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## Welcome to the October issue of your Newsletter

I took a nostalgic peak at last year's newsletter for October and it brought home the stark reality of the changes to our lives this pandemic has brought. That issue was full of notices of activities taking place in the village— Murder Mystery evening; Harvest Celebration in the Church; opening of the Hakluyt Cycle Route, the annual Harvest Supper; film night at Debenham Library. Plus news of future events like the Christmas Tree Festival. It brought to mind an oft heard phrase currently, "whoever would have thought....." !

So— how you have managed your time these past few months?



Please write in with anything you would like to share: a new recipe, a piece of researched family history, photos of a garden project. Whatever you have been up to. This is your newsletter and it would be good to pub-

Cally (Editor)

### *Newsletter Distribution*

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*We are looking for a volunteer to help with the distribution of the Newsletter along the western (Mendlesham) side of Brockford Street.*

*The Newsletter is printed 11 times a year and over 300 copies are published. This round comprises 25 Newsletters, but could be split into two if that was easier.*

*If you think you may be able to help please contact Sue or Eddie Payne on 01449 767794.*

*Thank you*



# Wetheringsett Village Hall ...



is 100 this year

## Village Hall News

Redecoration and renovation is almost complete. The final task is work on the walls and floor of the storeroom. The kitchen has been redecorated and a new fridge, dishwasher and kettle are ready for use. Fire and Electric risk assessments have been completed and the Covid-19 risk assessment is underway.

So.....hopefully in October arrangements can be made for a village event, to incorporate access to see what has been achieved  
*Please watch this space for news of an opening event.....*



The Village Hall has charitable status and one of the Trustees has recently stepped down after many years of service. John Leadbetter has been crucial in keeping the Hall as an asset for the community. He has encouraged bookings and village events, submitted returns to the Charity Commission and balanced the books, as well as performing in many a village pantomime.

In looking forward, we wanted to thank John for all he has done in the past to help ensure the Village Hall remains a community space for Wetheringsett-cum-Brockford.

***Thank you, John***



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### *The Village Hall* written by Katie Goudy

By the end of 1940 there was a balance of £2.0s.10d. In the electric lighting account, this was considered very satisfactory, it was clearly seen that the charge of 6d. Per hour covered the cost - pity it doesn't now!

By this time the Army, which were stationed at the Manor and surrounding area were using the Hall for most evenings except Wednesdays when the Home Guard used it.

Many chairs had got broken during the past 2 years and were beyond repair, so it was decided to purchase 50, the price being 14/- each, and Mr W Ling (bus proprietor) kindly offered to collect these and deliver to the Hall.

In 1946 the chairs, floor, roof and platform were discussed.

In 1947 it was pointed out that the roof was leaking badly in several places, the porch over the front door needed attention and also the brickwork of the kitchen chimney and floor, and the whole building needed to be creosoted and painted outside.

The Scouts, Guides, Cubs and Brownies were now using the Hall every week.

In 1949 heating the Hall by electricity was discussed, but it was considered too expensive to prove satisfactory, and the terrible condition of the Ladies toilet was brought to notice, but it was 1951 before it was eventually remedied, as it was still the old fashioned pail and it was decided that the pail be removed from the back instead of coming through the cloak-room each time it was emptied. This was thought a good idea.



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Having checked that chlorinated pools are not a no-go area, the Cedars pool has been open for some weeks. With the warm weather, the water temperature has been between 85-95F, so just right for many... but not many have been to visit us! However, as the local Risk appears to be not too great, more people are swimming, not just children, who are supposed to be at less risk, but some older people who need the body exercise.



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Sunday 25th October

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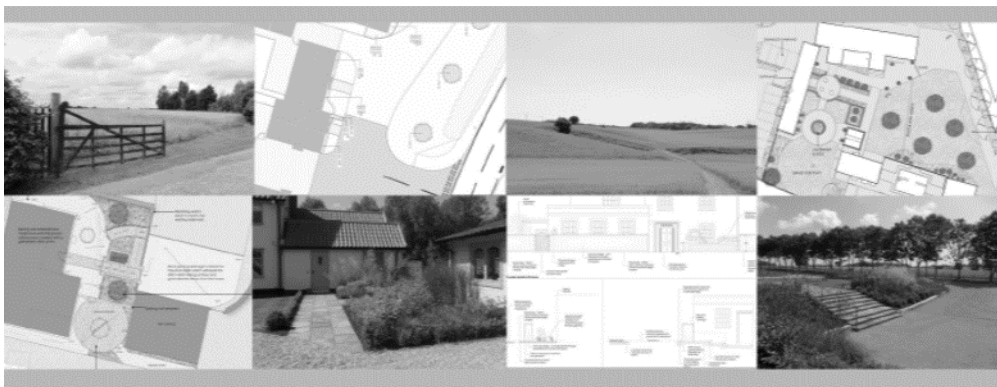
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*Coffee Mornings Wednesdays*

*Unfortunately these have been*

**cancelled**

*until further notice*

## South Hartismere Benefice October Newsletter



We have a new Curate! Revd Lauren Moore was ordained Deacon by Bishop Mike at St Edmundsbury Cathedral on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September in one of four Ordination services held that day, with a maximum of 30 people present. Although it lacked the usual fanfare of music, procession and ceremony, it was a very moving occasion and marked the beginning of a new ministry for all the candidates.

