

What's On ~ April 2019

30/03 Working Party 10.00am St Mary's Church, 1.00pm Lent Lunch, the Hall
02/04 Craft Group – Easter Cards, 7.30pm, the hall
04/04 Coffee & Chat – 10.30am, 1 Eastfields
04/04 Annual Parish Council Meeting – 7.00pm, the Hall
06/04 Bawdsey Church Spring Bazaar – 2.00pm, the Hall
11/04 OAP Lunch – Noon, Bawdsey School. Please pre-book on 411365
11/04 Annual Church Meeting – 7.00pm, the Hall
13/04 Community Café – 9.30am-Noon, Hollesley Village Hall (last one 'til Autumn)
13/04 Bawdsey Haven Yacht Club Talk – 'Travels in the Pacific', 7.30pm, the Hall
15/04 Village Hall & Rec Ground Committee Annual Meeting – 7.30pm, the Hall
16/04 Craft Group – Easter Flowers (please prebook), 7.30pm, the Hall
19/04 Easter Egg Hunt & Hot Cross Buns – 10.00am, the Hall
21/04 Sunrise Service – 5.30am, Shingle Street
22/04 Easter Monday Tea – 2.30pm, All Saints Church, Sutton
26/04 Quiz + Fish & Chip Supper – 7.30pm, Sutton Memorial Hall, book on 411793
27/04 Animal Rescue Table Top Sale – 10.00am-12.30pm, Hollesley Village Hall
27/04 Hollesley School Barn Dance – 5.30-8.30pm, Hollesley Village Hall
04/05 WI Plant & Cake Sale – 10.00am-12.00pm, Shottisham Trust Hall
 The Hall" – Village Hall, Bawdsey
Deben Ferry Weekends from Easter, 11.00am-5.00pm
Boathouse Café Open Friday-Sunday + Easter Monday, 11.00am-5.00pm
Shelby's, Warren Hill Weekdays 8.00am-4.00pm/Weekends 8.30am-3.00pm
Poppies, Sutton Heath Monday-Friday, 9.00am-1.30pm. Closed 15-23 April
Suffolk Punch Trust open Friday-Monday, 10.00am-4.00pm
Mobile Grocer Every Thurs, 11.15-11.45am, the Village Hall
Woodbridge & District Safer Neighbourhood Team www.suffolkpolice.uk, email woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk. Dial 101 when less urgent than 999

APRIL CHURCH SERVICES

	Alderton	Bawdsey	Ramsholt
7	8.00am Holy Communion		
14	8.00am Holy Communion	11.00am Holy Communion	11.00am Matins
19	9.00am Walk to Bawdsey	2.00pm Stations of the Cross	
21	8.00am Holy Communion	11.00am Easter Family Communion	11.00am Holy communion
	5.30am Sunrise Service, Shingle Street (Martello End)		

Also Morning Prayer - Mondays 9.00am Alderton/Wednesdays 9.30am Bawdsey
 For weddings, baptisms, visits, activities, or to tell us something contact Rev Ruth Hatchett (01394 412052)

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BAWDSEY EASTER EGG HUNT

This will take place on Good Friday for all primary school age children at 10.00am. Aged five and under at the Village Hall and aged six and over at the Recreation Ground. Cost per child will be £3.00. Hot cross buns and tea and coffee will be available at the Village Hall from 10.15am. Cost will be £3.00. Participating children free for hot cross buns. Any donations of Easter eggs or raffle prizes will be appreciated. Please pass to Brenda. Thank you.

BAWDSEY FETE, WHIT MONDAY 27 MAY, 2.00PM

It's that time of year again when our main village fundraising event takes place to cover huge ongoing expenses such as insurance, maintenance and utility bills, etc for the Village Hall, Recreation Ground and War Memorial. We are grateful for all the help we receive in running this event, but still never have enough people as stallholders, to help set up and especially for clearing up afterwards.

We have a huge first prize for the raffle of £250, made up from money donated for it, plus 30-40 other highly desirable prizes. We also need items to sell such as cakes for the tea pavilion and cake stall, bric-a-brac, white elephant, tombola prizes including bottles of drink, toys, clothes, books, garden items, etc.

