cllr Pring and the team for all their hard work.

The Green Policy:

The Councillors had been given a copy of a draft updated Green Policy compiled by Cllrs Studd and Reeves and circulated to councillors in advance of the meeting. This evoked a lot of discussion and it was agreed that Cllrs should submit all their comments by e-mail so that these can be taken on board for a re-draft.

Sub-Committee Reports:

Allotments – A review of the state of the allotments was carried out yesterday and it was agreed that a final warning should be sent to some tenants who have failed to keep their plots in good order.

Cemetery and Churchyard – Cllr Reeves reported that the weeds have been sprayed successfully. However, the recent weather has caused the weeds to return. A new path has been laid and the ashes internment slabs replaced. The new path has made access for visitors much easier and safer. As some of the hedging has sprouted it may mean that less new hedging will be required this autumn. A small headstone with no date on it was unearthed when the path was extended towards the boundary with the Porch land. It was an infant's memorial and must have fallen and been covered with debris for many years. The headstone has been placed with the other infant internments and is now clearly visible. As there is some confusion with the sizing of the plaques on the memorial wall the policy and pricing will be reviewed at the next meeting which has been re-scheduled for 6th October. At that meeting Mr Doubtfire expects some news from the Diocese regarding tree work in the churchyard.

Community Events – A timetable for the act of remembrance and lighting of the beacon with input from the vicar has been drawn up and the service is expected to start around 6.40pm with the lighting of the beacon at 7pm. A sergeant from Wattisham is to read the tribute and a collection will be taken and donated to the Army National Charity. The History Group will be putting together an exhibition of information about local men who lost their lives during WW1. It was agreed that up to £200 should be spent on printing programmes for the attendees of the event. Due to the resignation of Cllr Guy, this year's proposed post-Christmas ball has had to be cancelled.

Play Park – Cllr Reeves reported that a new piece of fencing has been kicked through again and it was agreed that it was a waste of money to replace it and all dangerous bits should be removed and the remaining fence left. The new equipment for the play park is due to be installed at the beginning of October and the remainder later in the month. The fence at the basketball court has been mended as it was urgent and the grass contractor has removed the road signs from the play park. It was agreed that the self-seeded shrubs and trees growing in the basketball area should be cleared and that the footstep on the piece of equipment with the monkey bars should be replaced.

Green Advisory Group – The Clerk reported that only 1 quote out of the 8 submitted had been returned for the removal of the 2 existing concrete bins on the Green and their replacement with 2 new ones at a total cost of £457.89. Cllr Carter offered to remove the concrete bins and it was agreed that the contractor should set in place the new ones.

Transport, Travel and Safety – Cllr Reeves has returned the Speedwatch equipment for safe keeping until a new Chairman can be appointed and more members of the Speedwatch group recruited as a further member has resigned leaving only 2 remaining members. The Parish Council are still awaiting a response from Onehouse regarding the responsibility for the 2nd speed gun so the Clerk will chase this.

SALC – Cllr Voden regretfully announced that the Chairman of SALC, Phillip Hayes, has passed away. He will be sending condolences on behalf of the Parish Council. He reported that he was unable to attend the last meeting and is not sure as yet whether he will be free to attend the next one on 6th November.

Councillors' Reports:

Cllr Voden reported that he will be attending the Chairman's Course on 11th October and asked for a volunteer to take over the responsibility of chairing the next Parish Council meeting in view of the fact that they have no current Vice Chairman. Cllr Reeves agreed to stand in.

Cllr Carter queried who in the village received the Stowmarket Mercury as it appears to be hit and miss as to which parts of the village get a copy.

Cllr Studd advised that there were a number of out of date documents on the village website and gave a list to the Clerk for her to amend.

Cllr Reeves noted that the Neighbourhood Plan responses had identified the expected growth in pupil numbers at both schools and that the Parish Council may need to make some formal representation to the schools due to its impact on the village. She also noted that the Friends of Freeman School have managed to raise £7000 for play equipment but are unable to fund the repair of the bridge that they provided on the path behind the church. She also advised that the bench near the school needs to be cleaned; the holes in Devon Road are becoming deeper and agreed with the member of the public that the Slimming World posters should be removed.

Cllr Pring advised that the footpath sign near Columbyne Hall has been snapped off and the litter bin near the pond by The Retreat has been knocked over.

Cllr Welham reported that the footpath which runs alongside the pond is very uneven with protruding tree roots.

Clerk's Report:

The Clerk asked if the Parish Council would like her to arrange the Christmas meal for 11th December. This was agreed.

Correspondence:

The Clerk reported that, on hearing of the closure of the Post Office, she had written to the CEO of Post Office Ltd and her query had been passed onto the National Consultation Team. They have responded advising that they note her concerns. It is their intention to restore a service in the community and is continuing in their efforts to achieve this. It is currently being advertised and they would like to know of anyone who may be interested in taking this on. MSDC have advised that there is currently an online consultation on the statement of principles of the Gambling Act, and the next Town and Parish Liaison meeting is to be held on 9th October. The Local Government Boundary Commission has an online survey of the electoral review of Mid Suffolk. The URC have asked for permission to allow parking on The Green on 3 dates in September and October. This was agreed subject to weather conditions.

The meeting closed to the public at 9.51pm.



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BRIAN WARD

Chilly mornings and evenings mean autumn is upon us but we must enjoy what it brings forth. Fungi foraging, blackberry picking along the hedgerows. Apple and blackberry crumble is one of my favourite autumn puddings; is it yours? Perhaps a baked apple stuffed with sultanas and currants with lashings of cream. The leaves will soon be turning into their autumn splendour. If you have time, try to venture to one of our local woods or even further afield. Personally, I enjoy Brandon Country Park with its variety of trees; even Christchurch Park in Ipswich is a good place to start. I love to walk through woodland just after a hard frost as the leaves tumble in a cascade as the early morning sun falls on them. If you have not already started, October is a good time to clean your bird feeders. Our garden birds will be fattening up for winter and with our help will survive the hardest months ahead.