Lauren may be a new Curate, but she is not new to our parishes! Lauren was formerly a teacher at Thorndon primary school, and she and her family recently moved to Mellis. She will be a Self-Supporting Minister, and will continue with her full-time role as Headteacher of Honington CEVC Primary school. When she finishes her Curacy in three years' time she will remain with us as part of a growing number of ministers in the Benefice.

Lauren will be deployed across the whole benefice but will mainly focus on the parishes of Mellis and Yaxley as part of our development of local ministers, both lay and ordained, serving each of the 8 parishes.

### ***Lauren writes:***

'It is such a privilege to serve in our communities here at South Hartismere. My husband Neil and I, with our four children, Joshua, Jack, Lucy and Emily, have lived in Suffolk for 18 years now and we certainly love this part of the world. I think there is no doubt that God places us where we should be and Suffolk is the right place for us! The prayer below is very special for me and I have often reflected on it throughout my journey to ordination. I hope you find it special too:

Wherever you go, God is sending you. Wherever you are, God has put you there. Christ who is counting on you, has something he wants to do with you where you are. Believe this, and go in His grace, his love and his power. Amen'

Her details are:

[rev.laurenmoore@gmail.com](mailto:rev.laurenmoore@gmail.com)

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Please join with me in welcoming Lauren in her new role, and praying for her ministry among us.

Blessings,  
*Julia*





## South Hartismere Benefice Recovery Worship Rota October 2020

### Week 1

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October  
*The 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity*

On-line	9.00am	Worship for All
Gislingham	10.30am	Holy Communion
Wetheringsett	10.30am	Harvest Worship for All
Thorndon	4.00pm	CONNECT - Harvest

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Mid-week Worship On-line 7.00pm

### Week 2

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October  
*The 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity*

On-line	9.00am	Worship for All
Stoke Ash	10.30am	BCP Holy Communion
Mellis	10.30am	Worship for All
Thornham Parva	10.30am	Harvest Holy Communion
Thorndon	4.00pm	CONNECT

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

Mid-week Worship On-line 7.00pm

### Week 3

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October  
*The 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity*

On-line	9.00am	Worship for All
Yaxley	10.30am	Holy Communion
Gislingham	10.30am	Worship for All
Thorndon	4.00pm	Confirmation & Holy Communion
	5.00pm	CONNECT

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Mid-week Worship On-line 7.00pm

### Week 4

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October  
*The last Sunday after Trinity*

On-line	9.00am	Worship for All
Mellis	10.30am	Holy Communion
Yaxley	10.30am	Worship for All
Thorndon	4.00pm	CONNECT

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Mid-week Worship On-line 7.00pm

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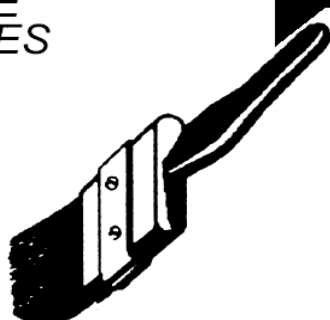
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## **Wetheringsett cum Brockford Parish Council Report on the video meeting held Monday 7th September 2020**

**Planning Applications** – a number of applications and/or appeal notices had been received from MSDC relating to change of use of the land in Mendlesham/Brockford Road for residential static and touring caravans. Members considered the applications carefully and a recommendation of refusal was agreed on the following grounds:

- MSDC already has a 5 year land supply
- There are already 23 approved static/touring caravan pitches in Mendlesham/Brockford Road
- The proposed sites are within a level 3 flood plain
- The proposed sites are outside the settlement boundary and would involve destruction of historic water meadows adjacent the River Dove
- Concerns have been raised over the number of inappropriate accesses created onto Mendlesham/Brockford Road outside the 30mph speed limit and concerns over waste and sewage disposal in a flood plain were raised as well as the sites being in open countryside with no safe pedestrian access to services

**Village Hall** – the village hall committee continue to make improvements to the hall. As leaseholders, the Parish Council has made contributions to the cost of the following improvement work: refurbishment of the wooden floor, repairs to water faults in the cloakrooms, redecorating the interior, repairs to window frames and new blinds and improved lighting. The committee is also looking to make improvements to the kitchen including some new appliances. The work has made a huge difference to the ambience of the interior of the hall which will should improve its booking potential when the hall fully re-opens. The committee are looking into setting up an online booking system. Members recorded thanks to the committee for their time and work in organising the improvements.

