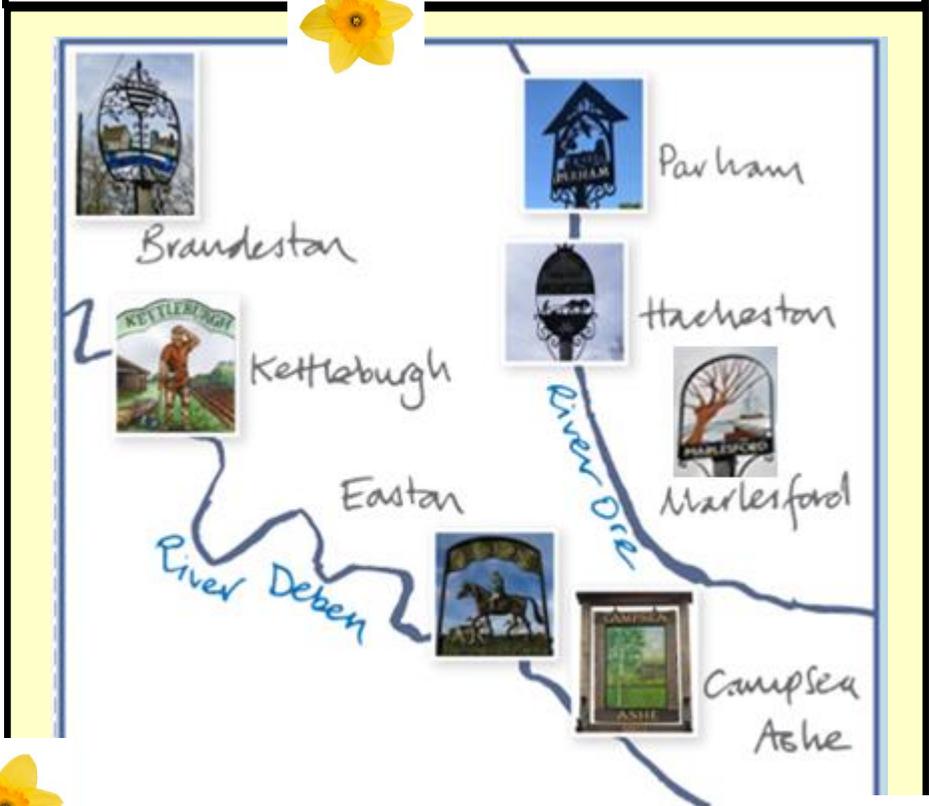


# A SLICE OF SUFFOLK



**A magazine for the Orebeck Benefice  
in the Deben and Ore valleys:**

**Sharing news of local people  
and community events.**

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## A word from Jackie Clark

***'April is the cruellest month...breeding lilacs out of the dead land, mixing memory and desire, stirring dull roots with spring rain.'***

So begins T. S. Eliot's poem *The Waste Land*. Contrast this to Chaucer's prologue to *The Canterbury Tales*, where he describes the April rains, the burgeoning flowers and leaves, and the chirping birds. Chaucer's pilgrims made the long journey from Southwark to Canterbury to the tomb of Thomas à Becket, regaling each other with tales as they journeyed. Our Orebeck Pilgrimage on Palm Sunday – 2 April – is far less strenuous and may not feature bawdy tales, but you are welcome to join us! You will find all the details later on in the magazine. You will also be most welcome at any of our Easter Day services. We celebrate Easter on 9 April this year

Like Chaucer, we may think of April showers and for gardeners, frosts that make us delay planting out tender plants, but it is a time of awakening, of growth, of creativity.

How do you like to be creative? There are so many ways. It may be through music, art, design or manufacture. To create – to bring something into existence – we are constantly doing that. It may be tidying a room and thus creating order out of chaos; having a conversation with someone and creating a sense of friendliness and companionship; observing surroundings whilst out walking and creating a new appreciation of the beauty, the challenges, the opportunities that surround us.