I mentioned blackberries earlier; I suspect a lot of Suffolk folk call them brambles. The bramble bush is a good food source for our wildlife through the early spring as it produces new shoots. Deer browse on these, especially the introduced Muntjac. As they are early flowering, the first emerging Butterflies are attracted by their nectar; also Bees and Hover Flies take advantage. Through the summer months birds use these thick- tangled shrubs to nest and rear young. As we move into autumn all kinds of wildlife are attracted to delicious fruits. Blackcap and Chiffchaff gorge themselves before returning to their winter quarters in Africa. Badgers adore blackberries and if you know of a sett just look for the purple in Badger droppings, a sure give away. In winter our country Hedgehog will gather grass and leaves to make a nest for its winter hibernation at the base of a thick bramble patch.

I must mention I have been away for best part of August. I was fortunate to visit the Galapagos Islands bird watching. Also high altitude on the edge of the Andes and I then travelled southwards to part of the Amazon rain forest. What I saw was truly amazing, it was a photographer's dream. My wife instigated this holiday of a lifetime and secretly, with a close bird friend, arranged and booked the whole trip. I must declare I have wonderful friends but a truly amazing wife.



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September Meeting

We learnt a great deal from James Albone's talk, which began with a description of the construction of Roman roads: an agger (embankment) with further strips of land and ditches to each side. First built for military use, the roads became useful for trade. Most East Anglian Roman roads did not go as far as the coast, but led to rivers where goods were transferred to boats for trade across the North Sea. When the Romans left, some of their roads continued to be useful (the Pye Road, the A140, is our nearest example and was redirected to Norwich) but many were lost, particularly if they were not near settlements. They may show up as crop marks or when the land is dry. Some parish boundaries are straight because a Roman road was useful for 'beating the bounds'.

Stowupland Flower Show and Fete – A Brief History by Neil Langridge

The first Flower Show was held on Saturday 7th August 1886 at the school. The following year it was held on a meadow at Stowupland Hall by permission of Mr. H. F. Harwood, the owner, who also opened his garden and orchard for visitors to walk around. The show kept this venue until the 1960s. It was described originally as 'a cottager's show' and the main business was a display and competition of fruit, flowers and vegetables grown by the men of the parish in garden or allotment; most of these men would have been agricultural workers tending their gardens in the evenings and at weekends.

From its second year until 1937 the show was held on a Tuesday in late July or early August; local people would be given a half day holiday by their employers. As the show evolved over the succeeding years other features were added. Needlework displays with prizes were introduced in 1889 for the women and school children. From 1890 games began to be mentioned in newspaper reports, 'coconut bowls' in 1890. 1892 saw the inclusion of prizes for the best pet cats and rabbits as well as athletic sports competitions. Music was frequently part of the entertainment; in 1892 this was provided by Stowmarket Fife and Drum Band and a brass band. In 1893 a string band performed.

For the first few years the secretary and, probably the main force behind the show, was Mr. J. W. Howard. Sometimes travelling show people would be invited to take part in the show as in 1889 when 'Mrs Jarley's Waxworks'

were a feature. From 1933 to 1952 we have the minute book of the show committee to fill in details of the organization and planning of the event. The show often made a loss at this time and had to be supported by other fundraising events but in 1934 a larger than usual loss meant that there was no show held in 1935.

In the 1930s local farmer Thomas Carter became owner of Stowupland Hall and he continued to allow the show to be held in the grounds as well as acting as president of the show. For one year, in 1939, the show was amalgamated with the annual show of Stowmarket and Central Suffolk Farmers Association which was to be held at Stowupland Hall that year. This was to be the last show until 1946 because of the war.

On resumption of the annual show after the war the then owner of the Hall, Mr. Robert Black, continued the tradition of hosting it, now called Stowupland Fete and Flower Show, in his grounds. The chairman was now Mr. W. Addison with Mr. John Scarfe and George Carter as secretaries. The displays of produce and handiwork were now just one of the features of the show with a greater range of other attractions such as a cycle racing track, gymkhana, sheep dog trials, cart horse derby and 6-a-side football as well as a fancy dress parade.

The 1950 show was almost cancelled when it was found that there was a Conservative Party Fete the same day to be held at Abbots Hall with Dr. Hill 'The Radio Doctor' as speaker. However it went ahead and made a profit of over £90. In 1937 a fund had been started with the aim of Stowupland eventually having a purpose-built village hall. Any profits from the Fete and Flower Show were now donated to this fund. In 1954 £110 was raised for the fund. The Village Hall was then in the process of being built. Lack of funds meant that there was no show in 1952 but from 1953 to 1969 there was a show every year with the possible exception of 1955, John Scarfe being secretary of the fete and George Carter Secretary of the flower show.

A programme from 1956 gives an idea of what attractions a visitor to the show could enjoy -

Greta and Marco – 'The Human Propeller'

Cycle Speedway

Children's Fancy Dress Parade

Tossing the Sheaf

The Two Simpsons – unsupported ladder act

Sale of Flower Show Produce

Decorated Vehicle Parade

Grand Prize Draw

Tractor Time Trials

Steel Quoits Tournament

Sideshowes

Games

On the August bank holiday Monday there was a motorcycle scramble at Shrublands Park to raise funds.

In 1957 Mrs Ena Carter of Gipping Farm took over the post of secretary of the flower show and it is thanks to her that we have so much material on the show. In 1959 Stowupland Hall came into new ownership. The new owner Mr. T.E. Chaplin continued to allow the fete and flower show to be held on the hall meadow until in 1965 the fete and flower show was transferred to the village hall. 1969 was the final fete and flower show in this format. Village fetes have certainly been held occasionally in Stowupland since and the parish has developed new community events such as Open Gardens, Music on The Green, The Three Peaks Challenge and the Walker Cup that help to retain Stowupland's individuality as a community.

Talking Point

With apologies for the error, and thanks to several callers for providing the information, it was a V2 rocket (not a V1) that exploded in the air over or near the village on 20 Feb 1945. The rocket engine (strictly speaking, the combustion chamber) landed near Walnut Tree Farm, was rolled into a ditch and later removed, painted, and displayed outside the farm for a time.

The children in the picture are Alison and Robert Bloom.

The engine is now in the Flixton Aviation Museum.

