

-MARCH 2021-

A Well Deserved Award

Reverend Jackson's hard work and service to the community throughout the pandemic has been recognised this month, with an award from the Queen's representative in Suffolk.

The Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk Special Certificate of Merit was created to reward those who have demonstrated innovation, collaboration, courage and selflessness during these troubled times.



The Reverend's enthusiasm and creativity has been undiminished by the challenges of moving his congregation online and many of us have benefitted from his regular Sunday services, hosted from interesting locations across the county (and on one occasion, up to his ankles in the North Sea!)

Congratulations to Reverend Jackson on this well deserved award.





Hintlesham & Chattisham Community Hall To book the Hall or Meeting Room 'phone Richard on 07497 292699 (9.00am – 9.00pm only) To talk about a wedding, baptism or funeral, please contact the Vicar, Rev Jackson, at rev@kind.church 01473 657349

The View From Here ...

David Marsh writes:

Avid Link readers will have noted that within the Parish Council meeting notes in last month's edition was the fact that I have resigned from both the post of Chair and the Parish Council itself. It was a decision that did not come easily, but I feel that the time has come for me to move on and let others serve as both a councillor or chair.

When what is called 'a casual vacancy' for councillor appeared back in 2015, I put myself forward for consideration because during my 15 years in the village I had come to love it and its people and



so felt it was time to try and give something back to it. Now there will be another of these vacancies and I urge you, if you have similar feelings, to consider doing the same. Fresh blood into the PC is vital to keep it moving forwards and, in particular, fresh young blood is welcome. As the village expands and new families come to live here, there is the chance for someone from these groups to join the PC and add a fresh view and perhaps some beneficial experience from either their work or where they lived previously. The PC meets eleven times a year for a couple of hours and the work that they do is vital in keeping both the District and County Councils in touch with the needs and opinions of the residents. Surely, if you enjoy living here and the benefits of our friendly villages, devoting a few hours a month to help preserve and improve it isn't too much to ask of someone.

I have greatly enjoyed my time on the PC and, in those six years, I and my colleagues have had some worthwhile achievements and made some improvements that have contributed to the wellbeing of the residents. I'd like to thank both them and you for the support that I have been given.

Now is the time for others to pick up the baton and run with it.

Message from the Main Family

We would like to thank everyone for their kind messages following Gerald's admission to hospital having suffered a stroke. There is a mountain to climb and we are grateful for everyone's support. In the meantime, the family will continue to compile the Link, and look forward to receiving contributions for the April edition at the usual address: VillageLink2020@gmail.com

Found! Link Deliverer

Many thanks to David Marsh for taking on the Link deliveries for the Silver Hill neighbourhood.

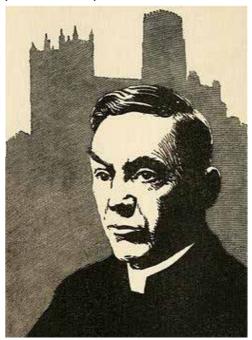


H&C Questions & Answers

Have you got a question about where we live that you would love answered? For example, when did Duck Street become posh and change to Duke Street? Why are so many of our houses unnumbered ... to the annoyance of delivery drivers across Suffolk!

If you've got a question, or an answer, send it to VillageLink2020@gmail.com .

Sheila Redden from Durham poses our first question:



"My mum was talking the other day and I heard her say that a past Bishop of Durham, Hensley Henson, retired to Hintlesham. When he died, he was cremated and his ashes were buried here at Durham Cathedral. She says that the church in Hintlesham used to send a donation to our cathedral every year. Is that true?"

> Anyone know? Questions & Answers to VillageLink2020@gmail.com



Debbie Jackson writes:

I wanted to extend my personal thanks, and those on behalf of both Hintlesham and Chattisham Primary School, together with our Friends Association, for your very generous support towards our raffle just before Christmas. We were absolutely astounded by just how many people, many without a direct connection to the school, bought tickets. It will make a massive difference to all the children in our school, once we are finally permitted to fully return. We are so lucky to be part of this very special village community.

Thank you once again.

A shout out to mums with little ones

Hollie Thomas writes:

If you're feeling a little isolated in lockdown, we've created a Facebook group where you can meet other mums for a pram walk and talk, or organise a playground play date. Then once lockdown finally eases, we can get the kids together and meet all the other local mums. We're easy to spot...bags under eyes with large coffees in hand! If interested, join the 'Hintlesham + Chattisham mums with bumps, babies + toddlers' Facebook group.

