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The Editor and the
Community Council
would like to take
this opportunity of
wishing you all a
Very Merry Christmas
and a Happy
Healthy & Prosperous
New Year

BONFIRE NIGHT

Our bonfire night has become well supported by many people.

To hold such a successful firework display is a great achievement. We are part of a wonderful village, keep it going.

Well done everybody. You deserve all our thanks.

*Ken Willingale,
President, Community Council*



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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Notes on the meeting : 13th October 2021

(Minutes will be available on PC notice board in the High Street or www.naylandandwiston.net after the next meeting)

PUBLIC FORUM

A resident raised issues regarding HGV activity in Wiston.

A resident queried, following recent PC activity at Caley Green, if any works proposed would affect disabled access or outlook for those in wheelchairs. Mary George said no plans regarding access or barriers were likely to impair wheelchair users.

PC MEETINGS

Gerry Battye felt there has been some disconnection between the Council and residents generally in the last few years.

There will be two changes to the usual second Wednesday of the month; the next meeting will be on Tuesday 9th November and the February 2022 meeting would be on the third Wednesday; the 16th.

An open meeting to discuss Caley Green would be held in the village hall at 7.30p.m. on Tuesday 2nd November. The analysis of the public engagement and details of proposals would be posted on the PC's Dropbox webpage a week before the meeting.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh have granted consent at: **Roziers Cawley Road** [DC/21/04125] for erection of garden store and pump house following removal of existing garden store and pump house; at **Stour House 23 Court Street** [DC/21/03726] for discharge of conditions for DC/21/02798 regarding agreement of materials; at **Townlands Harpers Hill** [DC/21/05261] for discharge of conditions for DC/21/03931 regarding louvres/batons; at **16 Birch Street Nayland** [DC/21/04965] for works to trees to fell a sycamore tree to replace it with an apple tree; at **100 Bear Street** [DC/21/03624] for discharge of conditions for DC/20/04533 regarding landscaping, facing & roofing materials, fenestration, roof lights, eaves & verges, rainwater goods and gate, piers & brickwork) but the condition regarding fenestration was not discharged.

Between meetings councillors had no objections at **Bear House, Bear Street** [DC/21/04109] for erection of single storey rear extension by way of infilling of a lobby area and alterations to fenestration on the ground floor west facing or at **97 Bear Street** [DC/21/04980] for erection of a two storey rear extension and single storey side extension.

Councillors made no recommendation for an application at **Lower Courtwood, 13A Court Street** [DC/21/05250] for works to trees the reduction of 1 field maple tree to high pollard. An application at **41 Bear Street** [DC/21/05132] for change use of ground floor to holiday let has been withdrawn.

Discussing recent applications councillors had no objections at **5 Birch Street** [DC/21/05276] for listed building consent to replace cement render with lime mortar, insulating plaster, rainwater goods and flashing and repointing mortar to chimney; repointing mortar to fireplace and other internal works. Councillors made no recommendation for an application at **14 Church Lane** [DC/21/05479] for works to trees to fell 1 crab tree (T1) and reduction of 1 arbutus (T2) by up to 3m.

The PC had not received paperwork for a SCC application relating to **Harpers Hill Farm** [SCC/0099/19B] for variation of conditions relating to compliance with approved plans; hours of operation; and disposal of surface water. James Finch emphasised the need for the submission of actual evidence by residents and businesses in commenting on this application.

FAIRFIELD RECREATION GROUND AND PLAYPARK

Quotes for works required are being sought. The annual safety inspection report is awaited.

CALEY GREEN

Arrangements are being made for an open meeting. This will need to be publicised; reports and information will be available in advance of the meeting. Numbers attending would need to be restricted and Zoom facilities investigated.

Patricia Wilkie said it would explain the options and how we have looked at them and the information would be available on the webpage before the meeting. Gerry Battye felt the meeting should be to listen to residents and to provide information.

STREET LIGHTING

Works to streetlights ordered some time ago have still not been carried out; the funds for this remains in our bank account. James Finch will be asked to chase this issue.

FOOTPATHS

Laura Erith raised the poor condition of Dead Lane in Wiston which is part of St Edmunds Way; Laura will prepare a report.

VILLAGE HALL

Unfortunately the Wifi has not yet been installed due to the need of a telegraph pole. Hirers are setting their own Covid attendance limits.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Bonfire & Fireworks event will be held on 5th November.

The PC will require information regarding the proposed Platinum Jubilee commemorative mugs for discussion by the finance committee.

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PUBLIC FORUM

A resident asked when the PC would begin actioning the reinstatement of the Fishing Rights by reed reduction and could that be linked to the current proposals for Caley Green; perhaps that would be seen as giving something back bearing in mind the considerable number of people who are still upset by the proposals for planting along the bay.

Mary George said Fishing Rights are a status, not a location; Fishing Rights have not been lost.

A resident asked what was proposed, within the PC's plans, for the riverbank between the bench and the existing reed bed. Patricia Wilkie said there were no proposals for that area at the moment. The resident also asked if consideration could be given to moving the revetment proposed by the bench slightly so river-craft did not disturb those sitting on the bench. She was asked to email the suggestion to the Council.

HIGHWAYS

Suffolk CC are conducting a Lorry Route Survey. The questionnaire asks for statistics but doesn't provide adequate review of the problems we have in Nayland. James Finch suggested the PC create a bullet point list of issues that don't fit on the form and send to him.

A drain in Birch Street has been repaired but flooding is still occurring. Work has been carried out to encourage water running down Gravel Hill into the ditch. James Finch said until the problem is resolved when the weather forecast suggests a potential problem the drains will be cleaned ahead of the rainfall.

STREET LIGHTING

Works to streetlights ordered some time ago has been carried

out: the incorrect direction of a light in Church Lane has been rectified; a light in Birch Street has been relocated to the correct place but has yet to be painted; a lantern from elsewhere has been reused in Mill Street. That completes all outstanding authorised work.

CALEY GREEN

Following the open meeting where proposal were presented to residents, the deadline for comments will be 23rd November.

Patricia Wilkie mentioned the possibility of including a modest jetty (portage); this may extend the revetment by a metre. Mary George said some residents did not want a jetty. They will look at other portage points in the village and ask residents for comments.

Regarding the minutes of the open meeting on 2nd November Mary George said she had received requests to amend two points; 1. James Carr's response regarding the width of the planted area was "the coir roll may be one roll wide or could be more". 2. an omission at the end of the meeting "I appreciate the PC don't consider it part of this project and for discussion tonight, but in view of the strong feelings expressed this evening about the loss of fishing rights along the Green due to excessive reed growth will the PC now look towards rectifying that." And the response heard was, yes.

BANNERS ON CALEY GREEN

The PC had received a request from the Anchor Inn to display advertising banners for their ice rink by Horkesley Road and on Caley Green. There is a policy in place regarding application and conditions for displaying banners; this is available on the PC Dropbox webpages. Councillors were keen to support local businesses but wished to be fair to village organisations.

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 **Christmas Dates To Remember**

Christmas Day and Boxing Day fall on Friday and Saturday this year, and New Years Day is on the following Friday.

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**Refuse
Collection**

Black bins: collections due Thursday 23rd & Friday 24th December will have no change
 Blue bins: collections due Thursday 30th December will be Tuesday 4th January
 collections due on Friday 31st December will be on Wednesday 5th January
 Black bins: collections due Thursday 6th January will be Monday 10th January
 collections due on Friday 7th January will be on Tuesday 11th January
 Blue bins: collections due Thursday 13th January will be Saturday 15th January
 collections due on Friday 14th January will be on Monday 17th January
 Black bins: collections due Thursday 20th January will be Friday 21st January
 collections due on Friday 21st January will be on Saturday 22nd January
 Brown bins: no collection during weeks commencing 27th December & 3rd January.
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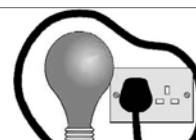
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INDUCTION OF REVD STÉPHANE JAVELLE



The stage was set. St Mary's church, Stoke by Nayland on 18th November 2021. The Bishop, Archdeacon local and visiting clergy joined a 160 strong congregation to welcome and to celebrate the institution, Induction and Installation of The Revd Stéphane Jean Michel Javelle as Rector of the Benefice of Stoke by Nayland, Polstead, Leavenheath and Nayland with Wissington.

The ceremony, almost medieval in tone, was performed by The Rt Revd Dr Mike Harrison, Suffragan Bishop of Dunwich and The Ven Dr. David Jenkins, Archdeacon of Sudbury. Our choir from St James was joined by choristers from neighbouring churches, all resplendent in their blue and scarlet robes. Say what you like about the church of England, but they do know how to put on a colourful show!! The service started with that great hymn 'The Church's one foundation' wonderful, a tune everyone knows.

The service continued with the ritual of prayers and processions all very symbolic of church life. There were the presentations to Stéphane of a Bible, water, bread and wine and a set of church keys! It was a moving and significant ceremony as Stéphane pledged his oath of allegiance to her Majesty the Queen and the Bishop. Only then could he "...receive the Cure of Souls in this benefice" The choir sang Psalm 31 to a hushed congregation and this sounded beautiful - well done to all. A final recessional hymn - 'Glorious things of thee are spoken Zion city of our God', and then it was a case of digging into the buffet and having a chat with people you haven't seen for a while.

It was a good evening and an important event in our village life, and after all, if you want village life, you have to put life into the village and our churches are to the front of that. My thanks to Stoke and all who arranged the service.

We welcome Stéphane and wish him well during his Ministry in this place. He is a family man with two stepsons back in France. He is currently living at Acton but will move to Nayland in January. When not being a vicar he loves cooking, studying languages, sport and travel. He has already joined a gym!! Stéphane hopes to bring to our communities his love of people, the countryside, his experience of work with schools, his love for the study of the Scriptures, his gregarious French side - and - the self control of his British side !. I couldn't help noticing some words from the Psalm "Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am in trouble".

Chris Hunt (Churchwarden - 'just' St James Nayland)



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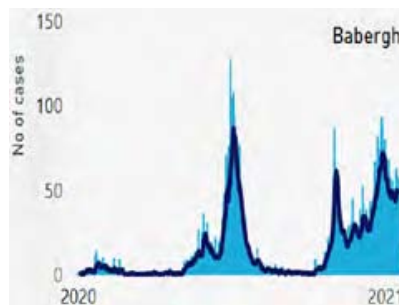
Suffolk's CoronaWatch is the home of data and information produced under the Suffolk Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA). Available to view at: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/coronavirus-covid-19/suffolks-response/suffolk-coronawatch-bulletin>

The CoronaWatch Data Dashboard (available on that page) is updated on a daily basis and includes 7 pages of data.

Leavenheath, Nayland & Boxford: details for your postcode area are available at : <https://coronavirus.data.gov.uk/search?postcode=CO6+4HY>

As at 18 November: there were 77,647 confirmed cases of Covid-19 in Suffolk.

For the latest complete 7 day period up to 18 September there was an increase of 2,689 cases in Suffolk, 419 of these in the last day.



| Name | Daily Cases reported | Weekly Cases reported | Weekly case rate* | Trend | Total Cases | Total Case Rate | Total Rate Rank (of 315 England LTLAs) |
|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------|-------------|-----------------|--|
| Babergh | 55 | 332 | 369.9 | ↑ | 9,318 | 10048.0 | 305 |
| East Suffolk | 135 | 826 | 302.3 | ↑ | 22,967 | 9173.1 | 312 |
| Ipswich | 89 | 448 | 325.8 | ↓ | 17,800 | 13090.3 | 207 |
| Mid Suffolk | 51 | 340 | 348.1 | ↑ | 9,552 | 9109.5 | 314 |
| West Suffolk | 89 | 743 | 403.8 | ↑ | 18,010 | 10157.8 | 302 |
| Suffolk | 419 | 2,689 | 344.7 | ↑ | 77,647 | 10200.0 | |
| East of England | 4,145 | 25,984 | 401.8 | ↑ | 829,843 | 13236.9 | |
| England | 39,315 | 228,298 | 384.9 | ↑ | 8,244,111 | 14578.4 | |



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Nayland with Wissington Community Council's

JINGLE BELLS COFFEE MORNING

★ with Father Christmas

Saturday 11th December

10am until 12.30pm in Nayland Village Hall

Launch of the Christmas Trail

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COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting: 27th October 2021 Chair: Rachel Hitchcock 263169

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Rachel Hitchcock welcomed members to the meeting.

Executive Committee: Rachel Hitchcock said we have a good team on the Exec but as always we welcome new members to join our enjoyable friendly committee.

Fundraising Activities/Events: We have a good deal of activities being planned currently but as always future ideas and support are welcome.

Community Defibrillator: Defibrillators are located at the Village Hall and at the Fire Station. Rachel Hitchcock will liaise with Tracy Le Grys about organising a further training session. It had been suggested that this could introduce other aspects of First Aid.

River Stour Water Level Gauge: Rachel said that she has received the proof from Shelley Signs and will check it with Dale Leeks before circulating for approval.

Nayland 10k Fun Run: nayland10k.co.uk Luke Rumbelow said the 2022 10K will be on the second Sunday in July and hopefully held at Littlegarth School again.

Online Ticketing Facility: NaylandEvents.org – Justin Dowding said tickets for several village events are currently being sold. If you are interested in selling tickets using this system get in touch with him. Rachel said the facility is excellent and thanked Justin for providing it.

Village Hall Gardening Morning: Attendance was good for the autumn garden tidy on 9th October. Bryan Smith and Lesley Jameson were there on behalf of the CC.

Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee (during Thursday 2nd-Sunday 5th June)

The CC had previously agreed to hold a village celebration on Friday 3rd June in the form of a Street Party/Fayre.

We need to liaise with Parish Council regarding their contribution towards a commemorative mug/ gift, which has been given out to children of the village previously. Lorraine Brooks will contact Impact China (www.impactchina.co.uk), who supplied mugs for our 2012 celebration for details of 2022 mugs and also research elsewhere.

Most of the Exec have agreed to be on the Jubilee planning committee and Laura Erith has kindly agreed to be the PC rep; Rachel Hitchcock will organise a meeting to begin planning for the Jubilee celebrations.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Lesley Jameson gave her report on finances to 27th October.

Breakdown of profits: Community Times £1,182.50, Nayland 10K £1,000, Calendar 2021 late sales 283.70, Calendar 2022 £170.90. **Grants paid:** none to date.

Expenses since our last meeting: Christmas Fayre toys £134.92; £222 to Spingold for the October Community Times print; Zurich Insurance premiums £650.52; Dynamic Fireworks balance £1,875 and £177.08 for sparklers. Supplies for Bonfire Night have been bought costing £217.48.

The accounts show reserves of £26,133.55 represented by Deposit a/c monies £10,729.03, Current a/c monies £13,422.23, Cash in Hand £167.58, Stripe a/c £1779.41 and PayPal ££35.30. We hold £268.50 for the RBL Services Fund and grants are pending for: VH roof £10,000, Lizzie's Fund Walk £201.

Therefore, unencumbered assets are £15,664.05.

GRANTS & DONATIONS: There had been no grant applications or donations.

Community Times & Websites: Lorraine Brooks thanked all for contributing to recent issues and those who have already sent copy for the coming issue; it's lovely to see so many community activities resuming. The December issue is considerably more time consuming so please let her know asap if you have items to promote so adequate space can be reserved.

The Nayland & Wiston website continues to be useful and now includes the online ticketing facility.

Village Calendar: Lorraine Brooks said with 75 calendars sold

the 2022 calendar has now broken into profit (of over £170). They are available to purchase at the Post Office, Forget Me Knot, Melissa's Hair Salon, 17 Court Street. Also online using PayPal or there is a payment by cheque option. Wendy is also selling them at various events and they will be available again at the High Street stall on Saturday with Bonfire Night tickets.

If you can help with sales at events/venues you are involved with please contact Lorraine.

FORTHCOMING COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:

Bonfire Night on 5th November: Rachel updated the meeting on progress. Claire Buller is organising the sales teams; Rachel the gate and marshalls, etc and Lesley Jameson will manage the floats. Dynamic Fireworks will be providing the display and Fred Bugg will light the bonfire once the display is over (in line with Dynamic's safety procedures). The lighting of the bonfire will be announced and a Guy made by the School will be paraded down to the bonfire.

It was noted advance sales to date totalled £2,100 with a week to go; it was felt there would be considerably more sales sold right up to the event. The online ticket facility can cater for this.

Christmas Fayre & Christmas Trail: The event will be a little quieter than the usual Christmas Fayre with no external stall-holders but equally enjoyable; village societies will participate; there would be more emphasis on it being a social occasion with refreshments and entertainment and Father Christmas will be in attendance. It is hoped the Primary School will provide some musical entertainment. If you can help on the day please let Rachel know. The Christmas Trail will also be officially launched and ideas for an additional children's challenge or activity on the day would be welcome.

Christmas Trail: Rachel and Lorraine will promote and circulate details and invitations to participate in Advent Windows, the Christmas Tree Trail and the Christmas Wreath Competition.

