

Fynn - Lark News

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ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF A FLN READER

When the time comes around and the unavoidable email from Norman arrives stating it's Playford's turn to provide the "front page" a cloud of doom hangs over my head. Who can I ask? Will they say yes or no? Shall I ask everyone I know and keep my fingers crossed? Well, the answer is in the next few hundred words. There is nothing as boring as one's own life. So, I am going to bore you. I expect you have all read or at least heard of Alexander Solzhenitsyn's book "One day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich". Of course, you have. Solzhenitsyn is a Nobel Prize winner. To be honest I do not expect to win the Nobel Prize for the following but "One day in the life of an FLN reader" has a certain ring to it don't you think?

The act of waking and getting up is a different experience for each of us. Some are remarkably sunny and full of it. Others have to be almost prised from their slumbers by an invisible crowbar with the sleeper fighting every

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millimetre of pressure. I on the other hand am in between, rising at 0630 fairly joyfully just so long as no-one speaks to me, a sure-fire way of ruining what could and should be a perfect day. After dressing, it's downstairs to the kitchen for breakfast. Now what shall I choose? Well I have a good choice, between Sheba with Tuna or Gourmet with Sardine. We've run out of meat flavoured servings. Yes, you've guessed it, the first job of the day is to feed the cat who, it appears to me, is just a four-legged eating machine that never compliments me on the deliciousness of the food I supply and slinks off when replete. That done the kettle is switched on and a cup of tea is made and delivered to a still slumbering wife who accepts my salutation of "Cup of tea darling" with a notional "thank you" and thankfully does not engage me in any meaningful conversation, that will come later.

So, it's a traditional, for me anyway, sit down to Weetabix, tea and the Daily Telegraph, my favourite part being the letters page, although I do sometimes wonder where people find the time to write such missives to a publication. Nothing better to do I would imagine.

At 0715 it's out to the Greenhouse in order to check the tomatoes, aubergines etc. for side shoots and watering and a cursory check at my other efforts in the vegetable garden.

That done serious work begins. Firstly, switch on computers, one personal, and one district council. The personal one shows eighteen emails have come in overnight, well since 2230 the night before. I delete seven of them as rubbish containing nothing more than firms and businesses asking for my thoughts on their products or from some lady in Lagos asking if I want part of her six million pounds if only I would give her my bank details and sign her passport application.

I mentally decline her offer, wondering at the same time what the weather is like in Lagos and if the man on the corner of the street near the dockyard canteen on Tin Can Island is still fashioning watering cans out of old baked bean tins. But the serious emails now have to be answered from enquiries about a planning application, to complaints about potholes in roads (not my problem guv, see the County Councillor) and where can I get advice about Council Housing. Also, a couple of "why can't they" do something about such and such? I have yet to find out who "they" are but when I do, I am going to dump about twenty folders in their lap. At 0900 I turn to the District Council computer. I choose 0900 because that's when the civil servants throughout the UK get to their desks and start sending information, questions, updates, committee agendas etc. I select emails. Nothing much happens, and then it starts like soldier ants climbing over a stone in the road the continual click click click as fourteen emails come in, half from constituents. Four are in protest about the Northern relief road and three about Sizewell C plans. This is the normal amount each day, including weekends so it's spread quite evenly work-wise. I start to answer some of them, but I must remember to leave home by 1000 as I have a sitting of the Strategic Planning Committee at East Suffolk House at 1030. The car journey to Melton is uneventful, apart from the fact that the car park is completely full because members of the public who are opposed to one of the agenda items concerning Sizewell C, are out in force, about 60, but I eventually find some space on some rough undeveloped land.

The meeting is fascinating, interesting and important. It required me to pre-read all the paperwork in the days preceding the meeting which took about 9-10 hours

in the evenings. I also had received twenty-five letters objecting to the application, all of which had to be read and answered.

The debate was long and complicated. Parish Council representatives and members of the public all had their slots to address the committee. The EDF representatives put forward their reasons for raising the application which was for the establishment of a car park and a "lay-down" area for future maintenance. Each Councillor, and there were twelve of us on the committee, asked questions of planning officers and the EDF representative. There then followed a long debate with each councillor putting forward his or her argument either for or against the proposal.

The application was eventually approved by a narrow margin. A break for lunch was arranged half-way through for twenty-five minutes - enough time for a cup of tea and a sandwich.

Three more items on the agenda and then we could go home. The meeting eventually concluded at 1530. I then went along to see an officer on a completely different matter concerning one of my many appointments as Chairman of the Council, attending the Battle of Britain celebrations at Bury St Edmunds this Sunday (Medals and Insignia to be worn). Early start for that - about 0900 - but I should be back home by 1530. The previous Saturday I was at Woodbridge school for Speech Day.

I eventually got home after the planning meeting at 1600. Cup of tea and a sit down again at the computers. Six more emails on my personal computer, all bar one from constituents and a further eight on the council computer, mostly to do with planning matters which by their very

nature take up an inordinate amount of time. A quick shower and sandwich and it's off to my first Parish Council meeting which starts at 1830 firstly getting all the necessary paperwork together and making sure I have the answers to the questions I was asked at their last meeting. It was a good meeting though, but I had to leave after an hour and a quarter because I had a second Parish Council meeting to attend on the same evening.

That was interesting as well and it's fascinating to listen to all the problems Parish Councils deal with and how much they mirror each other. Parish Councillors do sterling work.

However, the second meeting ends, and I arrive home at about 2150. A quick check of emails. Then it's a late supper, cup of tea and watch the news. Then bed.

Tomorrow it's a drive up to Lowestoft and a sitting of the Licensing sub-committee of which I am Chairman, in order to decide on a taxi licence re-application, a driver having had his licence revoked some time ago due to a misdemeanour. A man's livelihood and his family's well-being are in our hands.

Brexit, I am afraid, pales into insignificance. But life is not boring.



TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE!

The word went out around Playford Church's council that it was our turn to contribute to the Fynn Lark News. In recognition of the 50th anniversary of the first screening of Monty Python I thought the council's accountant should put an article together. If I remember correctly Monty Python appreciated the wild excitement that is modern accountancy. It's so much more fun than lion-taming I can assure you. So, I've given myself a break from the unadulterated thrill that is compiling Gift Aid returns to give you an update on St Mary's Church Playford.