Whether *we* are busy or not, the natural world around us seems to move up a gear at this time of year. Birds are busy nesting (who will be first to hear the cuckoo this year?) hedgerows gradually clothe themselves with fresh greenery and the daylight hours lengthen dramatically.

Ronald Blythe, who died recently, had a remarkable ability to notice and reflect on the Suffolk countryside that he loved. He was described in *The Church Times* obituary as '*a man of letters, a man of the church and a man of the countryside. In appropriately trinitarian form, it was almost impossible to untangle one part of his being from another.*'

We are all blessed with the ability to be creative, stemming from God the Father, Creator of life itself. Thomas Stearns Eliot, Geoffrey Chaucer and Ronald Blythe all used their creative ability to grand effect – may we do the same. I wish you joy and peace this Eastertide.

***Jackie Clark***

## Church Services for April 2023

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Palm Sunday (finishing at Hacheston)	9.30am	Palm Sunday Pilgrimage	Start at Brandeston
		9.30am	Palm Sunday Pilgrimage	Start at Campsea Ashe
9 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Day	9.30am	Easter Communion	Brandeston
		9.30am	Easter Communion	Marlesford
		10am	Family Easter Praise	Campsea Ashe
		11am	Easter Communion	Easton
		11am	Easter Communion	Parham
		11am	Easter Praise	Kettleburgh
16 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	10am	Benefice Holy Communion	Campsea Ashe
23 <sup>rd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	9.30	Morning Worship	Brandeston
		9.30	Morning Worship	Campsea Ashe
		11.00	Holy Communion	Parham <i>with Hacheston</i>
		11.00	Holy Communion	Kettleburgh
30 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion	Easton

Friday Prayers – 4pm at Campsea Ashe

Compline is said at Marlesford every Wednesday at 5pm

## Palm Sunday Benefice 'pilgrimage' 2023



Our 'pilgrimage' is a Communion service on the move, where at each church we celebrate part of the service. Starting simultaneously at Brandeston and Campsea Ashe pilgrims will move to other churches, culminating at Hacheston village Hall for refreshments. Then process into Hacheston Church for the final part of the service. Many people will want to start at the beginning, others might wish to join in at their parish church and then journey on. Please share cars and offer lifts to people. We can always get you back to where you started.

<b>9.30</b>	<b>Campsea Ashe</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Brandeston</b>	<b>9.30</b>
<b>10.00</b>	<b>Marlesford</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Kettleburgh</b>	<b>10.00</b>
<b>10.30</b>	<b>Parham</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Easton</b>	<b>10.30</b>
<b>10.55</b>	<b>Hacheston</b>	<b>Coffee</b>	<b>Hacheston</b>	<b>10.55</b>
<b>11.15</b>		<b>Procession &amp; Service</b>		<b>11.15</b>

CHRIST IS RISEN



ALLELUIA

**Holy Week and Easter in  
our Orebeck Churches**

(Kettleburgh, Brandeston, Easton, Parham,  
Campsea Ashe, Marlesford & Hacheston)

**Monday 3 April**

6pm Compline at Parham

**Tuesday 4 April**

6pm Compline at Kettleburgh

**Wednesday 5 April**

6pm Compline at Marlesford

**Maundy Thursday - 6 April**

6pm Compline at Easton

**Good Friday - 7 April**

10am All Age Worship at Brandeston

2pm Meditation and Music at Campsea Ashe

**Easter Day - 9 April**

9.30am Holy Communion at Brandeston, Marlesford

10am Family Easter Praise at Campsea Ashe

11am Holy Communion at Easton, Parham

11am Easter Praise at Kettleburgh

*You will be made most welcome at any of these services*

# Brandeston



## Big Brandeston Breakfast

Thank you to everyone who came to the Big Brandeston Breakfast. We raised over £200 and we had a really good time. Everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves and the friendly chat and thanks made the hard work very worthwhile.

## Palm Sunday Pilgrimage.



This year's Palm Sunday pilgrimage will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> April. If you just want to come to the Brandeston and maybe Kettleburgh sections of the service that's fine, but it would be lovely if you could follow it through to coffee and the final section of the service at Hacheston.

