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I expect that by now you will have caught up with the news that I shall be retiring on 31st December 2013. I am finding that my energy levels are not what they used to be and being non-resident can mean a lot of travelling sometimes 50 + miles in a day, which in itself is tiring. All this means that I am finding it difficult to be your parish priest in the way that I would wish. The average stay of a priest in a parish is somewhere between five and seven years. I have been involved with the parishes of Great & Little Bealings, Playford & Culpho for thirteen years, three as your curate and ten as your priest in charge. During that time I have also acted as Rural Dean for the Woodbridge Deanery and become a Canon of St Edmundsbury Cathedral.

My son with his family has recently moved from Cambridge to Wales to take up a position at Monmouth School, which involves working on a Saturday. This means that if I continue working, even part time I will never see the grandchildren. Families are important and retirement will mean that I will be able to continue to visit regularly and be a grandma who is involved in their lives and not just a name on a card.

Over the last five years my priority has been to train Lay and Ordained church members for ministry. We have three Elders, Alison Baker, Denise Merry and Virginia Porter who lead prayers in church, administer the chalice, and will visit the sick if asked; they can prepare

families for Baptism and provide activities for children inside and outside church. Our newly qualified Reader, Diana Gardiner has a preaching and teaching ministry among you, and is licensed to conduct some services and assist at others. Philip Merry is in his last year of training to become first a deacon and then a priest, not to take over the parishes, but to provide practical ministry alongside a new parish priest when someone is appointed. We have excellent Churchwardens and PCC office holders and our musical tradition has grown thanks to our organists and choir. All this will leave the parishes in very good heart and able to weather the interregnum. It is now time for someone with another vision to take over. From January 1st practical church questions need to be directed to the parishes details on the front page of this magazine, and for matters relating to ministry such as weddings you will need to approach the Rural Dean Canon Clare Sanders. In 2014 a retired priest, Canon David Lowe, will conduct many of your services and you will be able to meet him if you come to my last service on 29th December in Great Bealings church at 11am.

However until the end of the year which is still three months away I am still your priest and will be happy to hear from you should you wish to contact me. More details concerning the future will be available in the December issue of this newsletter.

Pauline

BENEFICE

OCTOBER 20TH MORNING SERVICE.

Please don't get caught out! The 10am service on 20th October will be a Celebratory Songs of Praise for Harvest at Culpho church. Organist and choir in attendance and everyone very welcome. For parking turn right up the track just before Culpho church and drive round to the back of the church.

REMEMBERING PRECIOUS PEOPLE

Our annual service where we remember by name those of our loved ones who have died, takes place on Friday 1st November at 7.30pm in Little Bealings Church. It is a quiet service of music and readings and the opportunity to light a candle. New names of those you wish remembered to Pauline in writing by Sunday 27th October please.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

This year's joint service for all 4 parishes will take place in Great Bealings Church at 10.00 am

NOVEMBER 24TH "STIR UP CHRISTMAS PUDDING SUNDAY!"

In place of the usual Christmas all-age workshop at the Angela Cobbold Hall, this year's seasonal activities have been transferred to St Mary's Church, Great Bealings. On the 24th November at 10.00 am, instead of the usual service, there will be activities for ALL ages, as well as some songs, prayers and a story, running until approximately 11.15am. We can all have a stir in the traditional making of a Christmas pudding, and as it is the start of Advent we will decorate our calendars and Christ

the King Crowns. The morning will also include light refreshments. Our intention is that all will go home with a Christmas Pudding!!! All ages are extremely welcome and encouraged to this lovely start to the season of Advent.

Pauline & The Ministry Team



TOWN CONCERT

Recital

COMMUNITY LIGHT ORCHESTRA

Corn Exchange, King Street, Ipswich, IP1 1DH

Thursday 10 October 1.00pm to 1.50pm

The Community Light Orchestra Wind Ensemble is just what it says on the tin – nine of the wind players of the CLO have got together to make music. They have taken solo spots in past CLO concerts, have been invited by other groups and organisations to play for them and have shared in the 2011 World Music Day at the Ipswich Central Library. On that occasion they played music from Spain, Russia, Australia, France and England. Today they provide an equally varied programme to fire the imagination.

