

THE ICKLINGHAM VILLAGER



MAY 2022

PILGRIMS AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Commemorating The Founding of the Abbey of St Edmunds in 1020.



On a damp day at the beginning of April thirty pilgrims arrived, on a fresh breeze from Ely cathedral (Via Mildenhall), at All Saints Church in Icklingham. Refreshments were provided by the Guinness Arms & were greeted with thankful smiles and the ancient pews were soon crowded with the weary travellers. Jane Hatton, Local Community Officer for The Churches Conservation Trust, welcomed them all to All Saints.

The pilgrimage (postponed due to the pandemic) marks the 1000 years since the Abbey at Bury St Edmunds was founded by King Canute and 'yes' they were walking the entire route! Canon Preceptor Philip Banks from, St. James Cathedral in Bury, was amongst the group and thanked Jane for hosting the refreshment break. Jane was able to point out some of the medieval treasures of All Saints and mention the work of The Churches Conservation Trust in caring for our ancient church. Afterwards the pilgrims resumed their journey (through West Stow) towards Bury St Edmunds and choral evensong at St James Cathedral. By Karen Nolan.

For more information or if you would like to get involved at All Saints or have any suggestions on how the church could be used contact Jane on 07392 086936 email jhatton@thecct.org.uk.

For events and information about the CCT at visitchurches.org.uk.

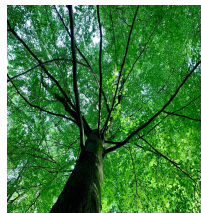
THE QUEENS GREEN CANOPY - Over half a million trees and hedge plants have been planted or pledged in Suffolk as part of the Queen's Green Canopy, going a long way towards the goal of planting one for every Suffolk resident – over 760,000. The 348,000 trees and 39.8km of hedging totals a whopping 547,000 dendrological plants (woody shrubs and trees), 70% of the target of one for every resident.



The Queen's Green Canopy for Suffolk records indicate that 85% of these have been planted already during the programme, with the remaining pledged to be planted in the forthcoming season.

Suffolk is proud to be a launch partner for the Queen's Green Canopy, a tree planting and preservation campaign that will leave a lasting legacy to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and the Festival of Suffolk in 2022.

A key part of the success so far has been because of the expansion and dedication of the Suffolk Tree Warden Network working under the auspices of The Tree Council. Some 200 Tree Wardens gather information about their local trees, get involved with tree matters and local practical projects related to



trees, woods, and hedgerows. They operate a network of tree nurseries and, with the Woodland Trust, distribute thousands of free trees every year to farmers and land-owners. The planting of trees and hedges will continue in the autumn. Meanwhile all involved are stressing that this is not a one-year project, the importance of the correct care for newly planted trees, and that we must cherish the trees we are already lucky to have in Suffolk.

"So many people have commented that the pandemic brought it home to them that time spent in the woods really helped their wellbeing and mental health. We know that walking amongst the trees reduces cortisol and even improves our immune system. This is the very essence of Healing Woods. We must not take our natural woodlands and forests for granted; their planting & conservation is critical not only to the survival of our planet but to help people at this time of dramatically worsening mental health. Access to the healing power of nature is a right. GLT harnesses this power for some of the most challenged in our communities, but it should be there for all".

Tom Brown CEO, from The Green Light Trust

More information available at www.suffolkcf.org.uk/queens-green-canopy-in-suffolk/



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ANGLIAN WATER EMERGENCY 0800 771 881

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Icklingham Parish Clerk 01842 861748

West Suffolk Councillor

Susan Glossop 07473041394

West Suffolk council 01284 763233

St James Church Wardens Dorothy Handford

01638 712439 and Sue Marston 01638 713801

All Saints CCT 0845 303 2760 Jane Hatton

Market Cross Surgery 01638 713109

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TO REPORT ONLINE ANTI-SOCIAL MOTORBIKE ACTIVITY IN OUR VILLAGE

USE THE LINK BELOW

<https://www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/report-something>

Police Safer neighbourhood team officers have conducted patrols in Icklingham in response to reports of anti-social vehicle use. The Police will return in coming weeks.

If you are unable to report online please call 101 and report with dates, times if possible.

Our Parish Council, Will Wright (Families & Communities Team Leader) and Councillor Susan Glossop are all working in conjunction with the authorities and other villages on this for several months and need the Villagers continued support in this matter and to report as many incidences of anti-social vehicle use as possible.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO REPORT AS MANY INCIDENTS AS POSSIBLE - THANK YOU

ICKLINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES 29th January 2022 (abbreviated) Cllr D Baugh(DB) - Chair Cllr K Baugh(KB) Cllr R Moss(RM) Cllr V Halford(VH) DCllr S Glossop, Will Wright (Community Safety Partnership) and 14 Members of the Public
PUBLIC FORUM Member of the public raised the PC awareness to the issues noted in letters dated 9th/11th Jan. Resident would like PC to apply to the highways for the byway at the back of Hall Close to be made resident access only. Will introduced himself and advised what has been done so far, Will noted the work actioned so far with the previous Police fines etc. Temp restriction potentially being looked at by Claire Dixon across all byways as many other villages suffering from the same issues, Lackford and Culford. County Council who are responsible for the byways, A suggestion was mentioned around an extra ordinary meeting to discuss the issues raised in said letter, the Police and Colin Noble (Suffolk County Councillor) would also be invited. Residents were advised to capture as much evidence as possible, photographs dated, recordings or diary of dates and times. Darren advised re the quiet lane and that the next option would be to push for the 20mph but this isn't as yet gone through Parliament. Footpaths between Ramparts field and the byways also being used, vehicles are now also passing over a protected verge, SCC are involved in this. A1101 has been the motorbike racetrack for years, Susan has previously raised this with the Police Commissioner – Susan will request he attend the extra ordinary meeting once the date has been agreed. Suffolk Police website, you can raise awareness to this by uploading the evidence to this website, this will create a hotspot of where the demand is for Police focus and will help when the CLO and Council raise concerns. *(see above for details)*
TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT / MVAS - Parish Council would look at obtaining a further MVAS speed sign and the funding
PRECEPT - After discussions it was agreed that the parish council would not increase the precept this year.

MINUTES of the meeting 29th March 2022 (abbreviated) Cllr D Baugh (DB) - Chair Cllr K Baugh (KB) Cllr R Moss (RM) Cllr V Halford (VH) Also Present: DCllr S Glossop PC Luke Williams 2 Members of the Public
PUBLIC FORUM PC Luke Williams gave an overview of what is happening in the area to tackle the anti-social traffic issues. The Countywide enforcement team (1Sgt & 6 Officers) had been in the village the weekend of 27/28 March, most of the users on the ancient byway were legal and entitled to use the ancient byway. And research in the last 15 months the reports have spiked. Although he understood the issues we are having, he also said that we need to manage expectations and understand that resources are limited. Also, that it was imperative that the public needed to continue to report issues as this would also help build a bigger picture and would support the next steps available. It was agreed that it would take multiple agencies to work together to tackle the issue and a meeting would be arranged where all agencies could be in attendance to discuss the next steps.
TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT / MVAS With the energy price increase, the Clerk would investigate the cost to switching over to Solar Power on the new MVAS. Contact Cllr Noble to see if he would help with funding.
PLANNING The Old Crown Inn, 82 The Street, Icklingham - Proposal: Single storey infill extension. Single storey rear extension. Applicant: Mr & Mrs Dixon - Support application
CLERK'S REPORT Grass cutting would start in April and once a schedule of cuts had been received the date would be put on the website. Quiet Lane Sign had been reported to Quiet Lanes, however they said it had to be reported via Highways. Awaiting a response. The Shoemakers overgrown hedging had been reported to Highways and the clerk will follow up with a letter.

A FULL COPY OF THE PC MINUTES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE PARISH COUNCIL NOTICE BOARD.

ANTI-SOCIAL MOTORBIKE USE - MEETING UPDATE -

A group from The Hall Close, the Parish Councillors & representatives from the villages of Flempton, Lackford and Tuddenham met on the 29th April in Icklingham. PC Luke Williams, DCllr Susan Glossop, a representative from Natural England, Will Wright and Claire Dixon the Public R O W officer were also present.

The PC outlined what the police had been doing with regard to motorbike users and off roaders and Claire Dixon talked about educating those groups and the 'advisory' notices she wanted to have put up on the pathways. Plus the monitoring they are doing to the SSSI sites. Claire Dixon explained that the lane from Tuddenham to Temple Bridge came under Highways.

This is a growing problem, it goes beyond just the the Byway at the rear of The Hall Close. The Parish Council will continue working with the relevant authorities to try to improve this problem for our village.

The Parish Council will next meet with representatives from Highways, Elveden Estate and other interested professionals and then arrange a date for another open meeting for the public and villagers to hear the results.

PLEASE KEEP REPORTING ALL CASES OF ANTI-SOCIAL VEHICLE USE

LIBRARY VAN DATES



The Mobile Library will on the 28th May, 25th June & 23rd July calling at West Street at 2.40pm, The Hall Close at 3.10pm & The Village Green at 3.25pm.

The mobile Manager is Kevin Lambert 0788 442 2762.

If health or mobility problems are preventing you or someone you know getting to a branch/mobile library, volunteers from Suffolk Libraries Home Library Service can help. The service is free and available from most libraries. Volunteers visit you in your home, discuss which books will interest you (including audio and eBooks) & order them from the library. They then collect the books from the library and deliver them to your door. To find out more about this service: contact your local library, or email: his@suffolklibraries.co.uk. Please support our local service

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Icklingham Parish Council THE NEXT MEETING IS 25th MAY

7.30pm
in the Old School Hall

All are welcome to attend
There are vacancies for two new
Parish Councillors, if you are interested
and want to get more involved in your
village please contact the Clerk
Mrs Vikki Austin on Tel: 01842 861748
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or come along to the next meeting.



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email bac@talk21.com

Don't forget the Village Notice Board which you can use to advertise or put local events & information in !

**COFFEE MORNINGS
AT ST. JAMES CHURCH**

28th May

Coffee - Cakes - Raffle

Come along and meet friends
and neighbours



for more info see the Church notice board or
call Dorothy Handford 712439 or
Sue Marston 713801

ALL WELCOME

**Is there anyone in the Village who would like
to take over producing this Newsletter ?**

For more info please call Beverley
0774 8998 164 or email bac@talk21.com
