



### Gathering memories: Tales from the River

Do you have memories of swimming, playing or fishing in the river at Three Bridges Icklingham, Temple Bridge Tuddenham, or any other places in the area?

I'm running a lottery funded project which is gathering stories about all sorts of river recreation in the Brecks area over the generations. We plan to present these in displays and storytelling, to publish extracts on the website, and later to archive everything at the county record office. We are also hoping to put up some riverside signage, with old photos and stories along with some simple swim safety info, in a few places where landowners agree.

One of the project volunteers or I would love to talk to you about your memories and to see any old photos you might have.

Do get in touch with me if you would like to share your stories. My name is Imogen Radford, email [imogen36@googlemail.com](mailto:imogen36@googlemail.com)

You can read more on the website <https://tinyurl.com/TalesRiverStoriesShare>. The project is part of The Brecks Fen Edge and Rivers Landscape Partnership Scheme (<http://brecks.org/BFER/>) and is supported by the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

PSJ Quiz Night  
April 15th  
in  
St James Church  
at 7.00pm  
£3.00 per person  
teams no larger than four  
Hosted by our  
resident quiz  
master Phil  
Halford  
Please bring your  
own drinks & snacks  
There will be a  
Raffle and quiz  
prizes to be won !

### **The elections on May 4th 2023 will be the first time that electors will need to bring photo ID with them when they vote at a polling station.**

The UK Government has introduced a requirement for voters to show photo ID when voting at a polling station at some elections. This new requirement will apply for the first time in England at the local elections on Thursday 4 May 2023.

You may already have a form of photo ID that is acceptable. You can use any of the following:  
Passport - Driving licence (including provisional licence) - Blue badge  
Certain concessionary travel cards - Biometric Immigration document - Defence identity card - Identity card with PASS mark (Proof of Age Standards Scheme)  
Certain national identity cards

For more information on which forms of photo ID will be accepted, visit [electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID](http://electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID) or call their helpline on 0800 328 0280.

If you don't already have an accepted form of photo ID, or you're not sure whether your photo ID still looks like you, you can apply for a free voter ID document, known as a Voter Authority Certificate. You can apply for this at [voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk](http://voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk).

If you need any help with applying for a Voter Authority Certificate or want to request an application form, contact your local council. To find their contact details visit [electoralcommission.org.uk/voter](http://electoralcommission.org.uk/voter). Find out more If you have any questions or would like to find out more, go to [electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID](http://electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID), or call their helpline on 0800 328 0280.

*West Suffolk district council will be running a local communications campaign across West Suffolk to raise awareness and are looking at ways that can be the most effective. For example, a leaflet with every council tax bill is just one of the ways that will get the message out to our communities and onto the doormat of most households in West Suffolk.*

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West Suffolk Cllr Susan Glossop 07473041394  
West Suffolk council 01284 763233

St James Church Wardens Dorothy Handford  
01638 712439 and Sue Marston 01638 713801  
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Market Cross Surgery 01638 713109  
Guildhall & Barrow Surgery 01284 812510

Milk Delivery Plumbs Dairy 01223 893033  
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## King Charles' Coronation Celebrations

Would anyone like to help decorate the Village  
in honour of the Coronation  
of King Charles III ?

If so please contact Ronnie Halford  
07795193539

Any ideas would be very welcome too!!



### LIBRARY VAN DATES

The Mobile Library will visit on the 1 April, 29 April, 27 May  
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.

contact your local Library or email : [his@suffolklibraries.co.uk](mailto:his@suffolklibraries.co.uk).  
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### REPORTING ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Antisocial behaviour (ASB) is anything that intimidates, causes distress, alarm or significantly reduces someone's quality of life.

The types of behaviour that could be deemed antisocial can include: noise nuisance, abandoned vehicles, illegal parking, bikes/vehicles using byways and footpaths illegally, dog fouling, graffiti, littering, fly tipping and neighbour disputes.

Contact West Suffolk Council Telephone: 01284 757465 Email: [asb@westsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:asb@westsuffolk.gov.uk)

You can also report crimes on the non emergency police number 101. Call if you wish to report ongoing issues of antisocial behaviour.

### SUFFOLK HIGHWAYS ONLINE REPORTING TOOL

<https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk>

The highways reporting tool allows you to report a new defect or monitor the status of existing reports, such as; blocked drains, footpath & Right of Way issues, vegetation and mud on roads and footpaths, flooding, potholes, missing/damaged signs, trees affecting the Highways.