Tea and biscuits are available from 12.30 and the kettle will be on the hob. Although admission is free, a retiring collection of £2.00 will be appreciated. This is to defray expenses incurred in hosting the series.

More details can be obtained from

[secretary@ipswich-](mailto:secretary@ipswich-arts.org.uk)

arts.org.uk www.ipswich-arts.org.uk or

Tel. 01473 836973

OCTOBER READINGS AND LITURGICAL COLOURS

6th October

NT Lesson 8.00 am
Gospel 8.00 am

OT Lesson 10.00 am
NT Lesson 10.00 am

19TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

2 Timothy 1.1-14
Luke 17.5-10

PLAYFORD HARVEST

Deuteronomy 26.1-11
Philippians 4.4-9

GREEN

RCL pg. 1003

RCL pg.1165

13th October

OT Lesson 10.00 am only
NT Lesson 8.00 am/10.00 am
Gospel 8.00 am/10.00 am

20TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

2 Kings 5.1-3, 7-15b
2 Timothy 2.8-15
Luke 17.11-19

GREEN

RCL pg. 1009

20th October

NT Lesson 8.00 am
Gospel 8.00 am

OT Lesson 10.00 am
Gospel 10.00 am

21ST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

2 Timothy 3.14-4.5
Luke 18.1-8

CULPHO HARVEST

Deuteronomy 26.1-11
John 6.25-35

GREEN

RCL pg. 1018

RCL pg.1165

27th October

OT Lesson 8.00 am/10.00 am
Gospel 8.00 am/10.00 am

BIBLE SUNDAY

Isaiah
Luke 4.16-24

GREEN

RCL pg. 1029

3rd November

OT Lesson 10.00 am only
NT Lesson 8.00 am/10.00 am
Gospel 8.00 am/10.00 am

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Daniel 7.1-3, 15-18
Ephesians 1.11-end
Luke 6.20-31

WHITE

RCL pg. 1039

FROM THE REGISTERS

WEDDING

31st August	Jonathan Cracknell & Gemma Peck	Playford
14th September	Nicola Gill & Kevin Muttitt	Culpho

FUNERAL

5th September	Jean Hedgley	Cremation	Playford
6th September	John & Kay Raffe	Burial of Ashes	Playford
7th September	Connie Dunn	Burial of Ashes	Little Bealings

BEALINGS

THE MOBILE POLICE STATION

It will run on a six week rota. It will be in the car park of the village hall at 2.15. The next two dates are Tuesday October 22nd, and Tuesday December 3rd.

We will be there for help and advice, and will be selling small security items such as alarms, padlocks, marker pens etc.

PC 502 James

ANGELA COBBOLD HALL

Apologies for the cancellation of the Community Lunch on 3rd. September, owing to unforeseen events, including a serious leak on the hot water heater. Our grateful thanks to Ken Fray of Culpho for sorting everything out so promptly.

The next Community Lunch will be 1st. October with Sausage Casserole & Spotted Dick on the menu.

Please book on or before Sunday 29th September.

The hall will remain available after lunch for anyone to bring cards, board games, knitting etc. to share

*Vicki Carr
01473 620213*

A NEW ARRIVAL IN THE BEALINGS

About three years ago, we fitted a Barn Owl nesting box to a large tree on our field which is across the river from our home in Little Bealings. This year, there have been numerous sightings of Barn Owls hunting up and down the River Lark valley nearby. Then, a few weeks ago, Steve Pietrowski from the Suffolk Wildlife Trust visited us and confirmed that the owls had used our nesting box and had produced two offspring. Very sadly one was dead but the remaining brother seemed to be in good health

and was weighed, measured and ringed. We now suspect that it has left the nesting box and is out hunting in the valley. We have fond memories of Barn Owls in the valley when we first came to Lower Street in about 1983 and it is a great pleasure to have them back again.

John Midwinter

BEALINGS VILLAGE HALL FUTURE EVENTS

QUIZ

**Saturday 23rd November 2013
7.30pm (doors open 6.30pm)**

Quizmaster: Eric Barnett

Licensed Bar

Tea and Coffee and Snacks on sale

Tickets £4.00

6 people maximum per team

To reserve call Margaret 625277
or Malcolm 610169

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

Come and wave goodbye to 2013 with food, music, dancing, fireworks and fizz!