We will be erecting the tent frames as usual 6.00pm on the day before, Sunday 26th, and then start setting up the fete on the following day at 9.00am. Call Rawdon 411459 or Rob/Bev 411586 if you can offer any help or goods as soon as possible.

MOBILE POST OFFICE SERVICE

A mobile Post Office will be visiting Alderton every Thursday from 21 March. This will be open every week from 1.15pm to 3.15pm in the Village Hall car park.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This will be held on Thursday 4 April at 7.00pm in the Village Hall. This is an opportunity for parishioners to hear what the Parish Council has been doing over the past year and to ask any questions and raise any concerns. Edward Rees of Scottish Power will be attending to let residents know about the current state of the EA1 operation. The Council is also hoping to resuscitate the village sign project and would welcome residents' ideas – perhaps 3-5 key images which encapsulate Bawdsey. All welcome. Refreshments will follow.

MESSAGE FROM CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

From 1 April 2019 all Connecting Communities passengers will be charged fares, and free bus passes will no longer to be accepted. The good news is that fares will not be increased this year; we will ensure they remain affordable in line with local bus services. Details about your area Connecting Communities service can be viewed online at <https://communities.suffolkonboard.com/my-area/>

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

Services for April – Palm Sunday 14 April 11.00am Holy Communion (CW) Revd Michael Hatchett. **Maundy Thursday 18 April** Fellowship Meal at Hollesley Church, book via Gill Whiffin 01394 410057. **Good Friday 19 April** Alderton 'Walk of Witness' to Bawdsey led by Revd Ruth Hatchett. Meet 9.00am at Alderton Knoll. Also on **Good Friday** in Bawdsey at 2.00pm, 'Stations of the Cross' led by Revd Michael Hatchett. **Easter Sunday 21 April** Bawdsey's Easter Family Communion led by Revd Michael Hatchett at 11.00am. On **28 April** at Shottisham Church, Family Communion and Commissioning of Elders will be taken at 9.30am by Bishop Martin. Churches from the Deben Benefice welcome to attend.

Lent Lunches – Home-made soup and bread will be provided on Saturday 30 March from 1.00pm (note time) in Bawdsey Village Hall and on Sunday 7 April at 12.00pm in Shottisham Church. Donations given at the lunches, will go to Christians Against Poverty (CAP), an organization committed to releasing families in this country from poverty, through debt counselling and community support.

Bawdsey Annual Church Meeting – Would you like to have your say in what happens in, to and on behalf of our parish church? Our Annual Church Meeting takes place at 7.00pm on Thursday 11 April in Bawdsey Village Hall. Come and celebrate the past year and make plans for the future.

Hollesley Community Café – Thank you all for your support over the last three months. We have sent a total of £818.50 to our four charities – East Anglian Air Ambulance (£527); The Sick Children's Trust (£119.40); Good Neighbours Scheme (£114.50) and EvnU (£57.50). A special Easter edition of Hollesley Community Café meets Saturday 13 April with all the usual menu and stalls PLUS hot cross buns, raffle and tombola, guess the weight of the cake. Meet and make new friends over a delicious breakfast or coffee and cake. We too will be raising funds for CAP.

ST MARY'S SPRING FAIR & GRAND DRAW

2.00pm ~ Saturday 6 April 2019 ~ Bawdsey Village Hall

Following the installation of under-pew heating, the Church now needs redecoration – hence the next PCC's project – the Spring Fair and Grand Draw, to raise money for St Mary's.

Prizes for the draw most welcome and return of counterfoils by Thursday 4 April to enable folding to 24 The Street. Thank you. Tickets also available on the day.

There is an impressive range of stalls – home-made cakes, tombola (items for this Gwen requests please), book stall, fancy goods, bric-a-brac, toys, etc.

Offers of help to 'man' stalls most welcome. Contacts Marilyn 411011 or Lydia 411779 (Church Wardens).

