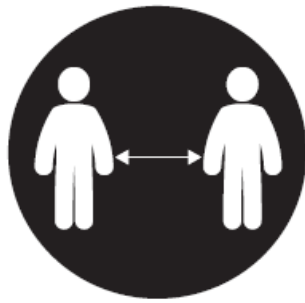


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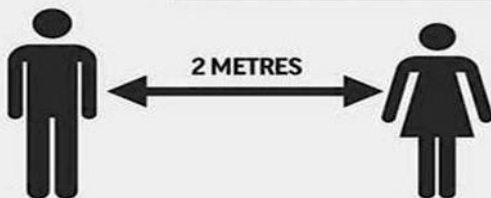
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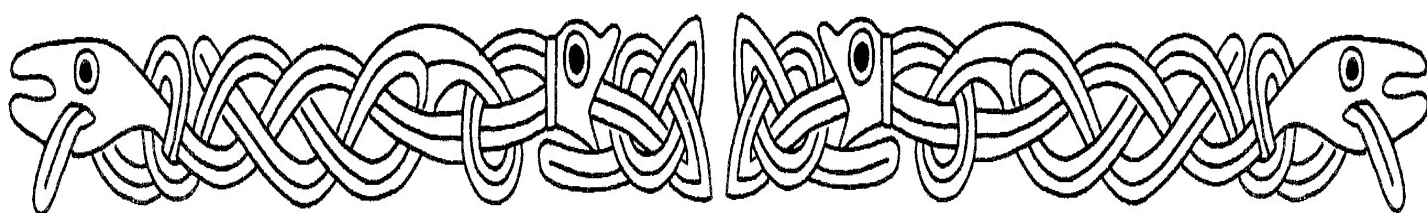
Hopefully by the time the next edition of the Observer comes out life will have begun inching its way back to normal, and as long as we all play our part there will be little chance of our being put back to a lockdown situation. It is hoped that the Coffee Shop at the Village Hall will be back in business - albeit in the Freeborn Garden, and keeping to the Rule of Six. The Horticultural Show organisers are hopeful of having their annual show and the Open Gardens committee are hopeful that they might be able to have an event this year, but will of course pay close attention to how matters develop (see page 7). Activities in the Village Hall are beginning to be anticipated and the first of these is The Musical Theatre Classes which begin on Monday 3rd May.

With all of this in mind I shall be putting the Diary of Events item back in the magazine and any events which village organisations might wish to put in the diary will be on the understanding that if situations change they might have to be cancelled; hopefully this won't have to be the case and people will be able to plan their lives around activities other than regular walks round the village and viewing repeats on the television. If you wish to provide an advert for an event please send it to me in jpg format and keep it to a quarter-page. If you wish for a larger one contact me first.

Once again I must thank those who have provided me with articles, including those which remind us of times past in the village; and whilst thanking people for their contributions I must mention the Open Gardens Weekend Committee, who some weeks ago planted a number of daffodils round the village signs. These have now bloomed, adding a touch of welcome colour to these somewhat colourless days of lockdown. The splash of colour on the cover of this month's edition is thanks to them.

Thankfully the furlough scheme has been extended to September of this year, but that does not mean that there will be no people finding it exceedingly hard to make ends meet, so if you can contribute to the Foodbank (see page 41) there are a number of people who will be grateful for the 'assistance'.

Just a thought! As we move towards a more 'normal' lifestyle it might be a good idea to have some form of 'celebration' of emerging from the pandemic. A number of people in the village will have written poems, songs and short stories, relating to their experience of the past thirteen months. Others may have painted pictures or taken photographs which sum up the 'condition'. Could there not be some event where these things could be displayed as an exhibition and event. If anyone is interested in such a 'celebration' do contact me and I will see if I can get a group together. Of course some people may have already thought of such a thing, in which case do use the Observer to get things moving. All that remains for me to do is to wish you a Happy and safe Easter.





# NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWS



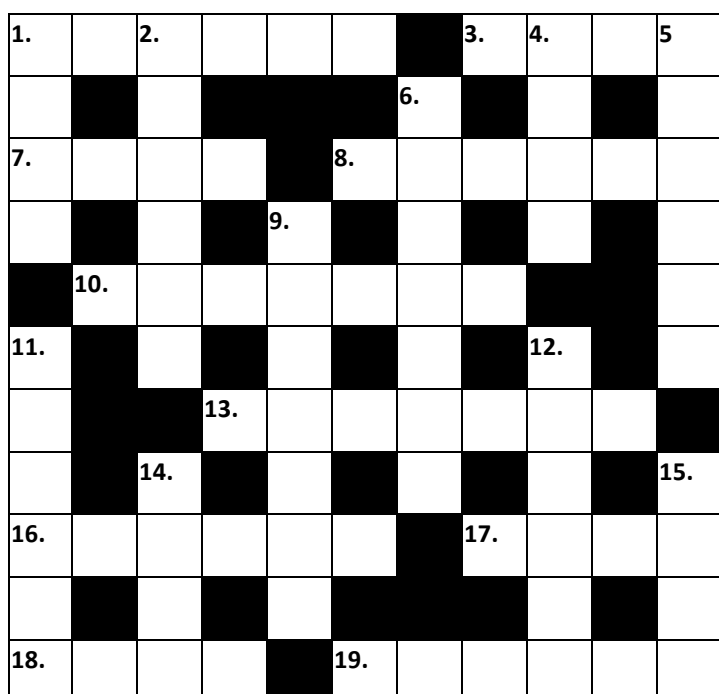
An incident of **fly tipping** within the car park of Walsham le Willows Memorial Village Hall in January was reported to Mid Suffolk District Council via their online portal. Evidence as to who may have been responsible was provided to the Environmental Protection Officer who followed the matter up and subsequently issued a £200 Fixed Penalty Notice to a local resident, reduced to £120 if paid within 10 days. The Penalty was paid within the 10 days.

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*David Murray*

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### ACROSS

1. Does this craftsman dither. (6)
3. Direction for a change of a dish. (4)
7. Manage bishop's attire. (4)

8. The way for our being in the old exam. (6)
10. Being there with a gift. (7)
13. Flow for now. (7)
16. Agreement on possible group of musical notes. (6)
17. Friends get a hit when returning. (4)
18. High or low in a bright idea. (4)
19. Briefly suspect the gender in the South. (6)

### DOWN

1. Agreement to quietly play the part. (4)
2. The poster upset by drinkers. (6)
4. Sounds like the boiler might have merit. (4)
5. Steps to read in the Times Supplement leaders. (6)
6. England is such a rural state. (7)
9. Try a use to change the flower's mouth. (7)
11. Make a meal about history. (6)
12. Wangles with no leader to find corners. (6)
14. Hard kind of test for old money. (4)
15. High point for the primate with a cross following. (4)

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# VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

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From Monday the 3rd of May Mairi Barclay will be running a musical theatre class for children at the hall. So for all the young thespians, dancers and singers out there, here is a chance for you to shine, learn and just have a lot of fun. The first class is free and then £5 for each class after that. For more information contact Mairi via email at mbbmusicaltheatre@gmail.com. These classes can run in line with the four steps out of lock down, with indoor children's activities being allowed after the 12th of April including dance classes and musical actives.

