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HOPE SPRINGS ETERNAL

There is a line in C.S.Lewis' book, 'The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe,' when Lucy enters the land of Narnia, and it is always winter there. Always snowing, always cold, always frozen, always. Despite our grumbles from time to time with our own weather patterns here in the UK, the reality is to know how blessed we are to have such variety within four variable seasons; and besides how else would we initiate our early morning conversations with one another?!

Driving into the Benefice several times a week from nearby Woodbridge I have witnessed the wonderful burst of colour these last few weeks along the lanes and hedgerows, in the ditches, woods and gardens, and noticeably in our four churchyards within the Benefice, which also appear to all now have their resident chiffchaffs in full song, resident for now that is. Spring has truly sprung.

Spring is about potential, possibilities and promise, a time of exciting opportunities and anticipation of the future, which in itself can be more than invigorating. There is a sparkle and rush of life in spring that perhaps the other three seasons do not know, a real freshness of loveliness. During this present Easter Season of 50 days to Pentecost, known as the birthday of the Church, the same hope of spring manifests itself to the Church and our Christian lives. Just like spring in our gardens, this is the time of Resurrection, the time to celebrate the Resurrection of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

At a time when there seems so much gloom and pessimism directed at and about our church attendances, during Holy Week our churches ministered to in excess of 260 people; granted many

came more than once, but still a sizeable number for our small communities. Yet our churches are not just about counting the occupied seats. As our new Incumbent, Reverend Celia Cook made it clear in last months' magazine, the church is there for all; the Parish Church of England. All are welcome to use the resources and Services as required, along with the Services of baptisms, weddings and funerals, and any type of Pastoral assistance needed. The concept of the rural church being a community church is not one to easily grasp if your worship has always been involved with larger City churches. Yet the strength of our Benefice churches obviously exists because of the close ties with all of the community, churchgoer or not, I pray that it may long continue, and that like spring our churches may be places of hope and optimism to those with faith, some or none at all.

As we journey through this season of spring, at this time of the Resurrection of our Lord, all through the Season of Easter and beyond, may the blessing of God be upon us all. Amen.

Philip Merry

GRAPEVINE LETTER

On 7th May, election day, I will also confirm the election of Martin Seeley as our new diocesan bishop at a St. Mary-le-Bow Church in London before the Archbishop and his Vicar-General. In February the Queen directed the canons at the cathedral at Bury St Edmunds to hold an election and offered Martin as her candidate. Using words dating back to Henry VIII, it was implicit that there was no alternative and that the canons' participation was compulsory. On the 7th, Martin Seeley will receive from Archbishop Justin his

charge - targets and challenges that take account of the particular needs of Suffolk and the mission of the church nationally. Legally, he becomes our bishop at that moment.

A week later, Martin (currently the Reverend Canon) will be consecrated a bishop (the Right Reverend) at Westminster Abbey, later pay homage to Her Majesty, and in June be enthroned in his episcopal seat in the cathedral that elected him. By then we will also have a new government and possibly a new prime minister.

We take elections for granted. Turnout in recent years has been shamefully poor, when compared to the statistics and scenes of those voting in the first election in South Africa after the end of apartheid; remember the T.V. pictures of long queues waiting patiently, many having travelled long distances to cast their votes. Discerning and selecting candidates and organising free and fair elections both involve long hours of hard work by many people, whether they be the officials from Melton manning our polling-stations and counting our votes, or the those who interviewed and collated the views of

many people across the county and then drew up the diocesan job description for the new bishop. They deserve our thanks and our participation in the electoral process.

The courage and commitment of the candidates deserve better than the media's often disrespectful and ungrateful portrayal of both bishops and politicians. Whatever their party or their policy, they have huge workloads and carry responsibilities that most of us shrink from, but which they try to fulfil for our good. If you see this before the 7th, do read the letter from the Church of England bishops about the general election. Pray for wisdom and discernment as we consider how to vote. Does it matter? Yes, just as much as the rest of our life choices. We may not see our vote make a difference any more than we can see our Christian Aid donation this month end world poverty, or our word of peace to a stranger end world conflict, but each is part of our living the new life of the risen Christ. If you read this after the 7th, pray for those elected and those disappointed. And on the 7th, pray for Martin Seeley.

James Hall

EASTER ALL – AGE WORKSHOP AND WORSHIP

On the morning of Good Friday the Angela Cobbold Hall was bustling with seasonal activity. A total of 47 adults and children were involved in producing an Easter collage, individual Easter gardens, baskets and cards. Biscuits were decorated and the kitchen was utilised for the making of chocolate nests. During the course of the morning there were refreshments of a seasonal nature.