BARN DANCE ~ SATURDAY 27 APRIL

5.30-8.30pm ~ Hollesley Village Hall

£7.00 Adults, £3.00 Children aged 5-12, Under 5s Free

Tickets from Hollesley School Office or Hollesley Post Office or on the night

Hot food and live band included in ticket price, cash bar and raffle

All proceeds to Friends of Hollesley School

BAWDSEY HAVEN YACHT CLUB - Public Illustrated Talk

Saturday 13 April 2019 ~ 7.30pm ~ Village Hall

Travels in the Pacific by Master Mariner, Peter King

Admission £2.00, Under 18s 50p, free refreshments after talk

TABLE TOP SALE

Hollesley Village Hall, Saturday 27 April, 10.00am to 12.30pm. New and used items, plants, crafts, preserves, etc. Refreshments, Champagne Raffle and Tombola. Tables for hire at £5 - phone Sylvia on 411526. Organised by Deben Animal Fundraising Team to raise funds for Suffolk Animal Rescue.

SORREL HORSE MUSIC, SHOTTISHAM ~ 8.30PM

Monday 8 April 2019 ~ Park & Ride (Folk Music)

Details from <http://www.thesorrelhorse.co.uk/>

BAWDSEY RADAR TRUST

Running Rabbits Radar stations were connected for their power to the National Grid and avoided interference with each other by not transmitting at the same time. If there was interference from other stations, it would show up as strange pulses running along the screen – this was known as running rabbits.

Which neatly brings us to Easter! During the Easter period, there will be a children's Running Rabbits trail – find the bunnies, unscramble some letters to find a word and claim a prize! There might* be chocolate.

The Transmitter Block reopens on Sunday 7 April and the children's trail is available on our Easter open dates: 7, 11, 14, 18, 21 and 22 April. The trail is free after admission. More information at www.bawdseyradar.org.uk

*will be chocolate



DOREEN BULL

Doreen's family very kindly decided that all donations made after the funeral should go to the village where they spent so many happy times. This would have pleased Doreen enormously.

The money we received from the donations, including gift aid, comes to £650. This money will be used towards the refurbishment of the cupola on the Village Hall roof, which as well as painting will need a scaffold and some lead work. A big thanks to everyone who contributed to this, and Doreen's family for thinking of us.

SAVE OUR SWIFTS

Saturday 30 March, 7.30pm

A very interesting and informative talk at Sutton Memorial Hall given by Edward Jackson on behalf of Bawdsey bird Club. Entrance £3.00, children under 16 £1.50.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Charities: The Parish Council gave to five local charities this year: East Anglia Air Ambulance, Felixstowe and District Citizens Advice, SARS (Suffolk Accident Rescue Service), Felixstowe Voluntary Coastal Patrol Rescue Service and SCAR (Suffolk Coast against Retreat).

Pavement clearance: The Parish Council is delighted to announce that the pavement along The Street, which is in a shocking state, is due to be resurfaced in the coming financial year by SCC Highways. With this in mind, the Parish Council would kindly ask that residents whose gardens front The Street clear any overgrowth to ensure that the pavement is kept clear. This will enable the resurfacing to take place and ensure that pedestrians have the full width of pavement to walk along.

PGL: PGL has put in a new planning application for a recreational lake along the lower half of Ferry Road - DC/19/1022/FUL – Comment due by 10 April. See <https://publicaccess.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/online-applications>.

Helium Balloons: The AONB discourages the use of these balloons which have been found within the parish. They are non-biodegradable and can cause harm to wildlife.

Hedges: The PC has received a letter from the CLT (Cycling Touring Club) Suffolk group, which urges residents to cut back their hedges this spring for the safety of cyclists who are sometimes forced into the centre of the road to avoid overgrown hedges, putting themselves in danger.

Potholes: Residents can report any potholes online at <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads-pavements-and-verges/potholes/report-a-pothole>. Alternatively they can let the Clerk know and she will report it or other Highways issues.

