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Please note that following government advice regarding Covid-19, some regular activities that would normally take place in the Memorial Hall or the Village Hall are still suspended until further notice. See below for activities that are resuming.

VILLAGE DIARY OF EVENTS

Regular Monthly or Quarterly Activities Parish Council 1st Monday of month 8pm (excl. Bank Hols) Memorial Hall Village Café Afternoon Tea 1st and 3rd Thursday of month 2 - 4pm Memorial Hall Village Café Coffee Morning 2nd and 4th Tuesday of month 9.30 – 11.30am Elsenham Bowls & Social Club

Tuesdays	Fitness Yoga/Pilates 8pm Mer	morial Hall
Wednesdays	Slimming World 5.30 & 7.30pm	Memorial Hall
Thursdays	Slimming World 9.30 - 11am M	emorial Hall
August Mon 2 Thurs 5 &19 Tues 10 & 24 Sat 14 Thurs 19 Sat 21	Parish Council Meeting Village Café Afternoon Tea Village Café Coffee Morning Bingo Elsenham WI Bowls Club Charity Quiz	Memorial Hall 8pm Memorial Hall 2 - 4pm Bowls & Social Club 9.30am Bowls & Social Club 7 for 7.30pm Memorial Hall 7.45pm Bowls & Social Club 7.30 /8pm

Some groups are meeting online or in a limited way

Beavers and Cubs Brownies in the Memorial Hall Church services and special events (please see page 27) Little Fishes is meeting in the Memorial Hall Elsenham & Stansted Hall Cricket Club training & fixtures (see website) Kick Boxing (on Playing Field) Shape to the Beat (on Playing Field)



Mobile library visits to Elsenham have resumed. Visitors are restricted in numbers so you may have to queue. Face coverings must be worn.

Place: Glebe End. Time: 11.50am to 12.20pm Day: Thursdays: Dates: 5 and 26 August



Bit of a mixed bag of news and announcements this month.

Sadly, the Elsenham Flower Show has had to be cancelled but the children's Ladybird House competition will still be judged, see p5.

Elsewhere we are seeing activities opening up again including some summer holiday sport activities. Check out the Tennis Club on p41 and the Cricket Club on p43. Daisy May's Farm has introduced a campsite see p15 and Cammas Hall p18 and Stansted Golf World p28 have lots to offer. Perry's is open for your gardening needs see p14 and Clifford's Farm Shop provides a coffee stop as well as great produce, see back page.

If you are planning to re-start activities from September and would like that publicised in the magazine let us know at elsenhamnews@hotmail.co.uk

by 12 August as we will be re-introducing our Village Activities page from September. If Rainbows is to continue in the village a new team of leaders is needed, can you help with this? See p4 for details.

Friday, 24 September is an important date to put in your diary. Don't know why? See p5 to find out (hint: coffee, supporting a great cause).

Finally, if you need to refill all those cupboards you emptied out during Lockdown 1, or you just love a bargain, there is a Car Boot Sale on Saturday, 14 August on the Playing Field see p7.

Happy reading, see you in September, *The Editors*

ELSENHAM NEWS - can you help?

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RAINBOW LEADERS NEEDED

After 20 years of absolute fun, I am resigning as a Rainbow Group Leader. Therefore, Elsenham 1st Rainbows NEEDS a new team to run this fabulous section of Guiding.



Rainbows is for girls from 5 – 7 years and runs for 1 hour, weekly during term time

Rainbows learn by doing – they get their hands dirty, do sports, arts and crafts and play games. Being a Rainbow is all about having the space to try new things. Through taking part in a range of different activities with girls their own age, Rainbows develop self-confidence and make lots of new friends.

Please consider helping, so young girls in the village can continue having fun...... It is hugely satisfying and rewarding, and easy.

I am more than happy to help with the transition. It is with a heavy heart I have made this decision, as it has been an absolute joy and honour.

Petrina Lees 🕾 816675



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WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING

By Elaine Terry ☎ 812363 or 07962 586825 ⊠ elaine.terry2011@btinternet.com

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Having a Coffee Morning is the perfect chance to catch up over a cuppa and a slice of something delicious for a great cause.

One in two of us will face cancer and

the money we raise at our Coffee Morning will help us make sure no one has to face it alone. £27 raised by us can pay for a Macmillan nurse to spend an hour with someone who has just been told they have cancer. The money raised will help fund the valuable Macmillan services and professionals who ensure no one with cancer has to face the fight alone.

Please join us on our big day **Friday 24 September from 9.30am to 11.30am** in the Bowls Club. Please help to support us in any way you can, either by joining us on the day, baking a cake, donating tombola prizes or by making a financial donation. It will all help to make a difference to the Macmillan Cancer Support Charity, but whatever you do, PLEASE DON'T FORGET – thank you!

Please let me know how you can help.

ELSENHAM FLOWER SHOW SOCIETY

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FLOWER SHOW—CANCELLED

The Flower Show Society feels it is still too risky, as the numbers are rising with new variants on the increase. Furthermore, many of our villagers and committee members are in the high risk category. Therefore, with much regret, the decision has been taken to cancel this year's Flower Show.