A procession of the cross was made to All Saints Church Little Bealings, where the drama of the first Holy Week was enacted by the younger members, to the delight of the older members, led by our new Incumbent, making her Good Friday debut in the Benefice. Thanks go out to all those dedicated helpers, organisers and participants. Watch this space for our next workshop.

Ministry Team

FROM THE REGISTERS

FUNERAL

25th March

Diana Wendy Brook

Burial of Ashes

Great Bealings

READINGS AND LITURGICAL COLOURS - MAY

3rd May

1st Lesson 8.00/10.00
2nd Lesson 10.00
Gospel 8.00/10.00

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 8. 26-end White
 1 John 4. 7-end RCL p. 557
 John 15. 1-8

10th May

1st Lesson 8.00/10.00
2nd Lesson 10.00
Gospel 8.00/10.00

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 10. 44-end White
 1 John 5.1-6 RCL p. 561
 John 15. 9-17

14th May

1st Lesson
2nd Lesson
Gospel

ASCENSION DAY

Acts 1. 1-11 White/Gold
 Ephesians 1. 15-end RCL p.240
 Luke 24. 44-end

17th May

1st Lesson 3.00/10.00
Gospel 3.00/10.00

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 1. 15-17, 21-end White
 John 17. 6-19 RCL p.564

24th May

1st Lesson 8.00/10.00
Gospel 8.00/10.00

PENTECOST

Acts 2. 1-21 Red
 John 15. 26-27, 16. 4-15 RCL p.567

31st May

OT Lesson 8.00/10.00
NT Lesson 10.00
Gospel 8.00/10.00

TRINITY SUNDAY

Isaiah 6. 1-8 White/Gold
 Romans 8. 12-17 RCL p.573
 John 3. 1-17

7th June

OT Lesson 8.00/10.00
NT Lesson 10.00
Gospel 8.00/10.00

1ST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Genesis 3. 8-15 Green
 2 Corinthians 4. 13-5.1 RCL p.587
 Mark 3. 20-end

BENEFICE

THINKING ABOUT DEMENTIA

With 1 in 3 people over the age of 65 developing Dementia, we encourage all to familiarise themselves with the condition and get early support.

The Alzheimer's Society now states there are around 800,000 people in the UK living with Dementia, with 1 in 3 people over 65 developing the condition. Two thirds of people with Dementia are women and the risk of developing Dementia increases as age increases

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and our five older children will shortly begin sessions with Mrs Tomany and the reception class to help build positive and productive relationships. We at Under Fives have our own changes ahead as we open again on a Tuesday enabling us to offer flexible pre-school sessions each day from Monday to Friday 9am-3pm. We are also delighted to welcome Jack, Isobel and Edessa to Under Fives and our highly trained staff will be making sure that their settling in programme facilitates the newcomers with their own transition and progression of learning experiences. Our Benefice Under Fives are welcome. Call Michelle on 07789 468853 for further information on sessions available.

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Tea and biscuits are available. The kettle will be on the hob at 12.30pm.

Although admission is free, a retiring collection of £2.00 will be appreciated. This is to defray expenses incurred in hosting the series.

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EASTER CELEBRATION LUNCH

Thank-you to everyone who supported the Easter Celebration Lunch, especially Sandra Banham for her delicious pudding! We raised £60 for Angela Cobbold Hall funds. The next lunch will be on Tuesday 5th. May 12.30-1.30pm. at the Angela Cobbold Hall.

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BEALINGS WI

The WI – Inspiring Women for 100 years

The National Federation of the Women's Institute celebrates its centenary this year and many special events are planned. Several Bealings WI members are looking forward to watching a live screening of the Annual General Meeting from the Royal Albert Hall where Resolutions are discussed and special guest speakers welcomed.

All WIs were invited to send a guest to the WI Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace and the winner of our ballot, Betty Slim, will represent Bealings.

Our Speaker at the April meeting was Mrs Pauline Walker with her amazing collection of programmes and memorabilia to illustrate her talk "The History of the Co-op Juniors Theatre Company". She told of the commitment and hard work of the Juniors which contributed to their success.

The programmes made fascinating

reading – from a single sheet priced at 2d (2 old pence) dating from their earliest performances in the 1940s to today's glossy presentations which illustrate the shows and pay tribute to the Juniors, their helpers and their many, many supporters.

Jennifer Cook

20'S PLENTY MEETING

Angela Cobbold Hall at 7.30 pm. on Friday 15th. May

All are welcome at the meeting to discuss progress and the way forward to secure a 20mph. Speed limit for The Street, Little Bealings. Please show your support for this important safety measure by signing the petition either on line at

<http://www.change.org/p/mr-peter-bellowed-bealings-20s-plenty> or copies of the petition to sign are also available in The Village Hall, All Saints and the Angela Cobbold Hall.