Unfortunately the yoga classes, adult exercise classes and indoor coffee shop will have to wait until after the 17th of May in line with Step Three, when we hope to start these again, so look for more information in the next Observer.

The food bank continues to be well supported and we are continuing to get referrals from agencies, thank you to all those who donate.

We will continue to monitor Government and ACRE guidelines and information to allow the hall to reopen safely at each step.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding in these extraordinary times.

*Amanda Ellis.*

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In last month's notes I mentioned the HQ had changed the Legion logo, apparently in 2018 a survey had been carried out and fewer than half the people questioned did not associate the Poppy Appeal with the RBL, this being the main reason for the change of new identity to simplify the message.

We are planning once again to hold a Festival of Remembrance in November and so far have booked the Apex and the Honington Band.

At the time of writing these notes the branch has not decided when to restart our monthly meetings.

Take care and stay safe

*Hubby Frost (Branch vice chairman)*



## THE 40<sup>th</sup> GARDENS WEEKEND

### An Update From The Committee

The Pandemic has brought with it any number of serious difficulties and the planning for the previously postponed 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Walsham Open Gardens can-not be said to be high on the Governments agenda BUT we, the committee, do feel that if it is at all possible we should try and make this year's event go with a bang. Having said that we are very much aware of the genuine concerns of lots of our garden owners, our many many volunteers and, of course our visitors, about the safety of the event. We don't want it to be a 'damp squib' and it is with this in mind that we have decided to postpone a decision until after the Governments key date of the 12<sup>th</sup> of April. We will then meet to see if we can move forward with the planning with any real certainty. It is not what any of us would have wanted but we are where we are, as the poet said, and we will let the village know as soon as we can. If anyone has anything they would like to contribute to the conversation then please feel free to email me on [john@architectatwork.co.uk](mailto:john@architectatwork.co.uk) or ring me on 01359 259061.

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# NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN'S

## Eco Update

The Neighbourhood Plan Working Group has been looking at two main themes. Planning and Environment. They both involve understanding local needs and what we're looking to protect as a community. Below are some interesting examples from our research into what's happening across East Anglia and locally.

**Suffolk Wildlife Trust**, together with Suffolk Biodiversity Services, is working towards a 30% target for land and sea to be protected and connected through maps of wildlife corridors and reserves by 2030. This provides some of the ecological information for our NP.

<https://www.suffolkwildlifetrust.org/30by30>

**The Hive Eco-Forum** is a hub for diverse groups including Parish Councils, other nearby Neighbourhood Plan groups, schools, businesses and food growers working together in West Suffolk.

<https://www.westsuffolkhive.org.uk/hiveecoforum.html>

**Wild-East** is supporting pledges from individuals and groups to take care of areas for the benefit of biodiversity and re-wilding. It includes an interesting map detailing all of landscapes pledged.

<https://www.wildeast.co.uk/>

**Greener Growth's Bury Green Spaces Project** is a collaboration of many smaller organizations that invites residents to highlight areas on a map and via a questionnaire to help to identify and create wildlife corridors.

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**The Oak Tree Farm** is a model of a local community membership scheme with one full time farmer and volunteers creating a veg box scheme, other local produce and community events.

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Anyone interested in getting involved or with suggestions please contact [plan@walsham-le-willows.org](mailto:plan@walsham-le-willows.org). visit our website

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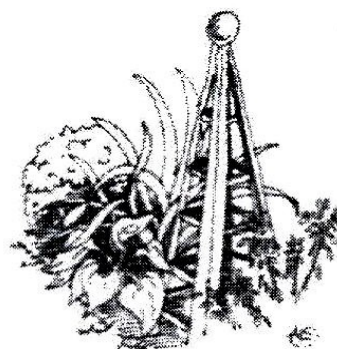
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# WALSHAM-LE-WILLOWS

## W. I. REPORT



Six hundred and sixty five WI members sitting in front of their computers together, all round the country. All ready for a virtual NFWI business meeting called to confirm changes to the WI constitution, borne of the pandemic, which will allow meetings to be conducted many ways in the virtual sphere. Every WI was represented to deliver their vote. When the time came it was but a click of a switch and Walsham le Willows' vote – an affirmative one – was duly delivered along with the seven other WIs that I was representing. What changes the pandemic has brought!

Votes figured large this month with the results of the resolution choice being announced. The chosen topic, which is to raise the awareness of the symptoms of ovarian cancer, secured 30,240 votes almost more than twice the number of the next most popular item. So a clear winner there!

We are reminded however that several popular key campaigns are still active including 'Make time for mental health', 'Link together to alleviate loneliness', 'Stop modern slavery' and 'No more violence against women'.

Sad to see some other good ideas put aside this year but maybe they will re-emerge perhaps with local initiatives. A boycott of peat based compost anyone?

NB. The WI subscription year is about to get underway. From May we hope to move forward with a carefully flexible programme of meetings as lockdown eases. Come and join us! For this year only, with a reduction to acknowledge the effects of the pandemic disruption, the subscription for Walsham le Willows and District WI will be £22.40. (April 2021-April 2022) This is the year to join!

*Jill Newell*

## YOGA WITH JULIA

### at Walsham Wild Wood

We would love to start up occasional yoga classes at Walsham Wild Wood.

Julia, our local yoga teacher, gave two very successful classes last year.

We would like to hear from you if you are interested to join us this year.

The classes will be on Saturdays 11 am – 12 midday and there will be a £ 5 charge.

You will need to bring your own mat and wear appropriate clothes for the weather.

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# PARISH COUNCIL OF WALSHAM-LE-WILLOWS MINUTES

of the meeting held on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 commencing at 7.00 p.m.

[Pending formal approval at the next meeting, these minutes have been informally approved by Parish Councillors as a true record. If any corrections are required these will be minuted at the next meeting prior to formal approval]

**PRESENT** Cllrs. Arbon [PA], Bartholomew [IB], Belson [RB], Kinnair [BK], Mecrow [NM] & Roberts [TR]. Cllr Meyer [RM] for the District and Cllr Fleming [JF] for the County (both for part of meeting).

## **1 FIRST BUSINESS**

- 1.1 **Acceptance of apologies** – Cllr Ellis – accepted.
- 1.2 **The minutes of the meetings** held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2021 were unanimously approved.
- 1.3 **To receive pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests** - None
- 1.4 **To consider applications for dispensation** – None
- 1.5 **Public Open Forum (including County and District Reports)**

Two members of the public present re planning application 00878

It was confirmed that District & County reports were circulated before the meeting.