Firstly, we have to thank everyone who attended the Playford Church Fete. I've worked on the church fete for a few years now and 2019's was the biggest event I've seen, both in terms of the number of visitors and the money we raised, over £5,200. The event was jointly held with the Saint Elizabeth Hospice and the proceeds were split between the Hospice and the Church. Secondly we have to say thank you to everyone who gave up their time or lent us property for the day, ranging from an Elizabethan mansion to cups and saucers. Those that manned the fete were at full pelt in the weeks leading up to the event and on the day itself. We would love any offers of help for next year's event, be it to lift and shift and get the site ready or to help out on the day itself. Some more youthful help would be welcome. Anyone under 100 years of age may apply.

The fete is our church's biggest single income generator in the year and thanks to that and all the kind donations we receive throughout the year we've

managed to cover our running cost of approximately £18,000 per annum. That's all we've managed to do though, and we have to eat into reserves when major repairs are required. As a church council we would like to do more. We have to move away from the mentality of simply stopping the place falling down to one of enhancing it as we maintain it. A small investment in audio-visual equipment would not only make services better but also open up the space to other functions. There's a lot of history tucked away in Playford Church and we want to make it visible whilst securing it. When we need to protect a memorial on the floor we want to do so with toughened glass so people can appreciate it whilst it's protected, not simply cover it with a piece of old carpet. If I was a Communist leader (it's still one of my ambitions) and was coming up with my next five-year plan for Playford Church it would be entitled "Enhance and maintain!"

I hope that this article hasn't been too exciting for you. If it was then sadly accountancy may not be for you. If you have any thoughts or can give us any form of help to maintain and enhance our church, or assist with next year's fete, then please send us an email at playfordchurch@gmail.com.

*Jon Fieldsend
Treasurer, St Mary's Playford PCC.*

Thank you Playford for both submissions.—Ed



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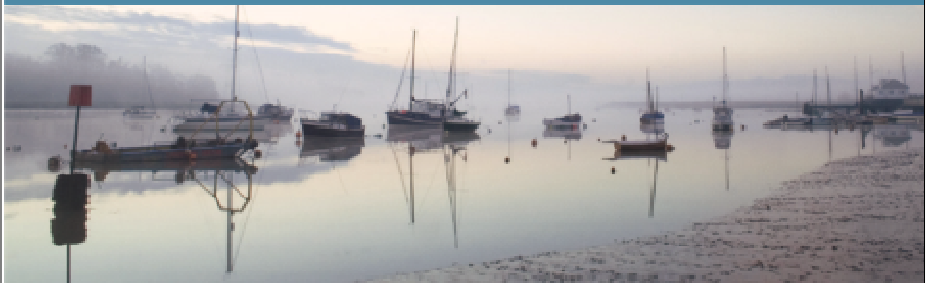
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EDITORIAL COMMENT

This Magazine was originally the Benefice Magazine, bringing together the four villages of Little Bealings, Great Bealings, Playford and Culpho. The rationale for that grouping was that those four parishes were administered by one priest – and it was indeed our successive priests who then held editorial control of the magazine, but who accepted secular material, particularly from Parish Councils, who came to contribute to costs, together with advertisers.

Now that the Benefice is splitting apart, that rationale disappears. But there is another rationale, implicit in the magazine's title. Our four villages are part of a beautiful natural landscape, traversed by two small rivers which flow into the Deben. The gentle valleys, hills, woods and fields around those rivers are an integral part of our landscape, and give it a certain cohesion, a cohesion which is important when our villages are trying to preserve their local identity and character. So, there is every justification for carrying on as we are. We realise that future attachment to larger centres of population will create alternative allegiances, bring in news from further afield, but we very much hope that this will give our villages a more substantial presence, reinforced by the support of those larger communities, rather than diluted by conflicting pressures.

To that end we will be convening a meeting of representative of the four villages before the end of the year to decide on the best way forward, and what and whether anything of what we offer should be amended. The views of our readers are welcome – and we are happy to publish letters on that subject.

FRONT PAGE ITEMS

We are grateful to Colin Hedgley for somehow finding the time to put together his piece about a day in the life of (a far from average) FLN reader. His offering

very much endorses the view that, if you want a job done, then ask a busy man. Colin is certainly hugely busy – on our behalf.

It also gives us the opportunity to remind readers that such articles are submitted according to a rota, ensuring that each of the four villages has an input, with Christmas and Easter offerings from a religious source – more difficult in an interregnum.

We do stress that we welcome possible front-page articles from ANYONE but do submit them via your local PC or PCC, so we don't have duplication. As for Christmas and Easter - we can hopefully find appropriate submissions, even in an interregnum, but if YOU have something you would like to submit on these themes do please get in touch. Interesting religious views are not the exclusive prerogative of the clergy!

HISTORY CORNER - Editor in Wonderland

If you, the readers, don't mind, I'd just like to pop down an overgrown rabbit hole to revisit the age of steam. Despite the smog, the smuts, the blackened building facades, I loved growing up in the age of steam railways. Most of us - boys in particular - were train-spotters. Ian Allen published a little book with the numbers of every single locomotive in the country – we ticked them off as we spotted them. The Sandringham Class locomotives plied the main line from London to Norwich, telling us the names of so many of East Anglia's great houses -Helmington Hall, Blickling, Holkham Hall, Sandringham etc – as well as the names of a few football teams: Norwich City, but, alas not Ipswich Town – their heady successes then lay in the future. To see those wonderful Mallard Class "streak" (= streamlined and fast) locomotives – world speed record by "Mallard" was 126 mph – in 1938! – you had to trek all the way across to Peterborough.

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DIARY - WHAT'S ON

November

29th and 30th

Lawrence Werber performs

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This 'What's On' is published to avoid clashes of dates for events and fundraisers within the benefice resulting in reduced attendance.

It also allows organisers to give advance notice of forthcoming events and help with planning. We will only insert larger adverts when the event is imminent, not two or three months in advance, thus allowing us to keep our escalating costs under control.

The Lowestoft – Ipswich line passed through Bealings and this picture of the station staff shows us the importance of the station locally, not least in its employing of 8 local men.



Great pride was shown in our railways. Smart uniforms – often with a pocket watch tucked into a waistcoat to ensure proper time-keeping – were the norm. Bealings station won a prize for the best kept garden. In all a source of pride in the village – and a usual stopping place for passengers to board trains. And not just human passengers. Agricultural produce was sent up to the London Markets. Racing Pigeons were sent to distant destinations. The railways were a way of life – and still enjoyed a certain romanticism. Small boys dreamt of becoming engine drivers.