## Food Bank

Thank you all very much for your generous donations to the April collection for the food bank. It was gratefully received by the Salvation Army in Woodbridge; they organise the distribution of parcels in the East Suffolk area.

The next collection will be from the 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> April at Tanglewood, Mill Lane.

**One item each goes a long way.**



# Brandeston



## Village Lunch

If you would like to join us for the monthly village lunch, please contact Philippa on 685632 by a week beforehand to help us with our planning. You don't need to ring if you are on her list of "regulars".

Please note that we have changed the dates for April and May because of bank holidays. The next two lunches will be on April 18<sup>th</sup> and May 16<sup>th</sup>. The cost is now £7 for 2 courses.

## BRANDESTON FILM CLUB

On Friday April 14th we will be showing **Living** -doors open at 7:00 pm film starts at 7:30pm – Bill Nighy was nominated for an Oscar for his performance, but lost out to Brendan Fraser for his performance in The Whale.

A remake of Akira Kurosawa's 1952 film *Ikiru*, with a screenplay by Kazuo Ishiguro. When Mr Williams (Bill Nighy), a buttoned-up bureaucrat in 1950s London, is diagnosed as terminally ill, he decides that he would like to achieve something for once, instead of just endlessly pushing paper. A group of ladies has come into the Public Works office, asking to have a hazardous area in their neighbourhood transformed into a children's playground. With nothing to show for his decades of service, the formerly ineffectual Mr Williams makes it his personal mission to push the job through before he dies.

"Sentiment and understatement meet in this beautifully melancholy (end -of-) life drama. Elegantly directed by South African film-maker Oliver Hermanus and boasting deeply affecting performances from national treasure Bill Nighy and rising star Aimee Lou Wood, this deceptively gentle 50s-set film addresses weighty matters of life and death with a winning simplicity that is hard to resist." Watch the trailer at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NZ5sZpnNBVA>

Best wishes

Christopher McArthur 07887 825008, Roz McKenzie 07910979781, Steve Western and Michael Cousens



# Brandeston



## **The Churchill Arms Brandeston's Pop Up Pub**

The Churchill Arms is not like any other village hall event: there is no music, no raffle, no sit-down meal, no dancing and no hard sell of anything.

**The Churchill pop up pub will next open its doors at 6:00 on Friday, 21 April.**

If you haven't yet popped in, you've missed a friendly night out where you can meet friends, neighbours and other village residents with the only noise being the buzz of conversations all around the hall.

On offer will be a choice of at least two draft beers, various bottled beers, lagers, red, white and rosé wines, prosecco, gin, and soft drinks. On the snack side there are crisps, peanuts, hot dogs and the very popular fish finger bap.

These are the planned opening dates for the next four months:

- 21 April
- 19 May
- 16 June
- 21 July

The Churchill Arms welcomes children and is a Brandeston Village Hall supported event. No dogs are allowed in the village hall.

Helen Fletcher  
Pat and Darryl Morgan

## **All Saints Brandeston Church Cleaning Rota**

<b>Helen &amp; Karren</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023</b>
<b>Ruth &amp; Mary</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> April 2023</b>
<b>Maida &amp; Liz</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup> May 2023</b>
<b>Sue &amp; Barry</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>

# Kettleburgh



**The results of the March 2023 KGT Lottery draw :**

**1st Prize: Ricky and Mal**

**2nd Prize: Trevor & Diane Smith**



## **Kettleburgh Quiz Night Friday 14 April**

St Andrew's Church are pleased to announce a Spring Quiz to be held on Friday 14 April in Kettleburgh Village Hall. Doors open at 7pm for a prompt start at 7.30pm.

Tables of four, £10 per person to include supper. There will be a licensed bar, a raffle (donations of prizes gratefully accepted), and of course, reverse bingo.

Please contact Jackie Clark 01728 723623 – [jwc51@btinternet.com](mailto:jwc51@btinternet.com) – to reserve your table.