31 December 2013

7.00 pm – 12.30 am

Bealings Village Hall

Chilli supper (and bring a dessert to share) – licensed bar – ceilidh – kids' film – bubbly at midnight

Adults £10.00

Children (12 and under) £5.00

Under 5s – Free

Numbers are limited so please reserve tickets as soon as possible.

Contact Malcolm Watson 610169
or Jenny Shaw 07849 181014

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GREAT BEALINGS

ST MARY'S

At the time of writing, autumn had really taken a grip, with cooler temperatures, windy days, and no shortage of rain. The announcement of Pauline's impending retirement on December 29th has also propelled thoughts towards Christmas and the New Year. Summer may have been left behind, but there is still much to be enjoyed before we finally have to submit to winter – so let's make the best of our late autumn days.

LOOKING BACK

HARVEST FESTIVAL

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH

A large congregation attended our Songs of Praise Service, before enjoying a self-catering lunch in and around the church. Many thanks to all who provided salads and puddings. The proof both of the puddings and of the salads was in their virtually total demolition and consumption.

At the end of the service Pauline announced that she would be retiring on December 29th. This surprise announcement coincided with a subsequent presentation to her of cards and a bouquet of flowers from the villages of the Benefice, presented by churchwardens. This was a celebration of 13 years of her ministry, 3 years as Curate, followed by 10 years as incumbent. The two small ceremonies (announcement and presentation) were in some ways complementary. 13 years in one post is a long time in this day and age, and Pauline has given generously of her skills and energies over that period. She deserves to be able to look forward to a period of fewer commitments. The announcement of her retirement in no way detracted from our appreciation of 13 years of commitment both to our parish and to the Benefice. Details will, of course, be circulated in due course as to how we shall be commemorating Pauline's re-

tirement.

This was also the final service to be attended by Janet Eaton, long-time resident of the village, and great supporter of St Mary's Church and all its activities. Norman Porter, Churchwarden, presented Janet with a special potted flower and card, wishing her well in her new home in Devon, where she is moving to be closer to family members. We shall miss her greatly, but hope that all the close friendships and contacts will be maintained, however great the geographical distance.

SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES BIKE RIDE - SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH

We had four cyclists (a brace of Firebraces and 2 Porters) taking to the highways and byways and enjoying the hospitality of the county's open churches. We are particularly grateful to all who church-sat and provided a warm, hospitable welcome to our visitors. They far outnumbered the village's cyclists! Despite the inclement weather, and periods of drizzly rain, particularly in the morning, the number of visitors was slightly up on previous years, and in-roads made into the supply of refreshments. Newspaper reports suggested that a thousand or so cyclists had participated, and that over 700 churches had been open across the county. The novelty of sponsorship may have faded, but the pleasures of cycling remain. Should anyone have a belated wish to subsidise our cycling pleasures – (all proceeds go to Suffolk Churches, with 50% going to our own), then the deadline for returns is October 13th.

LOOKING AHEAD

CHURCHYARD

A reminder that our annual churchyard working party is set to assemble on the morning of **Saturday 5th October** – a ploughman's lunch to follow. All volunteers are welcome to this energetic

morning, with a social conclusion. If you do have energy to spare and would like to help to ensure that our churchyard is fit to welcome visitors throughout the winter months please contact Norman Porter – offers to bring strimmers etc are encouraged.

Churchwarden

FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH

FAMILY BONFIRE EVENING!

As previously announced our Great Bealings Farm Fair has had to be replaced by a different kind of event, namely our giant bonfire party on

Saturday 2nd November at 5.30 p.m.,

with a barbeque and some fireworks.

This is not intended to compete with any of those large-scale impersonal firework displays fuelled by multiple oohs and ahs, but is very much a social occasion - a family-friendly event for everyone who would like to come, both from the village and beyond. The timings should not sabotage normal bedtimes for children. Do invite your friends to join us.

DETAILS

Venue: Rosery Farm – on the hilltop to the right of Cherry Tree Lane.

Time: 5-30 – 7-30 pm

Parking: either in the field or possibly in the meadow used for last year's Fair, if muddy on the night. Subject to eleventh hour changes. Parking attendants will be on hand to help.