We no longer have a station. In its place is a successful business complex, so the site has been made good use of. But let me pop down another rabbit hole – a futuristic one – and see whether there is still a role that could be played by our sometime station. Might trains somehow stop there again? Clearly there is no longer room for car-parking. Nor do we really need to incentivise more car use. But how about a large cycle park – room for hundreds of bikes? How many people living within three miles could cycle to the station? - getting fit, keeping cars out of Ipswich, non-polluting and simply using a tract of land that has already been designated for transport use. There are doubtless other stations which might be brought back in such a minor way, supporting some sort

of rail shuttle service into our large towns, particularly at rush hours. No prizes for guessing which schemes this might render unnecessary. Fantasy? Or a 21st century way of thinking which might somehow help to mitigate the relentless trashing of our environment?

Image of Bealings station staff – best kept garden also available

Norman Porter

FANCY A STROLL IN THE BEAUTIFUL FYNN VALLEY?

Do you enjoy walking in the lovely countryside we have right here on our doorstep? With Little Bealings church open on Thursday mornings for coffee and a chat, this is an ideal starting point for a regular walking group. This would be an informal and friendly group, meeting up for a cuppa and a piece of cake before setting off for an amble along some of the paths and bridleways around the area.

If you've just moved into the area, this would be an ideal way to get to know some of your new neighbours and find your way around. Perhaps you're staying in the area on holiday and would like to pick up a little 'local knowledge' - all are welcome to come and join in.

As we move into autumn and the days become shorter, we sometimes need that little extra push to get out of the house and enjoy the great outdoors. Not everyone has a dog, and sometimes a little motivation is needed to venture out. The idea is simply to provide an opportunity to meet up with a few like-minded people, go for a walk together, get some exercise and fresh air and maybe make new friends along the way.

The group will meet on Thursday mornings, setting off from All Saints Little Bealings at around 10.30am for a walk lasting between an hour and an hour and a half.

Walks will start on Thursday 3rd October and will hopefully become a regular fixture. They could be weekly, fortnightly or monthly - we are open to suggestions.

If you'd like to join in, or have any suggestions, pop along to Little Bealings Church between 9 and 10.30am on Thursday mornings for a chat and a cuppa with Francis (please bring some light footwear or slippers to wear in the church, so we can avoid muddy boots on the floor).

Francis Mutimer

fmutimer@hotmail.co.uk

BEALINGS VILLAGE HALL

A new Keep Fit class is now being held at the Village Hall, run weekly which from Thursday 3rd October will start at the earlier time of 9.30 am. The class is run by Anne Gardner a qualified teacher and a specialist in exercise for older Adults. Beginners are welcome.

For more information contact Anne on 07733 111922

anne.gardner@btinternet.com

*Margaret Wilson
Village Hall Secretary*

NATURE NOTES

We are not twitchers. We don't tick off each species of bird as we spot them, nor do we hurtle off to far-flung places in response to an email or text alert. We just enjoy special sightings of birds in their natural habitat. On a recent visit to Norfolk we passed the travel time by trying to recall special sightings – the species and the place. They so often go together.

There was our corncrake, heard and then seen in Iona. Then Sammy the long-legged black-backed, stilt who had strayed off course, all lonesome, on the salt marshes at Titchwell; the swarm of goldfinches which discovered wildflower seeds in the field opposite our house; a spoonbill, a species once extinct in this country, on the edge of a pool at Holkham; half a dozen sanderlings scuttling backwards and forwards on the edge of the breaking waves on the Norfolk coast at Snettisham; our first osprey, sitting on its untidy twiggy nest by a Scottish loch; the skylarks soaring melodiously heaven-ward on the road "over the top"

towards Grundisburgh; the sparrow hawk on our garden gate, five yards from the kitchen window, lurking with intent, realising that bird feeders constituted a wonderful "killing patch"; the heron banging its catch across a rocky outcrop by a busy Leith Dock; our first dipper, darting up and down a fast flowing stream in Dorset near Piddletrenthide – the stream unforgettably called the "Piddle"; the puffins scudding over the water off the Farne islands; the sand martins, a billowing cloud of activity by the sand cliff at Minsmere.....

We could go on. We were amazed at the



length of the list of "events", and those special experiences that we managed to recall, and we promised ourselves to put them into writing. All those birds have their favourite habitats. Indeed, some can only survive in specific habitats. We applaud those who help them to survive by working to preserve those habitats. And thoughts might turn to our human habitat.

Are we creating habitats that best suit our own species? All species, human and otherwise, are on this planet together. All deserve to enjoy the habitat they need, not only to enjoy, but ultimately to survive. The planet itself is becoming less hospitable to too many species. And we humans don't always take decisions which are ecologically and environmentally best for our own localities and for ourselves, our well-being, our happiness, our health, our long-term survival.

We do not need to specify current controversial issues which make the point.

Norman and Virginia Porter



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ST MARY'S

Paradoxically, early autumn is the time for new beginnings: children back to school, mum and dad, hopefully refreshed after holidays, back to work, students off to university, some for the first time – and just for once – to fit into this pattern, our church, so soon after celebrating the gathering-in of the harvest, is moving into uncharted waters, and contemplating a future outside the four-village Benefice. Your PCC have unanimously approved a plan to join up with St Mary's, Woodbridge, and the PCC of St Mary's, Woodbridge, have unanimously agreed that this is a partnership they would like to enter into. We have not only St Mary in common, but also many links pertaining to the Seckford family, so there are deep historical roots to underpin this new planned relationship. No village church can survive alone in this day and age – certainly not with its own individual priest, so church organisation is now all about setting up groups of churches – in our case one smallish village church with one large town church – each, hopefully, able to offer the other something different as the basis for a partnership of mutual benefit. Much has still to be confirmed, including discussion and exploration of the ways in which this partnership can be most effective, but this preamble is confirmation of such rumours as may now be in circulation.

LOOKING BACK

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Harvest Festival was celebrated on September 1st – the first Sunday of the month, and in some ways rather early in the season. However, the fields around were testimony to the fact that most of the crops had been safely gathered in, and the vegetable season seems to have been prolific – the tomatoes from the Plant Sale are magnificent! – so celebration was very much in order.