Proceeds from this event will be shared with Kettleburgh Village Hall and Kettleburgh Village Green Trust.

### **St Andrews Church, Kettleburgh**

	<b>Cleaning</b>	<b>Flowers</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>Claire Norman</b>	<b>Claire Norman</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>Fay Clarke</b>	<b>Fay Clarke</b>

# Kettleburgh



## Ronald Blythe



Canon Dr Ronald Blythe CBE FRSL died in January, aged 100. He was best known locally as the author of *Akenfield*, an account of agricultural life in Suffolk, and based on our near neighbouring village of Charsfield. But he was also the author of over thirty books. Born in Acton, Suffolk in 1922, he also lived in Thorpness, Debach and latterly in Wormingford, in the house he

had shared, and then inherited from, the painter John Nash. It was from this dwelling, Bottengoms Farm, that his long-running column 'Word from Wormingford' was written for *The Church Times*. Ronald Blythe was also a Lay Reader and a Lay Canon at St Edmundsbury Cathedral. He once said: '*You know what the Church of England is like: they always give you work to do if you are not wary.*'

Following a private funeral he was buried in the churchyard of St Andrew's Wormingford, next to his dear friend John Nash. A Service of Thanksgiving was held in the Cathedral in March, where many of his literary, artistic and church friends paid tribute to him.

His obituary in *The Church Times* described him as '*a man of letters, a man of the church and a man of the countryside. In appropriately trinitarian form, it was almost impossible to untangle one part of his being from another.*' His was certainly a life well lived.

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## ST ANDREWS CHURCH, KETTLEBURGH ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS



Our Annual Church Meetings will be held this year on Tuesday 18 April at 3pm in church. The first meeting will be to elect churchwarden(s) and is open to anyone on the Kettleburgh civil electoral roll. At the second meeting, the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, we will receive reports about the life and activities of the church in Kettleburgh and will elect officers to carry out the business of the church for the next year. Come along and find out more. You will be most welcome.

# Easton



## All Saints' Church, Easton Services

The **Palm Sunday** Pilgrimage through the Benefice on 2nd April will start at Campsea Ashe and at Brandeston and visit all the churches ending at Hacheston. Easton is hosting part of the service at 10.30 am before the transfer to Hacheston Village Hall for coffee/tea and then to the church there for Communion at 11.15 am.



On 9th April, **Easter Day** (the most important day of the year for Christians) will be celebrated with Holy Communion at 11.00 am in Easton church.

April has five Sundays, so on 30th April Easton is hosting the Benefice Communion service at 10.00 am.

## Discussion Group

The Discussion Group meets again on 5th April, when we shall be talking about Spring and what it means to us. The meeting this month is at Bickley, Harriers Walk at 10.30 am. New members are always welcome.



## May Fair

We are looking forward to the May Fair on 13th May. This is our principal fundraiser for the year. We hope lots of people will get involved and come and enjoy the afternoon. (Pray for good weather!)



## Coronation of Charles III

We are planning a service on 7th May to celebrate the Coronation of our new King. More in next month's magazine.

# Parham



## Parham Village Hall

If you'd like to book our main hall, meeting room or games room, please contact Ellie on [parhamhallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:parhamhallbookings@gmail.com) or 07794069233 for more information.



## WHAT'S ON

<u>Mondays</u>	<u>Tuesdays</u>	<u>Thursdays</u>
<b>Framlingham Spinners &amp; Weavers</b> 10:00-12:00 Contact: Joy Porter - <a href="mailto:jkporterowl@gmail.com">jkporterowl@gmail.com</a>	<b>Powerhoop</b> 10:00 – 11:00 Contact: Eleanor Sharratt - 07976299297 or <a href="mailto:eliewri24@hotmail.co.uk">eliewri24@hotmail.co.uk</a> <b>Table Tennis</b> 19:30 – 21:30 (every other Tuesday) Contact: Terry Mee – <a href="mailto:terrymee@suffolkonline.net">terrymee@suffolkonline.net</a>	<b>Powerhoop</b> 18:30 – 19:30 Contact: Eleanor Sharratt – 07976299297 or <a href="mailto:eliewri24@hotmail.co.uk">eliewri24@hotmail.co.uk</a>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **An evening with Jim Jarvie...**

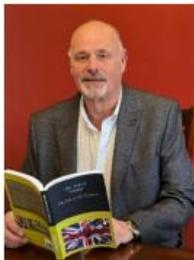
- My life in UK customs •
- Former drugs investigator for UK •

Jim is a local man, who has just published his first book! If you've heard him before you're in for a good night, if you haven't, you're in for a treat!

