

Elsenham News



Bat Walk II

Saturday 20th September 2025—

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This very important event is taking place on Friday September 26. See page 29 for more details.



“God, the Bible and Everything (in 60 Minutes)”

See page 31 for this fun packed evening!



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September 2025

Elsenham Village Regular Monthly or Quarterly Activities

Parish Council 1st **Monday** of month 7.45pm (excl. Bank Holidays) Memorial Hall
 Natter Night 2nd **Monday** of month 7-9pm Golf World Stansted
 Elsenham EAGLES 4th **Monday** of month 7.30-9pm Bowls and Social Club
 Henham & District Garden Soc. 1st **Tuesday** of month 2 for 2.30pm Memorial Hall
 Community Choir 1st & 3rd **Tuesday** of month 7- 8.30pm Village Hall
 Life Drawing 2nd and 4th **Tuesday** of month 7.30-9.30pm Village Hall
 Village History Society 2nd **Wednesday** of month quarterly 7.45pm Memorial Hall
 Women's Institute 3rd **Thursday** of month 7.45pm Memorial Hall
 Church Lunch Club 2nd & 4th **Friday** of month 12.30pm Memorial Hall

September 2025 diary

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| Mon 1 | Parish Council Meeting | Memorial Hall 7.45pm |
| Tues 2 | Henham & District Garden Soc | Memorial Hall 2 for 2.30pm |
| Tues 2 & 16 | Elsenham Community Choir | Village Hall 7pm |
| Mon 8 | District Councillors' Surgery | Orwell House, Station Road Elsenham 6pm |
| Mon 8 | Natter Night | Golf World Stansted 6.30-9pm |
| Tues 9 & 23 | Life Drawing | Village Hall 7.30pm |
| Weds 10 | History Society | Memorial Hall 7.45 for 8pm |
| Thurs 11 & 25 | Community Supermarket | Memorial Hall o/s 1.30-3.30pm |
| Thurs 11 | Elsenham Community Assoc | Memorial Hall 7.45pm |
| Fri 12 & 26 | Church Lunch Club | Memorial Hall 12.30pm |
| Sat 13 | Bingo | Bowls & Social Club 7.30 for 8pm |
| Thurs 18 | WI | Memorial Hall 7.45pm |
| Sat 20 | Music Night | Bowls & Social Club 8pm |
| Mon 22 | Elsenham Eagles | Bowls & Social Club 7.15pm |
| Fri 26 | MacMillan Coffee Morning | Bowls & Social Club 9.30-11.30am |
| Sat 27 | Famers' Market | Village Hall 12.30-2.30pm |
| Sat 27 | Bowls & Social Club Quiz | Bowls & Social Club 7.30 for 8pm |



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Elsenham Village Regular Weekly Activities

| Day | Time | Activity | Location |
|-----------|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Monday | 9.30-10.30am | Zumba | Memorial Hall |
| | 10.30-11.30am | Health walk | Start at De Mandeville Green |
| | 4-4.30pm | Rascals (3-4yrs) | Memorial Hall (term time) |
| | 4.30-5.30pm | Rascals (5-7yrs) | Memorial Hall (term time) |
| | 5.30-7pm | Rascals (8-12yrs) | Memorial Hall (term time) |
| | 7-7.45pm | Pilates | Elsenham Village Hall |
| | 7.30-8.30pm | Shape to the beat | Memorial Hall (not 1st Monday) |
| Tuesday | 9.30-10.15am | Touchpoint Food Share | Bowls & Social Club |
| | 9.30-11.30am | Village Café Coffee | Memorial Hall |
| | 4.45-5.45pm | Rainbows | Memorial Hall (term-time) |
| | 4.45-5.45pm | Beavers | Ugley Village Hall (term-time) |
| | 6-7.15pm | Cubs (Wolf Pack) | Ugley Village Hall (term-time) |
| | 6-7.30pm | Brownies | Memorial Hall (term-time) |
| | 7.30-10.30pm | Tennis Club night | Tennis Courts |
| | 8pm | Fitness Yoga/Pilates | Memorial Hall |
| Wednesday | 9.45-11.30 | Tots and Toddlers | Memorial Hall |
| | 5.30-7pm | Slimming World | Memorial Hall |
| | 6.30-7.15pm | Women's strength and Mobility | Village Hall |
| | 7-9pm | Scouts | Ugley Village Hall (term-time) |
| | 7.30pm | Aerobics | Elsenham Village Hall |
| Thursday | 9.30-11.05am | Teddy Bear Music | Memorial Hall (term-time) |
| | 6-7.15pm | Cubs (Bear Pack) | Ugley Village Hall (term-time) |
| | 6.45-7.45pm | Jump Fit | Elsenham Village Hall |
| Friday | 10-11am | Little Fishes | Memorial Hall (term-time) |
| Saturday | 8.30am-noon | Tarte au Citroen | Playing Field |
| | 8.15am-1pm | Youth boys & girls football | Playing Field |
| | 8.45-9.30am | Little Kickers Mighty | Village Hall (term time) |
| | 9.35-10.20am | Little Kickers Junior | Village Hall (term time) |

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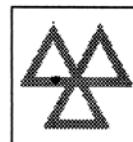
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THE NEWS REPORT

From The Editors



It was with some trepidation that we took the decision to move to an online version only.