Village Christmas Tree: It was put up a week earlier last year which was popular so it will be put up on Sunday 5th December at 9am; anyone wishing to help will be welcome. It will be taken down on 9th January but the lights will be turned off prior to that.

Fun Village Quiz on 4th February 2022: It was agreed to increase the cost of attending to £15 per table of four. Tickets will be sold using the online ticket facility as well as from Forget Me Not and the using the slip in the Community Times.

CC AGM: It was agreed to hold this on Wednesday 2nd March on the same evening as the VHM AGM. Rachel reminded the meeting that she would be stepping back from Chair but will continue on the Exec and asked everyone to help seek a new Chair by then.

SOCIETY REPORTS

HortSoc: Trevor Smy said said the autumn talk 'Funny Garden Features' was well supported and members were pleased to be out. They will be participating at the Jingle Bells Coffee Morning. After their usual hibernation period they are looking forward to a speaker meeting and the Spring Show in March.

Nayland Choir: Rob Swan said they are well into rehearsals for its autumn/winter concert and we are delighted to be welcoming several new members this term and some previous members who have come back to enjoy making fantastic music. The good size of the choir and the quality of delivery means that a delightful sound will be produced at the concert. The centre-piece of the concert is the wonderful Vivaldi's Gloria and there will also be pieces by Albinoni, Bach and others. The concert will be on Sunday 21st November at 4pm in St James' Church, Nayland. We are choosing an earlier time as it may be easier for people to attend at this time on a November Sunday.

Village Hall: Iain Wright said the hall was alive and well with bookings returning to normal. The footballers no longer use the hall due to damage to the pitch by rabbits. Their annual main-



Community Council report continued.....

tenance programme continues. They are very grateful to the organisers and helpers of the Village Lunches which provided additional income for the hall.

St James' Church: Chris Hunt said they have continued to maintain regular services including a Family Service. St James' hosted a successful concert last month, another to be held in November and more will be held in future. Remembrance Sunday services are on 14th November. Please pick up after your dogs; there have been unpleasant incidents. The popular Wednesday Coffee Mornings will stop temporarily after 1st December until the February. Nayland has a new vicar; the licensing service of Reverend Stephane Jean Michel Javelle will take place on 18th November at 7.30pm at Stoke Church.

Royal British Legion: Chris Hunt said they are a thriving branch. Their Chairman, following the retirement of John Partridge is Robert Dossor; Andrew Gowen remains as Secretary. They will be resuming doorstep poppy sales, repeating the stall by the War Memorial and holding a Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning on 5th November.

Village Players: Justin Dowding said he is no longer on the committee but is aware they are putting on 'Absurd Person Singular', which is a play, not a panto, on 2nd-4th December.

Nayland Land Co: David Slater said they are offering the opportunity to learn about hedge laying with Neil Catchpole, with initial demonstration and training day on 13th November. There are four new information boards at areas around the meadow. They are appealing for financial donations towards maintenance and future initiatives and would be very grateful for volunteers to put their names forward to help with various maintenance tasks during the year. It was suggested that the CC may be able to assist with a grant; a formal application would be required.

Parish Council: Ned Cartwright said meetings have returned to the village hall with observers attending by Zoom using a 4G mobile router as there is a delay in installing Wifi in the hall; there have been a number of Highways issues including HGV access to Campions Hill/Cawley Road and flooding in Birch Street/Mill Street; several planning issues including a SCC application relating to Harpers Hill Farm. An open meeting will be held on 2nd November to discuss proposals at Caley Green; files relating to this are on the PC webpages at naylandandwiston.net

Ned was asked why in the analysis of responses received in

their public engagement on the issue that the column showing 'No Response' had the words "including in favour PC" alongside it? He said he would check this query. It was pointed out the public engagement had been widely promoted; the analysis of responses revealed: those in favour of PC proposals were 7% of respondents, against planting 29%, wanting an alternative to planting 65%.

Nayland Primary School HSA: Jo Metson said their AGM took place on 23rd September via Zoom; a new Secretary and Treasurer were appointed and they are advertising for a new Chair. The current Chair is remaining until a new one is appointed. Covid has disrupted fundraising events, but they are hopeful that some events can now take place. On the last day of half term they organised a Halloween event where the children dressed up and had a playground party and a spooky trail around the woods. They are hoping to hold a Christmas event and are considering a Doughnut Sale and a School Pre-loved Uniform Sale.

Women's Institute: Wendy Sparrow reported that at the October meeting the speaker was a member of Suffolk Lowland Search and Rescue (SULSAR). He gave a very interesting talk about this voluntary organisation which specialises in helping the emergency services in finding missing children and vulnerable people. It is a registered charity and the volunteers are on call 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. At the November meeting the speaker will be talking about *Living on a Narrow Boat* and in December the Nayland Handbell Ringers will be entertaining members.

Book Club: Wendy Sparrow reported that the group recently met to discuss their latest book which was 'Where the Crawdads Sing' by Delia Owens. They are now reading 'Wilding' by Isabella Tree.

Friends of Caley Green: Sally Dalton reported that the Green is much quieter now but they continue to keep an eye on things including waterfowl; they do litter-picking and emptying the bins when necessary. They are now preparing for the PC's Open Meeting to discuss the riverbank on 2nd November

Conservation Society: Mike Hunter reported that the film of the *History of Nayland* will be shown before the speaker on 4th November; the talk by Simon Hooton will be on the subject of *Swifts*.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: will be **Wednesday 5th January** in the Church Hall at 8pm with Exec at 7.30pm.

NAYLAND & WISTON CHRISTMAS TRAIL

A festive appeal from the Community Council

Our Christmas Trail was so well received last year that we hope to repeat it in 2021, getting together as a community and bringing a little seasonal cheer to the local streets.

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Advent Windows

From 1st to 24th December windows around the village will be decorated and 'opened' each day. It's not too late to join in the fun - there are a few slots remaining. You just need to incorporate the number you are given and have a window that can clearly be seen from the street which will be illuminated each evening from when it is opened until after Christmas. Advent windows must ready to be revealed on the date allocated.

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Wreath competition

The only requirement is that you decorate your wreath yourself so feel free to be as creative as you like. There will be three categories: Adult; Child (under 16); and child (under 10) The competition will be judged and the results announced on 21st December. Wreaths must be displayed from Friday 10th December.

Please let us know if you would like to participate by 5th December so you can be included on the map: contact rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com - 01206 263169 - 07788 954309

We just need your name, address, email address, phone number and which category/categories you would like to participate in. In agreeing to participate you are also agreeing to have your address identified on a map so that people can see where the participating houses are situated. No names or email addresses will be shared without your permission

As last year, we will produce a map so that you know where to look for these festive delights and this will be available in the village shops and on the village website.

We will also promote the trail at our **Jingle Bells Coffee Morning on Saturday 11th December.**

In the meantime you will find the first 11 advent window locations on the map below.

Advent Windows:

1. 9 Heycroft Way
2. 4 Church Mews
3. Forget Me Not 2 Birch St
4. 14 Bear Street
5. 82 Bear Street
6. 26a Harpers Estate
7. 15 The Westerings
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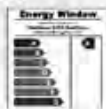


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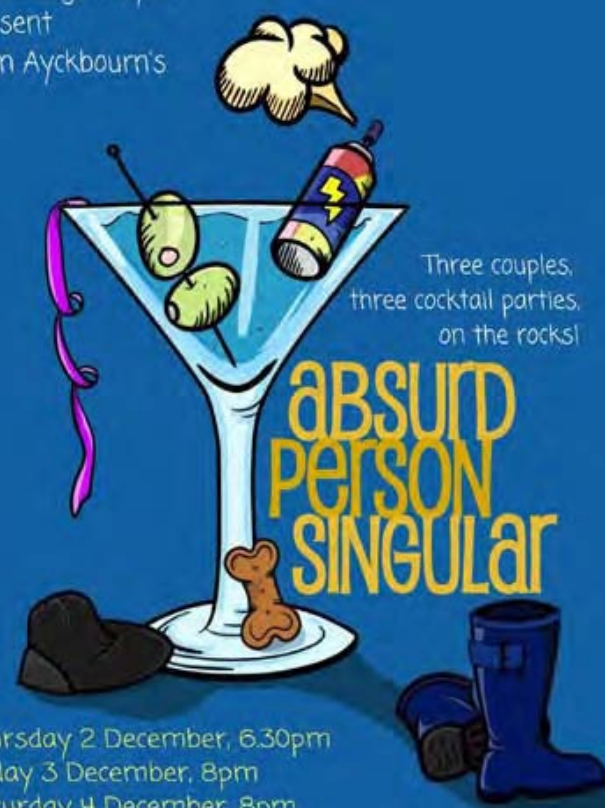
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Debbie Hattrell suggested as a compromise that the Anchor makes an application for one week with separate applications for each further week they require; this was agreed.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh have granted consent at: **9 Heycroft Way [DC/21/04740]** for erection of 1.5 storey rear extension, internal alterations and front delux but suggested a condition requiring the en-suite window to have obscure glass; at **20 Harpers Estate [DC/21/04816]** for erection of two storey side extension and single storey front extension; at **97 Bear Street [DC/21/04980]** for erection of a two storey rear extension and single storey side extension; at **100 Bear Street [DC/21/05364]** for discharge of conditions for Fenestration; at **Lower Courtwood, 13a Court Street [DC/21/05250]** for works to trees to reduce 1 field maple to high pollard; at **14 Church Lane [DC/21/05479]** for works to trees to fell 1 crab (T1) and reduce 1 arbutus (T2) by up to 3m.

Between meetings councillors had no objections at **Hammonds Harpers Hill [DC/21/05718]** for variation of condition 2 (approved plans and documents) for DC/20/04079 change of use of land and erection of 1 dwelling and associated ancillary outbuilding, utilising existing vehicular access (following demolition of 2 out-buildings and existing dwelling); to allow design changes to dwelling.

Discussing recent applications councilors had no objections at **2 Larch Grove [DC/21/05738]** for erection of single storey rear extension and dormer extension to roof (following demolition of existing) or at **31 Fen Street [DC/21/05870]** for works to trees to shape and reduce crown of 1 self-seeded Walnut (T1) and fell 2 Ash (T2 and T3), 1 Conifer (T4) and remains of 1 Vibernum Opulus (T5), all in rear garden.

An application that arrived today will be discussed between meeting for **Rushbanks House Bures Road [DC/21/06038]** for erection of single storey and two storey side/rear extensions (following removal of existing conservatory); re-build chimneys;

replacement windows and extension to garden terraced area.
HARPERS HILL FARM

The PC agreed to object to application [SCC/0099/19B/VOC] for variation of conditions

The site is in a prominent location in the Dedham Vale and Stour Valley AONB. This application does not enhance the quiet enjoyment of the countryside in the AONB by residents or visitors.

The site generates current noise levels that can be heard across the whole parish. The Noise Technical Report regarding measurement of noise does not include movement of skip lorries, stacking of skip containers. An extension to the working hours during which unacceptable noise and dust already impacts on the daily lives of those living within at least half a mile of the site, particularly in Summer, should not be granted. This passes across the boundary between Nayland and the Parish of Stoke by Nayland and covers part of the Stour Valley Long Distance Footpath.

The information regarding surface water drainage is inadequate. The Parish Council notes that the Environment Agency has submitted a holding objection and raised questions. It is believed that muddy rainwater run-off from the site contributes to the constant flooding along this stretch of the A134.

The proposed increase to working hours will have an adverse impact on the neighbouring longstanding holiday business at Gladwins Farm on Harpers Hill.

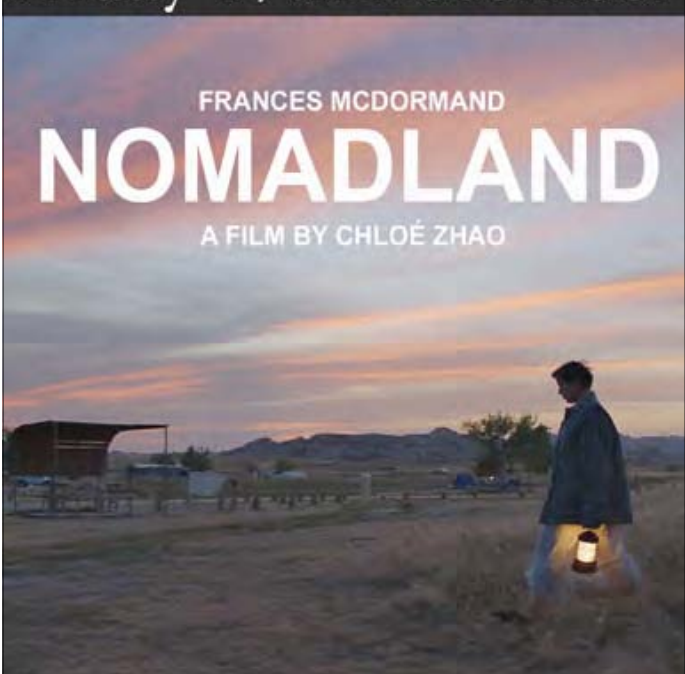
The proposed increase to working hours will have an adverse impact on residents within the parish, not only in the Wiston area, but also in more densely populated residential areas of Nayland.

The history of monitoring and enforcement on this site indicates that this has been inadequate. It has not prevented breaches of conditions of previous or current planning conditions. Suffolk County Council has not been proactive in enforcing those conditions.

In any event, the current conditions were only agreed by Suffolk County Council a year ago. This Parish Council objects to these being varied after such a short time.

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<https://youtu.be/aZbyFZy2qAM>

This film, which was shot by local cameraman Stuart Howells, was commissioned by the Society but paid for by 25 members.

The Society extends its thanks to Stuart for the excellent filming; Brian Saunders for the drone footage; Wendy Sparrow for the script and Peter Drew for the narration. We also thank the 25 Society members who made donations towards the cost of the film.



Village Players AUDITIONS

Auditions will be held in the Church Hall,
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ST JAMES' CHURCHYARD TIDY

The autumn churchyard clean up took place on Saturday 23rd October with two years covid growth to contend with. Three power saws were used to reshape the beech hedge in Church Lane while other branches of trees were trimmed for safety reasons.

As can be seen in the photo we were helped by the dry weather. Many thanks to all who helped in this very worthwhile effort.

James Carver



COMMUNITY LITTER PICK

The autumn community litter pick took place on 16th October. Thanks to all participants including those not appearing in the photo.

Mike Hunter

VILLAGE HALL GARDENING MORNING

The early mist was replaced with glorious sunshine for the VH Garden autumn tidy on 9th October.

A dedicated bunch of volunteers came along to help tidy the gardens for autumn. Many thanks to you all, it is very much appreciated.



REMEMBRANCE

A morning of events to mark Remembrance Day, arranged by Nayland branch of the Royal British Legion, started with a wreath-laying ceremony at the village war memorial.

Wreaths were laid by Mark Shirley for the Legion, Tom Bugg for Nayland Fire Station, Parish Council chairman Mary George, and Nayland Primary School pupils Xanthe and Zola Lane.

The wreath-laying was followed by a well attended service in St James' Church conducted by David Pryor. The lesson was read by legion chairman Robert Dossor who also listed the names of servicemen from Nayland and Wiston who lost their lives in the two world wars.

Earlier Mr Pryor led a service at St Mary's, Wiston, where wreaths were laid by David Slater for the legion and a parish council representative.

Bugler Bill Slark sounded Last Post and Reveille at both locations.

On Armistice Day about 30 villagers gathered at the war memorial to mark the two minutes silence at 11am.



NAYLAND BONFIRE & FIREWORKS



The Community Council's annual Nayland Bonfire & Fireworks night was back... with a bang and a dazzling display.

Held as usual on 5th November the event attracted 1400 spectators which is astounding; an all time record.

Dynamic Fireworks provided the display, Fred Bugg the bonfire, Nayland schoolchildren made a fabulous Guy and our happy band of volunteers served nearly 500 barbecue hot dogs and over 50 litres of mulled wine. The event raised a record breaking £4,500.

Rachel Hitchcock, CC Chair said: "Everything ran smoothly thanks to our wonderful team of volunteers. There has been lots of positive feedback and there was a great atmosphere."



CHARITY RACE NIGHT

The charity race night held on 1st October in aid of SinglePoint, the home nursing division of St Helena Hospice, was a fantastic success.

We could have sold the event out at least twice over and huge thanks are due to all the generous sponsors and to everyone who came and supported the evening. The atmosphere was amazing as it was one of the first events to be run since our release from captivity.

It looks as though we have raised around £14,500 which is an extraordinary figure, we are so grateful for the continuing support from so many people from Nayland and the surrounding area.

Robert Chapman

Photos: Generous racegoers at the Village Hall and, left, Roy Chapman conducting the auction.