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April from 7:00pm**

◆ Light snacks ◆ Bar ◆ Tickets £10 ◆

To book tickets  
Text or call: 07986 171604  
Email: [parhamhallbookings@gmail.com](mailto:parhamhallbookings@gmail.com)



Parham



**EASTER**  
**COFFEE MORNING**  
**IN AID OF ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY**

**FRIDAY 7TH APRIL**  
**10AM-12PM**

**PARHAM VILLAGE HALL**  
**TEA, COFFEE & HOT CROSS BUNS**

**RAFFLE, EASTER EGG HUNT, TOMBOLA & FUN GAMES**





## Volunteer!



We would love to hear from you if you are interested in volunteering at Parham Airfield Museum. Become part of the friendly volunteer crew. From helping our visitors on open days, working in our tearoom, or joining our maintenance teams, we've got a role for you. If you would like to help, please contact us at: [parhamairfield@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:parhamairfield@yahoo.co.uk)



### Parham Airfield

### Museum Volunteer Vacancies

As a charity Parham Airfield Museum relies on its team of volunteers to help it run and thrive. We are always looking for new volunteers to undertake a range of tasks including helping our visitors on our open days (Sundays from April-end of October and Wednesdays over summer), helping in the tearoom and working behind the scenes with our maintenance team. We offer full training and continued support.

A few hours of your time would make all the difference. If you would like to join our friendly team of volunteers, please contact us on [Parhamairfield@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Parhamairfield@yahoo.co.uk) and we will provide further information, or you could come for a trial session.

# Parham



You are invited to the Parham

## **Spring Coffee Morning**

**Saturday 15th April**

**10:00 AM to Mid Day**

**In the Parham village hall**

**Cakes, plants, Gifts, games**

**Draw, tombola.**

**Home made refreshments  
and many other attractions**

All proceeds to Parham Church

# Parham



Our Annual Parish Meeting and Parish Council Annual General Meeting will both be held on Tuesday 23rd May from 7pm. Reports from clubs, organisations and charities in the village are welcomed, either written and submitted in advance, or verbally on the night.

Refreshments will be available and you will be welcome to ask your new Councillors questions and find out more about what has been going on in Parham over the last year.

Parham Parish Council is thinking of holding an event to mark the Coronation, similar to that held last summer for the Jubilee, on Sunday 7th May.

Please could Parham residents let us know if

- a) you would be interested in attending
- b) you would be able to help

We will be holding a short meeting to discuss planning the event on Tuesday 11th April at 7pm at the Village Hall. Please let our clerk know if you can make this.

[parhamparishclerk@gmail.com](mailto:parhamparishclerk@gmail.com)

## **Parham - Time to get walking again!**

John Harris

[www.walkinginengland.co.uk](http://www.walkinginengland.co.uk)

[john@walkinginengland.co.uk](mailto:john@walkinginengland.co.uk)



# Hacheston



**Hacheston Village Hall** is open for hiring.

*The Petanque Courts at the Village Hall have been upgraded to improve their accessibility. All residents are welcome to use the Courts*

*but please make sure you close the gates afterwards to prevent the rabbits getting in*

**Booking Clerk:** Meryem Siemmond [hachestonvillagehall@yahoo.com](mailto:hachestonvillagehall@yahoo.com)

## **Regular classes:**

### **Monday**

9.30-11.30 **Toddler Group** Sandra Poacher [sandrapoacher@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sandrapoacher@hotmail.co.uk)