Our thanks to all those who so kindly cleaned the church in advance and who decorated in appropriate style. Also, to those who came along to the service and contributed to it, and to those who contributed to our barbecue lunch afterwards and helped it go with a sunny swing.

CHURCH CRAWLERS

A group of some 30 crawlers visited the church on Friday 13th September, and they were given an introduction to the history and treasures of the church. We were pleased to receive a donation to church funds from the group.

LOOKING FORWARD

Our monthly service - conducted as usual by John Hare - will take place at 10.00 on Sunday 6th October. John makes a very special point of including children – if any are present – so do come along, join us, as families, and try it out, even if it is for the first time. We love to see new faces.



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We are also pleased to know that John will be taking both our Carol Service (15th December) and Midnight Mass on December 24th.

CHURCHYARD

The brownish hues of autumn have now settled on the whole area. Winter is not far away, so we have arranged the annual work party to prepare the churchyard for its hibernation by gathering on the morning of **Saturday 5th October between 9.00 and 1.00** or any part of that time. Coffee will be served mid-morning, and a ploughman's lunch will be on offer at the end of the morning. We already know of several offers to join us, but if you have some spare time on your hands, and you haven't been contacted directly, please let us know – just for the sake of catering arrangements. The work is usually satisfying, and it is very much a social occasion as well a contribution to keeping the churchyard looking good.

CAR PARK

Not directly related, but we gather that the Council has now accepted that there should be some sort of speed limit on the road past the church. We congratulate our Parish Council on its persistence in getting this accepted by the Council.

Churchwarden

FRIENDS OF GREAT BEALINGS CHURCH

We are delaying further initiatives until such time as our new status is confirmed. Once our future is settled, we must plan to maximise all the benefits that could be on offer. We will be doing our best to engage as many residents of Great Bealings as possible in sustaining our church through the years to come. No-one needs

to be reminded that it is OUR only public building. If that were to close, in the wake of the closure of our shop, Post Office and pubs, then the village really will have lost its soul. In the mean-time Little Bealings seems to have several alternatives! Time for our own village to stand tall.

LOOKING BACK

SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES RIDE AND STRIDE

This took place on September 14th. We had just two participants this year – churchwarden and wife – and only about a dozen visitors. We made it into Woodbridge, and it was a different story there – lots of bikers and walkers, so it's not so much that the event itself is losing momentum, more that participants seems to like to visit clusters of churches – and, maybe, are a bit apprehensive of cycling around on country roads, with considerable distances between churches. That impression is countered by the sight of lots of other serious-looking cyclists doing just that, but not interested in the church-visiting aspect of it all. A shame. The genuinely warm welcome at every church we visit makes it all so enjoyable.

Our warmest thanks to those who church-sat and who welcomed our sparsely numbered visitors. At least it was a good day for sitting in the sun, and possibly doing a bit of nearby blackberrying. And we do hope to send off a cheque for close to £100, thanks to kind donations from supporters.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Just keep those forthcoming Annesley Dickensian performances by Lawrence Werber in mind and in diary: 29th and 30th November - entry will be by programme @ £10 to include refreshments.

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GREAT BEALINGS PARISH COUNCIL
IPSWICH NORTHERN ROUTE – SUMMARISED NOTES FROM THE PUBLIC
MEETING HELD ON 23RD AUGUST

The meeting was chaired by Charles Barrington (CPB) accompanied by four other Councillors, Nick Deacon of the 'Stop' Campaign, 43 residents of Great Bealings and 6 residents of Little Bealings. SCC were invited to send a representative but declined to do so.

Anthony Sheppard summarised part of the Consultation Document. About half those present had read it, but most had attended one of the presentations. He set out the stated benefits of the new road and itemised the four main drivers.

Nick Deacon advised that, along with Nick Green, he is co-founder of the 'Stop Campaign'. He reported that the previous evening, Woodbridge Town Council had voted to oppose the new Route, and Therese Coffey MP had also recently declared her opposition. He highlighted details of the 'Stop Campaign' and drew attention to the petition which has been opened. Dr Dan Poulter MP intends to take this petition to the House of Commons. He stated that on the last day of the Consultation, a protest march to Endeavour House will be organised. He stressed the importance of everyone completing and submitting the questionnaire by the due date.

CPB outlined the prospective influence of the Great Bealings Neighbourhood Plan and stated that the proposed housing is on top of what has already been included in the three Councils' Local Plan. This was followed by a question and answer session.

Two votes took place:

1. There was unanimous approval from the Gt Bealings residents that the PC should formally oppose the proposal in their response to the Consultation
2. There was a majority vote in favour of the Parish Council using some of its Reserve Funds to contribute to the 'Stop Campaign'

A full copy of these notes will be appended to the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 3rd September. A summarised version of these minutes will be published in the November issue of FLN.

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Corinne & Tony Fear, Green Close House, Lodge Road, Great Bealings

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council met on 9 and 16 September. The main issues considered were:

IPSWICH NORTHERN ROUTE

Having consulted with residents and attended many of the consultation events, the Council resolved to object to the building of any Ipswich Northern Route, to specifically oppose the Inner and Middle Route options in view of their impact on the parish and to reject SCC's consultation as flawed in both content and process. The Council's full response can be seen here: [https://
littlebealings.onesuffolk.net/parish-council/](https://littlebealings.onesuffolk.net/parish-council/)

COUNTY COUNCILOR ROBIN VICKERY

It was resolved that unless the Council received confirmation from Mr Vickery by 30 September that he no longer supported an Ipswich Northern Route and would instead represent the views of his electorate on the matter, the Council no longer had confidence in his ability to represent them as the elected County Councillor for the Carlford Ward.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

DC/19/2704/TPO: Scots pine (a) Fell due to fears it will break or fall due to distorted/weakened trunk and shallow roots in sandy soil, limbs overhanging outbuilding. Low amenity value. Replant with holly tree close proximity. Scots Pine (b) Fell due to close proximity to boundary/neighbouring property in sandy soil, with overhanging limbs causing shade and damage to roof/guttering and oil tank. Low amenity value. Holly and Laurel trees already in situ. Replace with Acacia tree in rear garden. Scots Pine (c) Fell due to fears it will fall

onto property due to sandy soil and root system is damaging patio. low amenity value. Replant with Oak tree in close proximity: Holly Lodge, Martlesham Road

ESC had approved these works.