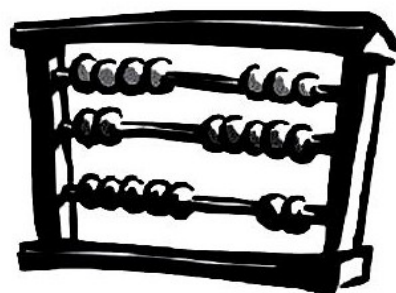
**Questions to Cllr JF:** The Clerk asked if SCC had anything similar to the Sussex CC initiative known as Operation Watershed which provides grant funding for flood prevention initiatives. The answer was no but that there may be a funding announcement soon that may address this need; also thanked Cllr RM for intervening on request for kerbed gutter sweep. The Clerk will diarise to ensure another is completed just before Gardens Weekend is held. Cllr NM asked about the ringfencing of the 2% social care council tax levy. Cllr JF said that this was a national government programme to ensure better funding for social care. Cllr IB asked if a referendum, should not have been held as the public has not been able to have a say on this. Cllr PA noted that he had witnessed a twin-axle trailer turned away by contractors at the waste disposal site only for this to result in fly-tipping. Cllr JF advised that she will discuss further with Cllr PA outside meeting and this could be followed up.

**Cllr RM noted** the Museum of East Anglian Life was offering 5 work placements that could lead to or facilitate further employment; he also asked Councillors to consider putting forward ideas for uses for additional funding recently announced by the government; suggested that the Community Council consider being involved in the electric charging point scheme – this was discussed but Cllr IB felt



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says Ian Campbell (Treasurer)

that this needed very careful thought regarding the impact of car park capacity at the Memorial Hall.

**Questions to Cllr RM:** Cllr RB asked about the 1.66% tax rise resulting in a £2.80 pa charge. It seems this was a typo and is more likely a monthly amount; and noted that he was pleased to see funds being reserved for planning legal and enforcement budgets which may start to address some of the problems identified recently in Walsham in this regard; and queried the relationship between MSDC and ICENI (the company putting plans together for MSDC, for the development of the site). Cllr RM was not sure on the latter and agreed to check and report back outside the meeting. The Clerk asked if Cllr RM wanted to say anything to Parish Council about a response to the Sports, Leisure and Physical activity consultation. He strongly encouraged the Parish Council to make a submission. The Clerk also asked if Cllr RM had any views on the correspondence between resident and Jo Churchill's office and the suggestion that the Parish Council make a submission which would potentially carry more weight in the forthcoming meeting Jo Churchill has with MSDC. Cllr Meyer suggested that as this basically came down to a national priority regarding planning law and resources, this would be a good opportunity to make a representation in support.

The full reports can be found on the village website at: <https://www.walsham-le-willows.org/explore/governance-community/parish-council/#parish-council-documents-meeting-records>

Two members of the public made submissions concerning application 00878. Parish Council strongly encouraged them to submit objections and to get as many others as possible, to do so.

Public Open Forum was closed

## **2 PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DISCUSSED** (plus any received after the publication of this agenda)

### **APPLICATION FOR LISTED BUILDING CONSENT - DC/21/00842**

**Proposal:** Application for Listed Building Consent - Damp prevention measures as per Schedule of Works. The north external wall of Clive Cottage forms the boundary with Clive House and has had significant issues with damp. The proposed looks to implement a new surface water drainage system to eliminate the damp issues. **Location:** Clive Cottage, The Street, Walsham Le Willows, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 3AZ **The Parish Council Made No Comment**

### **APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/21/00878**

**Proposal:** Planning Application - Erection of 1 No dwelling and vehicular access. **Location:** Land Rear Of Avenue House, The Street, Walsham Le Willows, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 3AZ **The Parish Council Objected** *Clerk to submit comment revised by Cllr RB and copy to parishioners making representation*

### **APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/21/00899**

**Proposal:** Planning Application - Change of use of existing farmyard area to the east to

residential curtilage. Construction of 3no outbuildings for the storage of vehicles and domestic and sundry items associated with maintaining the property and grounds. **Location:** Sunnyside House, Finningham Road, Walsham Le Willows, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 3BJ **The Parish Council Made No Comment**

### **3 PLANNING OUTCOMES (decided by Mid Suffolk District Council, Planning)**

#### **APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREE(S) IN A CONSERVATION AREA - DC/21/00536**

**Proposal:** Application for works to a tree in a Conservation Area - Fell 1No Birch tree, leaning

over and overhanging neighbour's property (re-planting other trees) **Location:** 7 Cherry Tree Row, Finningham Road, Walsham Le Willows, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP31 3BQ **MSDC Does Not Wish To Object**

### **4 MATTERS ARISING**

- 4.1 **Development & Neighbourhood Plan** - update Cllr Belson & NP group representatives. Cllr RB reported that most recent scheduled meeting went ahead as planned. The main focus was the Broad Meadow development and influencing in the early stages. Apparently, a face-to-face meeting has taken place between two NP group members and ICENI. The Parish Council discussed and resolved that the Clerk should write the NP group to ask for details of that meeting. Action Clerk Cllr RM also undertook find out a bit more about the role of ICENI and feedback to the Parish Council. Action Cllr RM Also discussed plans for moving back to more open consultation as lockdown eases.
- 4.2 **Streetlighting conversion update** – Clerk noted previously circulated information showing running costs down by £440 on last year even though not all lamps have yet been upgraded in the period invoiced, and those that were will have been charged at higher rates before they were upgraded. Clerk noted Cllr NM's question re the unchanged maintenance costs and will follow up. Action Clerk
- 4.3 **Community Council & Foodbank-** Cllr IB advised no further contact from the Licensing Team at MSDC re the 200 Club. Cllr RM had previously indicated that he thought that this might now just be accepted given that it has been confirmed that no more funds are held for disbursement by the club. Action Cllr RM to try to get confirmation of resolution. Cllr IB advised that the Coffee shop will hopefully opening again from 12<sup>th</sup> April for al fresco use until such time as restrictions are further eased, probably in May or June. The Food Bank is issuing more food that is currently being donated. Cash donations continue to be received. Fridge freezer has been installed to store butter and bread. Items required for Easter, modest Easter eggs/chocolate etc. The last three editions of the Observer have been successfully printed by Gipping Press, so the CC is in discussions with the PCC about bringing joint Widows Room printing room

venture to a close.

- 4.4 **Agenda items 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, and 4.8 from last month's agenda** The Clerk advised that these have transferred to an Action Log pending the easing of lockdown constraints on MSDC responses. The action log will be circulated before each meeting and/or reviewed under reports at each meeting. This was noted.
- 4.5 **Village Maintenance Volunteers** - The Clerk reported that the ad had been placed again in the Observer and there had been one further volunteer come forward and added to the list. Cllr PA suggested that when the ads next published, we approach requests for volunteers in the round to cover general village maintenance skills, litter picking and possibly even general tidying high profile areas.
- 4.6 **Village Presentation Orderly** - The Clerk advised that the new barrow had been received. Cllrs TR and PA proposed that the Parish Council shed was replaced with a container that would be more secure for the holding of all Parish Council equipment. There were some reservations about appearance in a conservation area. Also, it was suggested that a planning application would be needed. Cllr TR to reflect some more and to seek costings. The Clerk advised that practical trials would be commenced for applicants that have come forward so far for the role, pending the closure date for receipt of applications. Action Clerk
- 4.7 **Play & Recreation Area**
1. **Lease** – The Clerk advised that final version of clean lease had been sent to Mark Beaton at Charles Fraser in the hope that he may be able to give it a quick clean bill of health from a legal perspective for the Parish Council, given that all the policy decisions had been agreed informally between The Old Town Trust (OTT) and Clerk. OTT had only one sticking point of those raised by the Clerk which was a termination cause based on 'falling into disuse'. On reflection this was conceded to be able to proceed. All other drafting suggestions were agreed by lawyers for the OTT.
  2. **Preparations for implementation of development plan** This was discussed at length. It was resolved that Cllr BK will seek updated indicative quotes so that individual items can be sourced from different suppliers to try to achieve best value. The development plan will then be updated based on a new final specification which will probably go out to tender depending on contract value and any phasing decisions that may be decided upon. It was agreed that a sub-committee of two councillors should be formed to meet with volunteers as development progresses.
  3. **Volunteer work** - Clerk advised that our volunteer had asked if, based on RoSPA report structural testing for all posts on rope swing should be carried out before the two already identified for replacement were tackled. AS the RoSPA report had not 'red-listed' this equipment it was resolved to delay repair until such time as decision have been made on the further development of the area. Action Clerk to advise volunteer.