However, early indications are that many people are accessing the publication in this way and readership numbers seem quite stable.

Not wishing to just leave it at that, we are now investigating how we can make the magazine even more accessible across all the different types of devices used by today's social media platforms.

If using your mobile phone, tablet or fixed PC, we hope the next iteration of Elsenham News will have many more features. We hope these will include auto sizing (for all devices) and active hyperlinks to name but a few. The one we are really struggling with is auto picture enlargement. This is where a viewer would click on a picture and it would enlarge - giving the viewer more enjoyment.

So, if you are (or know someone who is) a budding social media wizz, please get in touch and lend us your brain! Even better, get involved in the editing and production.

We will keep you fully posted on all developments as and when they happen.

We are hoping that during September we will launch our own dedicated site giving all the benefits of a modern interactive site as described above.

Here's to the future!

The Editorial Team

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September 2025



Elsenham Parish Council

Vacancy

Parish Clerk & Finance Officer

Home based role. Approximately 25 hrs per week, to be confirmed, mostly flexible but including a limited amount of evening work.

Salary in line with Local Government Pay Agreement, c. £18 per hour.

The key responsibilities include:

- first point of contact for all correspondence with the Council
- preparing the agenda and taking minutes for the Parish Council meetings, currently held on the first Monday of each month
- maintaining and updating the Council's website and social media
- maintaining orderly records of the Council's activities
- writing a monthly report for Elsenham News



- ensuring that the Council's finances are maintained in accordance with regulations and managing the Council's bank accounts
- obtaining quotations for Parish Council projects
- managing contractors, including grass cutting, litter pickers, PCSO
- contributing to discussions regarding finances at Finance Committee meetings & assisting in preparing budgets
- liaison with appointed auditors



Training will be available as required, and support from the Society of Local Council Clerks.

For more details or any other enquiry, please contact the Council's Chair, Dr Graham Mott on 01279 812516 or by email to motts@grahammott.plus.com

To apply, please send your CV and a covering letter outlining your suitability for the role to Dr Graham Mott, Chair of Elsenham Parish Council, at motts@grahammott.plus.com

ELSENHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 4 AUGUST

By Louise Johnson, Clerk.

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Residents have complained about the speeding on Stansted Road. Vehicles travel from a 60mph road straight onto a 30mph road.

County Cllr. Gooding reported that there was a proposal to have a 40mph buffer zone on the Stansted Road, which was included within the work schedule for the Local Highways Panel. However, the Local Highways Panel is no longer looking at new schemes because they would be unlikely to be completed prior to the implementation of Local Government Reform. Cllr. Gooding said that therefore he was looking at alternative ways that this could be funded.

The SERP (Safer Essex Roads Partnership) wants to identify villages that support a 20mph speed limit. Community backing from most residents is essential.

Co-opted member, Mrs Moyra Jackson, was elected as the Chair of the Allotments Committee. It had been agreed at the allotment meeting that there was no justification to increase the allotment fees for 2026/27.

A Public Consultation on Supporting Local Bus Services is currently available. Details and the consultation link can be found on Elsenham Parish Council's website and Facebook page. Participation from as many individuals as possible is encouraged.

The Parish Clerk announced her retirement from both the Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer roles, submitting her resignation to the Chair. Although required to give one month's notice, she will remain until year-end, or a replacement is found. The Chair thanked her on behalf of the Council for fourteen years of service and for her willingness to stay if needed.

A resident requested EPC's support for double yellow lines at Hailes Wood. After consideration, EPC declined, noting that many residents park on the road outside their homes and would likely oppose double yellow lines.

Small electrical items may soon be able to be left with the waste bins to be collected by Uttlesford District Council.

The next Parish Council meeting is September 1 in The Memorial Hall at 7.45pm.



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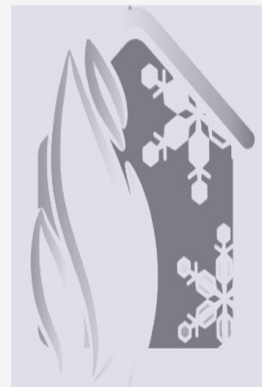
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DEVELOPMENT DEVELOPMENTS

By Graham Mott ☎ 812516 ✉ motts@grahammott.plus.com



There has been a nasty rash of applications over several years regarding May Walk, just over the parish boundary in Stansted. In June this year, a proposal was refused by Uttlesford District Council for change of use of an existing store and workshop into a three-bedroom dwelling. Access from May Walk was a reason for refusal. A month later, a new application was lodged, amended to give access direct from Elsenham Road. It is claimed that the previous objections have thereby been met, but that must be wrong. There were three other grounds for refusal: poor location resulting in excessive use of the private car; harmful impact on the countryside; impact on the B1051.