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ST MARYS

Spring is bursting out all over, not least in the shape of multitudinous daffodils in the churchyard. Also bursting out in the last week or so was the realisation that this year is the 500th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Seckford, one of our major benefactors, and responsible for not only the wonderful Tudor porch and carved wooden door, but also the Seckford memorial, recently the subject of repair. The Seckfords were, of course, Lords of the Seckford Manor, and they are represented in the choir stalls by the carved wooden representation of a Talbot, a broad-mouthed, long-eared hound, now extinct.

We decided that this was too good an opportunity to miss. Not only are we organising a very special service in St Mary's on November 29th but we see this anniversary as a very appropriate cause for celebration at the Seckford Hall Hotel, formerly the seat of the Seckfords (see FOGBC for details).

LOOKING BACK

EASTER

We had our usual Good Friday Service of readings and music, followed by the 8.00 communion service on Easter Sunday. The wonderful array of spring flowers caught the eye, so our warmest thanks to those who, once again, brought spring into the church. A PCC meeting was held in the choir stalls on 8th April, giving PCC members another chance to appreciate the hard work of those on the rota. Thank you all.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This took place on Sunday April 19th after the family service and after appropriate refreshments had been served. PCC personnel will remain essentially as last year, with one change which will be known in due course.

The Churchwarden, Secretary and Treasurer remain respectively: Norman Porter, Eric Barnett, and Adrian Melrose, with Derek Wilson as Assistant Treasurer.

The Annual report was approved and Accounts signed. It was particularly noted that we had successfully negotiated the year of interregnum, and that this was very much thanks to the work of Philip Merry and Diana Gardiner, together with clergy from outside the Benefice. Special thanks were passed on to Charles Barrington for leading us through the repairs project, to Adrian Melrose, for his preparation of the accounts, and to Norman Porter, on completion of another year as Churchwarden.

Ironically enough, it was also the year in which we undertook our greatest works programme in recent memory, thereby demonstrating that we do have resources of resilience, and capacity for self-support.

CHURCH MAINTENANCE PROJECT

The scaffolding is all down, and the repair to the east window is complete. The next stage of the work consists of internal decorating - not only the re-plastered bits, but most of the interior. Because of the scale of this work the church will effectively be closed, and accessible only to the builders for most of May: viz 4th -27th - just in time for a wedding on the 29th. We miss just one service during this time, namely the 8.00 am Holy Communion on Sunday 10th May. We have very generously been allowed the run of Culpho church for this occasion, so hope that not only 8.00 am regulars, but also, maybe, one or two irregulars might like to join us on a rather special occasion in a lovely little church. Gt Bealings will be providing the sidespeople.

LOOKING AHEAD

We have two weddings coming up: on May 29th –Ruth Nicholls and Matthew Scholar, followed later on July 18th by the wedding of Hannah Smith and Richard Jones.

CHURCHYARD

Many thanks to more volunteers for keeping certain areas under control during the summer. The wilder areas down the left and right hand side, together with the sturdy nettle-bed at the bottom will be receiving more frequent attention. The central area will still be allowed to grow, to the benefit of wildlife.

Churchwarden

FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH CRICKET

Now that spring appears finally to have arrived, our thoughts turn to summer and that most English of games, cricket! I am not sure that the rules of the cricket played at Barn Pightle are those that the MCC would recognise, but we can gloss over that. For those of you who have enjoyed previous events and for those new to the delights of the game Great Bealings style, you will be delighted to know that Jonathan and Farran are hosting another event at Barn Pightle, on Sunday 19th July. Start time for children who would like some pre-match tuition is 1 p.m., with the games beginning at 2.00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome, whether you are a player or a spectator. (Incidentally, no skill is required to take part.) Refreshments will be provided. Please put the date in your diary; it really is a delightful way to spend a summer Sunday afternoon.

WILDLIFE MORNING

We were delighted that some 30 people attended the inaugural meeting of our Wildlife Group. John Midwinter produced an array of images of all sorts

of local wildlife, and ensured that we were all aware of the richness and variety of the species of wild life that we might encounter in our own locality. There followed a discussion as to which activities might follow this launch morning. This has led to a questionnaire being sent to all those who were present, seeking their views about the frequency and timing of meetings, as well as asking views on a range of possible activities.

If you were unable to be present on this first occasion, but would like to receive a copy of the questionnaire and details of future gatherings, please email or telephone Norman Porter

(01473 735565 or nhp@rillcott.co.uk).