Food: barbecue style food available for purchase on site.

Bar: organised as usual by Sally Johnson. Usual range of beverages on sale, plus, probably, glühwein.

Fireworks: We will buy some fireworks, but you are invited either to make donations (bucket will be very prominent) or to bring some of your own and to hand them over to an official firework-letter-offer. For obvious safety reasons we

would be unwise to allow random uncontrolled letting off of fireworks.

Sparklers will be on sale for use by children in a special area.

Publicity: Please spread the word – the more the merrier. The organizers will be using the usual publicity channels.

*Sue Prentice, Adrian Melrose
and Norman Porter*

THE BEALINGS BOWL - GOLF

This was the second year of this event, staged at Woodbridge Golf Club. 13 golfers took part - 6 from Little Bealings, organised by Bob Tate, 7 from Great Bealings organised by Norman Porter. At stake was the Bealings Bowl, a unique piece of ceramic art, made by Leah Hinks (Haywood Smith) especially for this event.

The weather forecast for Sunday 15th September was fearsome – large rainy blobs featured on the weather maps and weather-forecasters resorted to their most lugubrious tones. Even though we know that the peninsula side of Woodbridge can have a sort of microclimate it was decided to limit the competition to just 9 holes. In the event, apart from a couple of flurries of rain, all half-rounds were duly completed in relative dryness. The superior average Stableford score of the Little Bealings team meant that they wrenched the trophy from the first-year grasp of Great Bealings. Congratulations to them. The average score of both sides was highly respectable, and an improvement on 2012. The best individual score was that of Sarah Sagers, producing a remarkable 19 points from a handicap of just 4. The afternoon concluded with tea, sandwiches and cakes provided by the Club, and with prize-giving. The social aspects of the occasion are as important as the sporting side of things. We know that there are another half dozen players who would have liked to have played – they remain on the invitation

list – but if there are any other golfers in our two villages who would like to be on the list for future matches do please let us know (contact details below).

Teams:

Little Bealings: Andrew Birley, John Forrest, Rod Jones, Trevor Marsden, Clive Rowe, Bob Tate (01473 622995).

Great Bealings: Thora and Allan Adamson, Julian Haywood Smith, Jim Newbold, Norman (01473 735565) and Virginia Porter, Sarah Siggers.

LET THERE BE LIGHT

And in September there was a veritable Tsunami!

On 4th September (2 days later, due to grandfather's writing and my poor eyes) they shone for young Alexander Haywood Smith's 21st birthday. Before going to Uni, Alexander was a leading man with BYAT. Unfortunately the theatrical term "Break a Leg" became a reality on his overseas holiday. So, Alex, enjoy your break before you go back to Uni!

On 9th they were lit for Declan Condon on his 13th birthday. Declan is a very good young footballer with the Colchester Academy – perhaps one day we shall see his skills under Flood Lights.

On 10th they glowed to celebrate Henrietta's excellent AS results – great parental sighs of relief by family.

On 11th the glow continued to celebrate James Barrett's achievement of his Masters Degree in Physics at Birmingham Uni – Well done James.

On 12th "in remembrance of Eddie Barrett's birthday "from all his family".

The flow of requests continued with Friday 13th being lit for Georgina Condon to celebrate her 22nd birthday and her graduation from Oxford School of Drama. An unlucky date? – No, she was actually born 22 years ago on Friday 13th!

Finally to conclude a very well lit month, on the 18th bright lights were seen for Olivia Haywood-Smith to celebrate her 16th birthday, Olivia is a young athlete of high repute and was christened much earlier at our church. Where does time fly?

So, before time overtakes you, have a look in your diaries to see if there are any occasions in there which merit a shining light to celebrate, remember or just enjoy, give me a ring and I'll switch them on.

*Roger Roseboom
01473 735153*

LITTLE BEALINGS

HARVEST AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Quite an Autumn feel was in the air as we gathered for our celebration of the Harvest. The church was bright with fruit and flowers everywhere and the favourite Harvest hymns were sung with gusto. We then welcomed Nigel and Alison Brown from the Wynaud Trust who updated us on all the recent news from Kabulamema. Our church is helping to support these projects with donations from our fundraising. It was good to hear that progress is continuing,

mainly in their education projects and help for mothers who come in to have their babies, as well as ongoing building projects. Alison and Nigel had only just returned from Zambia a few days before, where they had been staying for several weeks in Kabulamema so they were able to give us the most recent update on the all the activities both at the orphanage and the township.