DC/19/2349/FUL: Extensions and Alterations: The Chestnuts, Martlesham Road

ESC had approved this application. ESC would be asked to consider if the development was being carried out in accordance with the permissions granted.

DC/19/0309/FUL: Proposed Residential Development: Land east of Beacon Oaks, Martlesham Road

The Planning Inspectorate had refused the appeal against ESC's refusal to grant permission for this development.

DC/19/2899/FUL and **DC/19/2900/LSC:** Planning Application and Listed Building Consent: Extension of the external toilet in order to accommodate a new boiler to heat the Church. The existing shed will be replaced with a new one to provide storage for the Church: All Saints Church, The Street

There was no objection to these applications.

DC/19/3481/FUL: Proposed 3 bay cart lodge/garage and log store – Sunfield Cottage, Playford Road

There was no objection to this application.

SIZEWELL C STAGE 4 CONSULTATION

There were no additional comments to be added to the response submitted to the Stage 3 consultation.

DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORTS

There was no report from County Councillor Vickery. District Councillor

Hedgley's report for September is available on the Council's website: [https://
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council/district-and-county-councillor-
reports/](https://littlebealings.onesuffolk.net/parish-council/district-and-county-councillor-reports/)

SALC AREA FORUM

The Chairman had attended this forum of local parish councils on 2 September. Only 20 out of 92 councils had attended and SALC was looking to improve attendance.

SINKS PIT LIAISON MEETINGS

A meeting arranged first for 5, and then 19, September had been cancelled and a new date would be agreed with SCC.

GRIT BINS

The Street is now gritted by SCC. The three grit bins did not need replenishing, although one needed repair to a hinge.

SAVID

Mr Garnham would attend the next meeting on 24 September.

POLICE/ESC COMMUNITY LIAISON MEETING

This had been attended by the Chairman. It was agreed to invite the ESC Communities Officer to a future Council meeting. The Liaison next meeting would be attended by Dr Hopkins.

FINANCE

New Financial Regulations issued by NALC were approved.

Income and Expenditure

Income: £29.50 – Gt Bealings Parish Council for shared costs of leaflet printing.

Expenditure: Payments were made for leaflet printing, annual subscription to the Suffolk Preservation Society, annual GDPR contract fee, the Clerk's salary for September and October and expenses, and for PAYE.

WEBSITE

It was agreed to establish that the Council's website complied with legislation in respect of 'ease of access'.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Council is due to meet on 4 November.

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

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COMMUNITY LUNCHES

The Community Lunch on 3rd. September raised £170 (after expenses) towards upkeep and renovation of the Hall.

At the Lunch we celebrated three special events.....

Joan Moon's special birthday, Violet and John Knight's 60th. Wedding Anniversary and farewell to Ivan Jowers. Celebration cake and wine added to the festivities.

Very special thanks to Joan Moon whose family and friends celebrated her birthday by donating money to buy a table tennis table and equipment for the Hall. A wonderful resource for every age group.

The Cream Teas in August raised £240.40p after expenses and removal costs for the piano donated by Ivan Jowers. Grateful thanks to him for the piano and plates and for all his support and encouragement over the years. All good wishes to Ivan in his new home.

The next Community Lunch is on Tuesday October 1st. 12.30.

Chicken Curry (mild), rice, etc.

Fresh fruit salad Cream/ Ice Cream

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ALL SAINTS

CHURCHWARDENS' UPDATE

NEW BEGINNINGS – THE FLOWER FESTIVAL THEME AND OURS TOO

It's been a very busy September at All Saints! Tony and I are smiling from ear to ear that the church is beginning to "come alive" during what's been a spectacular few weeks. Preparations for our flower festival took up most of August with the building of our temporary "pop up style" tearoom, and we have been absolutely delighted by the incredible efforts of John and Helen Wittgreffe, whose creativity, time, and dedication to our wonderful church resulted in over 230 people coming through the church door over the course of the September 7th-8th weekend! Everyone enjoyed the beautiful flowers with the theme "New Beginnings" and of course they also enjoyed the Tearoom with lovely hot and cold drinks, cakes, and snacks!

BOOMING VOICES FILL THE CHURCH WITH FAVOURITE HYMNS!

We welcomed many special visitors during the Flower Festival weekend, including our Rural Dean Clare Sanders, the Archdeacon for Rural Mission Sally Gaze, along with Rev Robin Spittle and Gary Jones from All Saints Church in Kesgrave. The weekend ended with a lovely Songs of Praise service led by Gary from All Saints Kesgrave and attended by over 40 people! The church was full of music and a pleasure to hear, and special thanks goes to our organist and PCC member, Jane Hartley, who played perfectly as usual! All in all, it was a fabulous end to a great weekend.

CHURCH TEAROOM LAUNCHED

Monday after the Flower Festival saw the launch of our new pop-up Tearoom, which was well received by walkers, the school children, their parents and residents. It was lovely to see the children exploring the church and surroundings whilst everyone enjoyed refreshments and snacks. The milkshakes were, of course, very popular and our new flag advertising the milkshakes is certainly

doing its job! We understand the flag has mixed views on the part of a few people however, we ask that you please keep in mind that it is only out for a few times a week so people can see and enjoy our new venture which--like everything we are doing--is to keep the church financially secure for the future.

Among the special guests who have recently visited the Tearoom, Ferial Rogers came and pointed out the beautiful artwork she created especially for the celebration of the blessing service for her eldest child's wedding. The Tearoom is open from 2p.m. to 5p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Fridays; we do hope you will come along and say hello!

THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE AND CHAT AND REGULAR WALKS BEGIN

September 11th saw the launch of our "coffee and chat" mornings with Helen Wittgreffe. There were several people who attended and enjoyed a relaxed informal chat over coffee and cake! Helen is kindly giving her time to run this free event which will be held every Thursday morning between 9a.m. and 11a.m. starting in October so please pop in and say hello - she would love to welcome you to our church!

Beginning October 3rd at 10:30, Francis Mutimer will be leading 60-90-minute walks in the area, beginning and ending at the Church. Please see the separate article from Francis in the Newsletter and join him on a refreshing stride in the countryside!