We emphasise again that attendance at our meetings/activities is open to people from across the Benefice, and very much hope that families and individuals with an interest in wild life will show their support for this local venture.

FRIDAY 5TH JUNE - CLIVE PAINE LET LOOSE IN GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH

A reminder that this is your chance to support both St Mary's Church and the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. The main annual event supporting the Trust is the September bike ride, scheduled this year for Saturday 12th September. If the bike ride is not your cup of tea, then think about channeling your support for the Trust into coming along to hear Clive. Entry is a mere £6 per head to include refreshments.

It will also be opportunity for us to express public appreciation of the support given by the Trust to our repairs project.

SECKFORD HALL DINNER

Saturday November 14th

- make a note of the date now!

To celebrate the 500th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Seckford, one of the great benefactors of St Mary's Church, we thought we ought to plan a high profile event, commensurate with the importance of Thomas Seckford – and

indeed, the Seckford Manor, in the history of our church and village.

It is therefore planned to have a special dinner in Seckford Hall Hotel on Saturday November 14th.

The evening will include a talk by well known local speaker, Mark Mitchels, on Thomas Seckford, a reception drink and a two course meal. If we can find some sort of individual or corporate sponsorship of the reception drink and the wine during the meal then we hope to keep costs down to a maximum of £25 per head. A special commemorative programme will be produced for the event, with advertising possibilities, so do contact Norman Porter if you would like to support us either in this way or by offering to contribute to the drinks portion of the bill.

The Manager of the Hotel, (Denis Frucot) has been taken on an exploratory visit to the church and is now fully aware of the importance of the Seckfords in our village history. He is also keen to strengthen relations between the Hotel and the village.

There will be a maximum of 80 places, (In the Lakeland Suite) and Friends, plus Friends of Friends are very much encouraged to join us, so if you would like to get your name down early, or merely express some level of interest at this stage, please do so.

FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Friday June 5th

Clive Paine let loose in St Mary's Church.

Saturday 12th September
SHCT Cycle Ride.

Sunday 14th November

Talk and Supper in Seckford Hall Hotel to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the birth of Thomas Seckford.

The Friends

LET THERE BE LIGHT

The stars shone down on the lights for three special people. On reaching the mature age of 93 they saluted Freddie Sledmere, presently a resident at The Grove in Woodbridge. In his younger days, Freddie played a leading and very active role in Bealings, both as a Parish Councillor and Parochial Church Council member for many years. He passionately spearheaded the " Save Bealings School " campaign, when it was earmarked for closure and won the day by direct appeal to the then Education Secretary, John Ganzoni, later Lord Belstead.. His R.A.F career ended with a fly past in the Electric Lightning, the fastest plane then in existence, with Freddie at the controls. Mentioning Lord Belstead introduces the 84th birthday of his sister, The Hon Jill Ganzoni whose generous support, not only allowed the Bealings Playing Field to be built, but also she supported funding necessary for our Church rebuilding costs to be achieved. Both are still greatly interested in our Church, its progress and its future. Finally we are very pleased to learn that Debbie Barrett is on the road to recovery following her stay at Papworth Hospital – ever active at every Plant Sale for many years, take it easy for the coming one Debbie and get those green fingers in action next year!

To light your celebration or commemoration give me a ring on 01473 735153

Roger Roseboom

GREAT BEALINGS PARISH COUNCIL

**Notes of the parish council meeting
held on 16th March**

FINANCE

Cheques – Three cheques were authorised to be signed for payment. One was for the repayment of the grant received for the Neighbourhood Plan.

Charles Barrington explained that once this outstanding balance had been repaid, he will submit an application for a further grant.

JOINT EMERGENCY PLAN

In response to an enquiry from Little Bealings PC, it was agreed that Great Bealings would be interested in producing a joint emergency plan. Eric Barnett volunteered to be the representative for Great Bealings.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Charles Barrington made a presentation to the Parish Council on the Draft Neighbourhood Plan which the Working Group had been working on for two years. He explained that Great Bealings is the first "Other Village" to come before SCDC with a Neighbourhood Plan. A number of topics were covered. The Plan will need reviewing every five years. A list of Local Heritage Assets has been developed and all owners of these will be directly consulted by the

Parish Council. Five Landscape Protection Areas (LPAs) had been identified and the Parish Council identified and requested the addition of a further LPA to cover the west end of Boot Street and the approach to the village. It was resolved that the NPWG can present the Draft Plan to SCDC for discussion.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

In view of Local Council elections to be held on 7 May, the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 12 May at 7.00pm at which there will be a presentation regarding the Neighbourhood Plan. This meeting will be immediately followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

Full minutes of the Parish Council are available on the Council's website once they have been approved by the Council.