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL CALEY GREEN UPDATE

At the recent Open Meeting NwW Parish Council gave a presentation on the erosion problems at Caley Green. This presentation included a number of options, together with a conclusion on each option's viability. One option presented is to build a modest jetty at the site, see below.

Option 5: To build a jetty at ditch side of new revetment area

Advantages: Will provide an easy launch area for watercraft, avoiding damage to Caley Green. Will encourage water users to use this point and lessen wear and tear on other stretches of the riverbank, particularly since numbers of water users has increased significantly. Fulfils criteria of encouraging water recreation.

Disadvantages: May attract increased number of people to the area. Extra funding would be required.

*Conclusion: This may be a viable option although funding would need to be secured. **Not clear how much demand there is for this amongst residents.***

We envisage such a jetty to be approximately 2m in length, and 1m in width, similar in appearance to the one positioned after the weir - see photo.

However, we are keen to represent the wishes of all residents regarding this as there are both advantages and disadvantages.

Comments made by residents during the survey and at the Open Meeting indicate that there are strong views for and against providing a jetty at Caley Green. We therefore invite residents to comment on this option via the email caleygreenproject@gmail.com or via the Post office. **Please direct all comments to the Parish Council so we can collate accurately.**



The PC were asked to clarify the width/length orientation to avoid confusion. They state: "The length is the side running alongside the riverbank"

Note: The PC's presentation can be viewed at <http://www.naylandandwiston.net/> under the heading Caley Green Campaign.

RIVER WATCH

Thank you to those who kindly allow use of your interesting photographs to be included in the Community Times. As always if you spot anything of interest or unusual, do please send details for inclusion here to: lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com

The Environment Agency (EA) state: any environmental incidents should be reported to their 24 hour hotline number: 0800 80 70 60.

WATER LEVELS

Water levels seem to have returned to their seasonal norm and the flood channel doing its job when necessary of diverting high water levels away from the village and down the flood channel.

AVIAN INFLUENZA (BIRD FLU)

The Government have warned of outbreaks of Bird Flu. If you find dead wild waterfowl (swans, geese or ducks) or other dead wild birds you should report them to the Defra helpline on 03459 335577. Do not touch or pick up any dead or visibly sick birds that you find. For more information visit: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu#advice-for-the-public>

SWANS

The Friends of Caley Green will have reported on the ongoing swan turf wars. For many years we had the same pair of swans in Nayland; this would change occasionally but it seems to have changed more frequently in recent years.

"Should swans be fed bread"?

This is a question that came up in conversation recently. Swans eat aquatic vegetation, small fish, frogs, worms, insects and graze on grassy banks. They can be fed grain, sweetcorn and vegetable matter, especially lettuce and potatoes but food should be thrown into the water for them so that they can swallow water with the food. Bread is no substitute for the natural diet that the birds themselves will seek out but feeding swans and other waterfowl is a great way to enjoy getting close to them, to introduce children to wild creatures, and for everyone to connect with nature.

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, the Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust and the Swan Sanctuary all take this view.



Nayland's 2021 cygnets, photo by Mandy Cook

The **Queen's Swan Marker** has stated, "There has been a great deal of press coverage in recent months regarding the 'Ban the Bread' campaign which is confusing many members of the public. Supporters of the campaign claim that bread should not be fed to swans on the grounds that it is bad for them. This is not correct. Swans have been fed bread for many hundreds of years without causing any ill effects. While bread may not be the best dietary option for swans compared to their natural food such as river weed, it has become a very important source of energy for them, supplementing their natural diet. Malnutrition will increase their vulnerability to fatal diseases like avian-flu which has caused the deaths of many mute swans and other waterfowl. There is no good reason not to feed bread to swans, provided it is not mouldy. Swans are not greedy creatures and cannot be overfed. I therefore encourage members of the public to continue feeding swans to help improve their chances of survival, especially through the winter."

The views of these experts will hopefully answer that question. Some residents in Nayland provide floating swan and duck pellets; no wonder the village is a popular destination for swans.

CALEY GREEN OPEN MEETING on 2nd November

Mary George read a statement by James Finch, then the PC's rationale for action; the roles and responsibilities of the Environment Agency (EA), Suffolk County Council (SCC) and Parish Council (PC) at Caley Green; and the aims and objectives of the meeting.

Patricia Wilkie spoke about the **analysis of residents views** – *little of this could be heard by those attending in the hall or by Zoom.*

Questions were invited.

“Adrian Amos questioned how the Parish Council could claim that those who did not respond to the public engagement could be considered to be in favour of the proposals. He said that it was clear from the analysis figures that 94% of those responding were against the proposals or wanted an alternative to planting.

“June Freeman asked what was urgent about resolving the suggested erosion and started to read a short letter submitted to the Parish Council by Professor Jules Pretty - she was asked not to continue as there wasn't time.

OPTIONS

Patricia Wilkie went through the **remedial options**. This included 1. Aqualog; 2. planted coir rolls; 3. oak revetment; 4. two lengths of oak revetment (totalling 12 metres) with an area of planted coir roll in between and low growing reeds around the mouth of the culvert (ditch); 5. option 4 with the addition of a jetty near the culvert.

PROPOSALS

Patricia Wilkie said of these options **their outline proposals were option 4** with the addition of pockets of lower growing reeds at the mouth of the culvert. Questions were invited.

“Adrian Amos said reeds at the end of the ditch/culvert would eventually block the mouth and silt would back up causing a blockage; this has caused flooding in the past.

“June Freeman said these two short lengths of revetment did not provide much room for launching river-craft and other riverside activities.

“John Spooner said there are fishing rights to consider; fishing cannot be done from anywhere else on the Green as it is overgrown with reeds. Patricia Wilkie said the meeting is only to consider the proposal.

PLANT LIST

Patricia Wilkie went through a proposed **plant list**:

1. **Apium Nodiflorum** - Fool's Watercress (*height to 60cm*)
2. **Veronica Beccabunga** - Brooklime (*height 45cm*)
3. **Veronica catenata** – Water Speedwell (*height 60cm*)
4. **Myosotis scorpioides** - Water Forget-me-not (*plant and flowers 30cm*)
5. **Rorippa Nasturtium Aquaticum** - Watercress (*height 60cm*)
6. **Stachys palustris** - Marsh Woundwort (plant and flowers 60-90cm)
7. **Mentha Aquatica** - Water Mint (*height to 90cm*)
8. **Butomus Umbellatus** - Flowering Rush (*flower stem 1-1.2 metre is taller than the grassy leaves*)

Questions were invited.

“How will they be maintained? Mary George said they do not know; the plans have not gone that far yet.

“A resident complained at the overgrown nature of the river and fallen trees which were a hazard. James Carr said cuts in Government funding in the past decade prevented the EA from doing work such as tree removal and reed cutting and biodiversity policies have changed.

“June Freeman said she challenged the urgency and seriousness of the erosion but the PC or James Carr did not respond.

“How many species of plants will be included? James Carr said any number or all of them could be incorporated to provide diversity and see which did best the conditions at the location.

“Would a fence be needed to protect the plants? Patricia Wilkie said a small barrier would be required while the plants were establishing with a notice explaining why.

“What is the timescale? James Carr said it would need to be

| | Comment Type | Post-cards | Emails | Overall total | Overall % | % Nayland Population |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------|--------|---------------|-----------|----------------------|
| AGAINST PLANTING | No additional planting | 36 | 17 | 57 | 29% | 5% |
| | Keep Green open | 19 | | | | |
| | Loss of view | 2 | | | | |
| ALTERNATIVE TO PLANTING | Alternative to Planting | 8 | 22 | 30 | 65% | 11% |
| | Petition | | | 97 | | |
| IN FAVOUR PC | | 1 | 6 | 7 | 7% | 1% |
| NO RESPONSE | | 1 | | 1,011 | | 84% |

be springtime now for planting.

“Chris Hunt asked why it was necessary to create more biodiversity on this small section of the river when the rest of the river had an abundance of reed beds and no control of them carried out for many years. Patricia Wilkie said again the meeting should concentrate on the proposal.

James Carr said the EA stopped cutting the reeds as they do not have sufficient funding; reed cutting is only done where there is risk of flooding and this isn't the situation in Nayland. He said the river has narrowed up with reed growth but it will find its own level; he said it is healthier now. Reeds do not thrive under trees. Silt removal is not the responsibility of the riparian owner. He said some work on the inner bend may help the outer bank at Caley Green but there are no plans to do so.

“A resident said she found it strange that this small section of the river has to be isolated in an application when it is set within a river system full of biodiversity.

“Asked why he wouldn't support revetment for the whole length of the bay, James Carr said the EA has specific criteria when looking at permit for works applications and wants to see a proportion of planting alongside any revetment.

“Adrian Amos suggested that the landowner, in this case Suffolk County Council, was responsible for the riparian growth across half of the river. He said that when Caley Green was created in the 1960s following building the by-pass fishing rights were given to residents and a bench was presented by the Darts Club for residents to sit and enjoy the view. Fishing rights and enjoyment of the bench have now been lost due to excess reed growth. Patricia Wilkie said the meeting should focus only on the proposal.

“Gerry Battye asked if the proposal would hinder access to the bank by the swans; James Carr said it wouldn't.

The presentation moved on to the subject of **funding**. Costings have not been carried out but the project could cost in the region of £5,000. A grant of £750 had been secured towards replacement of the existing revetment. A representative of the Dedham Vale & Stour Valley AONB said this may qualify for a Sustainable Development Grant through their organisation.

Questions were invited. These included;

“How will planting be maintained? Mary George said they do not know yet as no solution has been agreed.

The meeting was told that the **next steps** would be:

- The presentation would be available on the Parish Council's Dropbox web pages.
- Residents could make further comments – deadline will be the 23rd November.
- An application would be submitted to the EA for a works permit
- They hope to undertake the work in Spring 2022.

Towards the end of the meeting Lorraine Brooks said “I appreciate the PC don't consider it part of this project and for discussion tonight, but in view of the strong feelings expressed this evening about the loss of fishing rights along the Green due to excessive reed growth will the PC now look towards rectifying that.” The PC indicated that they would.

LETTERS:

Dear members of the Parish Council,

I write in my capacity as a Nayland resident to express views on the proposed works at Caley Green.

I see the question through these four lenses:

1. The social benefit of access to the river from Caley Green is important. It has been wonderful to see so many people use the river at this point, especially children. This is the only open access point to the river between Bures and Stratford. My University research over the past 20 years has shown the clear health benefits of activities in nature. In this sense, Caley Green and the river provide an important health service.
2. River access is formally enshrined by the fact it is a Navigation by law – not all rivers have such access. It thus remains an important Common. I observe that this area is an important component of the village and its range of commons – the dense network of footpaths, the Fen, Caley Green, the horse-watering. And the river itself.
3. In my view, the erosion itself is not a significant problem. The outside bend of rivers always see faster water travel, so it appears as if there would be significant risk. But this energy in the river does not occur at this bend because of the presence of the overspill channel to take away high and fast water flows.
4. The river and its banks are already highly ecologically diverse, and there is no obvious need for more specific bankside habitat.

I remain unconvinced that new plantings are desirable. They could appear to restrict access to the river, and I can imagine conflict emerging if and when a part of the bank is fenced off.

What I would be in favour of, for example, would be a discussion on how some parts of Caley Green could be left unmown, so that wild flower habitats could flourish. A strip along the road, for example, could be left and improve plant and insect diversity greatly.

Professor Jules Pretty OBE PFHEA FRSB FRSA

President, Essex Wildlife Trust - Trustee, WWF-UK

CALEY GREEN OPEN MEETING, A SHAMBLES?

There's been a public engagement and now an open meeting, the latter turning out to be rather frustrating. Confusion occurred from the outset with mixed messages over restrictions about who could attend in the hall; was it one person per household or not?

Would it even be worth attending by Zoom; if it was as suggested just to observe. Then the Zoom link which was advertised on their posters as being made publicly available was not and some requests to councillors for a Zoom link were not forthcoming.

In the event those attending the hall could not hear; speakers were not organised to stand facing the meeting, removing their masks at safe distance to speak and project their voices despite the well known problems with acoustics in the hall. It was worse for the Zoomers; they could not hear, they could not see the presentation screen, and very few of their questions were put forward to the meeting. Most people left the hall saying what a waste of time that was.

Analysis.... The results of the 'public engagement' carried out in late August were revealed. The PC's analysis revealed overall that 16 % of residents submitted responses; less than 1% (7 people out of a population of 1,199) supported the PC.

Looking at the results in terms of percentages of those who responded the PC's figures show:

AGAINST PLANTING - 29%

WANTING ALTERNATIVE TO PLANTING - 65%

IN FAVOUR OF PC PROPOSALS - 7%

Who recalls Jackanory? The speech given accompanying the analysis results during the open meeting declared this was not a defeat of the proposals. Really? Can anyone make sense of that declaration? Has democracy disappeared in Nayland, is it now an authoritarian parish?

So what's new?

Not much; instead of replacing 10 metres of oak revetment near the bench they are now proposing 5m there and 7m 'somewhere' further round the bend. They are not disclosing measurements for the length and breadth of a peculiar shaped planting area

REFLECTIONS OF THE OPEN MEETING

As the meeting about Caley Green on 2 November closed, a spontaneous exchange of comments such as 'Well, that was a waste of time' and 'That's two hours of my life lost' captured the strong sense of disappointment felt by many of the departing audience.

Described as an open meeting it had appeared to invite villagers to participate in an exploratory discussion regarding the management of the bay at Caley Green. When the meeting started, however, it became apparent that the PC had already decided that 1) the overwhelming problem at the bay was the imminent danger of erosion and 2) the meeting would concentrate on presenting a preprepared plan for addressing this.

Nayland resident, Jules Pretty, a Professor of Environment and Society at the University of Essex, had some weeks previously, submitted a letter to the PC stating that, in his judgement, the problem of erosion in the bay was 'slight'. Though this obviously had planning implications for the bay, the PC failed to make any response to this. An audience request that the issue of erosion be discussed early in the meeting was also summarily dismissed. Only after an extended presentation of the Council's pre-prepared plan was an opportunity granted to discuss erosion. But to discuss your problem after presenting your solution makes no sense.

By effectively imposing a closed agenda councillors dominated the meeting. The fact that the PC's new proposal scarcely varied from an earlier Council proposal which had gained the support of only 1% of villagers, also did little to stimulate constructive discussion.

It is therefore felt that, in the interests of transparency and good communications, a description of the possible options for managing the bay at Caley Green, including leaving the edge of the river in its current state i.e. as a natural bend, untainted by any 'development', however well meant, should be presented in the next issue of the Community Times, and readers invited to vote for the option they most favour. The assessment of these votes should then be placed in the hands of an agreed independent body.

**Richard Cave, Ann Channon, June Freeman,
Chris Hunt, Roy Norfolk, Trevor Smy**

Who is responsible for what?

Suffolk County Council

Are the landowners of Caley Green with riparian responsibilities.

Nayland with Wissington Parish Council

Have a licence agreement with SCC to manage aspects of the Green; it lists:

- to manage the grass and growth of the area
- to manage the Fishing Rights on the bank
- to control necessary signage to manage the current use of Caley Green
- to manage the siting, maintenance, installation and emptying of waste bins, dog excrement bins, benches
- to manage the access to the river
- to organise minor tree work but only after advising the Licensor

The Environment Agency's responsibilities are:

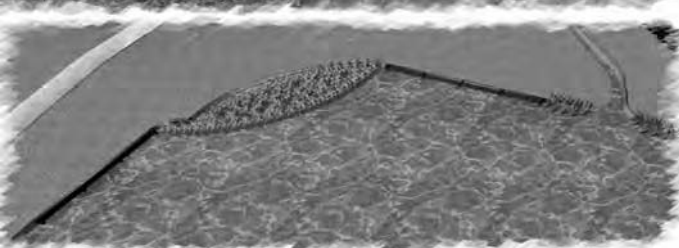
- managing the risk of flooding from rivers and waterways
- maintaining Navigation Rights: *they sell river craft licences*
- Fisheries; *they sell rod licences*
- water quality and resources
- conservation and ecology
- regulating major industry and waste
- treatment of contaminated land

which appears to curve into the river bend. The dreadfully out of scale graphic included in their presentation is deceiving and makes it look like the revetment will be much longer than it will be. They have at least now revealed a list of proposed plants.

Further comments.... The PC said further comments could be made until 23rd November BUT how can comments be made on what is still vague information?

Totally Deceiving?

The Parish Council's
"impression of the options"



PC's PROPOSAL VISUAL

These were the images presented to residents at the Open Meeting on 2nd November. They are NOT to scale. They include:

- 5m revetment in front of the bench
 - A new 7m revetment at the point of highest erosion - **where will this be?**
 - Planted coir rolls along the bank between the two revetments (the breadth from the bank into the river is not known)
 - Plant low level reeds either side of the culvert/ditch (the position of the culvert is incorrect on the drawings and there are already tall reeds in part of this area)
 - There was mention of a jetty to be approx. 2m in length x 1m width
- The PC's images are totally inaccurate. The gully is close alongside the boundary hedge of the neighbouring property. The revetment shown is nowhere near the bench, etc, etc.