The service ended with a challenging anthem from the choir. Rutter's "For the Beauty of the Earth" "after which every-

one made their way down to the Angela Cobbold Hall for the Harvest Lunch.

Here there was a delicious spread provided by the ladies (and a gentleman) from the church which was much enjoyed by all. The generous support for the raffle, £104.00, was donated to the Wynaud Trust.

Thank you to all who supported our Harvest weekend.

*Paddy Bills
Churchwarden*

CANDLESTICKS

After our wooden candlesticks were taken from our church a few weeks ago, we had a very kind offer from Peter Gornall to make some new ones for us. These are now in place on the altar and were duly lit and blessed at our service on Sunday. Very many thanks Peter. We are very grateful.

*Paddy Bills
Churchwarden*

LET THERE BE LIGHT

The Lights shone on Friday 30th August when John was lovingly remembered by Melanie and Robert of Holly Rise.

“Good health and happiness always” were wished for Anna Beaumont of Church Lodge, celebrating her birthday on Wednesday 4th September.

Fond memories of a very special lady, the late Gladys Kidd of “Greenstead”, lit the lights for her on 5th September and again on Friday 6th September, her birthday.

Joan Moon happily shared her birthday with Gladys, so flicked the switch on Saturday 7th September.

“The Rogers family remembers Bea Upton their Mum and Gran on her birthday, 8th September. Bea was an accomplished needlewoman and Ferial remembers the many glamorous evening dresses which she made to commission. ‘Much as I loved the beauty of the dresses, I couldn’t stay in the same room when she was working because

the sound of her nails scratching on the taffeta was unbearable. It seems that this was the optimum glamour fabric of the 1950’s’ says Ferial”.

The lights were bright on Monday 9th September to mark the 10th anniversary of the day Pauline became our Priest in Charge at All Saints.

Another celebration, another anniversary – this time the 9th wedding anniversary on Wednesday 11th September of Justin and Lisa Miller of Lime Tree Cottage – congratulations!

On Wednesday 25th September the lights shone in remembrance of the late Robert Perkins OBE in whose memory the floodlighting system was installed in 1989.

Remember your special days, share your memories, and enjoy the floodlit All Saints in the heart of our village.

£5 or cheque payable to Little Bealings PCC will work the magic.

To Parkside Cottage, Little Bealings
01473 626845

Joan Moon

PUBLIC SEWER PROVISION IN THE STREET LITTLE BEALINGS

The Parish Council is co-ordinating an application to Anglian Water for a public sewer for The Street.

If you wish your property to be included in the application please contact the Parish Council as soon as possible.

You can find out more details, including financial implications, by phoning Anglian Water on 01733 414690 during office hours, Monday to Friday 8.30am – 4.30pm, or here:

http://www.anglianwater.co.uk/_assets/media/QandA_Guide_to_First_Time_Sewerage.pdf

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LITTLE BEALINGS PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 21 August and 9 September 2013

POLICE

There had been six crimes during August: arson, criminal damage and burglary. Three people had been arrested and investigations were ongoing. There was continuing vandalism at the Playing Field and the police were visiting more often. There was a possible theft of a tortoise from a garden.

Bealings School had not agreed to the police visiting and giving road safety advice, but another approach would be made. Parking was currently of concern and the police intended to visit at drop off/pick up times.

Speeding remained a priority for action and three speed checks had been carried out in the parish recently. Penalty tickets had been issued. Due to concern about the speed of traffic in Martlesham Road, speed data would be collected and 'SID' would be used to advise motorists of their speed.

The Council had no objection to organised cycle races passing through the parish.

PUBLIC SEWER FOR THE STREET

As a result of problems raised by some residents, it was agreed to co-ordinate an application to Anglian Water for a public sewer to be provided in The Street. Residents are asked to the Clerk as soon as possible if they wish their property to be included.

PLANNING POLICY

The Council's Planning Statement was reviewed and an updated version agreed. It can be viewed on the Council's website.