We cannot stress enough that the decision to cancel was taken with a very heavy heart and great reluctance, knowing that we, and many other people, have been working hard in preparation for the show. Our responsibility for keeping everyone safe was the deciding factor.

However, we know that many children in the village have already completed their Ladybird Houses. And so we will be running the Children's Handicraft Competition for any children who would like to enter Class 86, "A Decorated Ladybird House, max size 18cm x 33cm". Segar Medallions will be awarded for First, Second and Third places. Please bring your creations round to Le Touquet in Station Road. The deadline for submission for your exhibits is Sunday 15 August.





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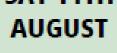
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DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT JULY 2021



By Cllr Lees and Cllr LeCount

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STANSTED AIRPORT PLANNING APPEAL

Since our last report, a decision was taken by UDC Officers to ask permission from the Planning Court (a specialist division of the High Court in London) to pursue an appeal against both the main appeal decision of the Inspectors (allowing potential expansion to 43 million passengers per year) and also their decision to award the legal costs of the appeal to MAG. If permission to appeal is given on one (or both) applications, then there would be a full hearing on the issues sometime in the Spring 2022.

The appeal process does not result in the Court deciding the rights and wrongs of the planning appeal itself, for example, whether the technical and expert evidence provided by MAG or UDC was right or wrong in planning judgment terms, but whether the Planning Inspectors weighed it properly and fairly in coming to their conclusions. If the Court considers they did not, then the appeal is remitted to a different panel of Inspectors for reconsideration, whose decision would then be made against the state of the evidence and policies applicable at that time.

The decision to ask for permission to appeal and steps to be taken (as in the case of the handling of the planning appeal itself) were matters decided upon by council officers. We support that decision, as it adds support for the decision of the Planning Committee which refused the planning application in January 2020. However, suggestions made by some UDC Councillors that our Administration had not supported that decision are misguided (if council members or residents wish to understand the point in greater detail, it was explained by John Evans (Portfolio holder for planning) in a special council debate on the subject, in the broadcast of 28 June[®] https://www.youtube.com/embed/h0ITjQ-jjBw (marker 1:06:00).)

All steps taken in planning appeal and other legal/court proceedings are delegated matters in accordance with Local Government Regulations and the UDC Constitution and do not fall to council members to direct or manage. The legal team who are instructed by UDC to challenge the Planning Inspectors' decisions will be basing their arguments on the grounds that the Inspectors:

for the main decision: ignored the Government's climate change and carbon policies, including under the Climate Change Act; and for costs: failed to apply the planning appeal procedure rules, allowing only a costs recovery where there has been unreasonable behaviour by the relevant party. In our instance, it will be argued that UDC did not act unreasonably but on the contrary, the Inspectors' costs decision was irrational and unprincipled.

The legal team will be advancing a comprehensive attack on the Inspectors' decisions and we will be keeping you advised of developments. Sufficient budget has been provided for legal costs likely to be incurred in the proposed actions and UDC will continue to resist liability for any costs incurred by MAG.

LOCAL PLAN - HOUSING NUMBERS

We are referring to the topic of housing numbers separately since it first received detailed consideration by the Local Plan Leadership Group (LPLG) and was then carried forward to and approved by Cabinet last week. The full report may be found here: https:// uttlesford.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s24177/Local%20Plan%20Housing%20Numbers.pdf

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Identifying the housing requirement is an important stage in the local plan process – it is the number of number of homes that is required by the Government to be planned over the 20 year plan period. The LPLG recommended, in their report to Cabinet, a housing requirement of 706 homes a year for the district – or a supply of up to 16,944 homes up to 2040. This requirement is derived not from any UDC made policies or other local considerations but entirely from a set of standard formulae imposed by the Government. The resulting report does however consider comments received during the earlier public consultations and representations as well as the experiences of other local authorities.

A buffer of between 15% and 20% has been identified so that the local plan can react flexibly to changing circumstances. This means identifying a supply of at least 16,238 - 16,944 homes to meet a housing requirement of 14,120 homes over the 20 year plan period. It is important to note that about 4,000 homes are already approved in the planning system, meaning that the council is likely to need to identify around 11,600 homes to be built across the district to meet the potential housing requirement in the plan period.

The LPLG report to Cabinet was discussed and questioned whether the calculation set by the government was the correct way to go forward. The resounding response from the Housing Minister (Robert Jenrick) has been that the government formula would not change at this time. We have appealed to our MP to lobby on our behalf.

As to government planning policy generally, we all await the publication of the Planning Bill this autumn which will reveal the details of the extent to which local plan making will be changed (which might provide for "zoning" of development and protected areas and the like, which we have described before – and which it might be said would potentially reduce input from members of the planning committee).

Now the Call for Sites exercise has closed, the sites put forward are being tabulated/detailed and officers will begin to assess them against the criteria earlier reviewed by LPLG. The list of district wide sites will be published later this month and will be publicised appropriately on the UDC website.