AERIAL PHOTO PLAN

This is a drone photograph of the area. The bench at Caley Green measures exactly two metres so this was used as the scale. It was therefore very simple to create a 5 metre and a 7 metre marker for the proposed revetments.

Because the PC's details are misleading the only element that can be located with any confidence is the 5m revetment by the bench.

The first image shows the 7m revetment allowing space for a 'pocket' of low reeds near the culvert. It also indicates where a portage platform (which they are calling a jetty) may be located.

The second image shows the 7m revetment further along where there may be higher erosion. So would that then mean the 'pocket' of reeds became substantially more than a 'pocket'?

It would be so easy for the PC to come up with a simple but more accurate plan/marked photo. Several residents have contacted the PC saying they cannot comment on their "impression of the options". But get a negative or no response. Why won't they reveal what their plans really are?

STILL NO COMPROMISE

James Carr said the EA has specific criteria when considering permit for work applications and wants to see a proportion of planting alongside any revetment, but no details regarding their criteria will be disclosed. However, another EA officer states: "we have given pre-application advice based on the Council's proposed options".

While research finds that a new Environment Act become law during the UK's hosting of the COP26. It states that "developments deliver at least 10% increase in biodiversity".

The PC's proposal would deliver over 65% increase in biodiversity, however, most of the revetment is 'replacement' not 'development'.

So is that really a valid argument for not compromising on the proposal?

STILL NOT LISTENING

Isn't it time the PC accepted the considerable opposition to their plans, worked out a compromise with the wishes and needs of residents and invited representation of residents onto the working party; especially those who have local knowledge of the Green.

If Revetment is near culvert ?



Revetment at highest erosion point ?



Would the second example look this?





BEAR AND FISH RETURN!

Many residents were delighted to see that Bear and Fish flew in on their broomsticks on 31st October for some trick or treating with a host of spooky friends during the Halloween celebrations. The ever dapper, even when he's being scary, Bear and his buddy Fish amused the passers by. But word soon got round the local grapevine that he was back in the village and residents ventured out for the spectacle.

Their glamorous assistants Elaine and Di tended to their every need during their visit... and kept the party going with a swing and the pals out of mischief. A huge thanks to them both.



Thank you to Mary George who sent this photo taken during recent works in Birch Street. Mary explained: "There has been constant flooding at the T junction with Bear Street and Mill Street in recent years, but in October it happened twice in one week. A week later Suffolk County Council Highways dug a trench in Birch Street and found a broken brick drain. They did a temporary repair with a plastic pipe but within days there was a third flood."

At a recent Parish Council meeting James Finch said until the problem is resolved when the weather forecast suggests a potential problem the drains will be cleaned ahead of the rainfall.



SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT...



Please keep scenes you see coming to [lorraine.nayland @btinternet.com](mailto:lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com).

View the colour version of the Community Times at:

www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk/CommunityTimes.html .

Clockwise from left...

Thanks to James Carver who had his camera to hand when Suffolk County Council installed a street light lantern in Mill Street, which had been relocated from elsewhere in the village as part of the Parish Council's upgrading programme.

Other work ordered has also been completed including correcting the direction of a light in Church Lane and relocating a light in Birch Street.

That dapper chap, Nayland Bear is a creature of many guises and moods. Thank you to Elaine Muskett for capturing this photograph of him taken in November while in thoughtful mood. Remembering and honouring the memory of the fallen, who gave their lives in service to their country.

Thank you to Jean Evans who sent this colourful (see the online version of the CT) photo taken in her garden by her Granddaughter in late September. A Comma butterfly was gathering nectar from a *Sedum spectabile* 'brilliant' flower head.





Nayland with Wissington Society News



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Secretary: Andrew Gowen 262534 parkersag@yahoo.co.uk Chairman: John Partridge 263733

This year is the 100th Anniversary of the formation of the Royal British Legion. Next year on 30th October is the 100th Anniversary of our Branch and we are looking for ideas on how this might be commemorated.

The Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning on the 5th November was a great success and we are so grateful for the contributions and attendance of so many people; many from outside the villages. We raised £263 for the Poppy Appeal.

Over 30 people attended a short service and 2 minutes silence led by David Pryor by the War Memorial to commemorate Armistice Day on 11th November.

Our Remembrance Day Services at Wiston and Nayland were well supported and again we are very grateful to all those that attended and contributed to the services, particularly Xanthe and Zola Lane who laid a wreath on behalf of the school and Tom Bugg who laid a wreath on behalf of the Fire Station. David Pryor conducted an excellent service for which we are very grateful. Our two villages lost some 38 souls in the two World Wars which must have been devastating for all their families and to the villages at large. WE HAVE REMEMBERED THEM.

We are so grateful to the ladies who arrange the flowers in the Church, for their dedication and care for the flowers every day and week on week. The displays for Remembrance were terrific.

Our next meeting will be in the Church Hall on Monday 17th January starting with drinks at 7.30pm.



'Tommy', photo by Brian Sanders of smartphotographynayland.co.uk



STOUR BORDER COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB

John Spooner 262691

The monthly country music concerts are back in full swing!

Coming up it's a welcome return for Brian Mann's 'Brian's Country' on 12th December; then on 16th January the popular duo Black Steel make a return; on 20th February there will be a new act for Nayland... the much talked about solo artist Daniel Beard will be performing; then we're pleased to have the popular trio Long Shot playing here again on 20th March. See more on page 16.

The concerts are held on Sunday evenings, 7pm for 7.30 in Nayland Village Hall. Entry is usually £5. There is no bar so bring your own drinks and nibbles, but tea/coffee and light refreshments are available.

We look forward to welcoming you.



THE FRIENDS OF ST. JAMES' CHURCH, NAYLAND

Registered Charity Number 1052641

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After the previously reported concert in September which was put on by the Friends together with Mark Ede of the BiGiAM, Jana Varga the most popular of the singers involved was invited for a further concert which was held on 16th November. It took place in the Old Chapel in Stoke Road which is a smaller hall beautifully converted by Maggie East from its previous use. The

Friends are very grateful to her for making it available.

The concert was a great success with Jane and her pianist providing a varied programme which enchanted the sold out audience.

The next event for the Friends is the candlelit Carol Service in St James' on Sunday 19th December at 6.30pm. As usual a very traditional service of lessons and carols will be held involving many of the local community and everyone is welcome. There will be wine and mince pies at the end! A collection will be taken for the Friends.

Finally, although it is not a Friends event, Mark Ede and Sophie McCreddie of East Village Music are holding another singer/songwriter concert in St James' Church on 9th December at 7.30pm from which the church will benefit. It will involve different artists but of the same high standard. At the time of going to print there are just a few tickets remaining.

John Partridge



NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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Since the last edition of the Community Times we have held two highly successful speaker meetings at the Village Hall. In October, John Taylor spoke to the Society and guests on how to live net zero in rural Suffolk. This fascinating talk ranged on topics from the use of air and ground source heat pumps for heating our homes to the use of electric vehicles. John had been actively involved in the community project relating to the installation of solar panels at our local primary school so he was already familiar with Nayland.

At our November meeting we held the premiere of the film 'A history of Nayland'. This was warmly received by the audience and it can now be seen by everyone by visiting the Society's web site at <http://naylandconservation.org.uk/LatestNews.html>

Our thanks go to cameraman Stuart Howells; drone cameraman Brain Sanders; script writer Wendy Sparrow and narrator Peter Drew. We also thank the 25 Society members who made donations towards the cost of the film.

Following the film, we received an excellent talk from Simon Hooton on the subject of 'Swifts'. His accompanying power point presentation contained some stunning photography and many suggestions how we can all help to halt the current decline in Swift numbers. Over 60 members and guests were present at this meeting.

Next year's speakers are: -

- March - Chris Hunt on 'Industry in Nayland'
- June - Nick Amor on 'Keeping the peace in Medieval Suffolk'
- October - Edward Martin on 'Suffolk's Humphrey Repton'
- November - Geo'Fradgley on 'John Constable and the Stour Valley'

The Society has recently become aware that the Department for Transport is reviewing the current restrictions on night flights at Stansted Airport. You may be aware that at the moment 13,700 flights are permitted between the hours of 11.30pm and 6am. Manchester Airport Group, the owners of Stansted, are seeking the removal of any restriction on flight numbers. This could have a substantial impact on our village and the AONB in which we are located. We have been in correspondence with our MP and the Dedham Vale AONB Project seeking their support to oppose any increase in night flights.

Finally, the owners of the waste transfer station on Harpers Hill have applied to Suffolk County Council for an extension of the permitted hours for skip lorry movements. The existing hours are 9am to 5pm during the week. They are seeking a variation to permit movements from 7am to 7pm during the week and 7am to 1pm on Saturdays. The Society has lodged an objection to any such extension with the Suffolk County Council.



VILLAGE PLAYERS

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It's not long now until the Village Players perform Alan Ayckbourn's 'Absurd Person Singular', directed by Emma Wallis. We do hope that you'll be able to come along and see it. Tickets are still available at the Post Office or online at www.villageplayers.co.uk.

We are performing on Thursday 2nd December at 6:30pm and on December 3rd and 4th at 8pm (Friday and Saturday). Tickets are just £7.50 for adults and £6.00 for under sixteens. The door (and bar) will be open thirty minutes in advance of performances. We look forward to seeing you there!

The title of our next play has not yet been confirmed – we've got one in mind, but need to sort out the licence – suffice it to say it's a comedy – Nayland LOVES comedies. If you'd like to take part in our next production, why not come and have a go? We are holding auditions on Wednesday 12th January at 7:30pm and Sunday 16th January at 5pm. The auditions take place at Nayland Church Hall and anyone can come along. You only need to come along to one of the auditions, and scripts will be available in advance. Rehearsals will be twice a week - usually on Wednesdays from 7:30pm - 9:30pm and Sundays from 5pm to 7pm. We will begin rehearsing in late January.

We are also hoping to restart drinks at the Anchor – probably when the weather is better. For more information on the Village Players, including photos of past productions and tickets to upcoming plays, head to www.villageplayers.co.uk.



OVER 60s CLUB

Secretary: Barbara Smith 501492 President: Eva Rolfe 263151 Diana Whiting 262023

Our members are looking forward to attending the Christmas Party at Longwood Barn on 7th December kindly organised by Olga Alexander and the Luncheon Club for Over 60s helpers.

Although the Covid-19 restrictions have changed after discussion we have decided our Over 60s meetings will not resume until the spring. As always we would love to hear from anyone interested in joining our small group.

If you have any queries please telephone Diana Whiting on 262023.

We hope everyone remains safe and well and wish you all a Happy Christmas.



NAYLAND LUNCHEON CLUB FOR OVER 60S

A Monthly Lunch for Senior Citizens ~ at Longwood Barn ~ 12 noon for 12.30pm ~ £3
Olga Alexander on 263923

It is lovely to be able to resume the lunches and see friends and our team of helpers that we have not seen for some time.

A monthly lunch will be held on **Tuesday 23rd November** and on **Tuesday 7th December** (*not Thursday 9th as previously stated*) the Christmas Party will take place. In the New Year lunches will be held on **Tuesdays: 25 January, 22 February and 29 March.**

Do make a note of the dates in your diary and come along and join the friendly atmosphere for a chat with friends, old and new. If you would like to join us just phone to let me know. If transport down to Fen Street is difficult telephone Olga Alexander on 263923 to see if we can collect you.



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When this issue of Community Times is published, Nayland Choir will have just presented its first concert since lockdown began. If you were there, we hope you were uplifted by the magnificent music. The Vivaldi in particular sends the spirit soaring.

Next to pencil into your diary is the start of a short set of rehearsals for the Carol Service in St James' Church on 19th December. We will rehearse in the church on 25th November and 9th and 16th December starting at 8pm and on the 16th we will probably go carol singing around the village.

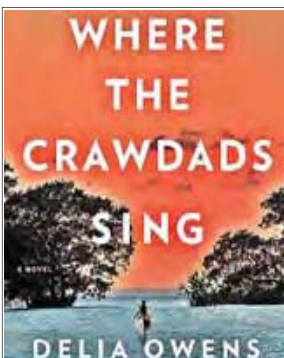
We have had quite a few new people join us this term and should you fancy joining Nayland Choir, there is no better time to give it a go than the run up to the Carol Service. You know most of the tunes and there is no subscription. So come and help the village celebrate Christmas.

We will be singing Christmas songs and carols in the Hare and Hounds on the evening of 17th December starting at 8.30pm. This is when the whole pub joins in and is great fun.

We are working on our programme for next year. Details will be in the next edition.

For any further information, do call 07954 334548.

Season's greetings from the choir.



BOOK CLUB

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We recently finished reading 'Where the Crawdads Sing' by Delia Owens. This tells the story of Kya, a young girl, who was abandoned, gradually over a period of time, first by her mother, and then by all her family members. She is left to survive alone, living in a shack in the marsh country of North Carolina. Her main source of comfort was the natural life around her. There were some in the small community who helped her, but the majority of locals rejected her. So the book's plot is about Kya's survival, but also the mystery of the unsolved death of a local football legend, a young man called Chase.

Our current book is "Wilding" by Isabella Tree.

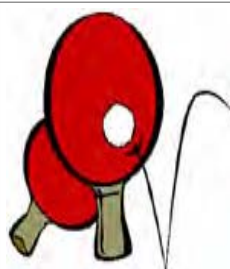


TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Jane Barbrook 263619 janebarbrook@hotmail.com
Tony Mann 262492 ad.mann@homecall.co.uk

The Table Tennis Group meet every Monday including most bank holidays. New members are welcome to join us at the Village Hall between 2pm and 4pm.

Please ring one of the telephone numbers above for more information. No previous experience necessary!



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

President: Jeannette Finch 262993

Secretary: Lorna Rumsey 01787 211975

All our members are so pleased to be meeting again. In September we had a very interesting talk given by a retired police photographer. Our October meeting was a very informative talk, by a volunteer member of Suffolk Lowland Search and Rescue, there are many of these groups country wide all giving of their free time.

In November we have a WI member telling us about living on a narrow boat and in December the Nayland Hand Bell Ringers will be coming along to entertain us.

We shall be participating at the Jingle Bells Coffee Morning on the 11th of December from 10am

We are very busy in planning next year's programme hopefully with many interesting talks. Our membership has remained about 30 and afternoon meetings are welcomed by most ladies.

Our meetings are on the second Thursday of the month, at 2.30pm, in Nayland Village Hall, new members and visitors are always welcome.



NAYLAND ART GROUP

Kathryn Niven

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We are a friendly local group of varying ability who meet regularly to paint (mostly watercolours), draw and encourage each other.

We usually follow our own ideas although we have a tutor who comes to lead and inspire us once a month. This Autumn, we have been exploring perspective and colour tone with her.

We meet on Wednesday afternoons from 2-4pm, currently in the village hall.

New members are welcome.



NAYLAND SURGERY NEWS

Rebecca Renshaw, Practice Manager 01206 262202 creffieldmedicalcentre@nhs.net

We would like to once again thank you for your understanding, patience and support during what has been a very difficult time. The surgery has now opened its doors but we continue to ask that you still remain cautious and continue to socially distance. The dispensary is now accessible from the waiting room again so we will not be able to serve you at the window.

COVID UPDATE

Although restrictions have been eased from 19th July you will still be asked to wear a face covering when entering the surgery and for the duration of your appointment. You will also have your temperature checked. These measures are in place to protect our vulnerable patients and staff. In order to protect our staff and other patients please cancel your appointment if you or anyone in your household has Coronavirus symptoms.

COVID VACCINES AT CREFFIELD MEDICAL CENTRE

We are able to offer boosters to anyone over the age of 40. The booster will either be Pfizer or Moderna depending of supplies delivered both suitable for boosters. You can book your appointment though a text messages if we have your mobile recorded as your main number or by calling the surgery.

You can book from 5 months but you cannot receive you vaccine until you are 182 days from your 2nd jab. 2nd doses for 16 and 17 year olds can be booked from 12 weeks from 2nd jab. This will be Pfizer. If you haven't received an invite and you are due please call to book

NAYLAND OPENING HOURS OVER CHRISTMAS

Open Monday 20th – Friday 24th 8am-6pm. Closed Saturday 25th - Tuesday 28th December. Open Wednesday 29th - Friday 31st December 8am-6pm. Closed Saturday 1st - Monday 3rd January, Open as normal from Tuesday 4th January

Out of hours emergency NHS 111

NAYLAND DISPENSARY OPENING HOURS

Open Monday 20th – Thursday 23rd 9am-5pm and Friday 24th – 9am-4pm

Closed Saturday 25th - Tuesday 28th December

Open Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th - 9am-5pm and Friday 31st 9am-4pm

Closed Saturday 1st - Monday 3rd January, Open as normal from Tuesday 4th January at 9am.