STATUS OF THE PARISH

It was agreed to ask SCDC to review the status of the parish as a Local Ser-

vice Centre in the Planning Settlement Hierarchy, on the grounds there were no local employment opportunities and the status of 'Other Village' was therefore appropriate.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PL\0231\13: Installation and Operation of Small Scale Electricity Generation Plant: Land Adjacent to Sinks Pit, Hall Road

It was agreed to object to this application on the grounds that there was insufficient evidence that the noise levels would be acceptable.

C12/2483: Finches Hill, The Street: Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use or Development (CLEUD): For a swimming pool enclosure built under permitted development law previously attached to dwelling but since 02/12/12 not attached

SCDC had refused this application for a Certificate. It was agreed to ask SCDC when enforcement action will take place.

C13/0758 The Dower House, Manor Farm Lane: Erection of first floor side extensions, internal alternations and detached garage

C13/0801 Lime Tree Cottage The Street: Erection of conservatory to side/rear elevation

SCDC had granted permission for these developments.

DC/13/2384/FUL: Marchwood, Martlesham Road – Insertion of dormer windows and rooflights to facilitate provision of first-floor accommodation

It was agreed there was no objection to this application.

**Woodcote, Martlesham Road
Fernlea, Martlesham Road**

SCDC had given permission for works to protected trees at these locations.

FOXHALL STADIUM

It was noted that other parishes did not share local residents' concerns about the noise generated by events at the Stadium. It was agreed to ask SCDC for the Council to be included in consultation about the renewal of the Operating Licence.

HIGHWAYS

Exposed Kerb in The Street

SCC had advised that there was no funding for any works and a Safety Audit would not be carried out to assess the status quo. It was agreed to ask SCC to remove the kerbstone.

Trees

It was agreed to ask SCC to consider the condition of the trees each side of the road between the level crossing and the Hall Road crossroads, in view of the amount of ivy on them and the exposed roots.

Sandbox at the Level Crossing

It was presumed that this had been damaged by a vehicle. A replacement would be provided.

FINANCE

The external audit for 2012/13 had been completed and no matters of concern raised by the auditors.

An increase in the Clerk's salary was agreed, in line with the national pay scale. Cheques were signed for the Clerk's salary and expenses, PAYE and for Mr Ball for the annual cutting of the footpaths. Payment of the Council's insurance policy premium was agreed, and there would be consideration that the cover currently provided was appropriate.

An invoice would be raised to SCC for the cost of the annual cutting of footpaths, as agreed. The second half of the precept would be received from SCDC on 30 September.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN POLICY

It was agreed that there was currently no need for the Council to have such a policy as events involving children were not arranged by the Council. Mrs Cornish agreed to be the contact point in the event a need for a policy arose.

ELECTORAL REVIEW OF SUFFOLK COASTAL

District Councillor Tony Fryatt advised that it was intended to reduce the number of District Councillors from 55 to 43. It was agreed that it was not appropriate for the Council to be included in either a

Woodbridge or a Kesgrave ward. The Council would respond to the consultation stating that it should be included in a ward comprising Great and Little Bealings, Playford, Culpho and Grundisburgh.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 4 November 2013. During the first 15 minutes of all Council meetings the public are welcome to raise any matters of concern with Councillors. The public may also speak for a maximum of 3 minutes on any item on the Agenda at the beginning of that item.

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

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PLAYFORD

PLAYFORD CHURCH INPUT

For the first time in five months someone said to me "Brrr it's cold in church today isn't it?" A sure sign that summer is over and we start thinking about Church heating. How our forebears must have suffered in pre Victorian times, walking to Church in the bitter cold and wet only to find an even colder place to sit in damp clothes and listening to a sermon lasting over half an hour. There was something to be said for having the local Squire sitting at the front pew and giving a very loud cough in the direction of the pulpit when he had had enough. Not that I think a cough is necessary with our vicar. Oh no. Our vicar doesn't do long boring sermons. (Well, that's my place booked in heaven!).

To the person that asked me last week, re my naval career, what naval slang we used for vicars/padres etc, I thought I would compile a short list, so here we go and I think my memory serves me right.