For more details, contact Hollie at hollie_bostock@hotmail.com

Tall Tree Tales

Mary Williams writes:

When after a recent autumn gale, a message appeared on our local Facebook page, that a large oak branch was blocking Duke Street at Cobblers Corner, I became intrigued. There is an oak near that junction, so it was perfectly possible this was the case. However, I had a suspicion that it was not the oak that had dropped a branch. What I had suspected was correct: the branch had dropped off the large tree immediately behind the letterbox. This is not an oak, but an elm!

There are not many of those around now, most of them having been killed by Dutch Elm Disease, so called because it was first identified in the Netherlands. It is caused by a sac fungus and spread by elm bark beetles. The fungus decimated these majestic field trees that were once such a feature of the



English countryside. There must have been two very large ones in the part of Red House farm that is now our garden, as the last remnants of the stumps were still there when we moved there in 2006.

There is a collection of species, usually grouped under the name of Field Elms or English Elms. Apart from Dutch Elm disease, they are subject to other diseases and inclined to drop branches unexpectedly and were known as 'widow makers'. You sometimes see young elms growing in hedgerows which only die when they reach about two to three meters in height when the virus strikes, but apart from those, this mighty tree at Cobblers Corner is a rarity now.

Let us hope those remaining survive and this iconic English tree will once again start colonising our landscape.

Restoring the Pilot's Grave

The grave of Pilot Officer Harold Tipple, whose name was recently added to the war memorial, is set to be restored. A distant relative of Harold read an article about

"The Last Man on the Memorial" in the Daily Telegraph and contacted www.HintleshamWarMemorial.com She has very kindly agreed to pay for the re-lettering of the grave which is beneath the large lime tree in the churchyard.

At the time of Harold's burial in 1939, his mother chose a private grave and headstone. Had she opted for a military headstone, the Commonwealth War Graves Commission would have maintained the grave. Hopefully, the work will commence in the spring.



H&C Parish Council Meeting Notes -

held Via Zoom on 11th February 2021.



Present: 11 Parish Councillors, County Councillor Christopher Hudson, District Councillor David Busby and 3 members of the public.

County Councillor Report

Councillor Hudson reported that many of the villagers surrounding the proposed renewable energy generating station between Burstall and Flowton, to include ground mounted solar panels, were unhappy with the application and he said that environmental studies were still to take place.

District Councillor Report

Councillor Busby reported that later this year (possibly from October) charges will be made at Babergh district council car parks, including Hadleigh.

Mr Busby reported that the solar planning permission at Flowton/Burstall would have to be decided by both Babergh and Mid Suffolk planning committees, as the land is situated in both districts. He thought that the decision would not be made before May this year at the earliest. It seems that the electricity generated will not be used locally.

Planning

DC/21/00215-Upper Birches, Folly Road, Chattisham- Erection of an extension and alterations to out buildings to form annexe. The Parish Council had no objections.

Solar Farm applications- Solar Panels, Generating Stations, Invertors, Battery Storage Containers, Landscaping.

DC/21/00060 - Land to the east of The Channel, Burstall Hill, Burstall.

DC/20/05895- Land to the south of Church Farm, Somersham.

The Parish council unanimously objected to both these applications (more information

can be found in the minutes on the Parish website)

Parish Council Email

It was decided that all councillors will have dedicated Parish Council email addresses.

Clerk Vacancy

Several applications have already been received for the position of Parish Council Clerk.

Chattisham Village Sign

It was agreed that Stephanie Coupland will organise for the sign to be repaired.

Footpaths

The Parish Council would like to remind all walkers to keep to the public footpaths and respect private property.

<u>Accidents</u>

Chris Leney reported that there had been two accidents on the A1071 recently.

Gerald Main

Due to his recent illness the Parish council would like to extend their very best wishes to Gerald and his family.

These notes are written by Jamie Bostock and are his personal interpretation of the meeting. Full minutes will be published on the village website.

Next Parish Council Meeting

The Parish Council's next virtual meeting, using Zoom, will be at 7.30 pm on Thursday 11 March 2021. Meeting ID: 847 5402 8482 Passcode: 750411

Chattitude returns

For those who are new to the villages, Chattitude is a popular series of talks, activities and events taking place at Chattisham Church.

Margaret Anderson writes:

We're starting to think about Chattitude events later in the spring, beginning with things that can happen outdoors if necessary.

We'll be picking up on some of the things that went down well before, such as our local archaeology and Mindfulness evenings. We've also got lots of new ideas too, including a candlelit multi-national poetry evening, a group walk and picnic from our beautiful church in Chattisham to the lovely hidden gem of a church in Little Wenham, an art workshop, a photography day and a re-wilding evening.