The application could serve as a case study of the methods whereby the area is converted, little by little, into an extensive development. First, consent was gained for an 'animal shelter'; then it was found that there was a curious shortage of animals needing shelter and it was converted and extended into a 'workshop and equipment store'; now it is discovered that in fact there is no demand for such a store; but, by happy coincidence, the building can readily be converted into a three-bedroom house.

Early in June, an application by the same outfit for a self-build bungalow elsewhere on the site was refused on similar grounds. A month later, an appeal was lodged, and then another application was made, with no discernible difference from the original. Presumably the idea is that if one fails, they get a second chance, but the double application must surely be an abuse of the system.

Second applications have been made recently in this general area regarding the 'Wellness Hub', which can be seen, an empty husk lurking through the trees, near the junction of May Walk with Stansted Road. Proposals for an extension to the building and for changing rooms were both refused. Submissions have now been made for what seem to be identical applications, without mentioning the previous refusals. Presumably they are hoping that UDC are not paying attention.

Elsewhere just over the parish boundary, in Henham this time, an application for seven homes to the west of Old Mead Road north of the last existing house was approved in May last year, but it was not taken further. An application to build nine on the same site has now been made, no doubt on the principle that if this is refused, they can fall back on the permission already granted.

Planning officers are a rare breed with a nationwide shortage, and their time is ill-spared on tactics such as these.

The application for detailed approval of 40 new homes off Robin Hood Road has been delayed again, this time so that the developers can answer objections from transport and ecology. It is not known at the time of writing whether the application will be before UDC's Planning Committee on 27 August. If not, it will happen some time, whenever the applicants finally get their act together.

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We are always finding new information that adds to the story of Elsenham. The latest snippet refers to the railway. As has already been written in previous articles, when the railway through Elsenham was opened in 1845, Elsenham Station was sited in Fullers End at the bottom of Robin Hood Road. There were problems however as the station was built on a steep gradient and trains heading north to Cambridge often had a problem starting. It wasn't unknown either in the early days for trains to slip backwards due to the relatively poor brakes then available. Because of this it was thought that the present Elsenham Station was then built in its present position, on the level, a half mile or so north at the summit of the climb from Stansted. As an aside it should be noted that the level crossing marks the highest point on the line between London and Kings Lynn; to the south the Thames Valley, to the north the Cam Valley and The Fens.

New information now suggests that the present station was there when the line was built and known as Henham or, as sometimes noted in contemporary minutes, Upper Elsenham Station. You may think it is some distance from Henham village but the railways have a strong tradition of building stations far from the communities they serve! Anyway, on with the tale. Because of the problems starting trains from Elsenham, the first station was closed six or seven months after the line first opened in July 1845 and Henham Station became Elsenham. The original station building became a crossing keeper's lodge until it was demolished in 1976.

Much under discussion at present is the state of the new footpath that will connect the station to the Elsenham Park development and the Henham Road on the east side of the railway. This is not the first access to the station from that side as in 1895 Sir Walter Gilbey built Park Road off the High Street. About half way up he installed a set of gates and built a road up to the station known as Park Lane allowing him a fast, direct route from Elsenham Hall to the station. Once there he would step up to the platform and into the waiting room on platform one. The waiting room is equipped with a substantial canopy that prior to the electrification of the line in 1987 stretched out over the rails thus ensuring that Sir Walter didn't get wet boarding his train when it was raining. Nothing has been said about how he managed when he got off the train from London on platform two.

As you read this, hot off the press, we will be just a few days away from our next meeting on Wednesday 10th September at 8pm in the Memorial Hall. Our speaker for the evening will be Chris Bush who has kindly agreed to speak to us about "Listed Elsenham" the story of some of the older buildings at Elsenham's heart. Visitors are always welcome at our meetings for a very modest two pounds but even better, membership still costs just five pounds for a full year's meetings.

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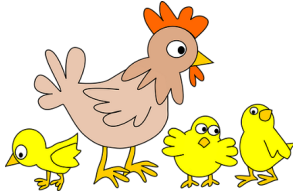
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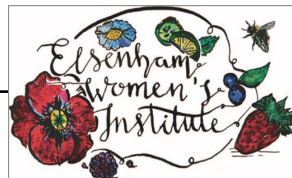
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ELSENHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

By Moyra Jackson ☎ 647351



It's been a funny old summer. Three heat waves early on then a lot of unsettled weather. I write this as Storm Floris is raging through the north and we have the tail end of it.

Not that it stopped the WI for a minute. Our last meeting had Anne Arbuthnot, one of the guides at Copped Hall, come along and tell us about all the various incarnations of the Hall situated only twenty miles from here. This Hall has a very interesting history, so much so that we hope to visit and see the remains of this once very grand building.

The highlight of our month, if not our year so far, was our Garden Party (picture below).