6.00 -7.30 **Yoga** Jo Ogden-King [jokingy@hotmail.com](mailto:jokingy@hotmail.com) 07855 755982

### **Tuesdays**

8.30am – 3.30pm **NHS Cardio Rehab**

4.45pm –8.15pm **Ballet.** Anna Hartley [admin@arschoolofdance.com](mailto:admin@arschoolofdance.com) 07740 769742

### **Wednesdays**

9.45am-10.45am **Fitness dance** Cassie Drake [cassiedrake1@hotmail.com](mailto:cassiedrake1@hotmail.com) 07956 351275

2.00pm–2.45pm; 4.30pm–

7.45pm **Ballet.** Anna Hartley [admin@arschoolofdance.com](mailto:admin@arschoolofdance.com) 07740 769742

### **Thursdays**

10.00am – 12.00pm **Art Club.** Lorna Edwards [lornaed@hotmail.com](mailto:lornaed@hotmail.com) 07971 077415

4.45pm – 8.15 pm **Karate.** Elizabeth Arvanitidou [earvan120@gmail.com](mailto:earvan120@gmail.com) 07495 608475

### **Fridays**

8.30am–1.00pm **Cardio rehab** with Jon Register [info@jonregister.co.uk](mailto:info@jonregister.co.uk) 07941 303956

# Hacheston



## All Saints Church, Hacheston—Flower Rota



**April 9th –EASTER**

**April 16th, 23rd, 30th– Sarah Mackenzie**

**May 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th—Angela Hurlock**

## Save the Date

Our next main event will be the  
Annual Parish Meetings on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

We will be hearing from groups in the village and re-capping on the past year. We will be providing refreshments and hope to make this a social occasion. We would encourage residents to come and chat with the newly elected Councillors, and find out our plans for 2023 and beyond. We would love it if more residents took an active interest in the Parish Council; we are here to help you and work for the good of the village as a whole.

# Marlesford



## The Bishop's tree

In the weekly eNews that comes out to churchwardens from the diocese, I spotted that the Bishop still had some trees left that he had grown from seed to mark the Platinum Jubilee. It is part of the initiative to plant trees throughout the British Isles. I contacted his office, and arranged to collect one from him when he preached at Woodbridge. It's a hornbeam, a native species.



Next I consulted with Richard Cooper and Sue Wilson, who manage our churchyard for wildlife, and we decided where it would be planted. Recently, on a bright and sunny afternoon, we met in the churchyard and the hornbeam was popped into the ground, surrounded by snowdrops. It has a stout system of defence against both rabbits and muntjac! Nan Waterfall

### **Be a councillor on Marlesford Parish Council?**

Local elections take place on 4th May and that includes for the Parish Council so this is a good time to consider standing. If you want to help improve the quality of life and the environment in the village including making sure people of all ages views are heard, being a councillor could be for you. Nomination papers have to be submitted by the end March. If you wish to know more look on the East Suffolk website or contact our clerk Mel.

[marlesfordpc@gmail.com](mailto:marlesfordpc@gmail.com)

# Marlesford



Music@Marlesford

## Music for Spring

Dominic Moore, violin, and Andrew Quartermain, piano

St Andrew's, Marlesford

Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6.30 for 7.00pm

Beethoven's Spring Concerto followed by music by Milhaud, Elgar, Debussy, Mendelssohn and Vivaldi

Tickets £10.00, under 15s £4, (includes wine or soft drink)

Available from: [nanwaterfall@gmail.com](mailto:nanwaterfall@gmail.com) 01728 747038



**Marlesford Community Centre**  
**Thursday mornings 10-12**

## *The Welcome Arms*

**Pop-Up Pub at Marlesford Community Centre**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**6.00pm – 10.00pm**

**For more details, or if you would like to help, please contact Richard Cooper tel. 01728 747529**

**e mail. [richardccooper@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:richardccooper@hotmail.co.uk)**

*Bring your friends and family!*

# Marlesford



## CAKE SALES

We began our Cakes Sales in 2014 and over the years it proved to be a valuable form of fund-raising, realising around £1,000 each year.