Don't forget to order your prescriptions by **20th** December for collection before Christmas and before 23rd December for collection before New Years Eve.

WEST BERGHOLT UPDATE: We are sorry we have tried very hard to keep the West Bergholt site open and operational but due to safety reasons we have had to close our West Bergholt Surgery during the refurbishment.

You can still call the normal number 01206 241137 all calls are being diverted. If you are in placed in the queue please stay on the line your call will be answered. All services are being carried out at our other sites.

We have spoken to the Pharmacy and we are putting a secure post box inside for your prescription requests from 1st November.

Requests may take slightly longer to process so please allow a week for your request to be processed.

Requests can also be emailed to nhmg.secretaries@nhs.net or you can sign up to the NHS App at home or Airmid /System online via the Surgery. We thank you for your patience and understanding during this time. We look forward to sharing our brand new Surgery with you all early 2022



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Chair: Trevor Smy 262022 trevor.smy24@gmail.com www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk

On the 19th October we enjoyed an entertaining talk by Andrew Sankey on "Funny Garden Features" in the Church Hall. These features ranged from those in a classical landscape garden through to Victorian gardens, with their rockeries and the original garden gnomes.

HortSoc will be having a stall at the Community Council's **Jingle Bells Christmas Coffee Morning with Father Christmas on Saturday 11th December**, 10.30 to 1pm in the Village Hall. As usual, donations for Hort Soc's raffle would be very much appreciated and can be brought along on the day or left with a committee member.

The Committee have been busy planning the calendar of events for 2022, including some outings and we will give details of those nearer the time. Here are some dates for your diary:

Saturday 26th March Spring Flower Show (*schedule for the show on page 43*)

Tuesday 12th April AGM and Fun Quiz

Saturday 7th May Morning Market

We would like to wish everyone a **Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**



THE FRIENDS OF CALEY GREEN

Sally Dalton johnansal@live.co.uk 262675

On the whole the Green has been much quieter so bin emptying between collections by Babergh and putting out signage for the Parish Council is not required. We still do

some litter picking when needed and keep an eye on the wildlife.

Wildlife wise, after this year's breeding season the number of ducks has increased but it does not seem to be on par with previous years. Could this have anything to do with Avian Flu which it is believed claimed the life of Gordon, our much loved resident graylag goose? (*The RSPCA said he was very sick and showing the symptoms of Avian Flu*) Nevertheless it's good that the number of wildfowl have risen again.

Swan turf wars continue. The swan family from Wiston first visited in the summer, but they were seen off by Asbo and his family. The Wiston swans kept coming by and appeared eventually to win the territory in early September. Since then there has been a lot of toing and froing as the cygnets begin living independently; sometimes they leave their parents and come back. Currently another pair of swans has arrived on the Meadow pond; we are unsure whether this could be Asbo and his pen, the pair that nested on the pond last year or a new pair.

Lone swans also appear; a fracas with the current resident swans resulted in the visitor stopping traffic on the A134; luckily a driver stopped and ushered the swan to safety.

The Friends remain busy with the Save Caley Green campaign, which is focused on alternative options to prevent erosion around the bay rather than more planting which would over time spoil views and decrease access to the river.



The Wiston swan family when they first visited Caley Green, photo by Sue Pilgrim



NAYLAND FIRST RESPONSE TEAM

Coordinator: Tracy Le Grys 01206 271553 Mob 07504 118843 tracyb295@googlemail.com

First Responders are volunteers with life-saving skills who attend medical emergencies where they live or work on behalf of the ambulance service. Because they volunteer in their community they can often reach a patient before an ambulance or first response car.

Interested in joining the Nayland First Response Team?

Are you – physically fit, aged between 18-70, have a sympathetic and caring nature and agree to undertake training which is provided by the service. Then this could be for you.

Please contact Tracy Le Grys or view <http://www.eastamb.nhs.uk/join-the-team/community-first-responders>

WHERE ARE THE 2 PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATORS IN NAYLAND?

- **Nayland Fire Station**, Bear Street, Nayland CO6 4HY on the outside wall by the entrance.
- **Nayland Village Hall**, Church Lane, Nayland CO6 4JH on the outside wall to the right of the main entrance.

Please familiarise yourself with these locations and let your friends, family and neighbours know.

Minutes Matter.



NAYLAND CINEMA

Karen Freeman karenfreeman@suffolkonline.net Mob: 07773 402765

We have now screened two films at the village hall the first of which 'Dream Horse' was a huge success and it was great to see so many people turning up not just to see the film but to catch up with friends and neighbours.

The second film 'Love Sarah' unfortunately suffered on the Friday evening performance from a power-cut as people started arriving! Fortunately Norman had the bar up and running and with emergency lighting people were able to have a drink and a chat whilst we waited in anticipation that the lights would come back on! They did pop back on again for a few minutes but off again and so it was decided to abandon any further attempt to show the film. Moviola the company which provides our films kindly let us keep the DVD for a little longer and with hurriedly altered posters and banners we successfully screened the film on the Tuesday instead.

Our next film 23 walks will have just been screened by the time you receive this edition of the Community Times.

Our last film for the year is Nomadland which will be screened on Friday 17th December so please do come along even though it's close to Christmas with much going on in the village. No need to book just pay at the door.

We have yet to receive our film list for the first quarter of 2022 so please take a look at the Nayland village hall website for film choices and dates for your diary are 14th January, 18th February and 18th March.

Our next film will be:

- **17th December: 'Nomadland'** is a 2020 American drama film based on the 2017 nonfiction book 'Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty-First Century' by Jessica Bruder. Fern (Frances McDormand) leaves her hometown, after her husband dies and the sole industry closes down, to be "houseless" and travel around the United States as a van-dwelling, working, modern-day nomad.



NAYLAND BELL RINGERS

Church Bells: Chris Hunt 262014 - Handbells Hazel Gardiner 262582

It is good to see, and hear the Handbell ringers at their regular practice (Tuesdays 1.30 to 3pm) thanks to all concerned. It is hoped that they will 'perform' at the December WI meeting.

As far as the church is concerned, we ring half muffled bells at the Service of Remembrance. Muffled bells give a mournful tone to the ringing and fits well into this sad but important service. Training people to ring bells is unfortunately a bit difficult at the moment but I do have a (very) short list of people interested and thanks to them for their patience. So, if anyone out there fancies having a go at LEARNING to ring, please contact Chris Hunt.



ST JAMES' CHURCH NAYLAND

by Chris Hunt Tel: 262014
Churchwarden (still !!)

The most significant event for our church is the licensing of our new priest in charge, The Reverend Stephane Jean Michel Javelle is now our vicar. Don't ask about the difference between vicars and Priests etc.. it's confusing ! Revd Stephane will be dropping in on services and will be visiting the village to familiarize himself with us and what's going on, (I will try and get to him first to give him the low down !).

Because of Christmas there will be some changes to the regular service pattern. Please see the notices on the church and village notice boards for details. The Midnight mass, (24th December), will be held at Nayland and the service taken by Revd. Stephane. On November 14th the Annual Service of Remembrance was held.

The churchyard is a valuable open space in the centre of the village and people often walk through or just visit to spend a quiet time there. So, I would like to make a plea to dog owners to please clean up after their dogs (most do !).

The regular Wednesday coffee morning is still a success. Because December is a busy month, it has been decided that the last coffee morning this year will be on the 1st December and will restart in the New Year.



THE VILLAGE LUNCH

Jo Murrison 262369

The first of the newly revived Village Lunches took place on Wednesday 20th October. After two years, it was wonderful to welcome about 60 of us back to the Village Hall for this ever popular annual event.

Mark Mitchels gave us a talk on Characters of East Anglia which was a real joy. We could all hear him clearly and everyone appreciated his entertaining and memorable anecdotes. The lunch provided was enjoyed by all with the puddings being especially popular.

The next Village Lunch will take place in April 2022 on a date to be set nearer the time.

THE NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON LAND COMPANY



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First of all many thanks to those who have so generously donated financially to the Nayland Land Co since the last edition of the Community Times. Your support is critical to what we can do on the meadow.

For those of you who want to donate through your own labour please get in touch: there is never a shortage of jobs that need to be done on the meadow. Some heavy /many light.

I am truly delighted to report that Robin Thorogood has joined the Nayland Land Co we are very lucky to have him on board. The eagle-eyed of you may have seen him on the meadow recently helping out with his tractor and other machinery.

Since the excellent Swifts talk on 8 November I thought a few words on birds.

Three of the four bird nest boxes placed this spring in Richard's Wood have been occupied by great and blue tits which successfully raised broods. The trees in the wood are quite young and so do not have the natural cavities that would be present in an area of mature woodland and so the nest boxes have provided alternative breeding sites and so helped boost the local bird population. Further nest boxes will be put in place before next year's bird breeding season. If you are interested in sponsoring one please let us know.

Birdlife on the meadow has been quite subdued over the past couple of months with a seasonal reduction in the numbers of jackdaws and rooks being particularly noticeable.

Birds recently recorded on the meadow include cormorant and Canada geese on the pond, kingfisher along the river (always a spectacular treat to see one of those) and red-legged partridge within the field. A pair of mute swans and one cygnet returned to the meadow pond in October.

In August a male stag beetle was seen along the entrance track to the meadow. Over the coming winter we will be building a number of log piles designed especially to benefit this endangered species. A great volunteering opportunity.

Four information boards have been erected beside the footpath and permissive path around the field, providing details about the wild flower meadow, hedgerow management and other management for wildlife.

Finally Neil Catchpole is now back at the meadow again this year carrying out phase 2 of the hedging works. Last year's work was frankly a joy to behold and so we are very excited to see him and Kim back. Again there is an opportunity to participate in this.

Any issues or donations please contact me or others on the board whom you may know.

Nayland Arts and Crafts Exhibition January 22nd/23rd 2022

An exhibition of arts and crafts is being held in Nayland village hall on the above date and we are inviting expressions of interest to exhibit any artwork or sell any crafts at this event.

Prints and cards will be accepted along with original work.

There will be a 20% fee payable for any items sold with the proceeds going towards providing disabled access at St James' Church Nayland.

If you are interested in exhibiting or selling your crafts could you please contact Karen Freeman via email karenfreeman@suffolkonline.net

A HEDGE LAYING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU

Neil Catchpole is continuing the laying of the hedgerow on Nayland Meadow that he started last year, and he is happy to teach anyone from the village who is interested about this fascinating rural skill.

If you are interested in learning about hedge laying or would be interested in helping Please contact John Carpenter: jnbcarpenter@hotmail.com



FRIENDS OF WISTON CHURCH

Registered Charity No 1158565

Chairman: Simon Empson 01206 460250

Treasurer: Julian Baker 01206 262653

Email: wistonfriends@gmail.com

The Friends of Wiston Church is an organisation dedicated to raising money to help maintain the fabric of our much loved ancient building.

If you're not already part of our small community, we'd love to hear from you!

We're always looking for new supporters - business and personal - so if you might be willing to help, we'd be delighted to hear from you!

Many kind individuals give £10-£20 a month (or £120-£240 annually). You can set up a regular subscription - and the amount is entirely up to you.

As an alternative, if you might consider leaving a bequest in your will, please, feel free to get in touch to discuss it.

The need to maintain the church fabric never stops - we'd be so grateful for anything you feel able to give - no matter how modest. If you can - please DONATE NOW and help support Wiston Church!



NAYLAND BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Leaders: Anna Easdown 07826 153023 easdownanna@gmail.com



After a successful first term, Nayland Baby and Toddler Group is back in full swing. It's been wonderful to see everyone again and meet some of the new families in the village. Thanks to everyone who made it down and to those who stayed away when sick, it makes a difference. The extra measures seem to be working.

The village hall is a great space. We're able to spread out and there's plenty of room to toddle about and explore the different toys and activities we have each week.

We will be making Christmas cards on Friday 10th December and the final session for the year will be on 17th December. There will be Christmas music, mince pies from Kerridges and a special visitor will be dropping by...

Fridays at Nayland Village Hall (term time only) Start: 09:30 Finish 11.15 Entrance £3.50 Tea, Coffee, fruit and biscuits included.



NAYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL : EAGLE CLASS

Mrs Kennedy

This week, Nayland Primary School have been taking part in 'One Kind Word' (the latest anti-bullying week theme). The whole school have been fully engaging and collaborating with each other. 'One Kind Word' shows that kindness is so easy to share, you only need one smile to receive many more. We have been working as a community to spread kindness into every corner of the school. In Eagles Class (Year 6), we have been hard at work making posters to put up around the school, hoping to increase positivity. Our whole school would love for all of you to take part in One Kind Word too, to spread happiness especially in this difficult time.

'Kindness can happen everywhere and anywhere; it is like snow because it beautifies everything it lands on. Your kindness will be like a ripple in a pond, it grows and grows and grows. Please be kind because a little gesture by you can make a big difference to someone else.'

by **Arthur Allen, Caitlin Davy & Darcey van't Erve**



Family@Nayland

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We continue to hold our family services on the third Sunday of every month, at 10am in St James' Church.

Our Harvest Festival was a special service, with singing from Ella, a fun action reading to remind us to share with others, and a tractor, treasure hunt and impromptu bell ringing demonstration afterwards at our family picnic.

Thank you to everyone who came and donated gifts for our Community Pantry and Nayland House.

We also raised £83.50 for World Vision's Children in Afghanistan appeal.

We are looking forward to our Christingle service on 19th December, 10am - all are welcome to join us!

Photo: Chris Hunt gives a bell ringing demonstration





Woodland Corner

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Manager: Cheryl Leeks 263054
http://woodlandcornernayland.blogspot.com

Registered Charity
No. 1035330

Over the half term we have had artificial grass installed by Essex Artificial Lawns. We are very pleased with it and it was completed in just a day!

We have also had an intercom installed on our new gate so we can open it with ease and see who is at the gate.

Katie Harwood is continuing to teach the children yoga on Mondays and the children have made real progress in this area! We have stopped Maxim Sports for the winter but look forward to seeing them in March 2022.

Our holiday club was so much fun and great weather! We carved pumpkins, smashed ice to try and get the toy insects out. We made and decorated cupcakes and made broomsticks to take home. We also played lots of sport on the school astro.

Just before we broke up, we had a dental professional come in and talk to the children about dental hygiene. We learnt which foods are bad for our teeth if we eat too much of them. We practised cleaning our teeth with our giant teeth mould and toothbrushes and toothpaste!

We have started serving breakfast again at breakfast club! The children enjoy toast and cereal and a drink.

This term we will cover celebrations and traditions such as Bonfire



night, Remembrance day, Children in Need and Christmas. We will make lots of crafts to bring home at the end of the term.

The children have designed their own Christmas card to be professionally printed and all profits will go into our fundraising pot.

Woodland Corner will have their popular Christmas themed tombola at the Nayland Christmas Fayre on the 11th December 10am until it sells out!

We still have a few spaces left to start in January, so please email woodlandcorner@outlook.com to book your visit.



MESSY CHURCH

Churches of Nayland, Wiston, Leavenheath, Polstead, Stoke by Nayland

For further information:
Revd Val Armstrong 01206 262814
mrsvarmstrong@hotmail.com

We haven't been able to resume Messy Church this autumn unfortunately and with our new Vicar settling in we will review in the New Year. However, please remember that family services are taking place in Nayland every third Sunday which are more relaxed and informal with congregation participation and activities for children (of all ages!). Everybody is very welcome and we would love to see you there.

Please keep an eye on the website www.naylandchurches.wordpress.com for details or contact Reverend Val on 01206 262814 for more information.

With very best wishes to everyone this Advent period and wishing you a Happy and Peaceful Christmas.



Mouse Makes

Colour the tree then colour in one star each day until Christmas. Leave the large star at the top of the tree to colour in on Christmas day!

What's on the Christmas Tree?

A STAR shows the way to Jesus
Read *Matthew 2:1-12*

ANGELS bring messages from God
Read about Gabriel's message in *Luke 1:26-38* Read the shepherd's story in *Luke 1:26-38*

LIGHTS AND CANDLES remind us that Jesus lights our way to God
Read *Luke 2:29-32*

PRESENTS remind us of God's special gift to us ... **JESUS!**

"For God loved the world so much that He gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life." *John 3:16*



VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 304 928 www.naylandandwiston.net > Village Hall

Chairman: Iain Wright 263646 Secretary: Christine Thompson 262825



NOVEMBER MEETING

MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The monthly fire checks have been carried out.
- The oil tank keys will be given to Gary Clarke.
- The Calendar for November was read out. The gutters will be cleared out at the end of the month and the hall inventory checked.
- Stuart Mosely has trimmed back the shrubs at the front of the Hall and the right-hand side path.

MAINTENANCE

- Some shutter manufacturers have been asked for quotes for new shutters in the bar and kitchen.
- Locks have been asked to replace the external lights and to install a manual overdrive button by the thermostat to give an hour's extra heating in the hall. They have been asked for a quote to replace the fluorescent lights in the hall and on the stage with LED lights
- David Hewitt has been asked to refix and repair the stays to the rear doors.
- David Hewitt has been asked to repair the floor where the tiles have lifted near the field side doors.