There will be a presentation to the Town and Parish Councils during July as to the housing requirement, the sites proposed and the appraisal methodology, all part of the early consultation policy to which this council administration is committed.

STANSTED AIRPORT FUTURE AIRSPACE

Stage 2 of a consultation is under way by Stansted Airport Limited. This is part of the Civil Aviation Authority's modernisation routing strategy (which covers airspace including that relating to the other London and east regional airports). The process will continue until early 2024 after submission and approval by CAA of any revisions made. Public consultation will take place during 2022/23.

WARD MEMBERS' INITIATIVE

We are very willing to support community organisations from within the Parish, using the ward member's initiative fund funds whenever we can and are always ready to receive proposals or enquiries.

OUR SURGERY

Finally, we are intending to resume our face to face surgery with residents in this post-COVID restricted contact period and look forward to meeting residents once again and we shall publicise dates when we can, as we write this the restriction reduction hasn't been published.

As ever, of course, we would be very happy to hear from any residents by email or phone should there be anything they think we can help with or answer any questions on our report, or the District Council.



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ELSENHAM C. OF E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

By Linda Reid, Headteacher

We are quickly approaching the end of another academic year and again it has been a year like no other. The requirement for all schools to adhere strictly to the existing restrictions as a result of



rising infection rates has meant that our usual end of term plans and celebrations have had to be somewhat curtailed. However we are doing all we can to ensure that the children have as memorable an experience as possible.

Sports Day went ahead as planned (with adjustments) and, despite the absence of parents and carers and families, it was a fabulous day. Our Year 6 children were fantastic. They worked with staff to organise resources and cheered on, and supported, each year group as they took part. The final part of the day was nail biting as the results to this point were so close. In the end, Wells House was the overall winner. This was a hugely significant moment as this was the first time Wells has ever won Sports Day since our house system was first set up in 2009. Congratulations!

Since then we've held a non-uniform day in support of Great Ormond Street Hospital, Bouncy Castle Days for all classes as well as day trips, a Royal Ball for Early Years and a visiting zoo for Year 2! There are a great many activities planned for the remaining days culminating in our achievement and leavers assemblies. We sincerely hope that this will be the start of a more positive time ahead for everyone.

It seems hard to believe that this is the last article I will write as the Headteacher of Elsenham School. I have been immensely privileged and proud to work with a great many fantastic and supportive people throughout my time here. The staff, governors, FOES, the church and parents have all worked tirelessly together for the benefit of the children. Together, we have been able to provide the children who have passed though these doors with a wonderful place to grow and learn and we do all we can to ensure that they truly are "Learning For Life".

Over the years, we have been blessed to have a great many families, who do all they can to work with us and support the school's ethos, aims and values. It is always a very special moment when I meet up with parents of former pupils, who very proudly tell me of their child's success since leaving our school. There have been some truly inspiring stories of children and young adults, who have dared to dream and have been happy and successful in their chosen fields. I know from the children who are here now that there are a great many of these stories still to come!

One of the truly special things about Elsenham School, however, is the support we receive from the village. The school is incredibly lucky to have a special place in the thoughts of many villagers and I can't thank all of you enough for your ongoing support during my time here. The school, and the village as a whole, will always have a special place in my heart. I will really miss everyone here, but wish you all continued happiness and success and trust that the school will continue to go from strength to strength! Thank you!

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That's not all as we have even MORE exciting news! We now have a campsite and it is in the most fabulous part of the farm and would make a brilliant staycation for anyone! It is all ready and waiting for guests, so if you fancy a stay, get in touch via our website

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DEVELOPMENT DEVELOPMENTS By Graham Mott T 812516 M motts@grahammott.plus.com



The Stansted Airport appeal is a long-running saga which refuses to lie down. Just when you think it's all over, that the ref has blown his whistle and the losing side has accepted the inevitable, there's another unexpected period of extra time. The latest twist is that Uttlesford District Council has appealed to the High Court against the Appeal decision to allow the increase in numbers from 35 to 43 million passenger per annum, claiming that greater heed should have been taken of the Government's latest targets on carbon emissions. A successful appeal against a decision once made is not easy, otherwise everyone would be doing it. Uttlesford residents can confidently expect an increase to the huge bill for costs which has already been incurred.

The recent activity on the two sites which together have outline approval for up to 99 new homes, 61 off Isabel Drive and 38 off Stansted Road next to the motorway, does not mean that construction work has started. One of the conditions with applications of any size is that a programme of archaeological work is carried out first, when the developers cross their fingers and hope that nothing of interest is found which could delay them. A detailed planning application has not yet been submitted. The developers are Dandara Limited, registered in the Isle of Man and with a head office in Milton Keynes. Their website gives a foretaste of 'Millers View', surely a leading contender in the highly competitive field of naff developers' names. It describes the village as 'Idyllic', 'Pretty, tranquil and welcoming'; 'And then there's the transport links. The A120 and M11 are both within a few minutes' drive', it assures us, together with a map which bafflingly seems to label Hall Road as 'M11 Corridor'.