- 4.9 **Safeguarding** - The Clerk advised that it had been established from the public realm team at BMSDC that in their opinion there is no safeguarding issues for the Parish Council in relation to children at the playground, only for the safety of equipment. Unprompted, it was also mentioned, that if there were safeguarding concerns for children using the play area that the only measure that could be expected is the reduction in the height of the boundary hedge. The Clerk also advised that as a result of this issue being raised, CGM (play area grass cutting contractors, have confirmed and supplied their own safeguarding policy which is now on file.
- 4.8 **Stream maintenance** – This was discussed in the light of previously circulated emails. The Clerk advised findings so far in Riparian Ownership. Cllr JF was asked about any possible funding from MSDC for stream clearance, flood prevention which is being followed up. No resolution was made about Parish Council co-ordination, but it was resolved that the possibility of funding should be pursued. It is likely that there may be some news on this soon.
- 4.9 **Closed Churchyard**
1. The Clerk advised that Philip Orchard had carried out a survey on 4<sup>th</sup> March. Action Clerk to follow up receipt of schedule of works considered necessary and to circulate for decision on how to proceed.
  2. It was resolved that the Clerk should work with Frances Jenner and GWE committee as necessary on the rejuvenation of the roses bounding the path and pricing for bulb sacks to be put forward as suggested donations. To be added to action log and removed from agenda.
- 4.10 **Report of lamp post knocked over by milk lorry** – Clerk reported no further progress made on identifying the vehicle/company involved and proposed no further time is spent on this and item is removed from the agenda. This was agreed.
- 4.11 **Spring Litter Pick Update** Cllrs Roberts and Mecrow proposed that warning signage is purchased for each approach road to the village as per the new risk assessment for this activity. Action Cllr TR to obtain quotes for 6 such signs. Also, that the litter pick had been postponed following risk assessment and given current lock down restrictions. Clerk has advised all the volunteers and asked that in the meantime they confirm receipt and understanding of the updated guidance and risk assessment. New dates proposed and agreed, 10/11<sup>th</sup> April. Action Clerk to advise volunteers and, given the number of volunteers that have come forward ask if any would be interested in alternative jobs like tidying the paths around the Church for example.
- 4.12 **Development Issues - Wattisfield Road** The Clerk referred to earlier discussions with Cllr RM [agenda item 1.6] about a submission to Jo Churchill in support of complaint made by parishioner which seems to have gained some traction. The Clerk suggested maybe referring Jo Churchill to the Parish Council minute reference 1.6 (submission to MSDC planning with concerns) from minutes of

February 2020 would be appropriate in the first instance. This was agreed. Clerk to make submission.

## **5 OTHER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

### **5.1 New consultation: Planning - model design code - deadline: 12 March 2021**

Formulate a response. It was resolved that there was not enough time before deadline to pull together a coherent response.

### **5.2 BMSDC - Leisure, Sport and Physical Activity Strategy**

Following discussion with Cllr RM [1.6] it was resolved that the Clerk should submit the revised response that had been previously circulated with additional mention of the part played by footpaths in helping to maintain physical exercise, even more so during lockdown, the distance of the village from any MSDC facilities, the trade-off between development of the sports club beyond the boundaries of its current site and retaining local appeal and appropriateness to local streetscape, and the inevitable problem of parking space. Clerk to finalise and submit.

## **6 CORRESPONDENCE**

### **6.1 Request for use of Parish Council Marquee for WI event in June.**

This was discussed and in the light of recently revised understanding of the requirements of the insurer for the Parish Council, it was agreed that a draft agreement for the loan of the marquees should be drawn up and circulated for agreement. Once agreed this to be circulated to all village organisations who have previously borrowed the marquees.

## **7 REPORTS**

### **7.1 Clerk's report & financial report to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021 & request for payments.**

The summary of payments has been signed digitally against invoices, or otherwise authorised, by Councillors Bartholomew and Kinnair pending wet signature at later date.

| # | Payee                   | Amount    | Description                                |
|---|-------------------------|-----------|--|
| 1 | Glasdon UK Limited      | £1,486.06 | New pavement sweeper barrow and pick stick |
| 2 | Clarkes of Walsham      | £30.79    | Woodworm treatment for shed                |
| 3 | Parish Council Employee | £684.59   | Wages                                      |
| 4 | Parish Council Employee | £162.29   | Wages                                      |
| 5 | Kevin Boardley          | £20.45    | Expenses                                   |
| # | Payments In             | Amount    | Description                                |
| 1 | MSDC                    | £530.00   | Locality Award for SID parts               |

### **7.2 Internal Control Check – Insurance Cover**

- It was resolved that a review by Councillors of the Parish Council insurance documentation had concluded that

the cover provided was sufficient if the newly acquired assets are covered. The Clerk confirmed that the current banding is not exceeded with assets recently added to the register.

- 7.3 **Internal Auditor** – The Clerk proposed that SALC is engaged again for the 2020/21 internal audit. It was resolved to agree this.
- 7.4 **Problem Reports SCC** The Clerk advised that there were some issues still to report and recently it has been apparent that a few are actually being accepted for resolution.
- 7.5 **Action Log** – The Clerk displayed the new action log and advised that there was nothing to review at this stage other than noting the woodworm treatment had been applied to the Parish Council shed.
- 7.6 **For information**
  - 1. CAS membership renewed - noted
  - 2. Grit bins refilled - noted
  - 3. Gutter sweeping requested; another will be requested for August - noted

## **8 FOOTPATHS & TREES**

- 8.1 **Footpath Warden - Cllr Belson** – nothing to report
- 8.2 **Tree Warden – Cllr Belson** - The Clerk asked Cllr RB about the recent hedge maintenance on Summer Road by Cayzer's Meadow. This was discussed and it was resolved that the Clerk should contact the tree officer at MSDC as, given the size of some of the trees in the hedge, this work probably should not have been undertaken without an application to MSDC and and/or seeking agreement of the Parish Council. It was however thought that despite this, the work carried out had improved the situation for the passage of traffic and is work that needed to be completed.