- A quotation is awaited to replace the door to the chair store and the external wooden doors.
- Locks have repaired the boiler.
- Some of the blue chairs in the Hall will be replaced..
- The telegraph pole outside the Hall has been replaced so that BT can install Wifi in the Hall.
- The time clock will be adjusted so that the heating will come on in the hall half an hour before the regular daytime users enter the Hall.

BOOKINGS

- Hirers are making many new bookings for the Hall.
- The footballers have been asked to remove their equipment from the hall as they are no longer hiring the field.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Endowment Fund £14,828, COIF £1,9284, Bank £15,366, Cash £748, Debtors £0, Assets £1,4853

BOOKINGS

- Iain Wright will apply for a CIL grant towards the new roof.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- The next meeting will be **Monday 6th December @ 7.30pm.**

CLASSES & GROUPS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

- Mondays: 9.30am Acrylic Painting, 2pm Table Tennis
- Fridays: 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group

Further details of these classes are available on the village hall bookings website via www.naylandandwiston.net.

The Village Hall Management Committee would very much appreciate some new members joining us.

We meet once a month in the meeting room of the hall for a couple of hours on the first Monday of the month.

If you feel you can give a little of your time to keep this community facility prospering for the mutual benefit of the whole village, please contact any member of the VHMC.



ST JAMES' CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING TEAM

Jeannette Finch 262993

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Donations would be gratefully received towards flowers for decorating St James' Church for Christmas and throughout the year. They can be given to Jeannette Finch, Rose Cottage, Fen Street.

If anyone with an interest in flower arranging would like to join our little team or like to know more, do contact Jeannette on 262993.

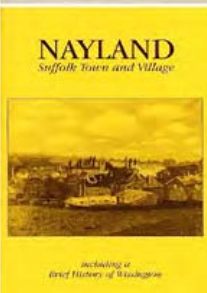
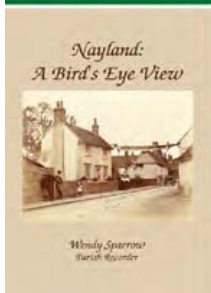
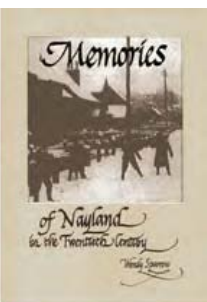
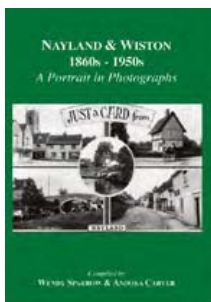
Many thanks to all our flower arrangers who keep our churches looking so welcoming throughout the year.

NAYLAND HISTORY PUBLICATIONS

- **Nayland and Wiston: A Portrait in Photographs:** fascinating old photographs from Nayland and Wiston which show the history and character of people and places and reveals what life was like as early as 1860. The pictures are delightful. £6
- **Memories of Nayland:** provides an interesting picture of Nayland in the twentieth century through the memories of some of its residents. £4
- **Nayland: A Bird's Eye View:** a collection of articles about people and events from Nayland's past, historic buildings and much more. £5
- **Is it Wiston or Wissington?** The history of Nayland's 'other parish' from the Middle Ages to the Twentieth Century. £5
- **Nayland: Suffolk Town and Village:** this is a short history of Nayland and Wiston including the following chapters: Nayland's industries and trades, schools, churches, medical and other services, river, road, and railways, social pursuits, personal and family reminiscences. There is a walk around guide and map at the back. £3
- **A Walk Around Historic Nayland:** a small booklet with photographs and drawings. £2.50

AVAILABILITY: All Items from Forget Me Not, 2 Birch Street.

Nayland: A Bird's Eye View also from Wendy Sparrow 262820



Garden Notes

by *The Old Muckspreader*



Koelreuteria paniculata, Golden Rain Tree

Answering the Editor's query in October, our Nicandra has always been grown outside, so hasn't had much opportunity to discourage Whitefly, which would more likely inhabit a greenhouse. Had we grown it there it would have taken over the entire space.

There's quite a lot of well-berried holly around at the moment, but there are also a lot of hungry birds, so it's just as well to pick what you want for Christmas and store it now. If you put it into a plastic sack make sure it's well sealed; some years ago the OM/S omitted to take this precaution and when he opened it up in mid-December there were no berries left; field mice had taken the lot.

At the end of the drive here there used to be a fine Horse Chestnut, planted about 4 years ago which produced a good harvest of conkers. Two years ago it started to display the first signs of the dreaded disease that has attacked these fine trees, and now it has finally succumbed to it. We have just cut it down and its wood is now cut up and stacked in the barn to provide fuel for an open fire here. [Don't tell the Glasgow Conference]

That leaves only one Horse Chestnut from the three that graced the paddock; it failed to set seed this year. So is probably on the way out too.

While on the subject of trees one of the most beautiful is the Golden Rain Tree (*Koelreuteria paniculata*). When in bloom in early summer it's a lovely sight, justifying its name. Unfortunately it has grown rather tall here, and is mostly obscured by an evergreen *Arbutus* (Strawberry Tree). It grows reliably from seed, and we plan to move a self sown seedling to a better site.

Most of the deciduous trees still have most of their leaves, and there seems no sign of frost, which will bring them down for collection and transfer to the pens.

Annual Cosmos is still flowering, and the garden looks as if it's still only early Autumn, when in reality it's not far off Christmas.

Which brings the OM/S to wish his readers a happy one, and good gardening in 2022.

WORDSEARCH: Winter Shrubs & Plants

ANAGRAMS: Festive Flowers. Berries & Nuts

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A few seasonal crackers....

10. What is the common name of *Helleborus niger*?
11. When you considered a popular Christmas wine?
12. Who made Christmas trees popular in England?
13. What Christmas decoration might be found growing in an apple tree?
14. *Galanthus nivalis* is better known as what?

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NAYLAND CELEBRITIES

In a conversation last year with Leigh Sebba about some of Nayland and Wiston's famous past and present residents, Leigh suggested it might be a good idea to keep a record of them for the village archives. It is true that there have been quite a few well known people living in our parish, some of whom could be called Celebrities - a title much used these days to describe people in popular culture, although it is quite difficult to decide when someone becomes a Celebrity as opposed to being just a famous person.

As well as having famous residents the parish has throughout history also been visited for various reasons by many other well known people from every walk of life. Perhaps the most famous was Queen Elizabeth, later known as the Queen Mother, who visited the East Anglian Sanatorium in Wiston in 1945. The Sanatorium was founded in 1901 by Dr Jane Walker who was already famous for being one of the first women in this country to qualify as a doctor. The hospital was renamed the Jane Walker Hospital in 1959 but closed in 1991.

John Constable's connection with Nayland through his painting in St James's is well known. He did not actually reside here but had two aunts who did, at Longwood House and The Manse. Family correspondence indicates he was a frequent visitor and often walked from his parents' home in East Bergholt to Nayland.

Another famous artist associated with Nayland was Alfred Munnings who lived at Dedham and died in 1959. Past residents remembered seeing him in Nayland in the 1920s when he brought his horses to the Nayland forge to have them shod, so he would have been a regular visitor.

Thomas Gainsborough was another Suffolk artist, born in Sudbury in the 18th century, and it is likely that he would have visited Nayland but there is no evidence of this. However, it is written into Nayland folklore that his brother Jack produced the paintings preserved on the first floor of the White Hart.

Other artists such as John Nash lived at Wiston in the 1930s and Bernard Cheese, artist and printmaker, lived in Nayland High Street and died in 2013. Emily Carr was a Canadian artist who spent her last months in the Sanatorium in the 1940s before returning to Canada to die. Many people remember the late Peter Collingwood, internationally known artist and weaver, who lived at the Old School House in Nayland until he died in 2008.

Back in 1974 Donald Swan of the comic duo, Flanders and Swan performed in the Village Hall in a Music Week event. Together they wrote and performed more than a hundred comic songs in their careers, including the *Hippopotamus Song* (Mud, Mud, glorious Mud ...) and *The Gnu*.

Internationally known musicians John Williams and John Etheridge, guitarists, performed in Nayland Village Hall in 2006 to raise funds for the Friends of St Mary's Church Wiston.

In the 1990s many people will remember when Nayland became a popular location for film makers. The actress Julie Walters appeared in a film made partly in Nayland in 1993 by Channel Four called *Getaway*. It also starred Alfred Molina and was produced by Alan Bleasdale. Paul Barnes, from Anglia



Courtesy of Essex County Standard

TV, presented a film about Nayland in 1994 in the *Village Show* series. *The Affair* film made for the BBC in 1995 featured Nayland and starred Courtney Vance and Kerry Fox.

The author and Times crossword compiler Adrian Bell lived at Wiston in the 1930s and the author Ronald Blythe, who lives in nearby Wormingford, has been a frequent visitor over the years attending various events, including the Court Knoll dig in 2016.

Dr Oliver Rackham was a Historical Ecologist whose prime interest was the history and management of British woodland. He was a prolific award winning author of books on trees, woodland and the countryside. In the 1970s whilst lecturing at Flatford on a vernacular architecture course he visited several of Nayland's medieval houses.

Michel Roux, famous chef and restaurateur was part of the syndicate which took over the White Hart Inn in 1995 and turned it into a restaurant with rooms for a few years. From the world of sport, Ted Phillips the well known Ipswich Town football player, lived in Court Street in the 1950s.

Going back to the 18th century, William Jones, known as Jones of Nayland, was a nationally known clergyman, a composer of hymns and writer of religious works, who lived in the old vicarage in Fen Street. He came in 1776, the year of Constable's birth and would probably have known Constable's aunts. It is possible that Jane Austen who was related to William Jones's wife may well have visited Nayland but there is no evidence of this.

Who knows, perhaps Anne Boleyn rode through Nayland with her entourage in the 16th century on her way to visit her relatives, the powerful Howard family who were Dukes of Norfolk and owned Tendring Hall in Stoke-by-Nayland, but this is pure speculation! We could perhaps go even further back in history to include Edward I in the 13th century who was known to have visited Nayland to sign many letters Patent.

The idea is to keep a register of all these people who have lived in or had some connection with Nayland. It is hoped that the musicians, artists and writers currently or recently living here can also be included.

There are probably other celebrities who could be added and we would like your help. Do you know of any famous people who have either lived here or visited in an official capacity? If you do and can provide dates and information we would like to hear from you.

Wendy Sparrow, Parish Recorder
wsparrow150@btinternet.com

WEATHER SUMMARY: September & October 2021 Weather Report *by David Lowe*

September was a warm and fairly sunny month - welcome after the cloudy and cool latter two weeks of August. The mean temperature was 16.2°C - only 0.1°C less than August, which is unprecedented over the 14 year recording period. The average differential is 2.2°C and next nearest 0.7°C in 2011 - while this has been as high as 4.4°C. I thought that this year might have the highest September average, but the clear winner here was 2016 at 17.2. 2021 comes second to this. 2016 missed the cooler last week.

Highest temperature was 27.6°C (25.8°C and low, 5.4°C (5.02°C). Lowest max was 15.2°C (15.0°C). On no day did the temperature fail to reach 15°C (1.36) while there were 19 days over 20°C (11.36) equal highest with 2016. There were 3 days over 25°C (1.64).

Bright sunshine was 237.2 hrs (243.14) with solar energy at 7600 Ly (7641.07).

Rainfall was low at 23.4 mm (40.64) with evapotranspiration at 61.75 mm (61.34). There was only one day with 10mm plus of rain (1.14) with the highest rainfall rate at 40.6 mm/hr (83.08).

Winds were lighter than recently - average 3.8 mph (2.81). The highest daily average was 6.4 mph (7.41). Highest wind speed was 27 mph (31.07). The predominant direction was SW.

October had many dry days - but these were punctuated by the 2nd and 5th (both giving over 20 mm) 20th and 21st both giving over 14 mm, and the 31st at 9.4 mm. This is the only October in the past 14 years with two days over 20 mm - while

only two others have had 4 days over 10mm. The rainfall rate of 281 mm/hr on the 5th was more than double any previous rate for the month, and the highest I have recorded at Nayland over the 14 year record period (previous highest 261.4 in September 2014).

While Nayland is normally wetter than the Shotley Peninsula, to the east, record keeping has shown that precipitation is heavier there when arriving on a wind between northeast and south. This resulted in our October rainfall total of 95 mm, with the Shotley Peninsula a good 25 mm more.

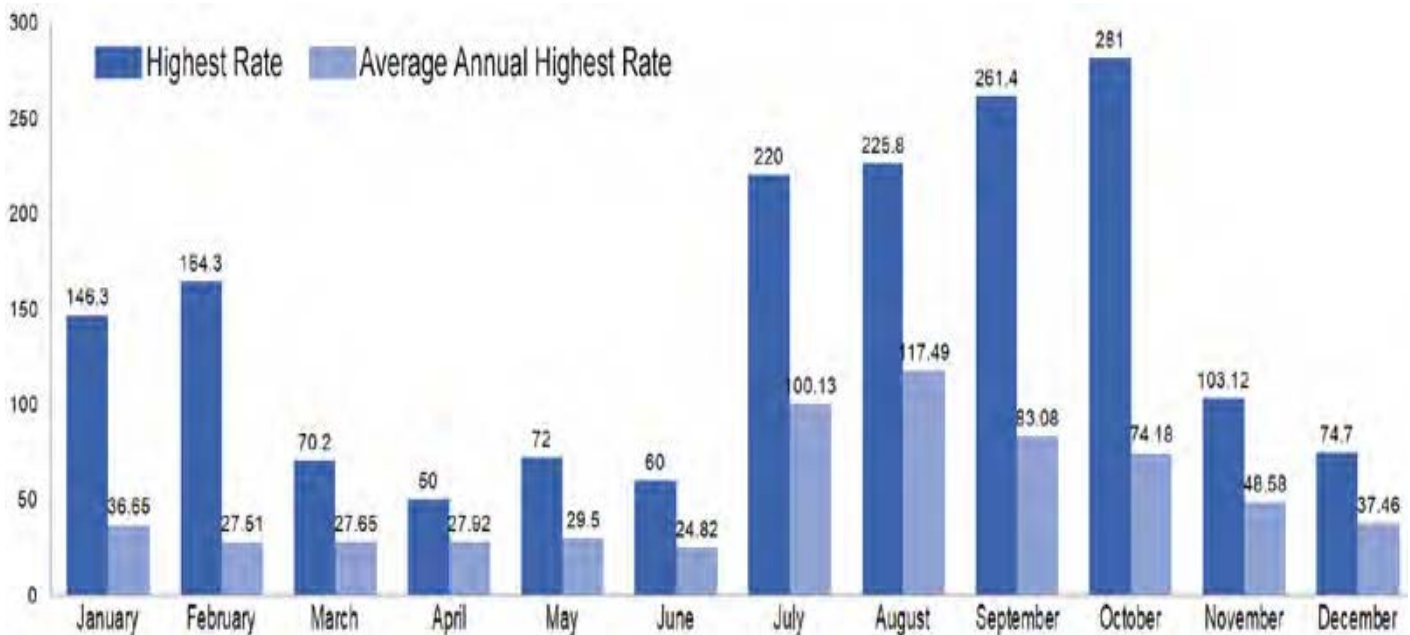
The pressure pattern was generally one of high pressure to the southeast and low pressure to the northwest. However, the 2nd and 5th and 20th and 21st heavy rainfalls were delivered by depressions sweeping up from the southwest - and that of the 31st, a deep depression over the country that approached from the west.

Mean temperature for the month was 12°C (11.55) with a high of 20.9°C (20.71) and low of 3.3°C (2.04). Lowest max was 10.7°C (10.39). There were no air or ground frosts, no days when the temperature failed to reach 10°C, and 11 when the temperature failed to reach 15°C (14). There was one day over 20°C (1.71) and none over 25°C.

Bright sun hours were 165.7 (163.3) solar energy was 4375 Ly (4576) and evapotranspiration 36 mm (36.04).

As stated above, rainfall was 95 mm (61.01). This was the second highest over the 14 year record period, after last year.

NAYLAND RAINFALL RATES: HIGHEST & HIGHEST AVERAGE - June 2008 to October 2021



COMMUNITY PANTRY & FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FUND

Thank you for all the items generously donated to the community pantry. Currently, we do not need any more pasta, tinned tomatoes or beans. But we do need fresh vegetables and fruit, long-life milk, butter, cereal, tea and instant coffee, toiletries, household cleaning stuff and tinned steak, mince, curry etc.

Please keep spreading the word that this is a resource for anyone in our villages, whether their need is occasional or regular.