The 350 homes approved on the site between Henham and Elsenham long associated with the name of 'Fairfield' is to be developed by Bloor Homes. They sought a meeting on a date towards the end of July - there should have been a leaflet drop - but they went a bit quiet after the Parish Council said that of course a full contribution would be expected towards the new Community Hall.

The appeal by Gladman against refusal of their application for up to 220 homes to the north of Bedwell Road is scheduled to start on 14 September and a preliminary meeting and exchange of documents have occurred. Uttlesford District Council has produced a Statement of Case; the Inspector has marked their homework and ruled that they could do better on the grounds that it is 'overly succinct'. The Council has been sent away to produce something longer and given ten days to do it. It is not an ideal start. The appeal will be contested on the grounds of accessibility to services and facilities, the effect on the character and appearance of the area, air quality and noise (with particular reference to the motorway and railway) and the safety of the highway. It has to be regarded as a good case - but then we've thought that before, Uttlesford has no five-year housing land supply and the Local Plan does not seem to get any closer.



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"Is the end in sight? I do believe it is". That is how I have started the last couple of articles in Elsenham News. Well, third time lucky. It finally looks as if the vaccination programme and the summer season have reduced the virulence of the virus to the point where we can start to plan for communal activities in the near future. And that is just what we have been doing, so put these dates in your diary.

On the afternoon of Saturday 4 September we plan to hold a Garden Party up at the Church. All are welcome from across the Benefice. There will be a BBQ and children's games (well they need something to cheer them up before school starts again). There will be more information through the village website nearer the time.

Then we move on to our Christmas Tree festival over the weekend of 4/5 December. If you are new to the village and haven't been to this celebration, or if you are just missing it owing to the last few years' problems, then you definitely need to make a note of it. We fill the church with Christmas trees – all shapes, sizes, designs – and just enjoy! Further details about how to submit a tree, times etc. will be published later – just keep an eye on *Elsenham News* and the village website.

We are also considering something to fill the gap between the garden party and December – if you have any suggestions, please contact me or any member of the committee.

Take care, as with drink enjoy our new 'freedom' responsibly, and stay safe – we want to see you at our events!

Elsenham Village Cafe

By Sue Waite

The Elsenham Village Café is back in action and meeting for coffee mornings in the Bowls Club on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. Seating is provided outside.

Coffee morning next dates are 10 and 24 August – we meet at 9.30 - 11.30am.

Our afternoon teas have started in the Memorial Hall on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month from 2pm – 4pm. Our next dates are 5 and 19 August..

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH By Frances Lambert <u>franceslambertnhw@btinternet.com</u>

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Commonly, the first seven digits (07nnnnn) match the individual's own number. The calls impersonate well-known government organisations, or law enforcement agencies and will ask the recipient of the call to "press 1" in order to speak with an advisor, or police officer, about unpaid fines or police warrants.

There are reports of individuals receiving these types of calls, and messaging, via widely-used messaging apps, such as WhatsApp.

Protecting yourself from phone scams:

• Who is really calling? Government and law enforcement agencies will not notify you about unpaid fines or outstanding police warrants by phone call or text. Do not respond to any calls or texts you receive about these.

• Take Five. Always take a moment to stop and think before parting with money or your personal information, it could prevent you from falling victim to fraud. Remember, it's okay to reject, refuse or ignore any requests. Only criminals will try to rush or panic you.

• Report it. If you receive a suspicious text message, you can report it by forwarding the message to 7726 free of charge. Suspicious telephone/mobile calls can be reported to Action Fraud via their website: police.uk/report-phishing

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Whilst volunteers have no powers to sanction a prosecution, offenders' details will be passed to Essex Police so the force can forward correspondence to the registered keeper requesting the driver to respect local speed limits.

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Picture postcards became extremely popular in the UK after the introduction in 1902 of the format with a picture on the front and a divided back - half for the address and the other half for a message. Pictures were generally black and white but sometimes coloured. Popularity waned after the First World War but it remained customary to send postcards to family and friends from somewhere visited on holiday or a day out. That custom has now almost died out, no doubt due in

part to the availability – albeit only in this century - of more immediate means of exchanging messages and photos electronically.

Many people used picture postcards for sending short messages. Until 1918 it cost only an old halfpenny to send a card – that's 480 cards for a pound (today's price is 66 pence per card). In those early days, there could be as many as five postal deliveries in a day, at least in towns, so it was not unreasonable to expect a reply the same day.

It wasn't just seaside towns that sold postcards; almost every town and village had its own postcard or set of postcards. Within the Hundred Parishes, it seems that only one parish has never had a postcard – Flitch Green, which became a parish only in 2008. Many of those old cards have survived. They often provide a revealing insight into our past and into an earlier way of life, for example buildings, roads, transport and dress.

Ken McDonald, Secretary.

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Stop. Go. Stop seems to have been the theme this month for many of us. The much anticipated Elsenham Village Fete fell foul of the extension to covid restrictions, which was a huge shame after all the effort put in by the Fete Organising Committee and our Leader teams battled the ever-changing "will it, won't it?" weather conditions to keep Scouting activities running.