ANNUAL RIDE AND STRIDE VISITORS WELCOMED TO ALL SAINTS

September 14th saw the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Ride and stride event, and Helen Clarkson-Fieldsend kindly manned the church all day and welcomed cyclists and visitors for light refreshments and snacks. We were also delighted to welcome Mary Mitton, long-time Bealings resident and daughter of Rev Frank Mitton, for tea. Many thanks to Helen Wittgreffe and Betty Slim of the WI for accompanying Mary as she toured the church

and complimented the beautiful array of flowers...and the pot of tea she enjoyed! We look forward to welcoming Mary back again and will be developing a profile of her for an upcoming Fynn Lark News. We are sure she has some very interesting tales to tell!



Sunday the 15th was Harvest Messy Church, and the children enjoyed building a scarecrow with Tony, making (and eating) bread baskets with mini loafs and fishes, creating a mural using potato, leaves, and vegetable printing (which is on display in the church) and tucking into baked potatoes with various fillings. Messy Church wouldn't be possible without our helpers who plan and assist on the day and also the leadership and inspiration of Archdeacon Sally. We thank you all.

ANOTHER BUSY MONTH COMING UP WITH A SPECIAL SERVICE ON OCTOBER 20TH!

Tony and I have finished our Elder Training and we are being licensed during an additional Songs of Praise service at 4p.m. on Sunday, October 20th, along with Helen and John Wittgreffe who have also completed their Elder training over the past 3 months. All are welcome to attend and there will be free refreshments from 4p.m. to 5p.m. followed by a Songs of Praise service at 5p.m.. The four of us have been working very hard and we would all love to welcome you to our "special service" and hope to see you there.

OCTOBER 26-27TH – SET TO BE ANOTHER BUSY WEEKEND!

Our next Community Farmers Market is

on Saturday, the 26th of October, which kicks off another very busy weekend at the Church. Due to lots of activities in the village, however, it will be held in the Angela Cobbold Hall from 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon, with the pop-up Tearoom open in the church during this time. In fact, the Tearoom will be open all day from 9.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. for breakfast, light lunch, and afternoon teas--including quiches and sausage rolls--which have developed quite a following in the village!

HOLLESLEY WI CHOIR TO PERFORM AT ALL SAINTS ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON!

On Sunday, October 27th we have our usual communion service at 10a.m., and following the service and coffee the Tearoom will be open from noon until 4p.m. again for light lunch and afternoon tea. We will then be joined by the Hollesley WI choir who will be performing for us a variety of songs from their summer shows including a soloist, sketches and lots of singing! We do hope you can join us at this lovely event--maybe arrive early for a cuppa and cake? The Hollesley WI choir start at 4p.m..

FITNESS CLASSES CONSULTATION – PLEASE FILL THE FORM IN

We have been invited to be part of FitVillages, an initiative supported by the Council to help make Suffolk the most active county in the country! Copies of the consultation form with pre-addressed and stamped envelopes are available in the Church and if there is enough interest, we will be able to hold classes in the Church beginning in January for little or no cost. We have already been in touch with a local instructor who holds classes at the Village Hall, and she may be able to run our classes, which would be wonderful. Feel free to specify what you would like, whether it is gentle stretching, pilates, zumba, chair exercises, or even something exotic like Tai Chi! The deadline is October 13th, including your contact information is optional, and if you prefer you can complete the survey online at <https://www.activesuffolk.org/forms/view2873>.

LIGHTS THAT SHINE

The lights were lit in September for the whole weekend of the 4th, 5th and 6th by Peter Kidd, Peter who writes: "In loving memory of Gladys Kidd (Gran) born September 6th 1910, and also her great friend Joan Moon, who was 90 years old on September 6th 2019."

We are so grateful to everyone from the village who has worked with us to keep the church going, especially our PCC members, the flower rota participants, Helen and John Wittgreffe, Francis and Liz Mutimer who volunteer their time in the churchyard, and Ron Hurlock who donated the proceeds from his wood turnings to All Saints. We look forward to welcoming you to our events in October and please watch this space for some new events coming in November!

With gratitude, Corinne and Tony

FLOWER FESTIVAL

I went along to the Flower Festival on Sunday and the inside of the church blew me away. It was transformed. The colours from the abundance of flowers and being such a lovely day the sun was just streaming through all the windows. There were flowers on every chair and surface, obviously a lot of hard work from a lot of talented flower arrangers. I then sat and had a lovely pot of tea with cake and met a nice lady from Melton who had come on her own after seeing it mentioned somewhere. The kitchen area was a lot smaller than I was expecting, but perfectly sized. I am looking forward to popping into the pop up Cafe on my puppy walks. Thank you all who put so much effort into making the church look so wonderful and for such a warm welcome to me and my puppy.

Jos Saunders

SAVE THE DATES!

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

2.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. Tearoom Open

Thursday, October 3rd, 10th, 17th, and 24th

9.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. Coffee and Chat

10:30 a.m. Countryside Walks
starting from All Saints Church

Sunday October 20th

5.00 p.m. Special Elders' Service with Songs of Praise

Saturday, October 26th

10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. Farmers' Market in ACH

9.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. Tearoom open in Church all day!

Sunday, October 27th

12.00 p.m.-4.00 p.m. Tearoom open for light lunch and afternoon tea

4.00 p.m. Hollesley WI Choir performance

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FUTURE EVENTS AT THE ANGELA COBBOLD HALL

October

Thursday 10th	Gardeners' Question Time	7:30 p.m.
Saturday 26th	James Bond Film Night	7.00 p.m.
Thursday 31st	Halloween At Hogwarts	5.00 p.m.

November

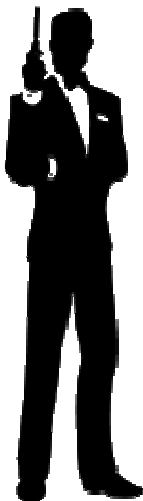
Friday 8th	Play Reading (a comedy)	7:30 p.m.
Tuesday 19th	Bingo	2.00 p.m.
Friday 22nd	Adnams Christmas Wine Tasting + Cheese	7:30 p.m.

December

Friday 6th	Christmas Disco (ages 10-14)	5.00 – 7.00 p.m.
Friday 20th	Bealings Village Christmas Party	7.00 p.m.