The original intention was not only to raise funds but to be a way of encouraging people to meet in Church for a chat. Up until 2020 this proved to be very successful, but COVID and lockdown changed the way we live our lives. Nan and I, with the help of Mary Allen, set up a pre-order, home delivery service whilst restrictions were in place and have continued that service. Last year we re-introduced the Cake Stall in Church, but support was almost non-existent, so we decided to stop this. This year even the pre-orders have dwindled so we have decided to have a break until September when we will decide whether to start again.

We really appreciate all the support given over the years and say a very big "thankyou". Carol and Nan.



## CORONATION WEEKEND

Please note that there will be no Service at St.Andrew's on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May, following the King's Coronation on 6<sup>th</sup> May. Instead, a **Family Service of Thanksgiving**, joining together the parishes of Marlesford, Parham and Hacheston will be held at 11.00am at Parham.

Everyone will be very welcome. Carol.

# Campsea Ashe



## EASTER SERVICES

at Campsea Ashe

April 7th

## GOOD FRIDAY

A service of meditation at 2pm



## EASTER SUNDAY

All-age family EASTER PRAISE

at 10 am

with easter egg hunt!



All very welcome

# Campsea Ashe



## Growing Together

Saturday 15th April 2023

at

**Campsea Ashe Village Hall and Community Garden  
(opposite the railway station)**



In these increasingly uncertain times, it never hurts to know how to grow and cook more of your own food. It may save you money and it will do wonders for your physical and mental health!

So come along to this **FREE** event, organised by **Wild About Campsea**, supporting the **RHS Big Seed Sow** and funded by **East Suffolk Council's Field to Fork Initiative**. Spend the day sharing ideas and learn from each other how to grow and cook more of our own food—even in a limited space.

All activities are free but donations to the community garden are welcome.

During the day there will be demos, exhibitions, crafts, seed and book swaps, planting and cooking activities, and an opportunity to **make a wooden planter** and growing kit so you can start your own salad or herb garden at home. There are activities for children so bring them along too! Come and go as needs must, but we hope you can stay for the day.

Limiting parking is available at the village hall, railway station and at the parish church over the bridge. Please car share if you can!

### PROGRAMME

10.30 Welcome cuppa

11.00 **FEED YOUR SOIL:** A Master Composter demonstrates the art of making compost.

11.30 onwards: Winter veg soup and a roll (with an option to prepare your own soup!)

# Campsea Ashe



**14.00 A DAY IN THE LIFE OF THE DG OF THE RHS** - Talk by Dr Clare Matterson, Director General of the RHS

**14.20 GROWING YOUR OWN FOR PEOPLE, WILDLIFE AND PLANET** - Talk by Sheila Das, Head of Edibles at RHS Wisley, followed by Q & A.

**16.00 LOW COST/NO COST FOOD:** money-saving hacks.

**17.00 BARBEQUE** (with vegan option)

It's a free event but we need to know numbers. Please email [wildaboutcampsea123@gmail.com](mailto:wildaboutcampsea123@gmail.com) to let us know you are coming and if you'd like a soup and roll lunch & an evening BBQ! Alternative/additional food is available at The Station House and at The Dog pub. We hope you can join us for the whole or part of the day. We've got some expert speakers from the Royal Horticultural Society just waiting to answer your questions. Come and be inspired, and if you're already an old hand, come and share your enthusiasm!

**Note to Editor: Please include the graphics below if you can. East Suffolk Council is funding the event and they are keen to be acknowledged!**



# Campsea Ashe



## Growing Together.....

In these increasingly uncertain times it never hurts to know how to grow and cook more of your own food. It may save you money and it will do wonders for your physical and mental health!

If you're a novice, come and learn how to supplement the supermarket shop with home-grown vegetables and salads, even if space is limited. If you're more experienced, then come along and share your ideas with us so we can learn together.