As well as welcoming new Beavers and Cubs to our group, Beavers have been learning about health and fitness. They had a go at archery, and had an evening riding electric go-karts and playing on a bouncy castle, working towards their Health and Fitness, Outdoors, Skills and Adventure badges. Cubs made a short-notice, rain-induced switch from outdoor bikeability to an indoor session on bike maintenance and safety for their cyclist badge, learnt how to tie knots and

also cooked dinner over open fires for their Backwoods Cooking badge.

Another highlight of the month was the hugely successful Pop-Up Market, put together in short order to replace the cancelled Elsenham Fete. Our Scout Group supported the event by running the refreshments stall to raise money for our local schools, with all cakes donated by our scouters and supporters. In all we raised just over £400! An incredible achievement.

It is, therefore, very apt that I write this article just after national Thank You Day, so I'd like to take the opportunity to put this month's thank you's down on paper:

To Nick H for allowing us to use his land for Backwoods Cooking; to Victoria F for putting together the Pop-Up Market and to everyone from the community who supported the stallholders; to Scout Active Support (SAS) for running our Beavers Archery evening; and to Anabella at Tesco for providing all the food and drinks for the cubs Backwoods Cooking night and the refreshments stall.



And last but by no means least, thank you to our volunteer leaders who make it all possible, and help make so many young people happy, healthy and confident.



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Life seems to consist of long periods that are relatively mundane and ordinary, but is interspersed with moments that are intensely vivid. We go to work, we do our chores, we walk our dog. And then, BAMM, we find out that we are going to be parents (or grandparents) or there is a cancer diagnosis, or a loved one dies. The tranquillity of our everyday routine is interrupted by the sudden injection of agony or of ecstasy. Our emotions are thrown into turmoil. We are suddenly confronted with a new perspective on reality.

Birth and death are the ultimate in disruption. I can still remember holding my firstborn for the very first time. I felt that my heart was going to explode; that my eyes had melted. I was, as they say, pretty choked up. He seemed guite exercised at the time too, as he announced himself to the world. That was guite some time ago now, but I can still taste that raw emotion. It felt like a connection to the eternal. Where had this little bundle come from? How had this miracle occurred? My questions weren't biological ones; I know those answers. But this was a moment of lucidity, one where it was clear to me that a closed-box view of this world could not provide the really important answers.

Similarly – but very differently – I will forever remember receiving the call from my sister that my mother had "gone." Two hours later, I was with my father and sisters and sitting with the empty shell of the wonderful person who had given birth to me and raised me. I was pretty choked up. But in a very different way.

Death so often can prompt us to ask

the question "is that it?" Was Bertrand Russell right to say "when I die, I rot"? Do we live in a closed-box world? Is "survival of the fittest" an adequate worldview, when it comes to human life? Do you even want to live in a world like that?

The most bleak experience of my life was the funeral of a family member. He was one of the most pre-eminent people in this country in his field of medicine, but he had died in his fifties. The anguish of his wife and children was terrible to behold. They had no hope; no expectations of the future for their husband, for their father. My mum had been departing in stages and in phases over the ten years or so that she had suffered dementia. We had watched on as the disease had stripped her of so many different things; her memory, her independence and, in time, of her speech and more. Towards the end, my father sought to reassure her of how much loved she was. He spoke of his deep love for her; and of the love of her siblings and of the love of my sisters and me. My mum replied (possibly her last words) - as if to say "I don't know about any of that" – by simply saying "I know the Lord loves me".

There are times when we realise that there is more to life than life. There are moments when we have the lucidity to recognise that there is something beyond death. Dear reader, please stop to ask the question, how do we make sense of life and of death?

> Simon Pilcher Churchwarden

CHURCH EVENTS IN OUR VILLAGES AUGUST 2021

Church Services

Our in-person service pattern is as follows:

1st August – Trinity 9: 10.00am Morning Service, Ugley 11.15am Morning Service, Henham 8th August – Trinity 10: 8.45am BCP* Morning Praver. Elsenham 11.15am Morning Service, Henham 15th August – Trinity 11: 8.45am BCP* Holy Communion, Elsenham 10am Morning Service, Ugley 22nd August – Trinity 12: 10.15am Morning Service. Elsenham 11.15am Morning Service, Henham 29th August – Trinity 13: 8.45am BCP* Morning Prayer, Elsenham 10.00am BCP* Holy Communion Ualev

* BCP = Book of Common Prayer

Sunday lunchtime picnics (all welcome) from 1pm Bring a packed lunch and a folding chair to:

 1st August: Rowan House, High St, Elsenham
 8th August: Springate, Chickney Rd, Henham
 15th August: Green End Barn, Woodend Green
 22nd August: Widdington Hall, Church Lane, Widdington

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Other regular events Some of our groups are meeting in-person as follows:

Youth groups have now finished for the summer. We hope all of them will return in person in September.

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August 2021

NATURAL OUTLOOK ON LOCAL BIRD ACTIVITY

By Heather Salvidge 🕾 814153

August weather often gives us the highest temperatures of the year and some of the very heaviest rain including at least one 'named' storm and birds have to cope with all of it, whatever they are up to.