For a third year, Penny Lee hosted this extravaganza and despite very changeable weather we had a fabulous time. Not only were the ladies dressed up in their finery but also their partners who accompanied them did not disappoint, many joining in with our 'Red, White and Blue' theme. There was a tremendous raffle thanks to Gloria and the organising committee thought of everything to make the day really special. Penny's garden looked beautiful and also 'dressed up' for the occasion with many metres of bunting. The buffet was wonderful and enjoyed by all. A huge thank you to Penny and the team who did an amazing job.

Our September meeting, on 18 September at 7:45pm, is being organised by a group of members led by Kathy Waite. If you would like to come along as a visitor please let us know as we need to have an idea of numbers. Elsenham WI is a really good way to make friends, especially if you are new to the area. The 'Jam and Jerusalem' traditions of our formation in 1921 have allowed us to grow and develop into the modern and forward-looking WI that we are today. We are happy to dispel any of the stereotypes associated with the WI, but our cakes *are* delicious! Why not come along (or come back).



Details of our programme, events and activities can be found on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram – search for Elsenham WI. Visitors are welcome to our monthly meetings so please come along. We meet at 7.45pm on the third Thursday in the month in the Memorial Hall.


Elsenham WI – There's a lot going on!

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Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

In July, Uttlesford District Councillors visited the bin lorry depot in Little Canfield to get an update from the UDC and Essex County Council environmental services teams. These teams handle our rubbish and recycling across the area.

Did you know that householders have been expected to keep their doorsteps clear of rubbish since 1297, in London if not here. *'It wasn't until 1297 before London's first law relating to waste removal was introduced; the act required householders to clear any refuse from the front of their house. However, legislators failed to take any real action and without an organised rubbish removal service in place the law was for the most part ignored. However, this ignorant attitude would have a devastating effect on the people of London in 1348. This was the year the Black Death struck, killing half of the population, and the ease with which it spread was a direct consequence of the capital's filthy living conditions.'* Article by Alessandro Maccioni, April 2014. Lack of enforcement is nothing new!

But proper waste rules only came in during the 19th century. Today, UDC has a legal duty to collect and manage our waste, and new "Simpler Recycling" rules, introduced in 2024, will raise standards even higher. This is the scale of the challenge:

- Essex produces about 660,000 tonnes of waste each year, costing £130 million to collect and recycle. That's around 440 kg and £84 per person.
- In Uttlesford, we create 35,000 tonnes a year, costing £3.2 million (£77 per household).
- We recycle about 49% of this, including 9,100 tonnes of paper, glass, and metals, plus 6,400 tonnes of food and garden waste.

If all of us put our waste in the correct bins the recycling rate could be over 80%. How do we compare? Out of nearly 340 councils in England, Uttlesford ranks 82nd, which is not bad, but leaves room to improve. Top recyclers like St Albans reach 64%, while the lowest are in the mid-20s.

We have a big opportunity: a lot of food waste still ends up in black bins, often still wrapped in packaging, which means it can't be recycled. If you remove the packaging and use the food caddy instead, it can be turned into biogas (to make electricity and heat) and fertiliser.

Uttlesford was the first district to adopt the Essex Waste Strategy, which aims to reuse, recycle, or compost 65% of waste by 2035. The use of landfill for non-recyclable waste has just ended. It is now incinerated at Rivenhall, near Witham.

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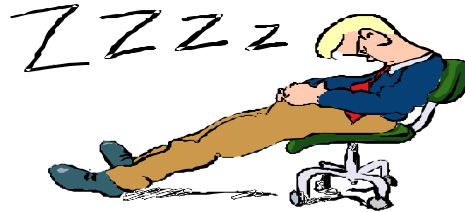
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ELSENHAM ALLOTMENTS

The exact year that allotments were made available within the village is unknown. Elsenham's oldest residents do however tell of their parents talking about visiting the family allotments.

From this and other information it is apparent they were certainly present in Elsenham prior to World War One. There was also an allotment site at Tye Green. This existed at the beginning of the 1900s, being disposed of in 1950.

A piece of land in the middle of the village ran adjacent to the railway, access being made from the High Street. The usage was great, much of the large area being cultivated. This site was sold in 1970. The Glebe land, property of the Church, became Glebe End Estate. A further allotment site was created to the rear of Mill Close.

The 1970 site was much smaller than its predecessor but, even then, not all plots were taken. This area would remain available for only 23 years, then came the next move.

In 1993, to make way for the construction of Rush Lane, a new location was found in what had been the walled garden adjacent to Elsenham Hall. There are still allotments on that site.

A large allotment site was further created in about 2011/12 next to the M11. It is adjacent to the "Crest Nicholson" development off Stansted Road. A very large site, it incorporates in excess of 60 plots.