Vicar/Padre	Sky Pilot or Devil Dodger or Sin Bosun
Churchgoer	Bible Basher.
Congregation	God squad
Bottle Opener	Church Key

There are of course lots more but this is a family magazine and I do not want maiden aunts fainting in the pews.

Lastly many thanks to the wedding party for strimming part of the churchyard. Please do not leave the next strim until the next time you get married!

*Colin Hedgley
Churchwarden*

PLAYFORD CHURCH LIGHTS

Thursday, 5th September. Sponsored by Melanie Brooks on the evening of the funeral and in memory of Jean Hedgley.

Tuesday, 10th September. Sponsored by Barbara Dunnett for the 19th birthday

of her Granddaughter, Evie. Happy Birthday Evie, love Grandma Barbara.

Requests to sponsor lights to: Veronica Bunbury at Church Corner Cottage
Tel: 01473 623366 or

email: vronx@btinternet.com

NB 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 WI.

At our September meeting we were pleased to introduce our speaker, Nicky Howener-Townsend who gave us a brilliant talk about the Suffolk Lace Industry and we were delighted to host visiting members from Bealings & Deben WI's. Believe it or not, in October, Playford WI is celebrating its 90th birthday with a birthday cake, made by Liz Royle and a celebration drink. This takes place on the 1st October. We are also having a talk by Ivan Cutting from Eastern Angles which we are sure will be entertaining.

Guests are always welcome to boost our numbers at a small charge.

Sue Bruce. Secretary. Playford WI.

PLAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

These are condensed notes of the proceeding of Playford Parish Council meeting held on 4th Sept. 2013. A full version of the minutes appears on the website: www.playford.org.uk

ACTION POINT REVIEW

There is still confusion with the website situation which is hoped to be resolved quickly with a link from the Playford Village website to the site at OneSuffolk which would deal exclusively with Parish Council matters. A large delivery lorry has struck the trees on Butts Road which were fouling overhead BT cables thus causing emergency measures to

be taken –this has resulted in the BT wires being freed. The footpath from Hill Farm Road to Sandy Lane, Little Bealings has now been cleared of weeds. The two grit bins which were smashed by SCC roadside verge-trimming operations have still not been replaced – Clerk to chase this up. The drainage ditch outside the village hall will be cleared by The Old Parsonage Garden Services when the next grass-cutting is due. Building contractors have placed signs at the entrance to Church Lane from Butts Road to assist lorries delivering to the site at Sevenoaks – a further sign is required at the Northern entrance to Church Road to deter HGV's entering – Clerk to contact SCC. The Parish Council is awaiting a decision from the village hall committee regarding an industrial sized bin for recycling rubbish. Footpaths no/s 1 and 20 are still badly overgrown with weeds at the Playford entrances – Clerk to chase these.

POLICE REPORT

The Police reported an arson attack at Lux Farm in August which may or may not be connected with similar attacks in neighbouring parishes. The 12PT Monthly Parish Council report states that 3 people are currently on Police bail, pending enquiries.

FINANCE

Cheques were signed for grass & hedge cutting services, tax on Clerk's salary and Clerk's expenses. The remaining balance of the Suffolk Acre grant--, held jointly with Great & Little Bealings was sent to the Bealings Village Hall Trust for the maintenance of the John Belstead Playing Field.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

No objections were raised against **DC/13/2224/FUL**, the proposed single storey extension at 1 The Courts, Playford and the council resolved to support this application. Planning permission has been granted for the

alterations to Clematis Cottage **C13/1152** - work to be commenced within 3 years.

EAST ANGLIA ONE WINDFARM AND CABLE CORRIDOR

The Clerk will attend site visits to view the proposed cable route from the landfall at Bawdsey to the converter station at Bramford. Veronica Bunbury will represent Playford at the Open Hearing on 12th September and also at the Issue Specific Hearing regarding Traffic & Transport on 25th September. Joan Metcalfe will attend the Hearing on Socio-economic issues on 26th September.

OUTDOOR PLAYSPACE SCHEME

Favourite choice for funds available is an outdoor aluminium table tennis table. Joan Metcalfe will investigate further details and the Parish Hall committee will be consulted if it is decided to proceed with this venture.