For some it is changeover time: if you haven't heard a cuckoo this

year, it's too late and too late also to see the swifts with their scimitar shaped wings wheeling high above the greens and playing field, as these are both on their way to Africa. Some blackbirds leave too as they prefer to winter on the continent. House martins are still with us with their fledged young and will be here till, probably, next month. Swallows will linger longer, flying over the fields at the edges of the village and allotments. You can tell which are the 'newbies' because their tail streamers are rather shorter. Then they, too, leave to spend time in Africa.

We are in the middle of the moulting season when our 'usual' birds change plumage and begin to look careworn, for some partly as a result of being parents and also because new feathers are needed to replace the worn out ones. The process tends to make them vulnerable and so some retreat to cover. You might begin to wonder where your regular robin has gone until it re-appears looking rather smarter. Male blackbirds in particular, can get very tatty and it's rather fun to watch as the one that you know shows up with brand new tail feathers and gradually the rest of its fine new plumage. Other plumage change occurs as juveniles come into their adult colours; young robins lose the speckled chest which becomes orange, starlings lose their dingy brown on their backs at first, blue tits are a dusty grey over their emerging yellow and blue and goldfinches look very pale, for though they get their wing pattern early on, it is often September before the scarlet, white and black face is in full show.

Water birds leave the water as their feathers cease to be waterproof. This for males especially often involves a significant temporary change of plumage, called eclipse. Locally, mallards are a good example of this as they become far more like the females but keep their purple speculum. The edge of the Henham ponds is a good place to observe this as drakes, ducks and juveniles sit there and all look rather similar. The black headed gulls at Hatfield Forest regain the dark chocolate of their crowns lost during the early summer.

Even in August I have found the discarded eggshell of a wood pigeon's egg, evidence of yet another brood. One August we watched as a blackbird pair raised a family in a nest at the back of the wisteria. If vou don't have a nest to watch. look out for birds collecting a beak full of appropriate 'goodies' and then flying or swimming off, purposefully, towards their brood showing that second, or even third broods, are not unusual. Some big birds, however, make do with just one clutch of eggs, round here, for instance, would be the red kites and buzzards.



Red kite



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Well, it seems my powers of crystal ball gazing are somewhat lacking as the village fete ended up being cancelled and we didn't get to renew acquaintances with members and friends as hoped. Our thanks must go however to the fete committee who battled right to the end to try and keep the event going, thank you folks.



Nothing daunted, however, another peek at the crystal ball shows that we should be relaunching meetings in September. We have had to re-arrange our programme somewhat to accomplish this and our thanks go to all our speakers who have shown great flexibility and willingness to accommodate our revised timetable. Future meeting dates (fingers crossed) are now as follows:

Wednesday 8 September (to include postponed AGM).

Speaker will be Nina Gaubert who will be talking about the plan for the residents of Essex to walk across country to Oxfordshire in the event of a German invasion during World War 1. This will be by turns serious and comedic as she explains the thinking behind the Government's plan.

Wednesday 10 November, Ken MacDonald 100 Parishes Society

The 100 Parishes is a large, attractive, gently-undulating area, around 450 square miles of northwest Essex, northeast Hertfordshire and southern Cambridgeshire that is largely unspoilt and is richly endowed with many fine examples of agricultural and built heritage. Ken MacDonald is secretary of the society and will be talking about this lovely area of which we are part.

Wednesday 9 March 2022, Anthea Hawden of Raking Light - Church Graffiti

Raking Light is a technique to shine light obliquely across a surface to reveal texture and detail, and in this instance, graffiti that has been incised into the walls of our ancient churches. Anthea is enthusiastic about her subject and this promises to be a very informative and entertaining evening's talk featuring our very own St Mary's.

Wednesday 8 June 2022, Anthony Tuck - Newport: A Great and Poor Town.

Anthony is well versed in the history of Newport having written books on the subject and this promises to be an interesting evening exploring the rich history of our near neighbour.

All meetings are to be held in the Memorial Hall starting at 8pm.

That's the plan, we hope it comes to fruition meaning that the whole village, not just the history society, is returning to a more normal normal. Don't forget, all the latest news can be found on our website along with a host of other articles, pictures and data showing you the history of our village.



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Twelve members of

the Walking and Nature Appreciation Group met on 23 June, on a lovely sunny day, for a walk from Stansted across the fields to Ugley Green, returning via Buxton's Nature Reserve. In High Lane they saw a magnificent display of poppies where the ground had been disturbed by construction work and near the old village pump on Ugley Green they watched a red kite circling overhead. They enjoyed the walk and were looking forward to the next one in July.

Groups have also been meeting on Zoom, such as the Literature Study Group which this year so far has read "The Periodic Table" by Primo Levi, "The Citadel" by A J Cronin and "The Secret Life of Bees" by Sue Monk Kidd.

A number of groups, such as Yoga and Pilates, are planning to restart in September.

The General Meeting on 19 August, 1.30pm for 2pm in St John's Hall, will include a speaker, Eve Regelous, who will give a talk called "History of Tea and Afternoon Tea Destinations". We look forward to seeing you.