DO NOT report a problem online if; It poses an immediate danger to public safety – call 0345 606 6171  
If it is on a Trunk Road in Suffolk – call the National Highways Information Line 0300 123 5000

### MOZART REQUIEM PRESS RELEASE

Stowmarket Choral presents...“Mozart 1791”

on Saturday 18th March 2023 7.30 p.m. at the John Peel Centre for Creative Arts,  
Church Walk, Stowmarket, IP14 1ET

Stowmarket's resident choir brings a performance of Mozart's final mesmerising masterpiece, his Requiem, to the John Peel Centre, featuring soloists of the Royal Opera House Extra Chorus Covent Garden. The choir will also sing the Ave Verum and the concert programme will include the opera arias:

‘Per questa bella mano’ - for bass & double bass obbligato

‘Torna di Tito a lato’ - for mezzo soprano from La Clemenza di Tito

The Duet - ‘Bei Männern, welche Liebe fühlen’ from The Magic Flute

Mozart composed part of his Requiem mass in D minor in Vienna in late 1791 but it was unfinished at his death on 5 December that year at the age of only 35. His student Franz Xavier Süssmayr completed it in 1792. Mozart imagines a very dramatic end of the world in the Dies Irae, the day of wrath - whilst Lacrimosa, the day full of tears, is very beautiful and sad. Mozart only wrote the first eight bars before he died. However, in composing the remaining parts Süssmayr may well have accessed Mozart's incomplete notes and have recalled previous discussions with the composer. Regardless of who wrote which parts of the Requiem it still sounds wonderful to most of us.

Tickets are £18. Please book online via [www.johnpeelcentre.com](http://www.johnpeelcentre.com)  
or call Box Office on 01449 774678.



### The Vicar's view

It is now just over 2 years since Caroline and I were appointed to 'The Brecks' Group of seven parishes of which St James, Icklingham forms a very significant part.

In some ways it doesn't seem possible that 2 years has passed already, yet in other ways we seem to have been in post for far longer. It has been a real privilege to try to get to know as many people as we can over that time in the seven parishes that we serve.

We have come to understand the work carried out by Project St. James fundraising to keep the Church open and in good repair and also the Alice Dix Charity and how help can be made accessible in these difficult times. We do not live in a hugely wealthy part of the world, salaries are generally lower than elsewhere and genuine hardship is an 'often felt' but 'seldom spoken of' issue in our local villages.

We are very fortunate to have access to food banks and some limited financial help to those in genuine need, especially if there is a medical reason that contributes to those difficulties. Please get in touch if you would like some confidential assistance or advice.

We find ourselves now racing through 2023 and the church year is no different the Christmas season ended and we moved into Epiphany, which is associated with the visit of the 'wise men' to the infant Jesus when God revealed himself to the world as a baby. We know from Matthew 2:11 these men offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

For many church traditions, the season of Epiphany extends until Ash Wednesday, which this year is 22nd February. So begins the season of Lent leading to Easter, where we mark the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Just like everyday life; for us it seems that each year passes faster and faster, change is noticeable all around us as the spring bulbs emerge and the nights become lighter.

I suppose it is true what they say? Time really does fly by. That it is a sign that I am getting older ... even though I remain in complete denial!

The mirror however tells a different story!

Wishing you all many blessings at this time as we head rapidly towards Easter.

David

We would love to hear from you about any issues that church might be able to assist with. Please contact us :-

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Revd Caroline Butcher (07879 857015) [revcarolinebutcher@gmail.com](mailto:revcarolinebutcher@gmail.com)

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## Icklingham Parish Council MEETING DATES 2023

The next PC meetings are;  
16th March at 7:30pm

25th May at 7pm, this will be the annual parish/village meeting, followed by the annual parish council meeting in the Old School Hall

There are vacancies for two new Councillors, if you are interested and want to get more involved in your village please contact the Chairman Darren Baugh [darrenbaugh@aol.com](mailto:darrenbaugh@aol.com) or the PC Clerk Vicky Bright (details on page2) or come along to the next meeting.

**All are welcome to attend**



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## COFFEE MORNINGS AT ST. JAMES CHURCH

March 25th 10.30am-12noon

### *The Kings Coronation Coffee Morning*

April 29th 10.30am to 2.00pm

Cake stall, Games, Raffle



*Come along to an extra special Coffee Morning to celebrate the Coronation!*

May 27th 10.30am-12noon

Coffee - Cakes - Raffle



Come along and meet friends & neighbours

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



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**DON'T FORGET PARKING IS FREE AFTER 3pm ON TUESDAYS IN BURY ST EDMUNDS**

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## RECYCLING AT DUNELM

At Dunelm you can recycle, Books, Bras, Clothing & Textiles, plus any craft materials you no longer want.

It all goes to help local Charities