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Bat Walk II

Saturday 20th September 2025



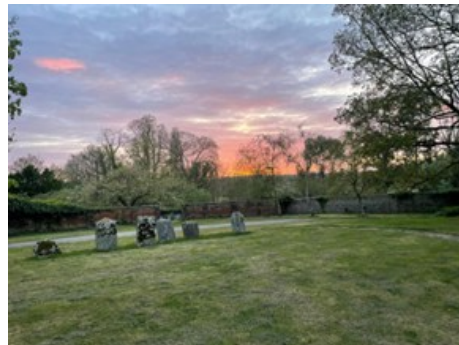
Elsenham Action Group for Local Environmental Sustainability (EAGLES) bat walk, meeting 18:30pm outside St Mary's Church, Hall Road, Elsenham CM22 6DP.

This is a 12th century church with a known bat roost, shortly before sunset. This is weather dependent and needs to be dry and mild for most of the duration.

Bring warm clothing, appropriate footwear and a torch (not for shining at the bats which are a protected species).

Bats will be identified with the use of bat detectors, which

convert their ultra sonic calls to an audible frequency. This is a fund-raising event, so please bring £2 per adult and 50p per child (free entry for those who came to the last one).



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ST MARY'S CHURCH ELSENHAM
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Thought For The Month by *Louis Wilson*

As reported in August's magazine, we have been joined in the benefice by Pete Tibbott and his family. Pete will be ordained as Curate in a special service at Chelmsford Cathedral at 4.30 pm on Sunday 14 September.

I myself was ordained at Gloucester Cathedral 16 years ago.

But this is nothing compared to Angus MacLeay (Rector of my old church - St. Nicholas, Sevenoaks) who was ordained 37 years ago this summer. He recently gave three reflections on his many years of ordained ministry:

First, he said, being ordained had been an incredible **privilege**. To be set apart to handle God's word week by week is a remarkable thing which he has tried not to take for granted. Yet at the same time, the opportunity to enter into people's homes and lives and listen to a whole range of concerns has also been a remarkable privilege. To be entrusted with walking alongside others in their grief, pain or sadness, as well as their joys, is very precious.

Further it is wonderful to be allocated a front row seat to see God at work in the lives of countless individuals, either coming to a personal faith in Christ, growing in Him or launching into active service for the Lord. And what a privilege it continues to be to serve the living God and His people!

Second, his personal experiences in ministry had reinforced his understanding of the basic **pattern** of the Christian life: Christians follow Christ which means that there will be experiences of suffering and the cross before experiences of resurrection and life.

In April 2012, Angus suffered a serious cardiac arrest, and his life appeared to hang in the balance. Yet it underlined very personally the pattern of Christian living: that the cross is followed by resurrection and that we should not be surprised when in some small way we experience suffering now as an indicator that we are on the right route to glorious resurrection.

Angus' final thought concerned the Lord's sustaining **power**, day by day, month by month, year by year. The text for his ordination service was Jehoshaphat's prayer in 2 Chronicles 20: 12 *"For we have no power...we don't know what to do, but our eyes are on You."* And so he said time and again he had felt weak and lacking in wisdom. Yet time and again, in ways not always clear or obvious, the Lord had sustained and provided.

He concluded: I am sure that over the last 37 years there have been plenty of substandard sermons and unwise decisions, but as I look back my abiding memory is the way the Lord has helped me through my weakness, proving his words in 2 Corinthians 12:9, *"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."* What a privilege to serve Christ! What a privilege to follow Christ. What a privilege to be used by Christ despite all our weaknesses.

Privilege, pattern, power: we trust that this will be Pete's experience too.

With best wishes,

Louis

CHURCH EVENTS IN OUR VILLAGES AUGUST 2025

Church Services

Sunday 7th September

10:30 All Together Age Service,
Elsenham Village Hall
18:00 Sunday@6, Henham Church

Sunday 14th September

08:45 Prayer Book Holy Communion
Elsenham Church
10:00 Morning Service, Ugley Church
10:30 Morning Praise, Henham Church
18:00 Sunday@6, Henham Church

Sunday 21st September

08:45 Prayer Book Morning Prayer,
Elsenham Church
10:00 Holy Communion, Ugley Church
10:30 Morning Praise,
Elsenham Village Hall
18:00 Sunday@6, Henham Church

Sunday 28th September

08:45 Prayer Book Morning Prayer,
Elsenham Church
10:00 Harvest Service, Ugley Church
10:30 Morning Praise Communion,
Henham Church
18:00 Sunday@6, Henham Church

Other Events:

Ladies' Pudding Evening

Thursday 25th September 7.30pm
New Church Hall, Henham Church
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Other Regular Events

SUNDAYS:

**Elsenham & Henham Sunday Club/
Explorers (Reception-Y5)**
**(Y1-Y6) Leave from Morning Praise
Service, 10.30am** Sundays: 14th, 21st &
28th

Pathfinders (Y6-Y9)

Henham Church 6.00pm - leave from
service to meet in **New Church Hall,
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21st & 28th

Crammin' (Y10-Y13)

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service to meet in **New Church Hall,
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21st & 28th