Dee Knights – Clerk 01473 624240

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LITTLE BEALINGS

20 MPH SPEED LIMIT FOR THE STREET, LITTLE BEALINGS

SCC has advised that the Parish Council's application for a speed limit has been approved - a part of The Street does meet the criteria for a 20 mph Speed Limit. The Council has asked SCC to consider the exact location of the speed limit signs, especially at the Holly Lane/Village Hall location.

The legal process means that it may be 15 - 20 months before a scheme is in place. Funding in the region of £5,000 also needs to be secured - although at present it seems likely that much could be secured from our County Councillor and District Councillor Locality budgets.

Little Bealings Parish Council

LITTLE BEALINGS PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Election on 7 May 2015.

Details of the 10 candidates who will be standing for election to the Parish Council are displayed on the Parish Council Notice Boards.

There are 7 Councillors to be elected.

LET THERE BE LIGHT

On 31st. March the lights shone in memory of Paddy Bills' very dear son Patrick on his birthday.

Joan Moon remembered with love on their birthdays Peg Smith on 3rd. April, Trixie McMaster on 4th. April, and Peter Moon on 7th. April.

The Church lights shone to celebrate the Holy Week and Easter through the generous donation of Mrs. Perkins, in whose husband's memory the lights were installed.

On 25th. April, Anzac Day, the contributions of the young men and women of Australia and New Zealand in World War 1 and other conflicts are remembered with grateful thanks by Joan Moon.

If you would like the lights to shine for a special occasion or memory, please contact Peter Carr on 01473 620213, or drop a note into Corner Cottage, The Street, IP13 6LN.

The fee is £5 and cheques should be made payable to Little Bealings PCC Fabric Fund.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Following the 10 o'clock communion service and fortified with coffee, cake and sausage rolls PCC members and parishioners joined together for the Vestry and Annual Parochial Church meetings. Two churchwardens were elected; Paddy Bills who continues for another year and newcomer Fran Hopkins. Their Public Admission as churchwardens will take place at 7.30 pm on June 2nd in Kirton Church.

The Annual Report was then presented at the APCM led by our priest, Celia. A copy of the report on 2014 events and activities in All Saints, as well as the Angela Cobbold Hall, magazine and the broader benefice including financial statements can be found on the notice

board in the church porch. There are a few spare copies at the back of the church if you would like to take one away with you.

The meeting also provided an opportunity to thank all those who gave so much of their time and energy to All Saints and the Angela Cobbold Hall in 2014. From polishing the brass to lighting heaters on a frosty evening to cooking delicious community lunches, many have played their part in serving both our church and village communities. Celia reiterated her desire for the church to be a community resource and develop links with the school, village hall and other organisations in mutual support in the coming year.

Our PCC for 2015:

Chairperson	Revd Celia Cook
Vice-chair	Peter Kidd
Secretary	Helen Clarkson
Treasurer	Derek Wilson
Treasurer	Adrian Melrose
Deanery Synod Rep	Bob Tate
Electoral Roll Officer	Ann Tate
	Revd Philip Merry
	Jan Lelijveld

PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 1 and 15 April 2015

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSIONS – MATTERS RAISED

Admiral's Head: A resident advised that his proposal for the re-opening of the Admiral's Head had been distributed to properties in both Great and Little Bealings. He had also submitted an outline planning application for two proposed dwellings in Great Bealings. It was noted that the Council would be a consultee as an interested party in the matter.

DC/15/1227/FUL: Proposed single storey front extension and 1½ storey rear

extension at Holly Lodge, Martlesham Road

Residents at a neighbouring property objected to the application as the rear extension would overlook the private area behind their house and their garden. The applicants suggested that they could install some frosted glass or net curtains to address this.

PLANNING

DC/15/0873/FUL: Erection of a two storey detached dwelling at Bealings Holt, Martlesham Road

It was agreed to object to the application as it would set a precedent in allowing more traffic to access Martlesham Road. The development was also not considered to be sustainable in view of the lack of a footpath along Martlesham Road, and was contrary to SCDC LDF policy DM3 by being a new development in the countryside.

DC/15/0366/FUL: Demolition of the existing High Rigg dwelling. Replacement with a new five bedroom country house with a new driveway and highway access

It was agreed to object to the application as it breached SCDC LDF policies SP15, DM23, DM21, DM8 and DM3. The development would be partly on the existing property site and partly on agricultural land, so being development in the countryside. The new house would be a massive increase in size on the existing dwelling and would dominate the countryside and the centre of the village and be very visible from The Street. Noise and light pollution were also of concern. The proposed new access adjacent to the level crossing was of concern on safety grounds.