We're looking forward to musical events starring Revd. Jackson's band, as well as a small cello concert. These are all ideas that we hope to work up into events for everyone, but we'd love to hear from you too!

If there is anything you think would work, that you'd like to see or be involved in, or even run yourself, let us know. And remember: 'We are not starting from scratch, we are starting from experience.'

Email: community@kind. church or chattishamchurch@ gmail.com



Mother's Day

14th March 2021

Please book by Thursday 11th

Breakfast-in-Bed - £10 - (9-11am)

(with a short trip to the front door)

Sausage, bacon, scrambled egg, hash brown, black pudding, tomato, baked beans, mushrooms (Vegetarian option available) & a Mini Prosecco (or Nosecco)

Two Courses & Bubbly - £15 - (12-6pm)

Traditional Roast

A choice of home roasted Beef, Pork or Chicken breast (now also offering our popular vegan Falafel patty or vegetarian Cauliflower cheese), served with real roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables, homemade Yorkshire puddings and (real) gravy

Desserts

White Chocolate & Raspberry Cheesecake
Apple & Blackberry Crumble

Bubbly

Mini Prosecco or NoSecco







Isolation Lunches

Every Wednesday - Delivered between 1 & 1:30pm - Choice of two from £5 - Phone for details and order before 12 on Monday

Take-Away & Delivery

Available during Lockdown - Tue-Sat - 5-7:30pm & Sundays - 12-6pm Menu available at www.ghfood.uk - Phone to order or request a menu

Stay Safe - Tasha & Daniel - 01473 652 408

Thank You

Shirley Daniels writes:

I would like to thank everyone for their kindness in the loss of Cecil, for all the lovely cards I have received and to Reverend Jackson for the service.

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200 Club Lottery The Community **Fundraiser**

Annie Eaton, 200 Club Co-ordinator, writes:

BE IN IT TO WIN IT

Support village amenities such as the Woodland, playing areas and upkeep of Community Hall and MUGA.

During lockdown you can pay by Standing Order.

Contact me at hccc200club@gmail.com

Prize Money	FEBRUARY 2021	Member No	
	Draw Winners		
£40	N Foxlow – Hintlesham	151	
£30	R Carter – Chattisham	216	
£20	C Hodge - Chattisham	470	
£15	G Cook – Hintlesham	442	
£15	M Leek - Hintlesham	235	



Barry Williams writes:

Who knows what March will bring! We may be able to do a walk on 18th but we have to wait for the Government Announcement. Watch the Village Website or ring Barry on 652632



Search for Suppliers

Diana Bryce from Birch Farm writes:

We are due to start construction of our new Farm Shop in March, weather permitting. We are starting to look for suppliers and would love to hear from anyone who would like to supply home grown fruit, herbs or cut flowers. Recommendations are also welcome.

We expect completion in July/August, giving everyone time to prepare for crops that are available at this time of year and for the winter ahead. If you think you have any other product that might suit the Farm Shop, please get in touch.

My email is: dianabryce@hotmail.co.uk

Many thanks, Diana.



We are no longer seeing clients face to face until further notice.

However, we are providing advice by telephone and email, Monday - Thursday, 10am - 1pm.

Please phone 01787 321400 if you need advice and leave a message.

You can also ring our Advice line on 0300 330 1151.

Alternatively, contact us via email at advice@sudburycab.org.uk







CHURCH SERVICES March 2021

Services are currently available on YouTube. Scan the QR code, or search Kind Church to discover the channel. The next scheduled services, subject to Covid restrictions, are listed below:

7 March	Morning Service	9.30 am	Chattisham	
14 March	Morning Service	9.30 am	Hintlesham	
21 March	Holy Communion (Rev. Jackson)	9.30 am	Chattisham	
28 March	Family Service (Rev. Jackson)	10.30 am	Hintlesham	

NEXT MONTH:

2 April	Good Friday Service	5 – 5.30 pm	Aldham
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4 April Easter Sunday Service To be decided

Click www.kind.church/handc for the latest church news, events and service times.

The deadline for the April edition of The Village Link:

10.00 am Wed 17th March – but the earlier the better please!

The magazine welcomes contributions, but reserves the right to amend, shorten or reject any article or advertisement submitted for publication. Any views expressed by contributors are not necessarily shared by the magazine's committee.

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Ad Rates

The new rates for 2021: Local business ads (for H&C) £15 Other business ads: £20

Distribution of flyers: £25

Final Words

Wait. Be Patient. The storm will pass.

The spring will come.

Robert H Schuller