CATS Community Bus: From 1 April, pensioners will not be able to use their bus passes on the CATS Community Bus. If you wish to share your views on this change in the regime, please email Sue Davey of the transport team at sue.davey@suffolk.gov.uk.

Message from Sue Bell, Hawaii - "My relatives were from Bawdsey and my great-great grandfather was postmaster there for a while (Edward Deacon Cooper). His daughter Ellen married Edward Ransby and they owned and operated The Star Inn. I was thrilled to see that you have a photo posted on your website. My grandfather Harry Edwin Cooper (wife Catherine Gower) immigrated to the USA in 1878 and settled in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Harry and his brother Alfred Benham Cooper were proprietors of a Confectionary Store there through 1925. I live in Hawaii now but visit Grand Rapids each year to see relatives. If you are aware of any of the descendants of Ellen or Edward Cooper still in the area, please pass on my information. I'd love to share information." Please contact Clerk if you have any information and I will pass it on to Sue Bell.

Meet Up Mondays 2.00-4.00pm at The Shepherd and Dog, Hollesley

Meet Up Wednesdays 10.00-11.30am at The Swan, Alderton

NEW COUNCIL AT RIDUNA HOUSE

Monday April 1 will see the historic creation of a brand new local authority, replacing Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Councils. East Suffolk Council will deliver essential services to local people and communities, from Lowestoft in the north to Felixstowe in the south, and is the natural culmination of a partnership between Suffolk Coastal and Waveney which has seen them save a combined total of over £22 million.

The creation of this new 'super district council' is a historic first for local government. It is the latest step in a meticulously planned journey designed to ensure that local people receive the services they deserve and expect in the face of considerable financial challenges for local government.

The primary reason for creating this new council is to meet the challenges presented by a hugely pressurised financial and service-delivery environment. Compared with the other options considered, it is the most simple to implement and has involved limited transitional costs. It will enable the new council to grasp more opportunities and deliver its priorities for East Suffolk: financial self-sufficiency, economic growth, and enabling communities.

So what will you as taxpayers see that is different? First, the number of councillors is being reduced from 90 across the two authorities to 55 and the elections to the new council will take place on May 2nd. A lot of work has gone in to ensuring that it will be 'business as usual' when the new council comes in to force on April 1. Residents will continue to pay their council tax in the same way, refuse and recycling will be collected by the same friendly and efficient teams and a range of important services from Planning and Coastal Management to Housing and Environmental Health will continue in exactly the same way.

There will of course be some changes. A new telephone number is being introduced for the Council's switchboard and customer contact centre: 03330 162 000. This will be a non-geographic number, meaning that callers will be charged at a local rate, no matter where they call from in East Suffolk. And of course, there will be new signs – from the largest logos on the side of our main buildings, to car parks and vehicles.

These changes will be made gradually to keep costs down; another example of how the creation of a brand new council has been carefully planned with the taxpayer and public money in mind.

COFFEE & CHAT

Thursday 4 April will be the last Coffee & Chat held at Brenda's. As from Thursday 9 May (second Thursday due to Elections), we will return to the Village Hall.

A big thank you to Brenda for being such a marvellous hostess and supplying delicious treats in the warmth of her kitchen.

Recently we have been discussing whether to continue with the bring-and-buy. Proceeds from it have enabled us to visit a café in the summer or provide additional drinks at Christmas. However, its popularity has been dwindling. Therefore it is suggested that instead of paying £1 per morning, we now pay £2 and stop the bring-and-buy.

UPDATE FROM SCOTTISH POWER – MARCH 2019

Parishioners may have noticed the large cable drums in our construction compound at Bawdsey. Our onshore cable contractor, Prysmian, is about to start installing the cable through the pre-installed ducts.

Every 2km along the route Prysmian have built underground jointing bays, where the cable sections are to be connected. Cables will be pulled through from one jointing bay to the next by means of a winch. The only jointing bay on the peninsula is located in Bawdsey Marshes and work there will not be a cause of disturbance to residents. The next bay is on the other side of the River Deben. (There is also a transition bay within our compound area for connecting offshore and onshore cables. Work isn't due here until May and I'll provide an update later).