## **9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS/QUESTIONS TO THE CHAIRMAN (No decisions made under AOB)**

- 9.1 Cllr NM made the point that we needed to try to reduce the length of the meetings. It was acknowledged that this one had been longer than usual because there were six or seven issues that required some discussion and resolution. The Clerk made the point that if this was an issue then all members had to be mindful of the length of discussions, including the time allowed for representations in Public Open Forum which according to standing orders should not morph into discussions with members of the public on the issues raised, no response or decision being required in the same meeting, unless there is relevant item elsewhere on the agenda. This is specifically to prevent Councillor's from in any way being bounced into make on the spot responses without time for due consideration but also serves to help control the length of meetings.

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*Kevin Boardley, Proper Officer, Clerk to Walsham-le-Willows Parish Council*



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# SPRING EASTER AND NEW LIFE

‘I am come to calm your fears: I am come to console you in the absence of bright days, and to reassure you of their return.’ **The Snowdrop** – Revd John Keble 1792-1866

The above words were written with Spring in mind, and yet this year of course they can all too well be applied to the times we are living through; namely the Coronavirus Pandemic.

For some considerable time now, in our gardens and churchyards, the snowdrops have been in evidence, foretelling the coming of Spring whose official arrival is later this weekend (I am writing this in mid- March). The daffodils and tulips are in full bloom, whilst directly outside the Rectory window the song thrush takes up position each morning to herald in a new day. A robin is sitting on her eggs in the ivy, and the chiffchaff has returned from its winter holiday in Africa, some two weeks ago; no quarantine or self-isolating for him!

There is optimism and hope in the air; and never more so than in the coming season of Easter, which begins on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April. Easter being a time when we reflect upon new life, not just in the natural world around us, but in the new and eternal life that is promised to us through the death and subsequent resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Although still not permitted to sing within our church buildings, for those attending church services on Easter Sunday, the words of that famous 14<sup>th</sup> Century hymn, ‘Jesus Christ is Risen Today,’ will be foremost upon the lips of those Easter churchgoers.

Towards the end of April the Christian Church celebrates Vocations Sunday (25<sup>th</sup>). So often we tend to associate vocation with those who serve as Priests, missionaries, and overseas aid workers, with those involved in medical care, teaching and social work. The problem with this from a Christian standpoint, is that it excludes a great majority of humanity. What about farm labourers, shop assistants, solicitors, factory workers, bartenders, cleaners, office workers, bankers and estate agents? Of course, it is true that some people have a strong sense of vocation and choose to pursue their chosen career with varying degrees of selflessness. But most people have limited choices open to them and are only too glad to have work of any kind; mundane and hard work and often with little reward.

True vocation, as far as employment is concerned, is to be found not only in what we do, but also, and more critically, in how we do it, the attitude which we bring to it

Secondly, we can think about vocation as something outside the jobs we do, and many of course will no longer have jobs anyway. Vocation is something we bring to the organisations we belong to, the groups or communities of which we are a part, formally or otherwise.

The Church rejoices this Easter that the risen Lord Jesus has overcome death with His Resurrection. Such a message has resonated down the centuries and brought solace to many finding life difficult. For Christians the world over, our Vocation is to share that message with our family, friends and neighbours.

*Philip  
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# CHARLIE'S OUTING

Charlie Studd was born in Stanton and after marrying Walsham girl Marjorie Debenham moved to Walsham le Willows. In the 1960's Charlie had the idea that he would like to take the village children on a trip to the seaside. Destination Lowestoft.

The main fund raising events towards the outing was the Annual Jumble Sale and Bingo both held in the Memorial Hall. The Jumble Sale being in May. Keen Jumblers would start to queue 30 minutes before the doors opened and then it would resemble a Rugby scrum.

The outing became a regular event with military planning. Up to 7 coaches would line up at the Memorial Hall with each street having its own bus. Each coach would have a monitor with a list of everyone on the coach. Time of departure 9am. All the children received an envelope with the same amount of spending money. Crisps too would be handed out on the bus.

On route to Lowestoft a stop would be made at the village of Homersfield where there was a large lay-by where the children would receive a bottle of coke. The adults could purchase a soft drink or beer.

After alighting the coach at Lowestoft many would dash for the underground toilets while others would make for the beach where a refreshment kiosk and Fish and Chips shop would do a roaring trade that day. Others were prepared with a packed lunch.

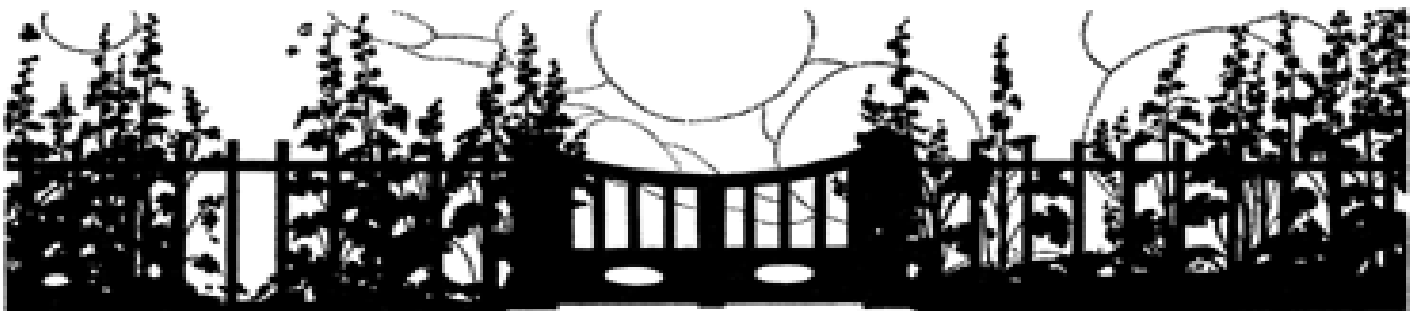
After lunch some Mums would head for the town leaving Dad to childmind and build sandcastles. As 5.30pm approached clearing up would begin and the deckchairs returned to the Attendant. Time of departure 6pm. On the return a stop would be made at Homersfield where a drink would be enjoyed and money collected for the Drivers was put in a pool and divided equally amongst them.

Charlie's Outing to Lowestoft was an Annual must for almost 20 years and on his final year before the coaches left Lowestoft Charlie was presented with a silver salver. Happy memories. Thank you Charlie.

Following Charlie, Trevor Rolfe and Ralph Hubbard took on the task of arranging the annual outings to Lowestoft that continued until the late 1980's.

*Hubb Frost*

*Note: Charlie was a Japanese prisoner of war during WW2 ,when he finally returned home he worked for Horace Hunt a builder in Palm Street, he later started his own building business.*







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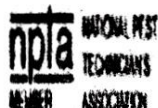
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# SPORTS CLUB REPORT

It is tempting fate to suggest that the horizon on which sport can again be played in the village is looking a lot closer than it was . Not close enough, unfortunately, to rescue the football season with decisions already made by Suffolk FA that games involving Walsham 1sts, reserves and U 18s will not commence again until next season. In some ways it is good to know where we stand, as if games had continued without spectator and bar income to offset the cost of running the matches, it would have left more holes in the Club finances. On the other hand , the prospect of the cricket season starting on time is good as all early fixtures are normally played away to avoid clashing with football at home and if the projected date of May 17<sup>th</sup> for the club to again be open still happens, life may return to a semblance of normal.