We understand that a V1 (a 'doodlebug') did land not too far away – but at Gipping!

For our next 'Talking Point', in 1933, Class 90 of the Flower Festival needlework display was 'A child's dress made from Sparva, available from E Juby, Stowmarket'. What was Sparva?



Programme

Wednesday October 3 'The Victorian Way of Death' by Darren Dordoy

This is a collection of interesting facts about churchyard and cemetery, great deaths and funeral etiquette and traditions. It looks at how the Victorians influenced changes and traditions that are familiar to us today. A light-hearted insight into a subject still hidden behind closed curtains.



Wednesday November 7 'A History of Advertising' by Stuart Bowell

The history of advertising goes back to ancient civilisations but in the Middle Ages, in Europe, shop-keepers displayed pictures of their wares and criers would shout about where stalls could be found. Advertising proliferated in the 19th century, based on newspapers and magazines, and again with the new technologies of the 20th century.

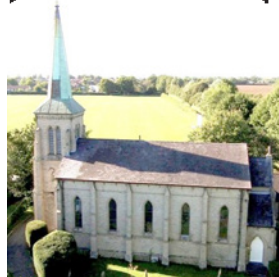
There will be a fund-raising treasure hunt (with a map and stickers) at this meeting. We meet at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Visitors are always welcome and refreshments are available. Admission is £1 for members, £3 for non-members. We look forward to seeing you.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

NEWS

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
STOWEDELAND

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Dear Friends,

I wonder, what are you looking for?

I enjoy looking for a good film, and often I choose to watch films whose trailers show the light of promise but turn out to be... disappointing shadows. Not so recently, I'm always guarded about interpretation of the Christian Gospel in film, but not so the film RISEN (staring Joseph Fiennes no less). The film reminds me of theologian GerdTheissen's book 'The Shadow of the Galilean' where Pilate's questioning of Jesus, as to whether Jesus and His followers pose any threat to Rome's Empire, becomes a theme expanded upon in his book. The film RISEN has Pilate charge his trusted tribune Clavius with tracking down Jesus' followers after reports of Jesus' body being removed from the tomb, so begins Clavius' chasing of shadows. So the viewer too is drawn into the questioning of what are truth, shadow and light. The church today, so often struggles to be seen at all as culture and media cast us aside to the shadows, ask those you meet when was the last time they looked to their local church? Perhaps that would depend on what they were looking for.

I don't know what folk were looking for in Haughley St Mary's hosting of touring 'progressive rockers' and songwriters, Chrissy Mostyn and Rick Pilkington, they of 'The Blackheart Orchestra' at their recent concert here. But I took heart that many new faces enjoyed the ambience and spiritual presence of our church's worship space, as well the insights and observations of these two well versed exponents of today's song writing scene. One of Chrissy's songs 'Not over yet' reveals this summary of the Christian Gospel hope;

*'What if the engine stops half way across the land,
what if you learn to fall before you take my hand
It's Over - Not over yet.'*

The verses continue to ask of endings what begins, and I guess it depends on just what you are looking for. The Christian Gospel assures us, as Chrissy's lyric continues – 'It's alright to cry, it's alright to fear, I am here, it's over, not over, not over yet.'

Well I hope it's not over for the use of St Mary's church as a music venue, and we hope from time to time we will attract such thoughtful creative musicians to play here, indeed I hope we may see 'The Blackheart Orchestra' with us again.

What are you looking for? The point of the film RISEN, in Clavius' search for Jesus' body is precisely that he is searching for what is missing, as so often we find ourselves doing when we lament - it's over. Saying it's over, searching for what we are missing means we find ourselves missing what is already in our midst, not over but begun, in a reconciling word, a friendly gesture, a kindly deed. Perhaps that's our problem with our outlook, our community, our politics, our media, our Europe... We have spent so much time looking for shadows we have forgotten to look to the light.

Grace and blessing to you, Brin
Parish Priest at Haughley with Wetherden and Stowupland.

CHURCH SERVICES in OCTOBER

7th Oct	10.30am 4.00pm	Harvest Service at the URC 1st@4 Service - <i>church with a difference!</i>
14th Oct	9.30am 6.30pm	Morning Worship & *Trinity Starz* Evensong (BCP)
15th Oct (Mon)	10.30am	Songs of Praise at Steeple View. – <i>All Welcome!</i>
21st Oct	8.00am 9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Prayer (BCP)
28th Oct	9.30am 6.30pm	All-Age Shoebox Service Parish Communion

(BCP - Book of Common Prayer)

A PRAYER:

Almighty God, in giving us dominion over all things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation.

Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

The **'1st @ 4' SERVICE** is a relaxed and popular, family orientated *'Church With A Difference'* with some snacks afterwards!

Trinity Starz is for children of primary school age and provides fun activities at Holy Trinity. The children join in the first part of the service

and then we go through to the church hall to enjoy bible stories, prayer and crafts until the main service finishes. Parents/carers are welcome to join us with their children or stay for the main service while children enjoy the activities. Children can be collected at the end for refreshments. We hope you will join us!

PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH:

Come along and get together with old friends, make new friends, at this Lunch, held in the church hall, 12 noon to 1pm. Enjoy our special lunch of quiche, sausage pie, an array of salads, & choice of desserts; linger over tea or coffee and conversation. All food served is home-made using local ingredients, and costs just £6. For further information, call Ann (01449 672592). We look forward to seeing you there! All are most welcome!

BEETLE DRIVES:

Come along to enjoy a chat and have some fun in congenial company at the Beetle Drive which will be held on Tuesdays, 2nd and 23rd October in the Church Hall. All are most welcome to join us!

WEEKLY COFFEE CHURCH:

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

Come on in to the church hall 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.

2017/2018 ANNUAL REPORT

FROM KEITH WELHAM, CHAIRMAN

I was re-elected as chairman at the Annual General Meeting in May 2017 and Jerry Voden was re-elected as vice chairman. Since then John Spitzer, Kim Jennings and Rick Hamilton have resigned as councillors and Sally Reeves, Paula Murton, Hayden Guy and Sandy Robinson have joined the Council. At the end of the Council year, in May 2018, Jerry Voden was elected as the new chairman of council

A year ago the major concerns were planning applications for housebuilding, traffic on A1120 and parents dropping off and picking up at school start and finish times. It seems that little has changed, except we are now seeing the first of 175 homes being constructed on the land between Church Road and Gipping Road. The Parish Council were able, by negotiating with Bloor Homes, to gain some improvements compared to the original Gladman application.