MID-WEEK AND SATURDAY:

Start the Week with Prayer

Old Frank's, Elsenham 9.30am
Mondays: 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th

Seekers After School Bible Club

(Y3-Y4) Old Frank's 3.15pm
Mondays: 15th, 22nd & 29th

Christian Play (Y1-Y2)

Rowan House, Elsenham 3.15pm
Tuesdays: 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th

Little Fishes Pre-School Group

New Church Hall, Henham Church
10.30am Thursday: 11th, 18th & 25th

Little Fishes Pre-School Group

Elsenham Memorial Hall 10.00am
Fridays: 12th, 19th & 26th

Church Lunch Club

Elsenham Memorial Hall 12.30pm
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By Susan Sedgebeer



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If you would like to know more about being a member of Stansted Mountfitchet u3a, come along to our monthly meeting at St Theresa’s Centre, High Lane, at 1.30 for 2 pm on Thursday, 18 September. You will not only be assured of a very warm welcome along with tea and biscuits but will also hear from Steve Lester and learn all about “The Titanic from Launch to Loss”. Steve, an experienced fine art valuer and auctioneer, has not only run several provincial salerooms across Essex over the past 20 years but is also a member of a renowned Titanic Historical Society. He has been consulted by several TV production companies as the “go-to” expert. He will share his love of the Titanic in an interactive talk.

Stansted u3a Singers have been very pleased to welcome some new members to the choir, bringing a new depth and vibrancy to their sound. Singing in a group is an invigorating experience and breathing/singing together benefits our health and sense of well-being. So, whether you are already an experienced choir member or a novice, come along and join us! Rehearsals are well under way for our annual concert in St John’s Church, at 3pm on Saturday 4 October. Save the date! Posters will be displayed around the village in September giving details of where to buy tickets.

TRANSPORT UPDATE

By Ray Franklin

In the Essex Transport News published at the end of July there were no changes to the time tabling for the 7 and 7A buses. Although it has been noticed that some services have been reduced around other villages.

The second phase of the Transport Survey was launched on Monday 4th August. There are proposals within the survey to reduce the 7 or 7A services! Let’s do our bit to keep the services running; so, it is important that as many people as possible complete the survey.

The survey is online (see link below). If you would prefer to complete a hard copy, a printable version can be found at the bottom of the web page.

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It will **all** help make a difference to the Macmillan Cancer Support Charity, but whatever you do, **PLEASE DON'T FORGET** – thank you.

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September will see us welcome a new demonstrator to the club; Violeta Veikniene.

Violeta qualified as a NAFAS demonstrator in 2024 and will be travelling all the way from Norwich to delight us with her stunning displays.



Lorraine Gagen

Please join us for this exciting evening but note that our venue will be Quendon Village Hall, Cambridge Road, Quendon, Saffron Walden, Essex, CB11 3XQ

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Parishes holds the key to lots of things. From either the map or the alphabetical listing, select an individual parish to find out a little about its history, the nearest walks or details for a pub or tearoom. Introductions include ideas for further reading and links to useful websites.

What's On lists future events in chronological order. Many entries have a link to further information.

Articles offer local insight into a wide range of topics.

Walks has general guidance and then three options: Station walks, Quiet Lane walks and Other walks. Scroll down the list to find one that suits your need in terms of location and distance. Then click on the walk number to call it up. The first few paragraphs will describe distance, terrain and opportunities for refreshment. When you find a walk you like, print it to take with you. [Control, P] is a useful shortcut to start printing.

Feedback is a way of telling us of changes or something we have missed – perhaps a pub closure, bus route change, additional activity for What's On, or website links or phone numbers that no longer work.

I hope these notes have been useful and may make your visits to the website more rewarding.

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WELCOME

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Please select one of the sections from the menu on the left. If this is your first visit, we recommend that you start with the Introduction. If you like what we are doing, please support us by going to the Membership section where you can apply to join the Hundred Parishes Society. Membership is only £10 a year for a household or organisation. Members receive monthly emails with news, snippets of local history and suggested activities. All activities are consistent with the Society's aims.

The Parishes section links to short introductions for each administrative parish.

Our Walks can be freely downloaded and printed. The descriptions give route guidance and distances. There are three groups: Station Walks, which start and finish at railway stations, Other Walks which are quiet lane walks which avoid footpaths. Routes range from 1 mile to 17 miles.

The What's On page is regularly updated for local events that offer a chance to visit a place of interest or the outdoors generally. Please use the Feedback form (at the bottom of the menu on the left) to let us know if an activity appears to be open or an activity taking place, we recommend you check with their website before making any arrangements.

The Articles section includes brief introductory essays, most of which are written by local people. The range of subjects, each with focus on The Hundred Parishes.

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The Society's hardback book, The Hundred Parishes: An Introduction, has now sold out. However, it can be viewed or borrowed at local libraries.