While there are no residential properties next to the jointing bay, the work does involve extended hours. Once installation begins, the contractor must complete the installation in order to maintain the integrity of the cable. We have been granted permission for the work to be undertaken 24/7 and while we do not expect Prysmian to work overnight, we do expect work will take place on some Sundays.

THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

Alderton 01394 411641 & Orford 01394 450315 www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk

DAY	ALDERTON	ORFORD	HOLLESLEY
Monday	8.00am to 2.30pm	8.00am to 6.30pm	1.30pm to 5.30pm
Tuesday	8.00am to 6.30pm	CLOSED	
Wednesday	8.00am to 6.30pm	8.00am to 1.00pm	
Thursday	8.00am to 6.30pm	8.00am to 1.00pm	
Friday	8.00am to 6.30pm	8.00am to 1.00pm	

Please note when a surgery is closed during the day, your call will be automatically transferred to the other site without the need to re-dial.

Save Time – Did you know that once you have registered for ONLINE access to The Peninsula Practice website you will be able to book appointments, order repeat prescriptions, and view your medical record including information about your medications, allergies, vaccinations, diagnoses and test results. Plus you can also seek online advice from your GP with our newly launched eConsult service. The Peninsula Practice website also has a wealth of information about the practice and links to local services and support groups.

Surgery Closures - Thursday 4 April at 1.00pm for training. Wednesday 17 April at 1.00pm for staff meeting.

CITIZENS ADVICE

Advice Sessions taking place at Alderton Surgery

3 April and 1 May, 10.00am–12.00pm

Please speak to the reception for an appointment or just drop in on the day and speak to an advisor.

PPI SCAM WARNING

Police are warning members of the public to be vigilant after an attempted fraud in east Suffolk last month.

The incident occurred on Thursday 14 March, when a woman from Woodbridge received a call from a man purporting to be from the Government Regulations Claims Department in relation to owed PPI.

The victim was in the process of making a PPI claim and so believed the call to be genuine. She was advised that in order to receive her refund, she would need to go to Argos and obtain a £200 Steam gift card which is used for gaming.

Once she had obtained the card, she would then need to call a phone number in London beginning 0203 and arrangements would be made for her cheque to be delivered to her, at which point she would hand over the Steam card which would be used to pay the tax she owed.

The victim then went to an Argos in the Ipswich area to purchase the Steam card, but fortunately a vigilant member of staff informed her that this was a scam and that she should call the police immediately.

Other victims of similar frauds have been asked to purchase different types of gift card, including Amazon and iTunes.

Suffolk Constabulary is reminding residents that government departments, banks, or any other legitimate body, will never make phone calls, use text messages or email to tell you about a tax rebate or penalty and will never ask for a payment in this way.

For advice on keeping yourself safe against scams, please visit:

<https://www.suffolk.police.uk/advice/crime-prevention-z>.

For more information on this type of crime do visit:

<http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/news/alert-fraudsters-claiming-to-be-from-hmrc-jun17>

Alternatively, report incidents of fraud to Action Fraud using their online reporting tool <http://www.actionfraudpolice.uk> or by calling 0300 1232040.

You can also sign up to the Trading Standards weekly email alert on rogues and scams targeting Suffolk at www.suffolk.gov.uk/JoinTheFight

LOCAL PARROTS

In late October the Speedwatch group saw a parrot fly over them in front of the Village Hall. Shortly after this Chris Rich heard a squawk in his back garden and saw it sitting in a tree. Thinking it could be a missing pet, Chris contacted the Parish Clerk to see if any had been reported. It hadn't. By chance Chris' wife was trying to identify a bird in the RSPB hand book and saw a picture of a ring-necked parakeet which fitted the description of the ones seen in Bawdsey. Originally from Africa, these parrots can be found in N Europe and in the SE of England. They are bright yellow and green with long pointed tails. Interestingly the majority do not emigrate but spend the whole year in parks, farms and orchards. Mostly seen in pairs, it is thought that 8.600 populate the UK.