We aim to hold our AGM in October. Please note that the committee is welcoming nominations from all members for posts on the committee.

We hope to hold our Christmas Lunch at Bury Lodge on 16 December.

TEMPORARY FOOTPATH CLOSURE

Elsenham Rights of Way & Open Spaces Committee

By Margaret Shaw

Temporary Closure of Footpath 32 Elsenham (through Alsa Wood), Motorway Footbridge, Footpath 44 & Bridleway 25 (May Walk) Stansted.

We have been informed that the work on the footbridge will now take place from 20 September 2021 for 21 days. Elsenham Parish Council have approached Essex County Council to ask if it is really necessary to close the paths on either side of the footbridge whilst the work is carried out and we await their reply.

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ELSENHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

By Moyra Jackson 🕾 647351

I live in hope that the weather is waiting to hear the strains of the wonderful Alice Cooper's 'School's Out' (showing my age!) before summer really starts.



Our last meeting was a joint meeting with Werrington WI. Werrington are part of Cambridgeshire Federation and located not far from Peterborough. A fascinating talk was given by Lisa Jones on 'Knickers – A History of Underwear'. We learned why we refer to a 'pair' of pants and about the wearing of leather corsets to keep outer clothes clean. After the talk we stayed on and joined in a Treasure Hunt – really enjoyable and we will hopefully meet up with Werrington in the near future.

Talking about meeting – we have everything crossed for our August meeting being back in the Memorial Hall. No more dodgy internet, no more explaining how to put your camera on and no more feeling like we are all in some sort of weird University Challenge-style layout of sitting on people's heads – at least not for some time! Of course there may be some elements we miss – like the 'mute all' option!

On Thursday 19 August we will be celebrating our 100 years with a 'Spectacular Centenary Party'. It will be wonderful just to be all back together having come through the past months. We last met in the Memorial Hall in February 2020 – can't wait to see you all.

Being in the WI, you have a support network – someone to talk to, get help when needed and whether you are able to join meetings or not, you are part of a group that cares. This aspect of our organisation has never been more relevant - or appreciated - than during the past 18 months. We are now five months into our membership year and the reduced subscription for the remaining portion of the year for new members is £16.80. There has never been a better time to come and join us – it would be lovely to hear from you!

Visitors are always welcome at our meetings. Our contact details are at the back of the magazine.



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'The Street Where I Live' Heather and Paul Salvidge

We enjoyed living and working in London. Heather wanted to go to the country now her parents were in Catmere End. Between the A10 and A11 we found 20 New Road, 200yds from the station. In 1975 we became commuters. Our house was adapted from the original built in 1921/22 for Butters (Butters' Nursery). 18 and 22 were self-build.

It was much quieter, no M11, the B1383 was still the A11 and Alsa Wood one large wood and fewer cars. I was told by a lady who moved here in 1969 cats would sleep in the road on warm tarmac. Barbara Haslam at No.12 had a cat who would wait for her at the station.

Hunters Court flats had the garage on that site. It did repairs but no longer sold fuel but it offered parking for £1 a week. Across the road was 'The Shop' run by Tom and Mary Whitley, sold newspapers, tobacco, ice cream and essentials. We met fellow commuters and tennis club members by building the courts. We discovered people who had been at Herts & Essex School with Heather including one whose mum and stepdad ran the Robin Hood pub. Gladys Butter lived in No. 26, then two-bedroomed, and lived to be 91. The bungalows on the north side built in 1959/60, were adapted with upper storeys. Some had a real 'makeover'. The latest sold, allegedly, for £600,000+. The original price for a detached one £2,650!

Alsa Leys and Maytree Gardens were built in two phases. Golds' Nurseries Business Park was established where the nursery had been till 1959. Parking became a problem when the station car park, which cost £25 per year was modernised and much more expensive. Yellow lines came to the road. Wildflower patches can hopefully be established and we look forward to 'garden get togethers' suspended for too long.

GARDEN HINT By Sue Johnson

Tidy hardy geraniums and encourage a new flush or growth by giving plants a light trim to remove old, tatty or tired leaves.





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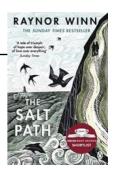
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- 'This is what you need right now to muster hope and resilience . . . a beautiful story and a reminder that humans can endure adversity' *Stylist*
- 'A beautiful, thoughtful, lyrical story of homelessness, human strength and endurance' *Guardian*

This was the choice of the book group this month. This book definitely divided us. There were some who related and for others, the personalities and style of writing did not make it worth persevering as that spoilt their enjoyment of the story.

Moth had invested some years previously in a business opportunity with a friend. When that business dissolves, they find that they are liable for the debts. Failing to win their court case, their home is taken away along with their income (they lived on a farm with rental cottages). They have also had the devastating news that Moth is terminally ill. Finding themselves penniless and homeless and with no real options before them, they make the decision to walk the 630 miles along the South West Coast Path. They buy tents, sleeping bags and set off with the bare minimum they need to live with, as they have to carry everything. They live day to day, struggling with Moth's illness, the weather, having no money, no plan and to all intents and purposes no future. The Salt Path is a walk Ray had always wanted to do—they were never going to do it. Now, there were no obstacles. Wild camping in some of the most beautiful and spectacular scenery in Britain means their trip is also one of discovery. They learn how to succeed in adversity.