There is also a fund for those in need of financial assistance, perhaps with school uniforms and shoes, essential or unexpected bills. Please do feel free to contact Rev Val Armstrong who can assist you in complete confidentiality, Tel: 01206262812 Email: mrsvarmstrong@hotmail.com It is also possible to have a delivery arranged for those unable to get to the Community Pantry in Nayland, again please contact Rev Val about this.

WISTON CHURCH PORCH BOOKS - 4 for £1 !

There is a large selection of second-hand books for sale in the church porch at St Mary's, Wiston.

Maybe take your daily exercise along the footpath past the church and call into the church porch and browse through the books. ~ autobiographies, cookery, children's, fiction, non-fiction..... ~

Donations of books are welcome; in the clearly signed metal box in the Wiston church car park at Newtons Farm before you reach the church.



FIVE PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES:

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

Nayland, Wiston, Leavenheath, Stoke by Nayland & Polstead

Please check the Benefice website and Facebook page for updates:
www.naylandchurches.wordpress.com/ - and - www.facebook.com/naylandchurches/

CHURCH OPENING TIMES & SERVICES

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| 5th December | 8.00am | HC | Nayland | 2nd January | 8.00am | HC | Nayland |
| | 10.00am | HC | Polstead | | 10.00am | HC | Polstead |
| | 10.00am | First Sunday | Leavenheath VH | | 10.00am | First Sunday | Leavenheath VH |
| | 10.00am | M. Praise | Wiston | | 10.00am | M. Praise | Wiston |
| | 6.30pm | Evensong | Stoke | | 6.30pm | Evensong | Stoke |
| 12th December | 10.00am | HC | Nayland | 9th January | 10.00am | HC | Nayland |
| | 10.00am | HC | Stoke | | 10.00am | HC | Stoke |
| | 10.00am | MP | Leavenheath | | 10.00am | M. Prayer | Leavenheath |
| | 5.30pm | Evensong | Wiston | | 5.30am | Evensong | Wiston |
| 19th December | 10.00am | HC | Polstead | 16th January | 8.00am | HC | Stoke |
| | 10.00am | Family Christingle | Nayland | | 10.00am | HC | Wiston |
| | 10.00am | Lessons & Carols | Wiston | | 10.00am | M. Prayer | Polstead |
| | 6.30pm | Lessons & Carols | Leavenheath | | 10.00am | Family@nayland | Nayland |
| | 6.30pm | Lessons & Carols | Nayland | | 6.30pm | Ev. Praise | Leavenheath VH |
| 22nd December | 7.00pm | Carols around Christmas tree | Nayland | 23rd January | 10.00am | HC | Nayland |
| | | | | | 10.00am | HC | Leavenheath |
| 24th December | 4.00pm | Family Christingle | Leavenheath | | 10.00am | M. Prayer | Stoke |
| | 5.00pm | Family Service | Polstead | 30th January | 8.00am | HC | tba |
| | 6.30pm | Carols | Stoke | | 10.00am | Benefice HC | tba |
| | 11.30pm | Midnight Service | Nayland | | | | |
| 25th December | 10.00am | Christmas Euch. | Stoke | | | | |
| | 10.00am | Christmas Euch. | Wiston | | | | |
| 25th December | 10.45am | Eucharist | Hadleigh | | | | |

HC: Holy communion, MP: Morning Prayer
NB Please double check on the church website for the latest information for each Sunday as circumstances may change.

Daily church opening times: Nayland 10-4pm, Wiston 9-4pm
Stoke 9-4pm, Polstead 9-4pm, Leavenheath 10-4pm

Dear Friends,

By the time you read this we will have a new incumbent, Revd Stéphane Javelle and some of you will already have met him. He comes to us from Salisbury, although as you may guess he is originally from France, and we warmly welcome him as our new priest.

As December begins and the dark days of winter are here, we look forward to Christmas. Hopefully, a better Christmas than last year, when the usual family gatherings were not possible for many, despite the temporary relaxing of some of the covid restrictions. It has been a hard year. That last lockdown was so long, people were weary and stressed and unable to give and receive the emotional and personal support to family and friends that we rely on. Even our church services could only take place online. Thank God for them but it's not the same. If there has been one thing that this pandemic and its consequences has demonstrated, it is the importance of human contact. From the casual conversations in the workplace, at the shops or out walking the dog to the most significant relationships in our lives, other people are essential to our health and wellbeing. I hope that you will be able to spend this Christmas with those you love and catch up on some of the hugs and kisses we missed so much.

At Christmas, we celebrate the birth of a child: Jesus, the son of God. God himself entered the world as a little, vulnerable baby, dependent on his parents, Mary and Joseph for everything. It is an absurd idea; it is too ridiculous even to invent such a story but we tell this story every year because however absurd or ridiculous it sounds - it is true! And this year of all years, I want not just to tell this story but to shout it from the rooftops. "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy to all people. To you is born a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord." This child who grew up to be a leader like no other, the one who left the glory of heaven to show us that God is love, was not born in a palace nor did he live in kingly splendour. He lived a simple life, ministering to the needs, physical as well as spiritual, of the people he encountered. No-one, rich or poor, successful and respected or marginalised and despised, was beyond his care for "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve." To show us that only a life rooted in loving service to others, whatever our place and role in the world will meet our own deepest needs. Remember Captain Tom? A frail old man, tottering round and round his garden, raising money, doing his bit to fight Covid. His example lifted the spirits of the nation and inspired and encouraged millions around the world. And there are so many Captain Toms: known only to their friends, families and neighbours who have done their bit in their communities, and in our community. I'm sure you can think of quite a few.

This Christmas I invite you to celebrate our true humanity, which we have been reminded of and seen around us, made manifest in the child who is the Son of God and the Son of man, who calls and inspires us to be the good news we all need and want. So don't stress about the turkey, the trimmings or the presents; being present, being together, that matters.

Rejoice, make merry and love your neighbour and Happy Christmas,

Revd Val

CHURCH CONTACT DETAILS ON PAGE 47

Rector: Revd Stéphane Javelle
Email: rev.stephane.javelle@eclipto.eu
01787 379689 until end January

Benefice Administrator: Nicola Thorogood
on nicola.church@yahoo.com or 262453

As Churchwardens for St James' Chris and Kathy Hunt (262014) would be the point of contact for Nayland church queries.

FROM THE REGISTERS



BURIAL OF ASHES
Thomas Gibbons

EROSION AND REVETMENT AT CALEY GREEN – NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

The powerpoint presentation, analysis of responses to the August survey and Minutes from the Open Meeting held on 2nd November are now on the Parish Council webpage of the Nayland and Wiston Community website for the benefit of those residents that could not attend. These can be accessed via the link to documents files on the webpage. All other documents and minutes of meetings relating to Caley Green have been published there over several months. We thank all those residents who responded to our request for comments. Some of the responses were very detailed. A few suggested installing a jetty and this option is dealt with separately in this issue of the Community Times as the various authorities would like to know residents' views.

However, despite the fact that the aims and objectives were set out by the Parish and County Councils in the Community Times earlier this year, it is obvious from some of the comments that there are misconceptions about what the Parish Council, Suffolk County Council, the Environment Agency, the Dedham Vale and Stour Valley AONB Project Team and other official bodies have been considering.

There has never been any plan to block the view of the river

by tall, dense vegetation.

There has never been any plan to prevent access to the river.

There has never been any plan to limit the quiet enjoyment of the Green by visitors although there have been discussions about mitigating any negative impact on residents and wildlife

The aims of the authorities have always been to prevent further erosion of the Green, to protect wildlife habitat, to create safe access for licensed kayakers, paddle boarders and other river users. The River Stour Trust, Environment Agency Navigation Officer and Stour Boating have been involved on behalf of craft users. There was additional input from the Emergency Services. The minutes of those meetings are on the Parish Council webpage. Residents' questions raised at the Annual Parish Assembly in April were referred to the experts and their responses have been published. The Open Meeting in November reported the outcome of all the work that has been done for well over a year towards achieving those aims.

A formal application for a permit for any work on a riverbank must be made by all landowners to the Environment Agency. The pre-application process for Caley Green began in 2020. The Environment Agency is legally obliged to set out conditions for those applications to include enhancement of biodiversity, conservation of habitat and access to water-based activities. If an application does not conform to those conditions, it will be refused. All the official bodies involved in the decision-making process favour a hybrid scheme of low, mixed, native vegetation to protect the riverbank plus oak revetment to replace the previous revetment that has been destroyed. The next step is for the Parish Council and Suffolk County Council to make a final decision and to draw up a detailed scheme to present to the Environment Agency for consideration.

Mary George, Chairman NwW Parish Council

Please note: to view a readable copy of the Caley Green Presentation go to www.naylandandwiston.net and look under the heading Caley Green Campaign.

Babergh District Council
Waste and Recycling




Christmas & New Year Bin Collection Schedule 2021-22

Please ensure your bins are presented by 6.30am on the day of collection

| | Usual Collection Date | Revised Collection Date | Change |
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| Recycling | Monday 27th December 2021 | Wednesday 29th December 2021 | 2 days later |
| | Tuesday 28th December 2021 | Thursday 30th December 2021 | 2 days later |
| | Wednesday 29th December 2021 | Friday 31st December 2021 | 2 days later |
| | Thursday 30th December 2021 | Tuesday 4th January 2022 | 5 days later |
| | Friday 31st December 2021 | Wednesday 5th January 2022 | 5 days later |
| Refuse | Monday 3rd January 2022 | Thursday 6th January 2022 | 3 days later |
| | Tuesday 4th January 2022 | Friday 7th January 2022 | 3 days later |
| | Wednesday 5th January 2022 | Saturday 8th January 2022 | 3 days later |
| | Thursday 6th January 2022 | Monday 10th January 2022 | 4 days later |
| | Friday 7th January 2022 | Tuesday 11th January 2022 | 4 days later |
| Recycling | Monday 10th January 2022 | Wednesday 12th January 2022 | 2 days later |
| | Tuesday 11th January 2022 | Thursday 13th January 2022 | 2 days later |
| | Wednesday 12th January 2022 | Friday 14th January 2022 | 2 days later |
| | Thursday 13th January 2022 | Saturday 15th January 2022 | 2 days later |
| | Friday 14th January 2022 | Monday 17th January 2022 | 3 days later |
| Refuse | Monday 17th January 2022 | Tuesday 18th January 2022 | 1 day later |
| | Tuesday 18th January 2022 | Wednesday 19th January 2022 | 1 day later |
| | Wednesday 19th January 2022 | Thursday 20th January 2022 | 1 day later |
| | Thursday 20th January 2022 | Friday 21st January 2022 | 1 day later |
| | Friday 21st January 2022 | Saturday 22nd January 2022 | 1 day later |

From Monday 24th January 2022 refuse and recycling collections return to the normal schedule. There will be no garden waste (brown bin) collections during the weeks commencing 27th December 2021 and 3rd January 2022. Please refer to the garden waste collection schedule, which is available at: www.babergh.gov.uk/waste-services

Waste Services: 0300 1234 000 (option 4)
recycling@babermidsuffolk.gov.uk

REAL CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Babergh DC will recycle your real Christmas tree for free!

If you have a brown garden waste bin all you need to do is leave your real Christmas tree (without decorations) beside your brown bin for collection throughout January.

Please note: Large trees (more than 7 ft tall, a trunk thicker than 7cm) can only be collected via a collection point or at any of Suffolk's household recycling centres.



You can recycle your real Christmas tree at any of our collection points. Details of all of Babergh Christmas tree collection points will be available soon at: <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/waste-services/collection-days/christmas-collections/>

The usual collection points nearest to Nayland are: **BUT** please check the dates they will be collecting

- **Leavenheath:** Village Hall
- **Boxford:** Boxford Spinney (entrance)
- **Great Cornard:** Stevenson Centre, Stevenson Approach (off Broom Street)
- **Hadleigh:** Stonehouse Road car park & Town Hall Market Place
- **Sudbury:** Kingfisher Leisure Centre car park (by bottle banks)

The household recycling centres are:

- **Sudbury:** Sandy Lane, Sudbury, CO10 7HG (off Bulmer Road, Ballingdon Hill - A131)
- **Hadleigh:** Crockett Road, Hadleigh, IP7 6RD (off Lady Lane Industrial Estate)

More info on recycling at: <https://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/>

GARDEN NOTES

December should see an increase in the number and variety of birds visiting the garden and this increase will gather strength early next year or if there are particularly cold, frosty conditions. At such times the garden feeders can be busy all day long with visits from Blue and Great Tits and, if you're fortunate, Coal Tits.

Every few years, Waxwings turn up in unusually high numbers, both in gardens and, bizarrely, supermarket car parks. Usually confined to the Arctic and regions further north, these gorgeous birds rely almost entirely on berries and one individual may eat a thousand in a day.

Meanwhile, on supermarket roofs and sometimes even Christmas trees, Pied Wagtails gather to roost. Fairy lights on Christmas trees may be a fraction warmer than ambient temperature, so they're drawn to these.

A few flowers hang on. White Dead-nettle is still flowering (it never stops) and so is Groundsel.

Ivy is beginning to produce berries, which will be critically important for birds in the late winter, as other food declines sharply. The odd Woodpigeon will already be having a go, even if the berries aren't fully ripe.

There are a few flying insects around by day, save for winter gnats and the occasional late hibernating butterfly such as a Red Admiral. There are, though, a few moths that you might catch in the garden using a light trap. They include December Moth, Red-green Carpet, Autumn Green Carpet, Tissue, Winter Moth, Northern Winter Moth, Mottled Umber, Sprawler, Brindled Ochre, Tawny Pinion, Pale Pinion, Grey Shoulder-knot, Red Sword-grass, Sword-grass, Satellite, Chestnut, Dark Chestnut, Dotted Chestnut, Angles Shades, Oak Nycteoline, Silver Y, Herald, Bloxworth Snout and Buttoned Snout.

Most bats are hibernating, although the occasional individual might fly about on a mild winter's day. However, members of bat study groups often monitor hibernation sites and count the torpid animals at known sites, often attics and cellars.

Whatever the weather, nothing stops the gradual increase in the babble of birdsong during January. And, apart from the inevitable push of the shoots of snowdrops, crocuses and daffodils through the frosty soil, nothing is quite so subversive to the grip of winter, each wild voice defiant.

The Great Tit may sing even before Christmas is over, but the main flush of song is towards January's end. The phrase is easy to identify, a cheerful repeating of two notes: 'Teach-er, teach-er, teach-er.' The chiming sound is slightly strained but invariably cheerful. One moment a Great Tit will be singing from a treetop, the next it will be down at the hanging feeders, bullying and harrying.



Waxwing

Blue Tits are equally tough characters, but they may not start singing until the very last days of the month. Coal Tits, which have a similar song to the Great Tit, but less rasping and sweeter, only get going in February.

Another song you're almost certain to hear is that of the Song Thrush. Much is made of this bird's decline in gardens over the last four decades and while this is undoubtedly real it doesn't mean that the bird is rare. Far from it – the village hosts several pairs. The thrush is perhaps overlooked because of its retiring habits and because it tends to sing both early in the year and early in the day, when fewer people are tuned in. But its voice can dominate a late winter morning. Listen for loud, strident phrases delivered at a relaxed pace with a perfect broadcaster's enunciation and above all recognise that each phrase is repeated several times.

In the words of Robert Browning's *Home Thoughts from Abroad*:

*That's the wise thrush; he sings each phrase thrice over,
Lest you should think he never could recapture
The first fine careless rapture!*

In more prosaic terms, if you hear a loud song you can't identify in early spring, it's most probably that of a Song Thrush.

Try to keep listening day after day, because you're certain to pick up other voices. The Dunnock, for example, isn't a well known singer, but it's a very common garden bird that tends to start up in mid January. At some time in your garden you will almost certainly have heard it's sweet but limited, somewhat cyclical phrase, which sounds a little like the squeaky wheels of a moving supermarket trolley, but recognising it is never easy.

Quite naturally, January isn't a month when you're going to drool over the variety of flowers, but spare a thought for tough weeds that dare to creep into the untidy corners of your lawn or flowerbed. A few Daisies and Dandelions will be growing strong, as will Common Chickweed and Petty Spurge.

January isn't a great month for flying insects, either, but some of the species that hibernate might be tempted out on a mild day.

On mild nights, there is a small selection of macro moths that a dedicated trapper might catch. These include the same as December with the addition of Pale Brindled Beauty, Early Moth and Orange Upperwing.