Also on the planning front, the two separate applications for 85 and 58 homes on land west of Thorney Green Road were refused by MSDC Planning Committee against the recommendations of officers, but allowed on appeal.

The application for ten homes on land opposite the URC chapel was approved, as was the application for 18 homes on land opposite Holy Trinity Church. This application includes a car park, primarily for teachers, and an extension to the cemetery.

The Safely to School pedestrian and cycle route has still not commenced and, although details of the route and surfacing have been agreed, SCC have recently said that it may not proceed this year due to funding cuts. The scheme had already been reduced in length, removing the link to Freeman School. This may need to be fully or part funded by the Parish Council but no decision can be made until we hear from SCC about the section from Maple Road across The Green and through the High School site.

The damage to the edges of The Green is getting worse, congestion is increasing, safety is a real concern and there have been instances of verbal abuse by parents to residents and other car drivers. The trial of strengthening the edges with hessian bags filled with weak concrete has had some success but has resulted in parents parking on other roads in the village. SCC has said that it is not their problem because the High School is now part of an Academy Trust.

The condition of roads around the village is very poor with deep potholes. However, we put sufficient pressure on SCC for them to carry out a resurfacing of Thorney Green Road. We have now turned our attention to A1120, trying to get SCC to better control the mains laying work, most of which is needed to bring services to the new homes.

Our committees and working groups have met throughout the year. Each is headed by an excellent chair and by trying to resolve issues in committee and bringing recommendations to council meetings we are more efficient.

The Neighbourhood Plan is nearly ready for submission. Jackie Ward and her team have carried out a vast amount of work to get to the stage we are at. Changes in the advice coming down from Central Government, the District Council's failure to secure a 5 year supply of land for housebuilding and the lack of a District Local Plan have made the task seem impossible at times but we are getting close to the referendum stage when residents of the village have their say on whether or not to adopt the plan. I hope you will all read the draft plan when it is available and take part in the referendum. An approved plan is essential to guide development and to secure extra funding for Stowupland.

Community Events have included bingo sessions and quizzes and the group also arranged a pre-Christmas tea party in Steeple View and a trip out for residents of Jubilee Court.

Footpath surveys are carried out four times a year and problems reported to SCC but very little work has been carried out by them.

The Finance and Policy Committee draws up a budget and recommends a level for council tax, monitors our expenditure and reviews our policies and standing orders. One of the new pieces of legislation which recently came into effect is in the field of Data Protection. Claire has set up a number of processes to ensure as far as possible that any personal data is securely stored. This has included setting up new email addresses for members of the council and advising on storage of information. This may sound boring but it is vital that the council can show that it is complying with the legislation.

A great amount of work has been done in the cemetery, removing overgrown laurel, other bushes and a number of trees which were either badly positioned or in poor condition. A new turning area and skip site has been provided. We have started, and will continue over the coming months, a general tidy up of the cemetery including removing objects that have been left near graves and cremation plots. Many of these items have been in place for a long time and have probably been forgotten. Most should never have been placed there in the first place.

Sally Reeves has handed over coordination of SpeedWatch to Hayden Guy. There have been some new volunteers during the year but, with more volunteers, they could more regularly monitor speeds and pass information to Suffolk Police. If you think that you could spare a few hours a month, please speak to Hayden.

Work has started on the PlayPark upgrade and will continue as soon as further grant money is received. Sally and Claire have spent many hours in the last year making grant applications. Funding for community projects is in short supply and difficult to obtain.

We remain hopeful that the work will be finished in the autumn.

Our Telstar magazine continues to be an excellent village magazine and an excellent way of publicising what goes on in the village to residents and people further afield who can read Telstar on the village website.

A big thank you to the Telstar team and to our contributors and distributors, and to Sandy Smith who sits through every council meeting, taking notes, and puts together the reports which you can read each month in Telstar. The website is also important as a means of reaching the community of Stowupland and further afield. The work carried out by Dave Pring is key to keeping the website up to date.

Claire and I have met regularly with the business manager and, more recently, with the new Headteacher at the high school and with representatives at the Freeman School; these meetings are very useful, giving us a chance to share concerns and look for a remedy to any problem that may have occurred.

I would like to thank Claire for all the work she has done for the council and for the residents of Stowupland. We would not have got through the last year without all the extra work Claire has done. Much of what Claire does is unpaid and goes unnoticed by most people. Because the workload is so great, if you do need to speak to Claire, in person or by telephone, please do so during her office hours which are given in Telstar.

I am grateful to Mike Hawkins, who makes sure that The Green and surrounding areas are free of litter. Volunteers have played a large part too, litter picking (a thankless task but very much appreciated), repairing notice boards (or making new ones), helping with community events, footpath surveys and many other tasks which may go un-noticed. Thank you all.

Finally, I would also like to thank the councillors who have given me support throughout my year as chairman. I stood down in May this year and will be a back bencher until the Parish Council elections in May next year.

I have tried to give a flavour of the work done by the Parish Council.

I am sure that I have left out some important aspects of our work. For That I apologise. But I am always prepared to meet to discuss any aspect of the Council's responsibilities.

ANNUAL REPORT

CLAIRE PIZZEY - CLERK

Another year on and we have seen more changes, regulations, and new practices to put in place for the Parish Council and in the village. Which in turn makes for a busy year for a Parish Clerk. Maybe some of you reading this don't fully understand the role and responsibility of what I do. So I thought I would take the time to let you know.

Role as a Clerk - The Clerk is employed by the Council to provide administrative support for the Council's activities. Any other staff that may be employed by the council answer to the clerk who is their manager. The Clerk must recognise that the Council is responsible for all decisions and that instruction is taken from the Council as a body. The Clerk is not answerable to any individual Councillor - not even the Chairman. The Council must be confident that the Clerk is, at all times, independent, objective and professional.