Can you identify the photo? We regularly change the image on the right of the banner that appears at the top of each page of the website. The last image showed part of the ruins of Tilty Abbey in the parish of Great Easton and Tilty. If you have taken a good panorama photo that we might use, please email it to hundredparishes@btinternet.com.

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By John Welham, Warden

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As mentioned previously, we will be closing the southern entrance to the reserve from the beginning of September. We will reposition and improve some of the paths. Every winter the paths deteriorate badly and the mud forces people to walk further up the slope damaging our meadow areas. We will be receiving tenders from contractors for the laying of paths in some of the wettest areas of the reserve which will hopefully improve the experience for visitors to the reserve in winter.

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The facility will eventually burn nearly 600,000 tonnes of waste per year. Once at full capacity, the facility is expected to generate 65MW of electricity, enough to power 130,000 homes, which is about three times the number of houses in Uttlesford. For more tips and details visit: www.lovessex.org

The Essex Local Nature Partnership is pleased to announce the launch of the LNP Community Fund 2025, a new funding opportunity designed to empower local communities to act in Essex for nature. We're seeking projects that deliver meaningful environmental and community benefits. Successful applications will aim to achieve one or more of the following: Linking habitats to improve ecological connectivity, Enhancing biodiversity through habitat creation or restoration, Improving access to green spaces for local communities, Connecting people with nature, especially underrepresented or disadvantaged groups, Protecting or improving existing valuable habitats, Enhancing urban nature (e.g., green roofs, pocket parks, vertical gardens). Grants are available for £500–£2,000 (with some flexibility where strong proposals are put forward and need evidence.)

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Councillor Surgery

We will be holding our usual monthly surgery Monday 8 September at 6pm at Orwell House, Station Rd, Elsenham. We look forward to meeting residents without making any prior appointment. 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 to answer any questions you may have about our report or the District Council.

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ELSENHAM BOWLS AND SOCIAL CLUB

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By David Thomas



The bowling season comes to its climax with our Club Finals weekend on September 6 and 7. Our bowlers that entered the club competitions have been playing all the knockout rounds during the last few weeks leaving the finals to be played during the first weekend in September. We are hoping that the weather will be kind to us so that we can enjoy some late summer sunshine during those matches. Visitors are welcome to come and enjoy the conclusion of the internal competitions. Ladies versus Gentleman is the last match of the season played on September 21. This is a sad day for all outdoor bowlers as our green is closed after then.

September is the month that our crib players start their campaign in the local league and in the Challenge Plate Competition. The Elsenham 'B' team have an early start in the calendar playing Takeley Social on Tuesday September 9 in the Challenge Plate and the Crib League starts on Tuesday September 16.

Don't forget to book your ticket for our next music night on September 20. It will be music from Gary Benjafield, and promises to be a memorable night with hits from 'Neil Diamond' and other artists from the 70s and 80s. Tickets are available now at £7.50 for members and £12.50 for non-members. Ticket availability is limited so please call Trevor on ☎ 07445 437437 to secure your ticket for the event.

Bingo sessions start on September 13, eyes down ready for 8:00 and also on October 11 and 25 at the earlier time of 7:00 for 7:30. Bingo is open to members and non-members and includes the opportunity to win the Bingo Bonus which is currently growing and yet to be won.

The autumn quiz sessions start on September 27. Questions in the quiz cover a range of general knowledge so whether you are good at the Kings and Queens of England or an area of science, such as the Periodic Tables, there is something there for everyone. So come and test your skills against our quizmaster (who of course is always right). Tables of up to eight team members are invited to book with Trevor on ☎ 07445 437437. A light supper is included in the price at just £7 per person.

Looking forward, the club presentation evening Dinner and Dance is on October 18 with music from the duo, Me and Him. Members, don't forget to book your place for our annual event to celebrate the 2025 bowling season and its highlights.

Friday evenings social night continues to be an important part of the bowls club activities. There is always something to do at the club on a Friday night. If you are interested in finding out more about the club then this is the time to come along. Please come along any time from 7pm.

For full details about Elsenham Bowls Club including membership and our opening times please see our website www.elsenhambc.org.uk

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

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Funeral:

A Cremation at Cam Valley Crematorium, followed by a Memorial Service at Henham Church on 30 July 2025, Arthur Vernon Muskett, aged 94 years, formerly of Little Henham.

Burial of Ashes:

On 3 August 2025 in Elsenham Churchyard, Peter Denis Murnane.

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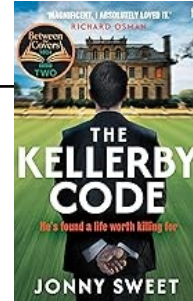
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We hope you will just take a few minutes to drop us a line and give us your thoughts.

