

## WHAT'S ON/OPEN?

**Boathouse Café:** Open from 2 April Fri/Sat/Sun/Bank Holidays for takeaways only  
**Deben Ferry:** Running Good Friday to Easter Monday then weekends, 10.00-17.00  
**Pete's Pizzas, Shottisham Campsite:** Open mid-April, call 07850 815486  
**Blue Rabbit Café, Shottisham Campsite:** Call 07867 488955 for opening dates  
**Suffolk Punch Trust Café:** Open 1 May  
**St Mary's Church:** No services but open daily (please observe social distancing)  
**Mobile Post Office:** Every Thursday, 1.15-3.15pm, Alderton Village Hall  
**Mobile Library:** Tuesday 27 April, opp Red House Lane, 2.30pm-2.50pm  
**Yoga With Ellie:** Tuesdays from 6 April, 9.30-10.30am, Recreation Ground, £7.00  
**Bawdsey & Alderton Emergency Planning Co-ordinator** – Rob Johnson 01394 411185/07851 211230 or email [rob@bawdseyemergencyplanning.co.uk](mailto:rob@bawdseyemergencyplanning.co.uk)  
**Woodbridge & District Safer Neighbourhood Team** [www.suffolkpolice.uk](http://www.suffolkpolice.uk), email [woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk). Dial 101 when less urgent than 999

### OUTDOOR YOGA – RECREATION GROUND

Yoga with Ellie starts on Tuesday 6 April, 9.30-10.30am, £7.00, and thereafter until we are allowed back in the Village Hall. All welcome. Contact Ellie on 07922 845370 or Rawdon 411459.

## THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

Telephone: 01394 411641, Website: [www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk](http://www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk)

DAY	ALDERTON	ORFORD	HOLLESLEY	ALDEBURGH
Mon	8.00am-2.30pm	8.00am-6.30pm	1.30pm-5.30pm	8.00am-6.30pm
Tues	8.00am-6.30pm			8.00am-6.30pm
Wed	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm		8.00am-6.30pm
Thur	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm		8.00am-6.30pm
Fri	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm		8.00am-6.30pm

**Bank Holiday & Staff Training Closure Dates:** Alderton Surgery will be closed on Good Friday 02.04.21 and Easter Monday 05.04.21. And for staff training on Wednesday 22 April from 1.00pm. All calls will be diverted to NHS 111. We are looking forward to welcoming you back into the surgery. As soon as we receive Government advice that it is safe to do so, we will be opening our doors again fully, using our waiting rooms and patients will be able to collect medications from inside the surgery. If you are planning on travelling overseas this year, please remember to book your appointment for travel vaccinations in plenty of time.

*Please email [louiselennard127@btinternet.com](mailto:louiselennard127@btinternet.com) if you would like a Bulletin emailed to you. Email addresses will never be shared with third parties.*

★ Copy for May's Bulletin required by 24 April please ★

# Bawdsey Bulletin

April 2021

No. 230

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 18 MARCH 2021 ROUTINE MATTERS & TWO IMPORTANT VILLAGE ISSUES

As anyone who has joined a Parish Council meeting in the Village Hall or on Zoom will know, much of the agenda is taken up with reports and correspondence – and in this meeting, checking our many policies are up to date. However, two items destined to make important changes to our village were also on this agenda:

**Quiet Lanes** - the Parish Council's request that our lanes be classified and signed as Quiet Lanes has taken a step forward. The public consultation mentioned in a previous Bulletin has happened, and a proposed pattern of signs drawn up. By using volunteer help, and with County Council support, there will be no cost to us as a parish. While Quiet Lanes do not come with a speed limit, the signage does make clear to motorists that these are places where dogs, horses, walkers, cyclists, etc, are to be expected, and they must recognise this and drive accordingly. Depending on progress with the scheme, Bawdsey could be in phase 2, with signs in place by July – very helpful for East lane in particular.

**Bawdsey Quay and Ferry Road** – in a joint effort by the County, District and Parish Council to address the ongoing problems of parking, safety and river bank damage, three important steps have now been approved:

- A Temporary Traffic Regulation Order, financed by East Suffolk, to place temporary barriers along the stretch of road leading to the quay to limit parking there, to be in place after April 5<sup>th</sup> for the duration of the summer
- Re marking of parking spaces on Bawdsey Quay, with a central area of parking spaces clearly marked; no firm date for this as yet, but we hope to see this done within the coming weeks
- Permanent traffic regulation scheme – very much a long-term solution, including such features as yellow lines, restricted waiting, additional small laybys for cars, etc. This is still at the design stage, and will of course be subject to public consultation – but a scheme could be ready for the autumn, and East Suffolk will finance this.

These steps represent a serious effort to tackle serious problems, and the Parish Council has struggled to arrive at a safe solution, a fair one for all users, and one that County and District are willing to finance. We are all hoping it will make a worthwhile difference. We will add further detail to the Parish Council website as it becomes available.