Responsibilities as a Clerk - The Clerk's primary responsibility is to advise the Council on whether its decisions are lawful and to recommend ways in which decisions can be implemented, and to be responsible for the performance of any staff employed by the Council. The Clerk may be required to research topics of concern to the Council and provide unbiased information to help the Council make appropriate choices. The clerk takes instruction from the Council as a body.

No two days are the same and my "to do" list changes on a daily basis. I still love what I do and wouldn't change a thing – except my Bank balance!! I enjoyed many things last year, decorating a tree for the Parish Council at the Stowmarket Christmas Tree Festival, holding our Annual Parish Meeting does Bake Off Series 2 and winning back the Walker Cup to name a few but my main aim was to secure the grant funding required for the re-generation of the play park. Cllr Reeves and I spent many hours working together on this. I will repeat that, many hours, and I am pleased to tell you that all the monies are in place and we are excited that all the new play equipment should be installed by the autumn.

Councillors

I would like to say a big thank you to Keith Welham, Chairman for last year (2017/18) and for all the help and support that he has given me since I first took post in 2014. I have enjoyed working alongside Keith during this time and will continue working with him as he remains on the council and is the District Councillor for the village. Jerry Voden was elected as Chairman for the Parish Council this year (2018/19) and I look forward to working with him.

Thanks also to all the Councillors for their continued help and support. It has been the busiest year yet for me and without them the parish wouldn't run as smoothly as it does.

We have seen some changes to the council over the past year. The current members details are as follows:-

Councillor	Phone Number
Roger Carter	(01449) 770678
Sandy Cobbold-Robertson	(01449)677389
Laura Johnson	07826 851030
Ben Miller	07765 408001
Paula Murton	07906 677817
Dave Pring	(01449) 771891
Sally Reeves	(01449) 745739
Ray Studd	(01449) 676606
Jerry Voden	(01449) 770334
Keith Welham	(01449) 673185

More Thank yous

A thank you to Mike who works for the Parish as our Litter Picker. He carries out regular litter and dog waste collections around the village and is out doing his job in all weathers. We also have a few volunteers that litter pick for the parish in areas not easy to get to and my thanks go out to them. We welcomed Jeremy to the Parish Council family last year and he has been helping out with jobs around the village and we look forward to continuing to work with Jeremy in the future.

To the volunteers who help the Parish Council, a thank you to you. They give up their free time and undertake a variety of tasks, maybe as a member of a sub-committee or an offer to help at a community event. Without them we would not be able to achieve what we do in the village. Each and every one of you help towards making Stowupland a great place to live. We can never have too many volunteers and if you are interested in helping out in the village, however little time you have, then please contact me.

Accounts The accounts have received an internal audit and are awaiting the conclusion of the external audit. My thanks to Jon Wray who carried out the internal audit again this year and I am very grateful to Jon for this.

Receipts and Payments for the period ending 31.03.18

Description	Value £
RECEIPTS	
Allotments	1,798.16
Cemetery	4,810.00
Community Events	2,615.14

Footpath	944.86
Grants	1,000
Interest received	29.47
Play Park Grant(s)	9,911.31
Precept	32,600.00
Street Cleaning	2,857.40
VAT	2,402.34
	58,968.68
PAYMENTS	
Allotments	1,558.89
Asset	849.45
Audit costs	£300.00
Cemetery & Churchyard Maintenance	3,261.25
Cemetery Expenses	754.11
Cemetery Reserve	6,264.74
Clerk Salary	9,680.97
Clerk Expenses	928.79
Community Events	2,021.28
Donations	300.00
Environment Reserve	1,485.00
Footpath	950.00
Footpaths, Trees & Ditches	860.70
General Village Maintenance	969.27
Grants	3,600.00
Grass cutting	4,039.25
Hall Hire	705.25
Insurance	2,332.12
Miscellaneous	521.31
Play park	497.27

Street Cleaning Salary	2,889.23
Street Cleaning (MSDC Emptying dog bins)	420.00
Street Lighting	1,830.82
Subscription	972.86
Training	416.00
VAT	2,119.59
TOTAL	57,935.00
Net for the period	1,033.68
Balance at 1 April 2017	96,986.86
Balance at Bank 31 March 2018	98,020.64
Current account	54,629.12
Unpresented Cheques	358.81
Un-cleared deposits	
Deposit account	30,370.10
Community Events account	13,380.23
Balance at Bank 31 March 2018	98,020.64

Budget

The Budget for the year 2018/19 has been set and the main items of expenditure are shown below:-

Expenditure	£
Admin	23,499
Grants to Local organisations	3,600
Grass cutting, tree surgery, ponds, ditches and footpaths	9,250
Litter Collection	3,276
Provision to replace assets	500
Street Lighting	1,879
TOTAL	42,004

If you would like to see or discuss any of the financial records or minutes please contact me.

Meetings

We have made some changes to some of our committees and the number of meetings that are required in a year. The full Parish Council continues to meet on the second Thursday of each month in the URC Church Hall. Finance and Policy Committee are meeting in January, March, May, July, September and November on the last Thursday of the month in the meeting room at the Village Hall. The Planning Committee meets when required in either the URC church hall or Village Hall and the Environment Committee will be meeting quarterly, March, June, September and December, in the URC Church Hall. Members of the public are welcome at these meetings when we have a public forum to enable residents to give comment, views or ask questions. Alternatively if you would like something discussed at a meeting please drop me a letter or email at least a week before the next meeting and this can then be included in the agenda.

All meetings are advertised in Telstar, on the parish notice boards and details will soon be available on line at www.stowupland.com. The agendas for these meetings are made available 3 days before a meeting. A copy can be found on the Parish Council notice board at the village hall and will shortly be available on line.

There are a number of sub-committees and working groups that are made up of Councillors and residents.

- Allotments sub-committee
- Community Events sub-committee
- Footpath Advisory Sub-committee
- Neighbourhood Plan Advisory Sub-committee
- Play Park Working Group
- The Green Advisory Sub-committee
- Speed watch Team

If you would like to join any of the above then please contact me and I can let you have further information.

Seen something?