An important new security CCTV ingredient has been installed on both sides of the road together with pavilions and machinery compounds fully covered by alarms; it follows the break in we suffered last summer with equipment and machinery stolen. It does however mean more care needs taking by us men when popping behind a tree for a wee which becomes a bit more risky and certainly the little group who have parked up behind the football stand at weekends this winter would be advised to take their debris away with them in future as Big Brother is watching now.

By the time this copy of the Observer is in your hands, representatives of the Club will have met up with the District Council to discuss the provision of leisure facilities both current and future; it will be interesting to find out just how proactive local government is going to be about improved support for rural areas like ours. The Sports Club has a good track record of delivering increased access for the community to sport and recreation using whatever grants have been available plus their own fundraising but there is a limit to what can be managed solely by volunteers so if fresh opportunities are available that recognise that fact, it will be interesting.

There is always a need for fresh thinking on what would make our village an even better place to live so any ideas from parishioners on sport and leisure will always be welcomed by the Club so don't be shy in coming forward.

*Ian Campbell*

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# WILDLIFE IN APRIL

We now seem to have a spring in our step after the clocks have gone forward, and the evenings have started to get lighter for us all. We have either started to plan what we intend to do with our gardens or some have already started with giving our gardens a well needed lift of colour with daffodils, primroses and tulips. A great tip with your Daffodils and Tulips is when the flower dies deadhead them, but leave the green foliage for a month or two before cutting back as this allows the nutrients to go back to the bulb for a better display next year. Plants that produce many flowers such as Primroses, deadhead the dead or dying flowers to encourage the plant to produce more flowers, giving you a better and longer display but one that will be also beneficial for the early insects coming out of hibernation. Ladybirds after hibernating will feed on the nectar of flowers and then later on become the gardener's friend by devouring aphids. The ladybird's lifespan after becoming an adult is only one year, but in that one year the average seven spot Ladybird can eat around 5000 aphids! The larvae can be very hungry too, you may see them on your plants, they are black in colour with yellow dots. Did you know the word Ladybird comes from references to the Virgin Mary or Our Lady who was often painted wearing a red cloak. In April you may also see stoats, they have a brown body with a white underbelly and a back tip on the tail. This is their breeding season, on average a female stoat will have between five to twelve kits. They shelter in banks, hollow tree trunks or a nest of grasses, and their prey consists of mice, rats, birds, hares, rabbits and voles. Our dear little vole 'Ratty' is also busy at this time of the year with breeding, as you walk along the banks and waterways you may be lucky enough to see one, or spot their little burrow near the water's edge with nibbled grasses around the entrance. As we walk around, as many of us have this past year, you will be seeing cowslips on fields, meadows and grasslands which will flower April to May. The Old English word for cowslip is cu-sloppe meaning cowpat. This is because they were frequently seen growing in the fields with the cows near a cowpat! Also with this month remember to listen out for the cuckoo, which when heard normally stops people in their tracks to listen and also gets people asking others, have you heard the cuckoo yet?

*Angie Nice*

**Barber:** *How long is it now since you last had your hair cut sir?*

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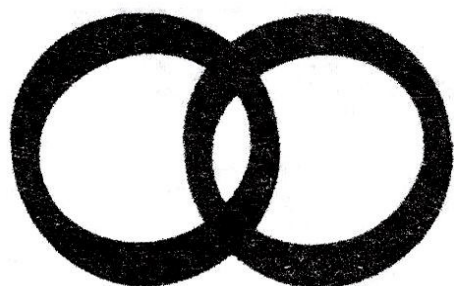
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# JUST ANOTHER DAY?

With Maggie leaving by car for a vaccine jab, it seemed sense to get the Morris Minor out of the garage, give her some road running exercise, fill up with petrol and check tyre pressures, without undertaking a noisy disruptive car shunt operation out of the drive like that made by two jaunty teenagers in that so memorable programme of the 1980's called 'Butterflies' and starring Wendy Craig and Geoffrey Palmer. The Morris started at the first pull of the button and while she stood in the driveway warming up, I brought in the empty bin from the morning collection, just in time to see Minnie, our black cat, racing across the road from Nunn's Yard with yet another Nunn's Yard trophy mouse to drop in a half chewed bloody state on our kitchen floor.

The Morris and I made gentle progress along roads bordered by yard wide rivers of water, the thrum of the little engine loud and reassuring as ever, just as you would expect from a venerable vehicle sixty five years of age. At Stanton Service Station I was wondering how to kneel while inflating tyre pressures without getting my knees wet, when Martin, the Outdoor Overseer came forward to volunteer, then assisted with the filling up of petrol as well. What a man, what a service! The bill for petrol and a new bottle of Redex lead replacement, paid – we oldies need a little something extra to keep us happy – and with renewed thanks to Martin for his help, the Morris and I set out to extend our short safari. Suddenly I could not see as steam potholed up through the floor as we splashed through flood water which cast endless spray across the exposed and very hot exhaust pipe beneath me. So much vapour in the car in fact that the dashboard instrument panel steamed up and I was unable to check my speed in a restricted zone; how worrying was that!

By Wattisfield, Rickinghall and Allwood Green, there were breaks in the cloud, the rain stopped and, at Rob Hall Corner, we turned right to make our way back to Walsham. A little way beyond the roadway to Westhorpe Lodge, the Morris suddenly became jerky, chuntering, slowing down as though someone was applying a restraining order. I managed to keep her going for a few hundred yards before a downhill slope allowed her to freewheel towards Old Hall, but no further. What now? This driver does not do modern communications but fortunately a lady admirer of Morris Minors, especially ones in British Racing Green, came by, made the call to Reg Bradley for assistance. How wonderful was that and I know no more than that her name was Sandra and that she was a Home Carer on her way to a client.

Reg soon identified the problem, a malfunctioning petrol pump, and soon organized a safe return home for the Morris and myself. I celebrated my good fortune by visiting Rolfes Butchers where yet more lovely, helpful people packed purchases into my serviceman's shoulder bag and carefully did up the straps.

These several acts of kindly help made with such easy generosity and warmth of feeling in the face of our current worldly concerns was almost overwhelming, sufficient to raise the most despondent of spirits, to ensure a lasting smile of appreciation and, again, the realization of the power of love. An tha' dun't cost yu nuth'n!

*Rob Barber*

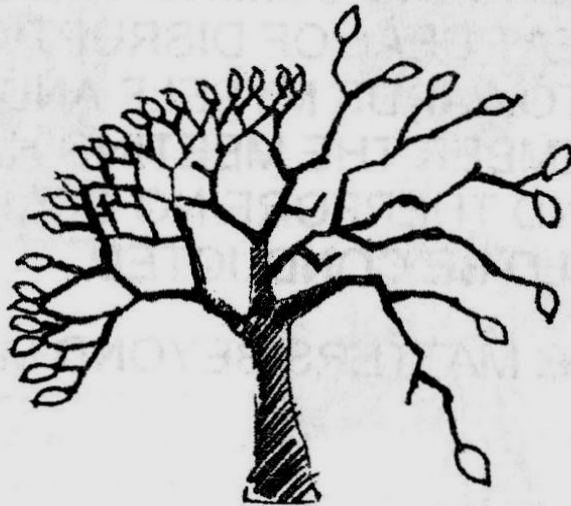
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# WALSHAM REMEMBERED

I was born in Walsham-le-Willows just 80 years ago and I spent my childhood there until I went out in the world to earn my living.