Bring along seeds, seedlings, books and magazines to swap. Make and take home a free planter kit. And there are craft activities for kids and adults. And don't miss our talks and demonstrations by RHS experts!

Alternative food and drinks are available nearby at **The Station House** and at **The Dog pub**.



**Growing Together**  
**Sat 15th April 2023**  
 at  
**Campsea Ashe Village Hall and Community Garden (opposite the railway station)**

A FREE event, organised by Wild About Campsea, supporting the RHS Big Seed Sow and funded by East Suffolk Council's Field to Fork Initiative. Spend the day sharing ideas and learning from each other how to grow and cook more of your own food—even in a limited space.

All activities are free but donations to the community garden are welcome.

During the day there will be demos, exhibitions, crafts, seed and book swaps, planting and cooking activities, and an opportunity to make a **wooden planter** and growing kit so you can start your own salad or herb garden at home.

Come and go as needs must but we hope you can spend the day.

See programme overleaf.....



Limiting parking is available at the village hall, railway station and at the parish church over the bridge. Why not come by train?—but check trains are running!

## PROGRAMME

**10.30** Welcome cuppa

**11.00 FEED YOUR SOIL:** A Master Composter demonstrates the art of making compost.

**11.30 onwards** Winter veg soup and a roll (with an option to prepare your own soup!)

**14.00 A DAY IN THE LIFE OF THE DG OF THE RHS** - Talk by Dr Clare Matterson, Director General of the RHS

**14.20 GROWING YOUR OWN FOR PEOPLE, WILD-LIFE AND PLANET** - Talk by Sheila Das, Head of Edibles at RHS Wisley, followed by Q & A.

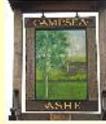
**16.00 Low cost/No cost** Food: money-saving hacks.

**17.00 Barbeque** (with vegan option)

It's a free event but we need to know numbers. Please email [wildaboutcampsea@rhs.org.uk](mailto:wildaboutcampsea@rhs.org.uk)

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## DAN POULTER

I have long championed the need for brownfield development to be prioritised ahead of building on our precious Suffolk countryside and for planning decisions about new housing developments to be taken with our local communities at their heart.

I worked with other MPs to block suggested changes to the planning system. These changes would have potentially reintroduced a form of regionally set housing targets by the back door, as well as fast-tracked developments without proper local consultation or scrutiny.

However, the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill, currently going through Parliament is different. The Government is now set to reform the planning framework that will benefit local communities here in Suffolk.

A key part of the reforms will see a new development plan system being put in place at a local level, meaning that plans decided by local communities will be given much higher priority, with a presumption that the local plan must be followed unless there is a very strong reason to override it. This is a significant step forward given the amount of work that goes on in our local communities to inform local plans. I am also especially encouraged to see a "use it or lose it" clause being introduced, which will prevent developers from stockpiling land and gaming the system. In future developers will lose their planning consent unless they proceed to develop the site in a timely manner.

Suffolk's towns and parishes already have the power to develop their own neighbourhood plans. Thanks to these important reforms, top-down regional housing targets will be a thing of the past, and Whitehall civil servants, many of whom have never set foot in Suffolk, will lose the power to impose massive new housing developments on our area.

These new reforms will also help to increase the accessibility of neighbourhood planning by allowing Parish Councils to produce simpler, easier to produce 'neighbourhood priorities statements', which will undoubtedly be welcome news to our hardworking local Parish Councils.

Currently, developers have the right to appeal but communities do not. It is time to level the playing field. Bad planning decisions need to be challenged, and residents deserve the right to do so.

In the proposed reforms, new Local Plan Commissioners will be introduced to support or, if councils fail in their statutory duties, to take over plan-making, in tandem with a new set of measures to increase the effectiveness of planning enforcement. These new planning reforms are an important step in the right direction for the future.

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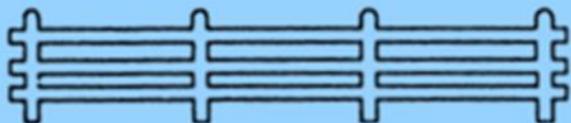


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