The book also questions how we view homelessness in this country. There are many reasons why someone becomes homeless not through their own fault and this is just one story.

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We are looking to start August 3/4/5 ,10/11/12 and 17/18/19. These are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9am till 12pm.

Prices are £20 for members and £25 per day for non-members. A drink and snack will be needed and we are looking at ages 8 to 14.

There will be tennis with maybe some additional multi sports. We will need a minimum of 6 for this to run but will obviously give you notice of this. If you are genuinely interested I will create a WhatsApp group for people to keep in contact and we can sort details in there.

For more info, you can get in touch with Steve (head coach) directly via email to stevesmith865@hotmail.com or call/ text 07790 561 817.

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STANSTED HALL & ELSENHAM CRICKET CLUB By David Brown 🕾 831011 🖂 david1.r.brown@gmail.com

At the halfway point to the league season the 1st XI are on top of the Herts & Essex Border League Premier Division. The team has won eight out of nine matches and is just ahead of Nazeing



Common and Matching Green. Rory McGurk has been scoring a lot of runs and Grant Ward has been taking many wickets. The 2nd XI is mid table in Division 2 and many juniors are really performing well, which is hugely encouraging for the future of the club.

The juniors are playing matches at both Stansted House and Molehill Green and enjoying themselves when the weather allows. The club would like to thank the team managers, Andrew Mackinlay, Ollie Patmore, and Paul Walton and, of course, parents who are helping. The club is running a cricket camp during the summer holidays and a surprise couple of hours locally.

The club defeated the Presidents' XI (first time for a while) with the young Archie Racey scoring his first hundred for the team – well done Archie, hopefully the first of many.

Ed Stabb has been successful with his Essex age group trials and will represent the county later in the season.

T20 matches followed by a BBQ will be held in August with our sponsors Russell Property and Nockolds LLP.

All in all, the summer is going really well although the Covid-19 restrictions will generally remain in place for the rest of the season. Oddly a lot of members are going around the club singing Sweet Caroline. Something to do with a successful England football team - hopefully.

ELSENHAM BOWLS AND SOCIAL CLUB

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It's all systems go at the Bowls and Social Club now with opening times extended to Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 7 pm.

The pool table is back in play with the pool team meeting on a Monday night . The darts team is ready for action and meets every Wednesday night. The club is open every Friday as bowlers meet for a roll up on the green and stay for drinks afterwards – it is a very sociable time especially in the sunshine.

Although by this time all restrictions have been lifted we are still carrying on with our table service and will gently encourage you to sanitise and wear a mask until seated inside.

Lovely summer evenings await you at the Bowls and Social Club so come along and join us.



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Wedding:

On Friday 9th July 2021 at Elsenham Church, Tomas Charles Whitaker & Bronte Joanna Hellmers.

Funeral:

A Service of Thanksgiving on 29th June 2021, followed by a Burial in the Churchyard at St Mary's Elsenham, Douglas Yareham, aged 86 years of Hailes Wood, Elsenham.

Burial of Ashes:

On 27th June 2021 at St Mary's Church Henham, Interment of Ashes in the Churchyard, Margery Joy Lafferty.

On 7th July 2021 at St Peter's Church Ugley, a Memorial Service, followed by Interment of Ashes in the Churchyard, Nellie and James Allen.

This sweet treat is fruity, creamy and easy to make. The silky mascarpone and strawberry layer is complemented by a tangy compote and pistachio crunch.



STRAWBERRIES AND CREAM MOUSSE (serves 4-6)

- 1lb 2oz (500g) strawberries, hulled and halved, larger ones quartered
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 1 lemon, zested and juiced
- 4oz (100g) caster sugar
- 250ml mascarpone
- 300ml double cream
- 1 teaspoon vanilla paste or vanilla extract

To serve:

- Small handful of pistachios, roughly chopped (optional)
- Freeze-dried strawberries, crushed (optional)

Put the strawberries, lemon juice and sugar in a pan over a medium heat and cook for a few minutes until the fruit has softened. Then scrape the compote into a bowl and leave to cool. Tip about half of this mixture into a blender or food processor, blitz until smooth.

Whisk the mascarpone in a large bowl to soften, then add double cream, vanilla bean paste and lemon zest. Whisk again until just starting to thicken. Fold in the blitzed strawberry purée to combine. Alternatively, swirl it through so you have layers of compote going through the mousse.

Spoon into glass tumblers or dishes and top with the reserved strawberry compote, pistachios and dried strawberries.

CHEF'S TIPS: Alternatively, top with four crushed gingernut biscuits instead (or as well as) the pistachios. If you prefer, reserve 100g of the strawberries uncooked and add to the top of the mousse instead of the remaining compote.

The strawberries at Cammas Hall are simply dripping from the plants this year – definitely worth a visit – advance booking required (at the time of writing).

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