My father was head gardener at The Grove and we lived in a lovely old house at the bottom of The Avenue. When I look at it now I wonder what was so lovely about it - but the reason, of course, was because we were all so happy there. My mother was a real home maker - and she was always there. Living in The Grove at that time was a dear old lady by the name of West. She had been widowed twice and had four grown-up children by her first husband - their name was Thoronton. My father used to say that the entire family had no red blood in them at all - it was all blue - which was meant as a real compliment. Mrs. West suddenly had an idea that she would like her own farm butter, milk and cream. The estate then owned a lot of pasture land - so cows were bought - my father was taught about milking, etc., so he supervised both jobs and an extra gardener was brought in to help.

Our house at that time had an old fashioned oven let into the wall from the scullery; that was taken out, a new pantry was built and a new dairy was made. A farmer's wife taught mother how to make butter, and she became a very busy woman indeed. She had an arrangement with the schoolmaster to keep me at home every Thursday morning to turn the churn - that was the morning the butter was made. I was in my element - it was much better than lessons, and as my reports from school were full of "could do better" mother thought I was more usefully employed in helping her.

Much more money was coming into the house and we became quite comfortably off - all achieved by hard work.

But happiness like that doesn't last - I think perhaps God thought we had had our ration for the time being.

The first blow fell when Mrs. West died suddenly - and we all thought it was the end of all the good things that she did in the parish - like Christmas parties. Her grave is in the cemetery. But, as the saying goes "The King is dead - long live the King" - and life went on in exactly the same way. The Miss. Thorontons still wanted their butter and milk; the children still had their parties, and life for us was same for some years to come.

The next blow was that it was thought Suffolk was too cold for Miss. Lucy Thoronton, who was supposed to be delicate (she lived to be 91!) and they had bought a house in Bournemouth. The people who bought The Grove did not want to be bothered with the farm - they much preferred from the Maypole Dairy in Bury. So my father went back to his flowers and my father was glad to give it up; we were all out earning our living and my mother missed my help in the dairy. Dad loathed the new man at The Grove - we heard no more about 'blue blood', but we heard quite a lot about red.

The next blow that fell was much greater than any of the others. My father woke one morning in dreadful pain and was stricken with arthritis. After a specialist had seen him he told mother that he would never work again. When the 'gent' at The Grove was told



his first words were "I shall need the house". At that time we had a marvelous parson in the village, the Rev. Arthur Briggs. He went down to see Mr Martineau - that was Richard Martineau's grandfather - and put the case to him. He said he had an empty cottage and would have it all done out if mother liked it. So as soon as my father could be moved, my uncle and dad's friends laid the carpets, put up the curtains and made it all ready for dad to be carried into the rooms and mother had all the help she needed. The cottage was nearly opposite the Church and mother made it into a cosy little home with much less work for her to do. The most important place in the village was The Street. The street had everything - it was completely self-supporting. It had to be. The only way of getting into Bury was by horse and cart - open-topped at that and in all weathers. I can remember going as a very small child, just once as a treat.

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# A FRIENDSHIP OF 50 YEARS

## Through the N H S

I first met Hong Ding, who was so devoted and caring when I was a patient in Ward 1 at the old West Suffolk Hospital in 1969. This was one of 6 wooden huts that had been used by the military during the war. Hong had come from Malaysia with a group of friends to train at the hospital. They lived at Batt House in Westgate Street. She tells me her first wage was £11.00 per month.

When she came back on duty one day I asked if she had enjoyed her day off, to which she replied not really we do not know where to visit. I then said once I get home you are welcome to visit us. This invitation was accepted by her and a friend, they travelled on the bus and many visits were enjoyed. One thing they really appreciated was sitting near a real fire as they had felt the cold since arriving here.

After an Appendectomy operation Hong Spent 2 weeks convalescing at a home at Holt, Norfolk and spent the next 2 weeks recuperating with us in Walsham. We thoroughly enjoyed this time as she told us about her family and home life.

Hong graduated as a Staff Nurse and went on to Woolwich to train as a Midwife and actually used a cycle to attend home deliveries but these were gradually phased out.

On returning home she met and married See Hua Phang in January 1975. Shortly after they emigrated to Australia where she later gained a degree in Oncology at University and spent several years working in a private clinic.

Yi lee, their youngest son is a GP and practices in Melbourne and the eldest Yi ern, is a Lawyer in Sydney.

We always kept in touch, firstly by letter writing, emails and lately since the Pandemic, numerous phone calls. It was a huge privilege to visit them in their home in 2001 and they visited us in 2006.

*Ruth Frost*



## A MYSTERY

In 1961, towards the end of her long writing career, Agatha Christie wrote a novel called 'The Pale Horse' and the story is about a pub of that name. The title comes from the Book of Revelation, sometimes called the Apocalypse, which is based on the Greek word for 'revealing'. Poirot and Miss Marple are not involved, but the Queen of Crime could not resist delivering another mystery thriller.

The Greeks, again, had a word for it. They called the puzzle of existence a 'musterion', and our word 'mystery' is clearly derived from it. In the present darkness and confusion, the mystery may be steadily unravelling, providing we follow NHS guidelines. The early Greeks had no such help, but eventually they managed to pull through with their watchword of moderation.

*Asklepios*



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There are many ways you can also get involved and help support SARS. Please take a look on the SARS website [www.sars999.org.uk/get-involved/](http://www.sars999.org.uk/get-involved/)

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For the uninitiated, the rules of So-Doku are very simple.

Each row, column and large square must contain the numbers 1 to 9 inclusive.

It's as simple as that, but you must apply logic to find which number goes where.

So, beginner or expert, happy hunting!



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Which Roman city was buried by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius?



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## **No Real Happiness**

A certain man made an appointment to see his doctor and, once in the consulting room, explained that no matter what he did, he always felt miserable – he just did not know what to do to make things better. The doctor looked at him for a moment and then asked him over to the window. “Do you see that tent over there?” said the doctor, pointing into the distance, “Well, there is a really good circus in town, and I recommend the clowns, especially one particular clown called Joseph Grimaldi, he is extremely funny. Go and see that clown, he will have you rocking with laughter over and over and you will have no reason to feel miserable ever again!” The man looked back at the doctor with sad eyes and uttered a shocking statement. “Doctor, I am that clown, I am Grimaldi!”

Born in December 1778, Joseph ‘Joey’ Grimaldi was a very famous English clown who came from a family of dancers and entertainers; in fact, it was he that developed the iconic white painted face still used by clowns today. At the height of his fame, Grimaldi was considered unrivalled as a comic performer, however, he was forced to retire at just 45 having been diagnosed with ‘premature old age’ and later died an alcoholic in poverty in 1837, aged just 58. Such was his fame, his memoirs were edited by Charles Dickens. Sadly, Joseph discovered, as so many others have discovered, that riches, success, and the acclaim of the world do not guarantee the real and lasting peace and satisfaction they promise. The world would tell us to pursue ‘fame and fortune’ and we will be happy, however, we can all think of so many who have achieved wealth, fame, and adulation only to find it does not truly satisfy and they come to a sad and miserable end.