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THE KELLERBY CODE BY JONNY SWEET

Reviewed by Marion Giles for Elsenham Book Group



“He's found a life worth killing for. Edward is struggling to hold it together. Just about getting by in a world he cannot afford, scurrying after his friends, doing everything he can to prove his value. But not to worry: the attention of his beloved Stanza and the respite he finds in her ancestral home, Kellerby House, provide all the reward he needs. Until he realises that Stanza is in love with his best friend Robert, forcing Edward to re-evaluate what those closest to him are actually worth. No price is too high to stop the life he has strived for slipping from his grip. Especially when he won't be the one paying. Are there limits to what he will do for his friends? Are there limits to what he will do to them?” So says the blurb on the back of the book.

This was the choice of the book group this month.

The Amazon AI summarises: Customers enjoy the book's writing style and find it a great, engaging read that starts well. The plot development receives mixed reactions - while some praise its twisting nature, others find the storyline too far-fetched. Several customers note that the characters are unlikeable.

Of those of us who read the book this month, two loved it, one liked but not loved it, two didn't think much of it and one person totally disliked it.

The book is described as a cross between PG Wodehouse and Patricia Highsmith, with a nod to Saltburn. Wodehouse and Highsmith are skilled in both character and plot development and both have excellent command of language. This book is more about trying to impress than story-telling. Too many adjectives, metaphors, similes, descriptions that go nowhere, exaggerations and caricatures. This book was recommended by the BBC's 'Between the covers' programme. Apparently, *Richard Osman* declared it to be '*Magnificent, a major new talent.*' Perhaps he didn't read it?

It concerns Edward, who is in love with Stanza and considers himself her best friend. He is a social misfit and is desperate to be liked and included by the middle upper class. He is devastated when he realises Stanza is in love with Robert, who is a pretentious theatre director who uses Edward to do his errands. Edward convinces himself Robert needs him and realising this is not the case, fuels his jealousy and, frankly, decreases his hold on his mental health, which wasn't great to start with—imaginary friends, obsessive cleaning, excessive exercising. Things descend further (if possible) when Robert reveals he is being blackmailed due to a violent incident in his past. The plot then turns into a far-fetched farce with class shenanigans, stereotype villains, faked robbery, murder, incompetent police, body disposal, midnight horse ride (really), a suicidal rejected ex of Robert—and an unfortunate but obviously sign-posted purchase of a signet ring! Oh no—what could that possibly mean?



Wow, how can another year have passed so fast?! The **ELSENHAM FARMERS MARKET** is now officially **TWO years old** and going from strength to strength.

Not sure what you need? Come and have a coffee (and perhaps some cake or a sausage roll), sit in the cool of the village hall, or outside if the weather is being kind, then peruse the goods for sale at your leisure.

You can get bread, mouth-watering cakes, locally produced meat, oils and preserves, cut flowers, eggs, honey, savoury pastries, fish, plants for the garden, ethical cleaning products, dry food goods, jams and from time to time, something chocolately or boozy to finish off.

Our stall holders can vary from month to month, and their products can be seasonal, but the quality is always tip top and there is something for everyone; if you haven't been for a while, do pop by. Please note, our cheese seller is having the summer off and will be back this month too!

The Market opens from **12.30-2.30pm** and this month it is on **SATURDAY 27 SEPTEMBER**.

You will not be disappointed, and not only do you get to treat yourself to these fantastic goodies once a month but you are also supporting local businesses and coming together with our wonderful community.

The Markets for the rest of the year are on Saturdays October 25 and November 29 (all things festive and more!). There is no Market in December.

We kick off 2026 with a Market on Saturday January 31.

There is no charge for entry; just enjoy and immerse yourself in all the gorgeous produce!

Best wishes,

Elsenham Farmers Market Team

COOKERY CORNER

By Sue Johnson ☎ 812704



Here is a recipe for the best-ever chocolate brownies. These brownies contain no flour and are great for anyone with a gluten intolerance. This quick and simple recipe was given to me by William Coleby a long time ago. Cheers Will!

FLOURLESS CHOCOLATE BROWNIES

200g Plain Chocolate

250g Butter

2 Teaspoons Vanilla Extract

200g Caster Sugar

3 Eggs

150g Ground Almonds

100g Milk Chocolate Chips

Preheat the oven to 170°C/150° fan/gas mark 3. Melt the chocolate and butter gently over a low heat in a large saucepan.

Take the saucepan off the heat, mix in the vanilla extract and caster sugar, and let it cool a little.

Beat the eggs and add them to the saucepan along with the ground almonds. Turn the mixture into a 24cm square baking tin lined with greaseproof paper. Sprinkle the milk chocolate chips over the top of the mixture.

Bake in the oven for 25 minutes, by which time the top will have set but the mixture will still be gooey. Once cooled, take out of the baking tin and cut into 16 squares. Carefully take the squares off the greaseproof paper and place in a sealed container.

CHEF'S RECOMMENDATIONS: I use Cook's Belgian Dark Chocolate, which comes in a 200g bar. If you can't find milk chocolate chips for the topping, shave off or grate from a Cook's Milk Chocolate bar, leaving the remaining half for next time!

GARDEN HINT *By Sue Johnson*

Provide nectar for insects this autumn by adding sedums and asters.

Editorial Information

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