DC/15/1227/FUL: Proposed single storey front extension and 1½ storey rear extension at Holly Lodge, Martlesham Road

It was agreed to object to the application in view of the overlooking and affect on the privacy of the

neighbouring property; the development was therefore contrary to LDF policy D23.

EAOW1

The applicant had advised that changes in government funding for large scale energy projects meant that the project would be reduced from an output of 1200MW to 750MW. No change was proposed to the width of the cable corridor or the cable burial depth (typically 1.2m). However, the cables would carry high voltage alternating current instead of high voltage direct current. Permission for these (and other) 'non material changes' would be sought in May. It was agreed to ask the applicant for comment on any health implications in view of the change of current.

HIGHWAYS

20 mph SPEED LIMIT FOR THE STREET

The County Council had advised that their assessment had shown that The Street did meet the criteria for either a 20mph speed limit or a '20s Plenty' designation. It was noted that the resident's group preferred a speed limit. Both would cost in the region of £5,000 for which no funding was allocated. It was agreed to request a 20mph speed limit and to pursue funding from County and District Councillor Locality budgets, as well as the Minor Improvements Highway budget. The extent of the limit needed further consideration with SCC. It was likely to take some 15 to 20 months to put into effect.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

It was noted that some £35,000 needed to be raised for repairs to the roof and tower. In view of the importance to the community of the Church as an historic building and a community focal point, as well as a place of worship, it was agreed that the repairs were strongly supported by the Council.

BOUNDARY FENCING IN THE STREET

It was agreed to ask SCDC if the new fencing erected in the centre of the

village adjacent to The Street required planning permission.

BANK ACCOUNT SIGNATORIES

As two of the three current signatories were standing down from the Council on 7 May, new signatories were agreed to facilitate cheque signing at the Council meeting on 11 May.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The next scheduled meeting will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting to be held on 11 May. This will be immediately preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting. **Any group who would like to give a report on their**

activities in the parish over the last year and any resident who wishes to raise an issue or initiative for consideration at the Annual Parish Meeting is asked to contact the Clerk as soon as possible.

The approved and draft minutes of Parish Council meetings are available on the Council's website.

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PLAYFORD

ST MARY'S

Well its spring and everyone is happy. The flowers are coming up. The wild flowers are coming up. So is the grass.

Our usual team of grass-cutters, provided by Her Majesty, are not available at present. The reasons are complicated but political. However there is hope that in the next few months the situation will change and we will get a weekly cut. Contingency plans will be dusted off and executed if necessary.

Now the thunder box. (Time will come when I do not have to mention this but it is some way off) We are now awaiting one further estimate from a builder and then all the paperwork will be submitted to the insurance company and hopefully a date for starting can be arranged.

Meanwhile hold your breath and anything else you may think useful. The plans have been submitted to SCDC and at a meeting on Tuesday 21st April were passed by the Parish Council.

The flower arrangements in the church for Easter Service were brilliant and they are only just starting to look tired. Many thanks to all the flower ladies who made such a big effort.

*Colin Hedgley
Churchwarden*

PLAYFORD CHURCH LIGHTS

There has been no sponsorship for the lights since the end of March sadly.

May I take this opportunity to remind Playford residents that this is a rather lovely and easy way to boost the Church coffers!

There are all sorts of occasions when to sponsor the Church lights might prove to be a popular and thoughtful thing to do for family, friend or neighbour. An example: last winter we were having some friends over for supper, one

couple of which had not been here before. Charles was concerned that they would have difficulty finding the house. I was somewhat dismissive of his fears as the husband was a soldier and, presumably, a soldier should be able to find his way in unknown territory in the dark. To allay Charles' worries I decided to sponsor the Church lights as, apart from the fact that they do look lovely, they might help guide our friends to the house (the clue is in our address!). And, do you know, they did have difficulty or, rather, the husband had, in a most unsoldierly fashion, forgotten to bring our telephone number so although he had his mobile with him that was no use. Luckily his wife (an excellent example of a soldier's wife) did remember that we lived in Church Corner Cottage and using the floodlit Church as a navigational aid. They managed to find the house without further ado! Luckily they had remembered the name of the village!

Whether to celebrate a birthday or anniversary or to remember a family member, sponsoring the floodlighting of the Church is a really lovely gesture and one that is usually so very much appreciated or a comfort especially when remembering someone connected to the village.