All the strived for glories of this world are elusive, passing, and will fade away but real and lasting peace and contentment are to be found in and through the Lord Jesus Christ; only through faith and trust in him as a personal Saviour can the sad, lonely, and troubled soul find forgiveness for sin and peace with God. This wonderful peace and contentment is not just for this world but for all of eternity. Do come along and hear for yourselves, the good news of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, as the Bible is read and preached week by week.

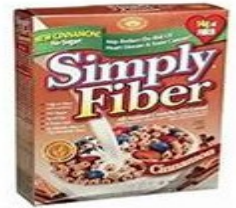
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**Happy is that people, whose God is the LORD. (Psalm 144:15)**





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| 7.00pm                 | Said Communion                       | Finningham  | 18 <sup>th</sup> April | 3 <sup>rd</sup> of Easter |             |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> April  | Good Friday                          |             | 9.30am                 | Said Communion            | Walsham     |
| 12.00pm                | Meditation music/<br>prayers/reading | Walsham     | 3.00pm                 | Evensong                  | Westhorpe   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> April  | Easter Sunday                        |             | 25 <sup>th</sup> April | 4 <sup>th</sup> of Easter |             |
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| 11.00am                | Said Communion                       | Walsham     | 2 <sup>nd</sup> May    | 5 <sup>th</sup> of Easter |             |
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30. Soup 31. Enid Blyton 32. A Midsummer's Night Dream 33. Grimm 34. Jane Austin  
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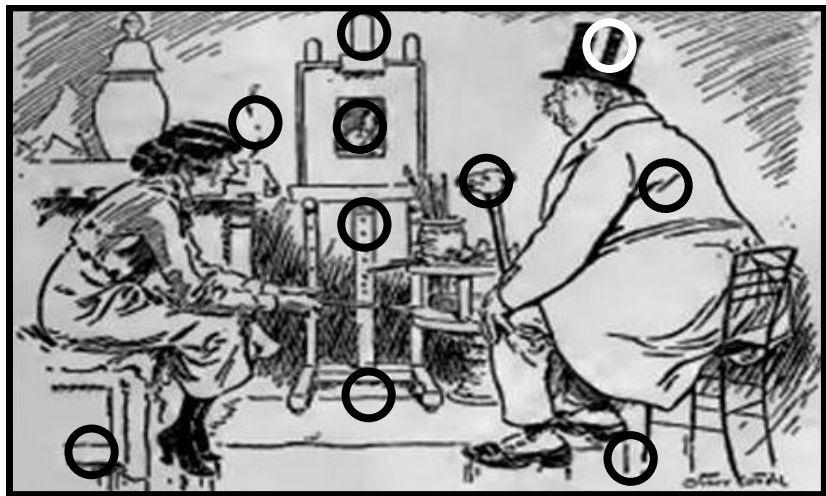
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## Spot the Difference



## Searching for Words

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| Pees   | Per                   | Pest   | Rasp  | Rasped | Rat   |
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### USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

|                                    |                     |                               |                     |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Community Council Secretary</b> |                     | <b>Surgeries</b>              |                     |
| <b>Ian Bartholomew</b>             | <b>01359-258349</b> | <b>Ixworth</b>                | <b>01359-230252</b> |
|                                    |                     | <b>Stanton</b>                | <b>01359-251192</b> |
| <b>Police</b>                      |                     | <b>Botesdale</b>              | <b>01379-898295</b> |
| <b>Suffolk Police</b>              | <b>01473-613500</b> | <b>Woolpit</b>                | <b>01359-240298</b> |
| <b>Stowmarket</b>                  | <b>01473-383400</b> |                               |                     |
| <b>Neighbourhood Watch</b>         |                     | <b>Parish Council Chair</b>   |                     |
| <b>wlwnhw@gmail.com</b>            |                     | <b>Trevor Roberts</b>         | <b>01359-251144</b> |
| <b>David Murray</b>                | <b>07740 123585</b> | <b>Parish Council Clerk</b>   | <b>clerk@</b>       |
|                                    |                     | <b>Kevin Boardley</b>         | <b>walshampc.</b>   |
| <b>Rev. Phillip Merry</b>          | <b>01359-258806</b> |                               | <b>myzen.co.uk</b>  |
|                                    | <b>07526 271784</b> | <b>District Councillor</b>    |                     |
|                                    |                     | <b>Richard Meyer</b>          | <b>01359-251760</b> |
| <b>Anglian Water</b>               |                     |                               | <b>07771 703668</b> |
| <b>Emergencies (24hr)</b>          | <b>0845 7145145</b> | <b>County Councillor</b>      |                     |
| <b>Accounts</b>                    | <b>0800 919155</b>  | <b>Mrs Jessica Flemming</b>   | <b>01449-711065</b> |
|                                    |                     | <b>Suffolk County Council</b> | <b>03456-066067</b> |
| <b>Eastern Electricity</b>         | <b>0800 7838838</b> |                               |                     |
| <b>British Telecom</b>             |                     | <b>Member of Parliament</b>   |                     |
| <b>Customer Service</b>            | <b>150</b>          | <b>Jo Churchill</b>           | <b>0207-2198487</b> |
| <b>Line Faults</b>                 | <b>151</b>          |                               |                     |

### VILLAGE ORGANISATION CONTACTS

#### **Allotments Group**

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**millcroft66@gmail.com**

#### **History Group**

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#### **Horticultural Show**

**Judith Harlow 258251 Judith@gharlow.plus.com**

#### **Mothers & Toddlers**

**Jasmine Cunningham 07462971568**

#### **Sports Club**

**Mike Powles 07379089890 mike.powles@btconnect.com**

#### **Walsham Wild Wood**

**Lorna MacKinnon 259140 mackinnonlorna@gmail.com**

#### **Women's Institute**

**Pearl Cobbold 259729 cobboldpearl@aol.com**

**If your group has not been included and you would like it to be please contact Ian**

## **Notice from Walsham le Willows Parish Council**

# **CORONAVIRUS**

### **Register for Vulnerable People & Volunteers**

**The Parish Council** are in the process of building confidential registers of vulnerable people in the village and of volunteers who will make themselves available to assist where required. Obviously information from these registers will need to be shared appropriately but with due regard to General Data Protection Regulations.

**Priority** will be given to those older people who are living alone (or elderly couples) without nearby family support. The aim is simply to ensure that no-one in the village is left alone without support as evolving government advice (or orders) are put into practice.

Please contact the Clerk preferably by email (see below) to advise any of the following:

If you need support

If you know someone who needs support

If you are willing to volunteer to support someone

If you are already supporting someone

This information will greatly assist the Parish Council with co-ordination of responses and is especially important if someone is living alone even if the only requirement is to keep a close eye.

Kevin Boardley | Clerk to Parish Council | Walsham le Willows

Send email to | [clerk@walshampc.myzen.co.uk](mailto:clerk@walshampc.myzen.co.uk)

Or telephone | 01359 259 794 (please leave a message with name and number)

If you do not have an email account or need help, do ask someone to make contact on your behalf.