POSSIBLE REDUCTION OF NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS

The council has been unable to fill the two vacancies so far and it was resolved to operate with 5 councillors for the time being.

OTHER MATTERS

A Safeguarding Policy has been adopted by the council. The proposed Electoral Review of Suffolk Coastal was noted. Donations have been received to cover the cost of the retirement gift of flowers to June Gosling. Dissatisfaction has been expressed with the confusion over the website issues and the fact that the Councillors' Register of Interests is not up to date; the Clerk has the latter in hand.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

7.00pm, Wednesday, 6th November 2013

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CULPHO

ST. BOTOLPH'S CHURCH

WEDDING SERVICE

At 11 a.m. on Saturday 14th September, Nicola Gill and Kevin Muttitt were married at St. Botolph's Church. Kevin's family have a long association with Culpho and the Church looked lovely. Beautiful floral arrangements adorned the window ledges and pedestal. Canon Pauline Stentiford officiated, with Maurice Jones on the Organ and P.C.C. member, Melanie Brooks acting as Verger. Good wishes go to Nik and Kevin for a very happy future together.

P.C.C. MEETING

The next meeting of the Parochial Church Council will take place at 4.30 p.m. on Thursday 3rd October, 2013 in the Church.

HARVEST SUPPER/SERVICE

This will take place on Friday 18th October, at 6 p.m. in the Church. All are very welcome and you are asked to contact Christine Pearce on telephone 01473 738324 to book a place. There is no charge but, as on previous occasions, guests are kindly asked to bring some food to share. It promises to be a lovely occasion and it would be nice if you are able to be with us.

This year the Harvest Service, which will take the form of Songs of Praise, will be held at **10 a.m.** on Sunday 20th October with the Benefice Choir in attendance. We are grateful to Little Bealings P.C.C. who kindly agreed to forego their Morning service. The Harvest celebration is one of the important events in the Christian Calendar and as in previous years the Church will be beautifully decorated with fruits of the harvest. Again a warm welcome is extended to everyone.

Margaret Gornall

Please keep this page for future reference, it will only appear if space permits

ACTIVITIES/SERVICES

BEALINGS

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 07929310480
BENEFICE CHOIR	Fri 7.30	Gill Peck 625077
CARPET BOWLS	VH Tue 1.30/Wed 7.00	Nigel Abbott 611005
DANCE CLASS	VH Wed 9.45 am Fri 9.30	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/
KEEP FIT	VH Or via Volunteer Administrator 07925 181390	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 Mar - Oct 7.30 Apr - Sep	Jennifer Cook 623985
WOLSEY MINIATURES	VH Tue (4th in month) 7.30	Teresa 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		Gina Corani 620696
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

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CHURCH DIARY - OCTOBER

WEDNESDAY 2nd 10.30 Holy Communion **Culpho**

SUNDAY 6th **19th Sunday after Trinity /Harvest**
 8.00 Holy Communion **Great Bealings**
 10.00 Harvest Songs of Praise **Playford**
 WEDNESDAY 9th 10.30 Holy Communion **Culpho**

SUNDAY 13th **20th Sunday after Trinity**
 8.00 Holy Communion **Little Bealings**
 10.00 Sung Eucharist **Great Bealings**

Pauline in retreat Monday 14th October - Friday 18th October.
 Emergencies: Canon Clare Sanders 01473 735183

WEDNESDAY 16th 10.30 Holy Communion **Culpho**

SUNDAY 20th **21st Sunday after Trinity/ Harvest Festival**
 8.00 Holy Communion **Playford**
 10.00 Harvest Songs of Praise **Culpho**
 3.30pm Bishop Nigel's farewell service **Cathedral**
 WEDNESDAY 23rd 10.30 Holy Communion **Culpho**

SUNDAY 27th **Last Sunday after Trinity**
 8.00 Holy Communion **Great Bealings**
 10.00 Family Communion **Little Bealings**
 WEDNESDAY 30th 10.30 Holy Communion **Culpho**

NOVEMBER
FRIDAY 1st **All Saints Day**
 7.30pm Remembering Precious people **Little Bealings**

SUNDAY 3rd **All Saints Sunday**
 8.00 Holy Communion **Playford**
 10.00 Sung Eucharist **Great Bealings**