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Friday 8th May	V.E. Day Street Party	
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PLAYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

These are condensed notes of the proceedings of the Playford Parish Council meeting held 4th September 2019. A full version of the minutes appears on the website: www.playford.org.uk

COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

There was no Co Councillor's report.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Colin Hedgley's report is appended at the end of the full minutes published on the website. Topics covered include climate change, funding for community projects, accommodation for rough sleepers, free public Wi-Fi system in Framlingham, installation of a new sprinkler system in St Peters Court Lowestoft and the re-opening of Leiston Leisure Centre. Residents and businesses are reminded to dispose of their waste correctly (including cigarette butts), funding is to be provided for a new community centre in Woodbridge, re-opening of two children's play areas in Felixstowe and over £180,000 has been recovered by ESC Fraud Services from fraudulent activity involving council housing, council tax discounts, business rates and housing benefits claims. More than 2000 have visited the Ipswich Northern Route consultation venues at various locations. Colin further stated that he has £7,500 in his budget for local projects and applications were invited. There are additional funds available from the Exemplar fund.

ACTION POINT REVIEW

Robin Vickery has arranged a meeting with the new Highways manager to discuss problems of poor signage re

traffic priority and lack of silt clearance and subsequent flooding on the C324 and we await his report.

The constant trickle of water down FP7, caused by a broken culvert has been classed as a low priority by Highways - it was suggested that to speed things up, a quote should be obtained and a grant requested from the Co Cllr so that this could be fixed.

Drainage has been improved on FP1 & FP3 but complaints about unevenness and overgrown state have been received – Highways claim they only have resources to cut back paths twice a year so it has been suggested that the Ramblers Assoc might take this up.

Poor signage on FP3 has been reported – clerk will pass this on to Highways.

See Action log appended to the Minutes on the website for more details of these items.

FINANCE

Payments were authorised for a donation to RRT for putting in marker posts, to Jeremy Hearle for repairs to the notice board, for Planning Direct's final charges for the NP, to ESC for uncontested election costs and for the Clerk's salary in July & August. Colin Hedgley has negotiated with Norse for a reduction in the charge for the extra wheelie bin at the village hall. Grant of £1320 has been received from Groundwork UK in respect of NP costs and a £50 fee received for hire of the playing field. The bank statement was reconciled with the budget figures, the budget was found to be on track and able to sustain a £250 donation to the STOP campaign – this was unanimously agreed.

HIGHWAYS ISSUES

Approval has been granted for a new grit bin at the top of Church Lane but positioning of another near the entrance to Spring Meadow was refused. It was decided to ask for this to be placed at near the Church gates at the top of Church Road instead. SAVID update: Two sites along Butts Road and another two on the C324 have been deemed suitable for siting posts for SIDS equipment.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

SWT ecology report on Playford Mere has been received, Adrian Melrose has been thanked for his contribution to this and it will be added to the N/Plan as a separate document. The Plan should be ready to send to ESC when final details have been agreed.

IPSWICH NORTHERN ROUTE

Letter of objection to all three proposed routes has been sent to Cllr Matthew Hicks, leader of SCC. A copy of this letter has been circulated to all parishioners with an accompanying leaflet urging them to object to the proposals on the consultation questionnaire, to sign the STOP campaign petition and to write their own letter to Cllr Matthew Hicks if they felt strongly about this issue, by the deadline of 13th Sept. A protest march headed by MP Dr Dan Poulter has been arranged for 13th Sept to proceed from the Cornhill in Ipswich to Endeavour House and to present the petition to SCC.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Ref: DC/19/3344/FUL 2 Brook Cottages, Brook Lane – side and rear two storey extension and erection of triple bay cart lodge with office accommodation above. Playford PC rejected this application as it would result in over developing the plot and contravening policies DM7 and DM21, also insufficient details were supplied. Application ref: DC/19/2217/FUL for Heath Cottage, Playford Road (demolition of existing house and garage and subsequent erection of one detached dwelling and garage)

This application has been permitted by ESC.

OTHER MATTERS

Commemorative oak tree on the playing field has died and will be replaced. Form detailing conditions for hiring the playing field is to be re-written to make it clearer. The History project has had its first meeting and volunteers are requested. A name has been put forward as a possibility to fill the Casual Vacancy on the parish council.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Weds 6th November 2019 at 7pm

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PLAYFORD W.I.

We had a most enjoyable talk by Margaret Lury last month, about her visits to Kenya. We also welcomed two visitors for the evening, Val & Sheila.

On October 1st, it will be our 96th birthday meeting. Our members will bring along home-made jams and preserves for everyone to taste and hopefully we will have time for an indoor boules challenge as well!

Sue Bruce, Secretary

CHURCH NEWS

The talks on the future of Playford Church are continuing and at present, if all goes well, we will probably go in with All Saints Kesgrave. Little Bealings will join us.

The Rev Robin Spittal would then be our Priest in Charge. Robin is due to address the PCC very soon.

I am trying to get the services finalised up until the end of the year for the whole of our benefice. Once everything is confirmed I will put the service dates and times on the noticeboards. After that change may happen quite fast.

The existing Benefice churchwardens are considering holding a End of Benefice service and celebration event when the changeover happens, I will keep you informed.

We have a wedding on Saturday 12th October. Our Harvest Service is on October 13th.

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Binky and Co

Binky was doubly excited. He had after years of trying, been co-opted onto his local Parish Council.

He had a few months before found himself on the PCC of the local church and he still wasn't quite sure how, although he thinks that his wife had inadvertently dropped a hint to the vicar that Binky was quite rich. What she had said in fact was that Binky had come home from the pub some time ago absolutely loaded. The vicar, Dusty Miller, had completely misunderstood and thought he saw a chance of getting his bells re hung after years of trying. But it was not to be and so Binky became the PCC rep on the very powerful Bishop's Advisory Committee on Churchyard Toilets. A position that, said the vicar, could leave Binky flushed with success and he should be careful not to paper over the cracks. Oh how the PCC members laughed. They didn't think the vicar was funny; it was just that the vicar knew far too much about them all that it was wise to keep on his good side. That was especially true of Mrs Template who was on her fifth husband. The vicar suggested she should not be copied. Anyway Binky was now the Parish Councillor rep on the Suffolk County Additional Motorway Systems project. (SCAMS for short)

Binky attended lots of meetings. He loved the public meetings where every time he stood up to say something he was met with a unanimous shout of "Sit down you idiot". Binky rubbed his hands with glee. He had never been involved in the 'Democratic Process' before. Mind you it was the unspoken intention of most of the people at the meetings that he should

never be involved again-ever.