Problems relating to footpaths, street lighting, pot holes, broken signs, fly tipping etc. can be reported by email to me parishclerk@stowuplandpc.co.uk.

This year

The Parish Council are continuing their work on a number of small projects to improve the village; these still include work at the cemetery, sections of The Green and the website. Look out in Telstar and the village website and keep up to date on the work and events in the village. There is always lots to do and get involved in.

Let's continue to make Stowupland a great place to live, work and play!

Clerk Details

**Claire Pizzey 2 Broomspath Road, Stowupland
(01449) 677005| parishclerk@stowuplandpc.co.uk**

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER DATES

Mon	1	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	2	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Tues	2	Beetle Drive	2.30pm	Church Hall
Wed	3	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	3	Book Group	2.00pm	
Wed	3	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church
Wed	3	Local History Group: 'The Victorian Way of Death' by Darren Dordoy	7.30pm	Village Hall
Thurs	4	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Fri	5	Cricket Club Quiz Night	7.30pm	Sports & Social Club
Sun	7	TELSTAR DEADLINE DATE – November issue		
Sun	7	Harvest Festival	10.30am	URC Chapel
Sun	7	Country & Western Dance	7.20pm	Village Hall
Mon	8	Afternoon Fellowship	2.30am	URC Chapel
Mon	8	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	9	Mobile Library	9.30am	Jubilee Court
Tues	9	Mobile Library	9.55am	The Green
Tues	9	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Wed	10	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	10	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church
Thurs	11	Parish Council	7.30pm	URC Chapel Hall
Thurs	11	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Sat	13	Pie, Mash and Mushy Peas (ticket only)	7.00pm	Sports & Social Club
Mon	15	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	16	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Wed	17	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	17	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church
Wed	17	W.I. – Evening Meal	7.30pm	Village Hall
Thurs	18	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Sun	21	Country & Western Dance	7.30pm	Village Hall
Mon	22	Afternoon Fellowship	2.30am	URC Chapel
Mon	22	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	23	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Tues	23	Beetle Drive	2.30pm	Church Hall
Tues	23	P.C. Footpath Sub. Com.	7.30pm	V.H. Meeting Room
Wed	24	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church

Thurs	25	P.C. Finance & Policy Meeting	7.30pm	V.H. Meeting Room
Thurs	25	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Fri	26	Coffee Morning	10.00am	URC Chapel Hall
Fri	26	Community Bingo (14+)	Doors open 7.00pm	Village Hall
Mon	29	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	30	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Wed	31	Baby & Toddler Group	9.30am	Village Hall
Wed	31	Open Church	2.00pm	Holy Trinity Church

NOVEMBER DATES

Thurs	1	Short Mat Bowls	7.30pm	Village Hall
Sun	4	Country & Western Dance	7.30pm	Village Hall
Mon	5	Afternoon Fellowship	2.30am	URC Chapel
Mon	5	Dance Club	7.30pm	Village Hall
Tues	6	Mobile Library	9.30am	Jubilee Court
Tues	6	Mobile Library	9.55am	The Green
Tues	6	Coffee Morning	10.00am	Jubilee Court
Tues	6	Beetle Drive	2.30pm	Church Hall
Wed	7	TELSTAR DEADLINE DATE – Dec & Jan issue		
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

'A History of Advertising' by Stuart Bowell

SOME FUTURE EVENTS

- 8 Nov WWI Ceremony at the Cemetery
- 10 Nov Community Litter Pick
- 10 Nov Jumble Sale
- 11 Nov Remembrance Service at Holy Trinity Church
- 11 Nov Commemoration of end of WWI. Lighting of the beacon on The Green.
- 17 Nov Christmas Fayre
- 23 Nov Community Quiz
- 28 Nov Wildlife Group talk on red squirrels + quiz and sale
- 7 Dec Community 'Christmas' Bingo (14+)

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

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For every new home completed in Stowupland the developer is required to pay a sum of money to Mid Suffolk District Council (MSDC). This is referred to as Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). MSDC as Charging Authority is required to pass a set percentage of CIL funds generated onto the Parish Council. These monies are passed to the parish twice a year, in April and October. The Parish Council has set up a CIL Fund and the object of the Parish CIL Fund is to make improvements to benefit our current residents and people who move into the village.

If you are a village organisation with a suitable project or an individual with an idea which the parish could develop into a suitable project then you can fill in an application form for consideration by the Parish Council.

All applications will be considered twice a year. Deadlines for the applications are 30 April and 31 October. Before filling in an application you may wish to discuss your potential idea or project with the Parish Clerk who can also send you further details and an application form. The application forms will soon be available on the parish web site www.stowupland.com.

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JOSE HAWKINS

Michael, daughter Denise, son Mark, grandchildren and great grandchildren, would like to thank all friends for their support and kind words when passing on their condolences at the passing away of his wife Jose after a short illness but much pain. Also thanks for the many cards received and the great turn out at her funeral, brilliantly conducted by Bridgett Garrett, also to Andrew Bingham (funeral director) who arranged things so well.

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Many thanks to all
Michael, Denise, Mark, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

PC STEFAN HENRIKSEN

Hi, I wanted to introduce myself to those that don't know me, and briefly explain my role, which is a new one for Suffolk Constabulary.



I am PC Stefan Henriksen, from Stowmarket Police Station, and I am one of nine Police Officers throughout Suffolk Constabulary performing the role of Community Engagement Officer. I know many of you already from my years of working in the SNT based in Stowmarket, and I look forward to meeting those I don't yet know.

This is a new role for Suffolk Constabulary which is aimed at greater communication between the Police and you. It does, amongst other things, involve meeting our communities, being in contact with and meeting community representatives, groups and individuals, who would like to receive information from local Police about what we have been doing within the community. Our aim is to be aware of what's important to you, and to keep you up to date with our work and provide an insight into what can sometimes be perceived as the unfamiliar world of policing.

We shall be doing this in both traditional and contemporary ways. I will be attending meetings and organised events, but also using digital means of communication such as social media. Our intention is to provide relevant and timely information.

If you have events coming up, or feel that my attendance would be of benefit, please let me know. Where possible, I will happily come along. Please follow our Facebook and Twitter pages, as much of what we do will be shared.