Andrew Block, Parish Council Chairman

## ST MARY'S NEWS

There will be **no** Services in April at Bawdsey, including Easter Day, however, there will be Easter Services at Alderton at 9.00am and Hollesley & Ramsholt at 11.00am. The first Service in Bawdsey, will be at 11.00am on Whit Sunday, 23 May, assuming Step 3 of the Covid Roadmap has occurred.

Although, we have no Services in Bawdsey, the Church is now open every day and will be decorated for Easter Sunday. Please feel free to visit (observe social distancing!). Forthcoming Events:

Flower Festival - Saturday 26 June and Sunday 27 June 2021

Harvest Supper - Saturday 2 October 2021

### TREES IN THE CHURCHYARD

The Churchyard is a wonderful place for quiet reflection and meditation. It is also seriously in need of remedial work to keep it welcoming and safe. Rod Usher MD of CSG Ushers has generously commissioned a professional survey on the PCC's behalf and work has already begun with huge thanks to Joel from Peninsula Forestry, for making a start by lifting the broken branches on the macrocarpa, at no charge. The logs, which have been left, are free to all parishioners. Further necessary work will be costly: the PCC has many financial commitments and a very limited income: any donations or offers of help will be very gratefully received.

### BAWDSEY RADAR TRANSMITTER BLOCK

Radar was at the cutting edge of technology when it was developed at Bawdsey, and radar is still in use today for monitoring the weather, to map archaeology beneath the ground and in air traffic control.

Staying on the cutting-edge, Bawdsey Radar is developing a new way of visiting the Transmitter Block without actually visiting. It'll involve a robot and some enthusiastic volunteers .... watch this space, more to follow!

Thank you for getting in touch about the Devonshire Regiment and its connections to Bawdsey Manor. Please do get in touch if you have any more information on 07821 162879 or [info@bawdseyradar.org.uk](mailto:info@bawdseyradar.org.uk).

**Volunteer Roles** The Trust is looking for two specific volunteer roles. One is a trustee role with the focus on finding and developing new business opportunities. Working with the full Board you will help shape the future success of the Trust by building strong relationships with our funders and partners.

The second is an Assistant Treasurer role who will co-ordinate finance support to ensure the smooth running of the charity's activities and to support the Treasurer in ensuring that proper accounting records are maintained in accordance with Charity and Company law. Please get in touch if you'd like more information [secretary@bawdseyradar.org.uk](mailto:secretary@bawdseyradar.org.uk)

## PARISH BITS AND BOBS

**Local Lateral Flow Tests:** You can now get a lateral flow test in Woodbridge to see if you have Covid? The test centre is at the Long Shed on the riverside (accessed by Tide Mill Way) and tests are free, easy to access with no appointment necessary. Even if you have been vaccinated, you could still be transmissible and it is important to pick up asymptomatic cases.

**Citizens Advice Leiston & Saxmundham:** As the country comes out of lockdown again we are expecting to see more changes for many people in our area with their employment and finances. Citizens Advice works closely with organisations in the community. We are therefore aware of support available to people who have financial worries. For example, with schools now back, some may be struggling to equip their secondary school children. If so, do get in contact as we may be able to help. Citizens Advice also helps clients with a financial health check to review income and outgoings. It means checking that you are receiving all the income you should be and that you aren't paying more for services you need, or even paying for services you don't need at all. We continue to remain open but with no face-to-face meetings. Contact us by phone or email on Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri, 10.00am-2.00pm. For free and independent advice, call 01728 832193, Freephone 0800 278 7868, or email [supervisor@leistoncab.cabnet.org.uk](mailto:supervisor@leistoncab.cabnet.org.uk)

**The British Divers Marine Life Rescue:** The BDMLR is a voluntary network of trained marine mammal medics who respond to calls from the general public as well as from organisations such as the RSPCA and HM Coastguards. Following an incident at East Lane where a beached seal was rescued, the BDMLR has asked for its work to be publicised. If you see any marine mammal in distress, please call 01825 765546 at any time. For information or to donate, visit [www.bdmlr.org.uk](http://www.bdmlr.org.uk)

**Outgoing Post:** A reminder that post is usually collected from the letterbox opposite the Village Hall in the mornings now. The box at High House Farm is emptied at 4.00pm and that at Bawdsey Quay five minutes earlier. The mobile post office comes to Alderton Village Hall every Thursday from 1.15pm-3.15pm.

**Mobile Library Service** will resume from 12 April. It should therefore be coming to Bawdsey on Tuesday 27 April, opposite Red House Lane from 2.30-2.50pm.

**Covid 19 – What Happens Next is Important:** Villages on the Suffolk coast have suffered sad losses as a result of the pandemic. Now that we appear to be slowly emerging from this terrible experience, we should be asking ourselves – residents and visitors alike – what we can do to ensure there is no return to those dark times. As things are easing I think it is vital to remember the simple rules and make sure we all keep to them, to keep us all safe. Vaccination has been a wonderful step forward, and we must not, at this turning point, become careless and take risks. Let us continue to think and act for the wellbeing of all.