Requests to sponsor lights to: Veronica Bunbury at Church Corner Cottage
Tel: 01473 623366 or email: vronx@btinternet.com

NB Last minute sponsorship is always welcome and NEVER a nuisance BUT so as to avoid any disappointment, if the request is for the same day or at very short notice, it is advisable to telephone, or ring the doorbell if posting a request, to ensure that Veronica will be at home to switch on the lights

PLAYFORD EASTER CHOCOLATE FAIR

Thank you to all those that came and enjoyed all the fun at the Chocolate Fair. We had some wonderfully fun and very pretty, bonnets and decorated eggs. The decorated Cakes were also very impressive. Despite the lower numbers than expected, we managed to cover costs, plus a little, have fun and donate a number of eggs to the Salvation Army Soup Run in Ipswich and to EACH.

It was a really fun day and we will be inviting the Chocolate Bunny to visit Playford again next year.

Jos Saunders

PLAYFORD WI

On the 7th April we were given a fascinating insight into 'Behind the Scenes of a supermarket.' Our speaker Joan Clarke, was both funny and informative.

We were joined by 7 visitors, two of whom were from Playford.

We hope that those residents who have received their letter and magazines from our group are thinking about joining us for a 'taster' next month when our speaker will be Ian Toulson talking to us on the subject of his 'Obsession with Cycling.' The meeting will be held as usual at Playford Parish Hall on 5th May at 7.30 pm.

CULPHO

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

This was held on the 19th April after the Evensong Service and was well attended. The following appointments were made.

Churchwardens Richard Garnham and Guy Hartfall were re-elected for a further term of office and will be admitted during the Archdeacons Visitation to Orford on the 11th May. Parochial Church Council Members, Shirley Grey, Harry Hedley, Christine Pearce and Margaret Gornall were also re-elected for a further term with Culpho resident, Rosemary Hartfall being newly elected to the P.C.C. Derek Lowther-Wilson was appointed Treasurer with Adrian Melrose assisting with the financial administration of St. Botolph's. Richard Garnham was also confirmed as our Deanery Synod Representative.

Following the annual revision of the Electoral Roll the figure now stands at 21. A new roll will be completed in 2019. However, should anyone wish to have their name placed on the Church Electoral Roll they can do so at any time before the new roll is compiled. The conditions being - over 16 years of age, either resident in the village, or who attends Church, and has been baptised. Please make contact with the Secretary if you would like an application form.

During the meeting Rev'd Celia Cook thanked members of the resident and church community for their continued support and placed on record her grateful thanks for the work undertaken at St. Botolph's by Churchwardens and members of the Parochial Church Council.

RECITAL BY CAROLE KING

At the time of publication the recital 'To Music' will have taken place during the afternoon of Sunday 26th April. We are most grateful to Carole, Bryan and Jane for giving of their time and talent for the benefit of Culpho Church. A more detailed report of the event will be published in the June issue of the Benefice magazine.

ORDINATION

Our Deacon Philip Merry will be ordained Priest on the 4th July, 2015 at Bury St. Edmunds Cathedral. Sincere congratulations are offered from all members of the resident and church community at Culpho to Philip and his wife Denise. A deserving achievement and we look forward to Philip's 'extended' Ministry amongst us.

SPONSORED LIGHTS.

The lights were lit on the evening of the 19th April by Martin and Beverley Pickeringshaw in loving memory of Beverley's father, Harold Shaw, who passed away in 1989. His loss is still deeply felt by his family.

On the 22nd and 23rd May, the church will be lit by Huw and Wendy Jefferson in loving memory of their son Christopher who died in Cambodia in 2008. 'Always in our hearts'.

Margaret Gornall

NEW TO THE VILLAGE?

Great Bealings: For a Welcome Leaflet please contact
Norman Porter on 735565 or nhp@rillcott.co.uk

Little Bealings: Please see the parish website for information:
www.littlebealings.onesuffolk.net

Playford: A Welcome Leaflet can be obtained from Mrs Veronica Bunbury
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BEALINGS AND PLAYFORD NEWSGROUP

An e-newsgroup operates for residents of Great and Little Bealings, Playford and Culpho. If you would like to receive emails about local events and items of interest from the Parish Councils and other groups, please send your email address to: bealingsplayfordnews@googlemail.com

Please say which village you live in so that you can receive the most appropriate information. Your email address will not be shared with others. The newsgroup can also be used to send information that residents would like distributed. BUT-please note that the newsgroup does not distribute any information involving commercial ventures or for the sale of goods and services, other than for charitable fund raising relevant to the parishes.