Stefan  @StowmarketPolice  @PoliceStow



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Chairman Sports and Social Club
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NEWS

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Once again the Chapel was open for signing in and refreshments for those taking part in the Suffolk Churches Ride and Stride. This was to raise funds for Historic Churches and took place on Saturday 8th September. Fortunately, the weather was very good, perfect for cycling. It threatened to rain a few times but held off. I do so admire those who take part in this event each year. We thank everyone who sponsored us and gave so generously.

When you receive your October Telstar Magazine we will have held the coffee morning for Macmillan Cancer Support. This took place on 28th September and the amount raised will be reported in the November Telstar.

Our next coffee morning is on Friday 26th October, when this will also be a special one. It is to raise funds for St Elizabeth Hospice in memory of Zoe Goddard.

On Sunday 23rd September, we united with Holy Trinity Church for their **Harvest Festival and we look forward to them joining with us for our Harvest Festival on 7th October at 10.30am.**

Advance notice, we are holding a Jumble Sale at the Village Hall at 2pm on 10th November. All donations of clothes and bric-a-brac will be gratefully received.

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

Our Speakers for October are as follows:

07th October Veda Berriman

**Harvest Festival commencing at 10.30am United Service
With Holy Trinity at the Chapel**

14th October Jane Paterson

21st October Nigel Crisp

28th October United Service at Stowmarket. This will be our Minister's last service before retirement. No service at Stowupland

Afternoon Fellowship

We recommence our meetings on Monday 8th October at 2.30pm. The Revd Chris Wood will be our opening speaker and it will be a Harvest Meeting.

22nd October Mike Smith from the food bank.

We welcome anyone who would like to join us at our meetings (Male or Female). Come and enjoy the interesting speakers, the fellowship and of course, tea and cake.

Mary Clark

Ministers Message

No-one can Serve Two Masters! (Matthew 6: 24)

One of the funniest plays I remember seeing was entitled 'The Servant of Two Masters'. It was based on an Italian Classic farce from the 19th Century (translated into English!), where the key character is the exceptionally quirky and comical servant, who is constantly complaining of an empty stomach. To satisfy his hunger he keeps finding ingenious ways to satisfy his cravings, and then consuming everything and anything in sight. As my mother would remark: 'His eyes were bigger than his belly'.

The servant offers his time and resources to a young rich gentleman traveller (actually a woman in disguise – but that's another sub-plot in the play), and fulfils his responsibilities to his master reasonably well, but more so if there is an advantage to his aching stomach. All seems to be progressing reasonably well, until the opportunity presents itself that enables him to take on the extra role of being a servant to another wealthy traveller – hence 'The Servant of Two Masters'. He sees this as an opportunity to increase his food intake, but inevitably gets himself into all manner of scrapes, thus creating a farce of side-splitting proportions.

Inevitably the servant's main problem is how to satisfy the orders of two masters, as each makes constant demands both at the same time and with the expectation of instant attention. This is then complicated by other characters appearing on stage and discretely handing him letters, money, instructions etc. with the words "This is for your master" without specifying which one.

Just as you think that matters couldn't get any worse, the servant discovers his two masters are staying in the same hotel and, are in fact,

searching for each other, although he is busy trying to keep them apart. The most famous set-piece of the play is the scene in which the starving servant tries to preside over a banquet for his masters and their guests with both groups on different parts of the stage. He tries to juggle with food presentations and drinks without arousing the suspicions of the other, while desperately trying to satisfy his own hunger. Increasingly he moves around the stage in ever decreasing circles, although fulfilling most tasks with impeccable timing. It comes as no surprise that he's eventually found out when everything collapses around him – he could only keep up the pretence for so long – but the 'masters' are reconciled, and, in the process, he is forgiven.

For me the play highlights an incredible truth that is there both in the Old Testament, as well as in the Gospel teaching. Early on we discover God saying through the Prophet Moses: 'You shall have no other gods but Me' (*Exodus 20:2 and Deuteronomy 5:6*) thus establishing the special relationship between a chosen people and their God. Jesus was only too aware of this truth when He warned that: 'No one can serve two masters; for either they will hate the first and love the second, or they will be devoted to the first and despise the second. You cannot serve God and Money' (*Matthew 6: 24*). Clearly, in this case, He wanted to warn against the striving for wealth and financial reward at the expense of our inner well-being.

But Jesus also broadens this challenge when He put a question to His twelve followers at a time when many were abandoning Jesus because of the demands of discipleship. Peter affirmed his faith and trust when asked to make a choice, by declaring 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God' (*John 6: 68 – 69*). Peter makes a commitment to have only one Master, and that is Jesus Christ his Lord and Saviour.

We know the responsibility is ours too – we are faced with the same challenge, and must make our stand, knowing we are encouraged to do the right thing in God's eyes and serve Him alone. We are left in no doubt that this is a tall order – but the benefits are out of this world!

God Bless.

Chris

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

JUNIOR PAGE

Here is a picture of Disney fairies to colour, and can you find the ten Disney Characters in the grid.



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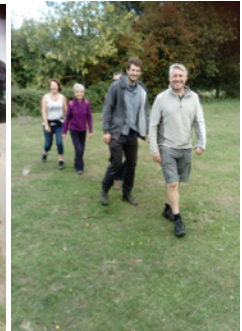
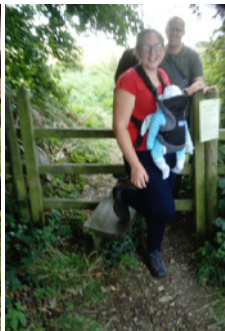
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ELMSWELL BOWLS CLUB

Sadly our league season has now ended and below you can see our final results and league placings. All bowlers say this every year "where has the time gone" and that is so true again this year. But we have enjoyed this season more so because of the drier and warmer climes experienced week after week. Our in-house competition results will be shown in November's edition of In-Touch. We just have a few roll-up occasions to go before we close the green for another year.

It has been an emotional, traumatic, and invigorating season for our Members at Stowupland but, we have overcome any doubts and secured our future here for years to come, and well done to those who have put aside many valuable personal hours to ensure we achieved this. HERE IS TO OUR FUTURE.