**Town Lane containers.** Following concerns raised over the height of stacked containers, District Cllr Andrew Stringer is obtaining advice from Planning Officers at MSDC. There are permitted heights and if there is a breach Mid Suffolk will be looking to bring enforcement action.

Continued over:

## Parish Council Meeting Report continued:

**Meetings** – the Parish Council continues to meet virtually for the foreseeable future. Parishioners are able to join the meeting to observe or raise any issues during the public session. The link for meetings is available from the Parish Council agenda displayed on parish notice boards and the parish council website.

**Date of next meeting:** Monday 5th October 2020 at 7pm

### **BEWARE !**

#### **Burglaries in the Parish**

There have been a number of burglaries reported in the Parish in recent months, particularly in out-buildings. Please will all residents take care of your possessions, review your security arrangements and keep your sheds, garages and other buildings locked.



Charles Harvey (WCB Parish Council Chair)

### **“Spring forward, fall back”**

is one of the little sayings used to remember which way to set your watch. You set your clock forward one hour in the spring when DST starts (= lose 1 hour), and back one hour when DST ends in autumn (= regain 1 hour).



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before  
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**Winter Time** Is the Same as Standard Time.

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**An extra hour in bed!**

Sunday 25th October



## Come Little Leaves

"Come, little leaves," said the wind one day,  
"Come o'er the meadows with me and play;  
Put on your dresses of red and gold,  
For summer is gone and the days grow cold."

Soon as the leaves heard the wind's loud call,  
Down they came fluttering, one and all;  
Over the brown fields they danced and flew,  
Singing the glad little songs they knew.

Dancing and whirling, the little leaves went,  
Winter had called them, and they were content;  
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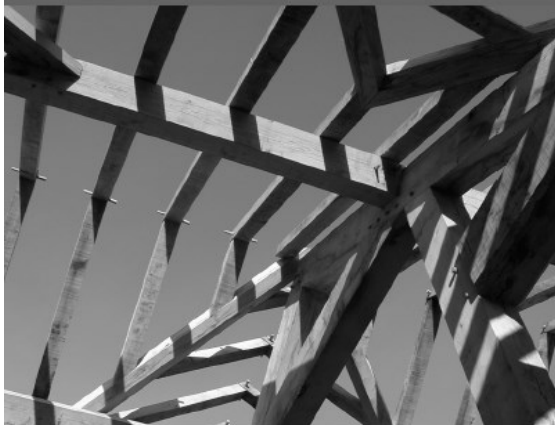
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What an unusual beginning of term it has been! But it is so lovely to hear the children's laughter back on the playground.



We're really pleased that all the children are allowed to come back. We've missed them and school is not the same without them. The staff have enjoyed seeing the children back and I know they have missed that contact with them.

The new reception children have made a fantastic start and have settled well into school life

We have also had some decorating work done over the summer and so things feel and look fresher.

### **Is it safe to return?**

We've done everything we can to make it as safe as possible and minimise all the risks we've been made aware of. We're following all the government guidelines. There are quite strict guidelines about what we can and cannot do and classes. There's also a massive amount of handwashing for everyone and there will be extensive cleaning of equipment, toilets and all the major "touch points" in the middle of the day as well as at the end of school. Yes, we have made everything as safe as we possibly can.



**It must be far too early to think about Christmas?**

Far from it! If things carry on as they are, we won't be able to do all the normal things we do at Christmas, but we will make it special. We had our Leavers' Event in July and, learning from that, we've been thinking about how we can use video to create something magical for Christmas. Its early days, but watch this space!

Mrs Sheeran

Head of school

**Anagram**

- a word or phrase formed by rearranging the letters of a different word or phrase, typically using all the original letters exactly once.

Here are some exceptional anagrams:-

Anagram	Nag a ram	The Morse Code	Here come dots
Mother-in-law	Woman Hitler	Eleven plus two	Twelve plus one
Alec Guinness	Genuine class		
Snooze alarms	Alas no more Z's		
Dormitory	Dirty room		
Slot machines	Cash lost in 'em		
A decimal point	I'm a dot in place		
Contradiction	Accord not in it		
Semolina	Is no meal		
The earthquakes	That queer shake		

"That's one small step for a man, one giant leap for mankind" Neil Armstrong

And the anagram ...

"A thin man ran; makes a large stride, left planet, pins flag on moon! On to Mars!"

Famous footballer quotes -



"If you don't believe you can win, there is no point in getting out of bed at the end of the day" Neville Southall

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