However Binky was the eternal optimist and carried on regardless convincing himself that he was gaining in political stature and at the same time garnering plenty of plots and sub plots for his next book. Of course the thought of going on a protest march filled him with an excitement that at times was almost too much to bear. But pre planning was essential. Suppose the police used water cannon. Right, wear swimming trunks underneath his trousers. Tear gas? No problem. He got hold of a plastic coffee cup a length of string and made a nose mask. For his eyes a pair of sunglasses would suffice. In addition a stout pair of shoes and an anorak. One could not be too certain in the summer.

Plus a placard to wave. Into his workshop he went and came out two hours later with Stop the SCAMS in big red writing on a white background. Perfect thought Binky. Next morning he jumped into his car typed Endeavour House into his satnav, and drove off at a sedate 20mph.

It was a tiring journey. Binky didn't expect it to take this long. But eventually the satnav said "In 300 yards you have reached your destination" Binky was ecstatic and pulled up alongside Endeavour House. It seemed awfully quiet. He strode up to the entrance and read the sign. Well this doesn't seem right thought Binky. I wonder if there is something wrong with my satnav. Binky was at Endeavour House, Birmingham.

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ST. BOTOLPH'S HARVEST WEEKEND

Before visitors were welcomed into the Church, Christabel Garnham, once again, produced a wonderful display of provisions from garden, field and hedgerow together with some beautiful floral displays. The Church looked splendid and was a fine setting for all those who visited during the weekend. We are very fortunate to have such a talent amongst us and most grateful for all her hard work which was so readily offered.

St. Botolph's also offer sincere thanks to those kind 'souls', who, at short notice, willingly cut the grass and trimmed the hedges ensuring the Church was presented at its best.

The weekend began with the Harvest supper when twenty-two residents and churchgoers enjoyed good food and good fellowship. Without doubt the event is one of the highlights of the year, where food is provided by those in attendance and, this year, as ever, the quality and variety of cuisine was superb. A big thank you also goes to those who kindly donated to help with Church maintenance.

Saturday welcomed thirteen cyclists as part of the annual Historic Churches Ride and Stride event. Whilst a Recorders day can be a long one, the Churches Trust do sterling work in ensuring the upkeep of such beautiful old buildings and their

organisers work extremely hard to guarantee support continues. Grateful thanks go to those who sat throughout the day recording visitors.

Our final, and most important event, the Harvest Service was held on Sunday 15th September where Reader James Hall officiated. Nineteen worshippers enjoyed a traditional harvest service and we were grateful to James and Organist Maurice for ensuring we were both alert and on key! At St. Botolph's we seldom have the company of young people, but our Harvest service enjoyed the presence of four-day old baby, 'Harriet Rose' and her family. Without doubt the occasion was enhanced and we were all enriched by her being amongst us. We wish her a wonderful life and gifted future.

All in all, we can report it was a very successful weekend.

SHINGLE STREET FOLK CONCERT

This popular folk band returns to Culpho Church on Friday 1st November at 7.30 p.m. The Concert titled 'Times they are a changing' will offer an enjoyable distraction from the stresses of the time in which we live. Come and join us to celebrate our country's musical history. Tickets cost £10 and are available from Chris Pearce on email cmp0601@hotmail.com or telephone 01473738324

*Margaret Gornall
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ACTIVITIES/SERVICES

BEALINGS

VH: Village Hall

BADMINTON VH Thu 7.30 *Martin Yates 07710187722*
BALLROOM DANCING VH Mon 7.30 *Corinne Jarvis Fear 07810355511*
VH Tue 7.30 *Teresa Jay 07929310480*
CARPET BOWLS VH Tue 1.30/Wed 7.00 *Kathy Price 621419*
DANCE CLASS VH Tue 9.30 a.m. Fri 9.30 a.m. *Debbie Watkins-Jones 403513*
FRESH FISH Thu am Little Bealings top road:
noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings *Catherine 07971970836*

JOHN BELSTEAD SPORTS COURT

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Non-Subscribers <http://bealingsvillagehall.org.uk> or Volunteer Administrator: 07925 181390

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*
SNOOKER VH Any day <4 hours *Margaret Wilson 07769195132*
STRICTLY DANCE FITNESS VH Thu 6.30 - 7.00 p.m. *Teresa Jay 07929310480*
VILLAGE HALL BOOKING *Margaret Wilson 07769195132*
: *bookings.vh.bealings@btinternet.com*
WI VH Thu (3rd in month) 2.00 Oct - Mar
7.00 Apr - Sep *Jennifer Cook 623985*

PLAYFORD

PH: Parish Hall

ART CLUB PH Thu 10.00 *Mary Spillett 01394 385295*
CLAY WORKSHOPS PH TUE (2nd of month) 6.30 - 9.00 *Contact 01728 860125*
Email: ejrceramics@btinternet.com
FRESH FISH Thu a.m. Little Bealings top road:
noon Playford: p.m. Great Bealings *Catherine 07971970836*
FOOT CLINIC PH Fri (approx. every 8 weeks) *Astrid Llewellyn 01394 450403*
LIBRARY Thu (every 4 weeks) 1.50 – 2.05 mobile library at phone box
07809594685
MILK Tue, Thu, Sat *Dairy Crest 747272*
NEWSPAPERS *Grange News 01394 384082*
PARISH HALL BOOKING Book on line: bookings.playfordvillagehall@gmail.com
or contact via voicemail *01473 487215*
PILATES PH Wed 7.30 - 8.15 *Julie Gorevan on 07702 883245*
TODDLERS PH Fri 9.30 toddler group *playfordtoddlers@gmail.com*
WHIST DRIVE PH Tues (4th in month) 2.00 p.m. *Liz Royle 622443*
WI PH Tue (1st in month) 7.30 p.m. *Sue Bruce 738265*
YOGA PH Tue 9.30 - 11.00 *Abigail Todd 07886569403*

CHURCH DIARY – OCTOBER 2019

Sunday October 6th

10.00 a.m.

Family Communion

Great Bealings

Sunday October 13th

10.00 a.m.

Harvest Service

Playford

Wednesday October 16th.

9.30 a.m.

Holy Communion

Culpho

Sunday October 20th

3.00 p.m.

Evensong

Culpho

5.00 p.m.

Songs of praise. Commissioning of Elders

Little Bealings

Sunday October 27th

10.00 a.m.

Holy Communion

Little Bealings



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