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VH: Village Hall

ACH: Angela Cobbold Hall

AGE UK	Village Representative	Jenny Shaw 07962087205
ANGELA COBBOLD HALL BOOKING		Vicki Carr 620213
BADMINTON	VH Thu 7.30	Martin Yates 07710187722
BALLROOM DANCING	VH First 3 Tue 7.30	Teresa Rudd 07729310480
BENEFICE CHOIR	Fri 7.30	Gill Peck 625077
CARPET BOWLS	VH Tue 1.30/Wed 7.00	Nigel Abbott 611005
DANCE CLASS	VH Tue 9.30 am Fri 9.30 am	Debbie Watkins-Jones 403513
FRESH FISH	Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	Catherine 07971970836
GUIDES	ACH Tue 6.30 - 8.30	Jo Slim 01394 448846
JOHN BELSTEAD SPORTS COURT		http://bealings.ibooka.com/
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KEEP FIT	VH Thu 10.00	Joyce Bradley 726392
LIBRARY	Thu (every 4 weeks) 2.15 – 2.30 mobile library at Boot St, Great Bealings 2.35-3.00 at Admiral's Head, Little Bealings	07809594685
REMOTE CONTROL TOYS	ACH Bookable	Vicki Carr 620213
SNOOKER	VH Any day <4 hours	Margaret Wilson 07769195132
TABLETENNIS	ACH Bookable	Vicki Carr 620213
VILLAGE HALL BOOKING		Margaret Wilson 07769195132
WI	VH Thu (3rd in month)	2.30 Oct - Mar 7.30 Apr - Sep Jennifer Cook 623985
WOLSEY MINIATURES	VH Tue (4th in month) 7.30	Tricia Pitcher 624580

PLAYFORD

PH: Parish Hall

AGE UK	Village Representative	Astrid Llewellyn 610635
ART CLUB	PH Thu 10	Mary Spillett 01394 385295
FRESH FISH	Thu am Little Bealings top road: noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings	Catherine 07971970836
FOOT CLINIC	PH Fri (every 8 weeks)	Astrid Llewellyn 610635
LIBRARY	Thu (every 4 weeks) 1.50 – 2.05 mobile library at phone box	07809594685
MILK	Tue, Thu, Sat Mon, Wed Fri	Dairy Crest 747272 Co-op Dairies
NEWSPAPERS		Grange News 01394 384082
NOTICE BOARD	PH See for art, bridge & social events	
PARISH HALL BOOKING		Lesley Nash 07759 308856
TODDLERS	PH Fri 9.30 toddler group	
WHIST DRIVE	PH Tues (4th in month) 2.00 pm	Astrid Llewellyn 610635
WI	PH Tue (1st in month)	Sue Bruce 738265
YOGA	PH Tue 9.30	Astrid Llewellyn 610635
	PH Thu evening 'Yoga for Mums'	J Lawrence 738104

Please submit corrections/additions to editor

JUNE NEWSLETTER

Contributions for the June Newsletter should be submitted by:

5.00 pm Tuesday 19th May

The newsletter will be ready for distribution by **Saturday, 30th May.**

Please be aware that this magazine will be available online. Names of children 16 and under must have parental/guardian approval before inclusion in the newsletter.

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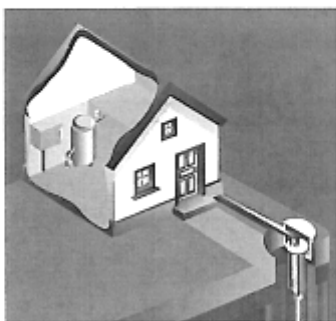
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CHURCH DIARY - MAY

SUNDAY 3rd MAY	5th SUNDAY of EASTER	
8.00	Holy Communion -said	Little Bealings
10.00	Holy Communion - Baptism	Great Bealings
WEDNESDAY 6th	9.30 Holy Communion -said	Culpho

SUNDAY 10th	6th SUNDAY of EASTER	
8.00	Holy Communion -said	Culpho (<i>moved from GB</i>)
10.00	Holy Communion	Playford

THURSDAY 14th	ASCENSION DAY	
7.30 pm	Holy Communion	Playford

SUNDAY 17th	7th SUNDAY of EASTER	
10.00	Family Communion	Little Bealings
3.00 pm	Evensong	Culpho

SUNDAY 24th	PENTECOST	
8.00	Holy Communion -said	Playford
10.00	Songs of Praise - Baptism	Little Bealings

SUNDAY 31st	TRINITY SUNDAY	
8.00	Holy Communion -said	Great Bealings
10.00	Holy Communion	Playford

JUNE		
WEDNESDAY 3rd	9.30 Holy Communion -said	Culpho

SUNDAY 7th	1st after TRINITY	
8.00	Holy Communion -said	Little Bealings
10.00	Holy Communion	Great Bealings