On 16th August we held a social games night in the clubhouse, incorporating a multitude of games: various card games, darts, shove halfpenny, scrabble etc and it proved to be very popular with bowls and social members. So popular that it seemed everyone did not wish the evening to end. During the event curry and lasagne was served.

Looking ahead to 2019 we are contemplating holding an open day early in the season in the hope that there could be interest out there for anyone to try their skills at bowling, be it novices of 11 years or older through to seasoned bowlers. Details will be given closer to the time. Of course, the club is always available at any time to receive an enquiry, and all newcomers would be made most welcome.

David Begg (davidgbegg@gmail.com)

Recent Results

Monday – Stowmarket League Division 3

6 Aug Earl Stonham Won 82-66 (Points 6-1)

Finished in 3rd position

Tuesday afternoon – Stowmarket League Division 2

14 Aug Gipping Valley Lost 33-34 (2-5)

17 Aug Old Newton Lost 24-42 (0-7)

20 Aug Bacton Lost 35-38 (2-5)

Finished 8th and likely to be relegated

Wednesday – Stowmarket Triples League

1 Aug Gipping Valley Lost 51-83 (0.5-6.5)

8 Aug St Botolphs Lost 62-72 (1-6)

13 Aug Needham Market Lost 55-82 (0-7)

15 Aug Haughley Lost 52-80 (1-6)

22 Aug Wortham Won 81-56 (6-1)

Finished 6th after a poor run of results in August



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STOWUPLAND CRICKET CLUB

OCTOBER REPORT

The cricket club celebrated its 50th Birthday with three days of celebrations over the August bank holiday weekend; this was a fantastic success for all those involved with the club. We played three games and held a race night on Sunday evening after the cricket. We started the weekend off with a home league match against Ipswich 2nd XI which saw a convincing win for Stowupland; this was followed by celebratory drinks in the social club afterwards. On the Sunday we welcomed our touring side, Hailsham, up from the south coast. As a club we have toured to Hailsham on three previous occasions so it was enjoyable to welcome them to Stowupland. For those of you who can remember the weather, it was not at all kind to us; due to this the plans had to be changed. We were due to play Hailsham in a full 40 over match but because the forecast was so bad for the afternoon both teams agreed to shorten the match to give us the best chance of getting a game in before the rain. The game was reduced to just 15 overs per side; Stowupland won the toss and decided to bat. The innings didn't start well for Stowupland with both opening batsmen out for 0 in the first over; things thankfully recovered and Stowupland finished on 110-9 from their 15 overs. Many thought this would not be enough but fortunately Stowupland bowled excellently and eventually bowled out Hailsham for 85 winning the match by 25 runs.



The main event of the weekend was held on Sunday evening; this was the race night which was excellently organised by Tom Wray and was a very enjoyable night. The race night was very well supported by club members and also Hailsham cricket club. It raised a tremendous amount of money to support the club funds for coming seasons. I would also like to thank all the local businesses that sponsored races on the night. The following morning cricketers and alike turned up quite early with very sore heads to play the final game of the weekend. As a result of the poor weather on the Sunday afternoon, Monday's game was a full 40 overs. The two teams played the President's match with the winner collecting the President's trophy. On this occasion it was Hailsham that was victorious in the President's day match. With the game due to start at 11.30, Hailsham won the toss and decided to bat; this was probably more to do with the state of some of their players as opposed to the playing conditions. Hailsham scored 216-8 from their 40 overs with a stand out performance coming from 12 year old Daniel Browning who got his first two wickets for Stowupland in his first full match. Despite two great innings from Tom Abbott (65) and Jake Taylor (73) Stowupland came up just short and Hailsham won the President's match by 23 runs.

The 50th Anniversary weekend was completed with the President's trophy being presented to the winning team; this rounded off what was a truly

brilliant event in the club's history. I must also mention a special thank you to Kt Browning who worked tirelessly before and during the weekend to make this great celebration possible. The thank you must also be extended to the entire committee of Stowupland cricket club who gave many hours to help Kt in organising the event.

On the pitch the past month has seen the 1st XI secure a minimum fourth place in the league table, not a bad result considering it was our first season in this division. It looks highly likely that the team will not be promoted for a fourth consecutive season as the top two sides have pulled clear of the chasing teams. During August the 1st XI played three games, beating local rivals, Needham Market and Ipswich, but losing to top of the table Witham. On the first Saturday in August Stowupland played at home to Needham Market, Stowupland batted first and set a very good score of 238-8 with Kieran Gregory top scoring with 99, just one short of the magic number. Stowupland were in complete control of the match from this point onwards and eventually bowled out Needham Market for 159. Jake Taylor was the stand out bowler for Stowupland finishing with 5 wickets for 54 runs, a full 20 points for Stowupland in this match.

Unfortunately August wasn't a successful month for the Sunday 1st XI losing all three of their matches against some good opposition. The three defeats came away at Woolpit and Edwardstone and at home to Bury St Edmunds. Although losing away at Edwardstone the match was very close and could have gone either way. Stowupland batted first and set a slightly disappointing 105 all out. In reply the team gave everything and put Edwardstone under pressure for long periods of their innings but finally lost the match by just 3 wickets.

The Sunday 2nd XI also had a tough month losing both of their matches against Twinstead and Elveden respectively. A very strong Twinstead side set 241-5, the difference between the two sides was clear and Twinstead bowled out a very young Stowupland team for 112. A very notable performance came from the young Chapman brothers who batted together for the final Stowupland wicket.

Please join us and enter a team in our quiz nights held at the social club; the quiz nights will be on Fri 5th Oct, Fri 9th Nov and Fri 7th Dec, on each of the quiz nights food is included in your entry fee of £5 per person. The quiz starts at 19.30hrs, maximum 6 players per team. Please register your team at stowuplandcc@gmail.com.

Answer to last month quiz; **"There are 10 Ways of being out"**: bowled, leg before wicket, caught, stumped, run out, hit wicket, hit the ball twice, obstructing the field, handled the ball and timed out.

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Saturday 10 November – **Race Night** – TBC

Sunday 18 November – **Music**

Saturday 24 November – **Thai Night** – TBC

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