Angles Shades Moth

I have moved out of Nayland, but not far, so these shall be the last of my 'nature notes' for the magazine. I've enjoyed making friends in Nayland, especially those with a fellow passion for wildlife. Please stay in touch via email at edhutchings@hotmail.co.uk

Ed Hutchings

NAYLAND MOBILE LIBRARY

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Saturdays at 10am-11.15am, every four weeks

4 December - 29 January - 26 February

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Saturdays at 3.55pm-4.30pm, every four weeks

18 December - 15 January - 12 February

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SMALL ADVERT COLUMN

Nayland and Wiston residents may place free adverts for items valued under £50, items £50 and over are charged £5. Contact: Lorraine Brooks 262807 lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com

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USEFUL WEBSITES

- **Babergh Planning:** www.babergh.gov.uk/planning/
- **Refuse Collections:** <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/waste-services/collection-days/>
- **Highways Reporting:** <https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/>
- **To check on roadworks:** <https://roadworks.org/>
- **To check water issues:** <https://inyourarea.digdat.co.uk/>

Useful local social media group sites:

- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/StokeByNaylandBoxfordLeavenheathNaylandBures/>
- https://nextdoor.co.uk/news_feed/



SESAW NEWS:

It's time to thank all the wonderful people who have supported SESAW in so many different ways over the last twelve months. Those who care for the animals, carry out maintenance, donate handmade or purchased items, visit our stalls at outside events to mention but a few. Your efforts ensure the charity continues to care for animals in need. Thanks also to our fundraisers including Jayne and Karen who will be offering pet products and handmade crafts at the Winter Market in Langham Community Centre car park, School Road, CO4 5PA on 5th December.

We hope to hold sales again in 2022, assuming no Covid restrictions prevent it. Please leave a message on our ansaphone or email if you would like to help at events. Applicants to help with animal care are also welcome if you can commit to one morning a week.

Copies of Frank Payne's book, "Here Today, Gone Tomorrow" are still available, an ideal Christmas present when combined with the next instalment of the Author's biography, "Well Worth Waiting For". Frank details his wartime childhood, National Service and his career as a sports journalist. Phone 01206 263006 to order the two volumes for £10, all proceeds to SESAW.

We do not rehome animals over the Christmas period so we will be closed from 10th December to 10th January 2022 except for emergencies. One last big thank you to the editor for giving us a voice. Season's greetings to all our readers from my feline friend, Ollie and me, **Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua**.

Suffolk & Essex Small Animal Welfare (Reg Charity No.1124029)
Stoke Road, Leavenheath, CO6 4PP. www.sesaw.co.uk
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Frank Payne and Maggie who runs SESAW with the fundraising book



Nayland & District Horticultural Society Spring Flower Show

on Saturday 26th March 2022 in the Church Hall

- Classes:
1. Pot of spring bulbs, corms or tubers (*other than Daffodil/Narcissus*)
 2. Pot of 5 Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs any colour or variety
 3. Pot miniature Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs
 4. Pot of Polyanthus or Primula (Primroses)
 5. Flowering houseplant
 6. Non-flowering houseplant
 7. 3 blooms (*any one variety*) floating in a dish of water
 8. Flower arrangement: 'A Host of Daffodils' (*to be predominantly Daffodils*)
 9. Flower arrangement: 'Spring Fever' (*max size 12" overall*)
 10. Vase with 3 stems of Hyacinths
 11. Vase of mixed flowers and/or flowering shrubs
 12. Vase of one kind of flowering shrub or tree
 13. Vase of 3 Tulips (*any variety/varieties*)
 14. Vase with 1 bloom Camellia
 15. Vase of 6 assorted Daffodil/Narcissus
 16. Vase of 6 Miniature Daffodil/Narcissus
 17. 3 specimen Daffodil/Narcissus blooms (*any one variety*)
 18. Rhubarb: 3 stalks, leaves trimmed, but if forced foliage should remain
- This is an advance notice to enable you to plant up your entries!
More information will be available in later issues of the Community Times, or
www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk or Trevor 262022 trevor.smy24@gmail.com



FUTURE MONTHLY MEETINGS
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FUTURE LECTURES

- 18th January 2022 - **"So they do cook after all!"**
Ravilious, Bawden & the Great Bardfield Artists.
- 18th February 2022 - Music in Art
- 15th March 2022 - The GPO Film Unit: The Birth of Documentaries

There are also options of Zoomed virtual tours around Places of Interest & Special Interest subject coverage (at a small additional cost)

WEA : Adult Learning Within Reach
SPRING SERIES OF 6 AFTERNOON LECTURES
Stoke by Nayland Village Hall
Thursday 20th January 2022 at 2.30-4.30 pm

FROM THE RENAISSANCE TO MODERN ITALY

With Denise Bianchini

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Fee for the term: £47.40. Enrolment for the course should be done with the WEA either online at www.wea.org.uk or by phone 0300 303 3464 using Course Reference **C2228379**

Fee payment can be made with a debit or credit card
Advance booking is recommended but you can enrol following the first, 'taster' session on 20th January if preferred
For further information, contact Sue Whiteley on 01782 498976 or Stoke-by-Nayland.Branch@wea.ac.uk

Stoke by Nayland branch of the WEA is looking for people who would be interested in serving on the committee. The branch has a long and successful association with the village and surrounding area – about 50 years – but there is a danger that the branch will not be able to continue to offer courses after next Spring without a viable number on the committee. If you would like to be involved and help in the choice of future courses, please contact Sue Whiteley (details above) for further information.

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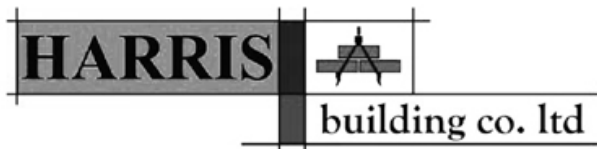
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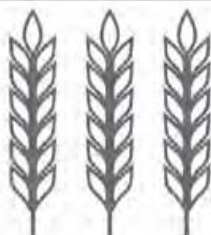
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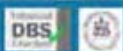


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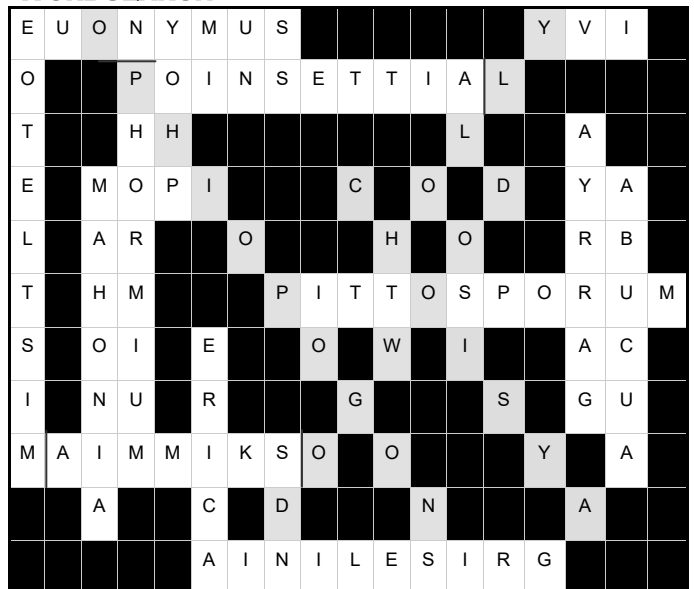
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SCHOOL TERM DATES 2021/22

Autumn Term ends: 17 December
Spring Term begins: 4 January
Spring Half Term: 21 – 25 February



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|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Mon 20th - Fri 24th December | School Holiday Service |
| Saturday 25th - Tuesday 28th | No bus service |
| Weds 29th - Friday 28th | School Holiday Service |
| Saturday 1st - Mon 3rd January | No bus service |
| Tuesday 4th January | Services as normal |

Current suspended bus services:

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Bookings: online at www.naylandandwiston.net
or Rachel Skells 262422 naylandchurchhall@yahoo.com
Contact 262309 / 07900 581347 for combination to key box

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| Sunday – Friday Hourly Rates | Residents | Non Residents |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| 9am – midnight | £12.00 | £18.00 |
| Meeting Room (minimum 3 hours) | £6.00 | £21.00 |
| Playing Field only (all day) | £60.00 | £60.00 |
| Changing Rooms (all day) | £25.00 | £25.00 |

Saturday

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| Daytime until 6pm | Hourly Rates as above | |
| Evening 6pm-midnight | £140.00 | £210.00 |
| Playing Field, Changing Rooms & Meeting Room | Hourly Rates as above | |

Reduced rates for regular users can be negotiated with the Treasurer, Peter Mann on 262830

Bookings: online at www.naylandandwiston.net or
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| BUS TIMETABLES Service 84 & 784 | | | | | | | | | | <i>Timetable from 2 September 2020</i> | | | <i>No service on Sunday or Public Holidays</i> | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|-------------|-------|--|-------|-------------|
| Monday to Saturday | 84 Sch | 784 | 784 | 784 | 784 | 84A Th | 784 | 784 | 84 NS | | | | | | |
| Sudbury Bus Station | 0657 | 0905 | 1005 | 1105 | 1205 | 1235 | 1305 | 1405 | 1507 * | * The 1507 runs 9 minutes later as far as Great Cornard during school holidays | | | | | |
| Great Cornard School | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1520 | | | | | | |
| Nayland Surgery | 0744 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1302 | ..... | ..... | 1602 | | | | | | |
| Nayland Turning | ..... | 0929 | 1029 | 1129 | 1229 | ..... | 1329 | 1429 | ..... | Sch = Schooldays only, NS = Not Saturday, Th = Thursdays Only, Hol = Mon-Fri school holidays only. | | | | | |
| Cordelia Drive Myland | 0756 | 0938 | 1038... | 1138 | 1238 | ..... | 1338 | 1438 | 1613 | | | | | | |
| Colchester Gen. Hosp. | 0801 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1617 | | | | | | |
| Colchester North Station | 0806 | 0943 | 1043 | 1143 | 1243 | ..... | 1343 | 1443 | 1622 | | | | | | |
| Colchester High Street | 0811 | 0948 | 1054 | 1154 | 1254 | ..... | 1354 | 1454 | 1627 | | | | | | |
| Norman Way Schools | 0825 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Monday to Saturday | 84 Sch | 784 NS | 84A Th | 784 | 784 | 784 | 784 | 784 | 784 | 84 Sch | 84 Hol | 784 | | | |
| Norman Way Schools | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1550 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Colchester Head Street | ..... | ..... | ..... | 0934 | 1038 | 1138 | 1238 | 1338 | 1438 | 1609 | 1639 | 1739 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Colchester North Station | ..... | 0850 | ..... | 0938 | 1042 | 1142 | 1242 | 1342 | 1442 | 1613 | 1643 | 1743 | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Turner Road, for Hospital | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1619 | 1649 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Cordelia Drive Myland | 0732 | 0855 | ..... | 0943 | 1047 | 1147 | 1247 | 1347 | 1447 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1748 |
| Nayland Surgery | 0744 | ..... | 0930 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1634 | 1704 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Nayland Turning | ..... | 0906 | ..... | 0952 | 1056 | 1156 | 1256 | 1356 | 1456 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1757 |
| Great Cornard School | 0830 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| Sudbury Bus Station | 0849 | 0933 | 1001 | 1025 | 1123 | 1223 | 1323 | 1423 | 1523 | 1719 | 1749 | 1621 | ..... | ..... | ..... |

LOCAL INFORMATION

COMMUNITY WEBSITE

Website manager
 Mobile Library
 Post Office
 Doctors Surgery

 Parkers Way
 Primary School
 Home School Association
 Nayland Playgroup
 Woodland Corner
 Primary School Choir
 Baby & Toddler Group
 Village Hall
 Church Hall
 Church Hall
 Royal British Legion
 Womens Institute
 Over 60s Club
 Bowls Club
 Village Cinema
 Table Tennis Club
 Nayland Art Club
 Horticultural Society
 Conservation Society
 Nayland Land Company
 Village Players
 Nayland Choir
 First Response
 Friends of St. James' Church
 Friends of Wiston Church
 Friends of Caley Green
 Chambers Buses
 Roman Catholic Church
 Local Police
 Police Safer Neighbourhood Team
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 James Cartlidge MP

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Justin Dowding – Tel: 262217 - e-mail: jpdowding@gmail.com
 Saturdays 4-weekly alternating between: High Street & Parkers Way. See page 41 for details
 High Street Tel: 262210 From June 2021 opening hours are Mon-Fri 9.30-12.30 & Sat 9-12.
 93 Bear Street Tel: 262202 (out of hours emergency call NHS 111)
 Surgery hours: Mon-Fri 8am-6pm (telephone service until 6.30)
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 Head Teacher: Raegan Delaney Tel: 262348
naylandhsa@outlook.com
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 Jayne Kennedy 262348
 Anna Easdown 07826 153023 easdownanna@gmail.com - Fridays 9.30-11.15am Village Hall
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| PARISH COUNCIL | COMMUNITY COUNCIL | VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE |
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VILLAGE DIARY

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Weekly on | Mondays: Tuesday: Wednesdays: Thursdays: Fridays: | Table Tennis 2pm-4pm Village Hall <i>page 28</i> Handbell Ringing: 1.30pm Church Hall <i>page 31</i> Art Group 2pm-4pm Village Hall <i>page 29</i> Nayland Choir 7.30pm location tbc <i>page 28</i> Baby & Toddler Group 9.30pm Village Hall <i>page 33</i> |
| December | | |
| 1st | | Community Council: Christmas Trail Advent Windows - <i>map on page 10</i> |
| 2nd-4th | | Village Players: ' <i>Absurd Person Singular</i> ' production <i>page 15 & 27</i> |
| 4th | | Community Council: putting up the village Christmas tree High Street 9am <i>page 8</i> |
| 5th | | Friends Wiston Church: Marenzio Singers 3.30pm St Mary's Church <i>page 17</i> |
| 6th | | Village Hall Management Committee meeting 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 35 & 47</i> |
| 7th | | Luncheon Club for over 60s: Christmas Party at Longwood Barn <i>page 15 & 28</i> |
| 8th | | Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall or by Zoom <i>page 2 & 47</i> |
| 9th | | Women's Institute: ' <i>Nayland Handbell Ringers</i> ' 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 29</i> |
| 11th | | Community Council: Jingle Bells Coffee Morning with Father Christmas 10.30am-1pm Village Hall <i>page 7 & 8</i> |
| 12th | | Country Music Club: ' <i>Brian's Country</i> ' 7pm for 7.30 Village Hall <i>page 16 & 26</i> |
| 17th | | Village Cinema: ' <i>Nomadland</i> ' 7pm for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 16 & 31</i> |
| 19th | | Candlelit Carol Service at St James' Church at 6.30pm <i>page 9 & 26</i> |
| 22nd | | Carols Around the Christmas Tree with the Boxted Silver Band at 7pm <i>page 9</i> |
| January | | |
| 5th | | Community Council: meeting Church Hall 8pm (<i>Exec 7.30pm</i>) <i>page 9 & 47</i> |
| 9th | | Community Council: taking down the village Christmas tree High Street 9am <i>page 8</i> |
| 10th | | Village Hall Management Committee meeting 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 35 & 47</i> |
| 12th | | Village Players: Auditions ' <i>production tbc</i> ' 7.30pm Church Hall <i>page 17 & 27</i> |
| 12th | | Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall or by Zoom <i>page 2 & 47</i> |
| 13th | | Women's Institute: 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 29</i> |
| 14th | | Village Cinema: ' <i>film tbc</i> ' 7pm for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 31</i> |
| 16th | | Village Players: Auditions ' <i>production tbc</i> ' 5pm Church Hall <i>page 17 & 27</i> |
| 16th | | Country Music Club: ' <i>Black Steel</i> ' 7pm for 7.30 Village Hall <i>page 16 & 26</i> |
| 17th | | Royal British Legion: meeting 7.30 for 8pm Church Hall <i>page 26</i> |
| 22nd-23rd | | Arts & Crafts Exhibition from 9.30am Village Hall <i>page 17 & 32</i> |
| 25th | | Luncheon Club for over 60s: Christmas Party at Longwood Barn <i>page 15 & 28</i> |
| February | | |
| 4th | | Community Council: Nayland Fun Village Quiz <i>page 8 & 11</i> |
| 10th | | Women's Institute: 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 29</i> |
| 16th | | Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall or by Zoom <i>page 2 & 47</i> |
| 18th | | Village Cinema: ' <i>film tbc</i> ' 7pm for 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 31</i> |
| 20th | | Country Music Club: ' <i>Daniel Beard</i> ' 7pm for 7.30 Village Hall <i>page 16 & 26</i> |
| 22nd | | Luncheon Club for over 60s: at Longwood Barn <i>page 15 & 28</i> |
| Forward Planner 2022 | | |
| 2nd March | | AGMs of Community Council & Village Hall Management Committee Village Hall <i>page 47</i> |
| 7th March | | Conservation Society: AGM Chris Hunt on ' <i>Industry in Nayland</i> ' <i>page 27</i> |
| 26th March | | HortSoc Spring Show Church Hall <i>page 30 & 43</i> |
| 1st-2nd April | | Village Players' production Village Hall <i>page 15 & 25</i> |
| 12th April | | HortSoc: AGM & Fun Quiz Church Hall <i>page 30</i> |
| 2nd May | | Nayland Church Fete |
| 3rd June | | Queen Elizabeth II Jubilee Street Party/Fayre <i>page 8</i> |

Thank you for your contributions – if you have any ideas or suggestions please contact the Editor

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