

# Aldringham cum Thorpe with Sizewell

## Newsletter



Website: [www.aldringham.onesuffolk.net](http://www.aldringham.onesuffolk.net)

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## Parish Council Update

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### Your Neighbourhood Plan

#### Help shape the future where you live or work

Aldringham cum Thorpe Parish Council has started work on a Neighbourhood Plan.

Wherever you live, work, own property or have business interests, whether it is in the Aldringham, Thorpeness or Sizewell area of the Parish,

**The Parish Council invites you to a**

**“Drop-in” Event**

**Anytime from 1pm until 7pm Tuesday 23 August 2016  
at**

**The Country Club The Benthills Thorpeness IP16 4NU**

“**Know your Parish**” – View and discuss illustrated displays including a variety of maps, pictures and plans of the Parish as it is today together with the present policies and plans used by the Local Authority to inform its planning decisions.

“**What is important to YOU?**” - Come and tell us what particular subjects and issues you would like your Neighbourhood Plan to address!

**For information see: [www.aldringham.onesuffolk.net](http://www.aldringham.onesuffolk.net)  
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Telephone: 01728 830497  
[pc@aldringhamcumthorpe.suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:pc@aldringhamcumthorpe.suffolk.gov.uk)**

On the 5<sup>th</sup> May SCDC approved the designation of the Neighbourhood Plan Area of Aldringham cum Thorpe Parish. The Parish Council formally signed the agreement to continue and start the formal process of producing a Neighbourhood Plan. Details of the documents are on our website.

A drop-in session has been arranged (see above), which is the start of the process and gives an early opportunity for you to understand what a Neighbourhood Plan is all about, and share in developing our vision for the future and raise other appropriate issues to be addressed by the Plan. Please come along and have your say.

### Parish matters

We still have three vacancies on the Parish Council and again if you feel you would like to contribute to the community as a councillor and would like further information please give me a call or talk to one of the other Councillors.

We still wait to hear when the Phase 2 formal consultation for Sizewell C will start but who can guess when it may be?

The Annual Parish Council Meeting took place in May when Eric Atkinson was re-elected and Chairman and David Mayhew was re-elected as Vice Chairman.

Natural England have now completed their survey of the possible routes through our parish for the Around England Coastal Path and we await the draft proposals in the autumn when they will be available for public consultation.

Flooding at the entrance to Church Lane in Aldringham – As with Old Homes Road, after a number of years of discussions with county highways and a number of attempts from them to provide small soakaways, renewed pressure from residents and Church members has finally persuaded them to look at a permanent solution to the problem.

### Planning

The parish council has dealt with four planning applications since the last newsletter one of which was not supported. Details of current applications can be found on our Parish Website which links through to SCDC's website.

We received the SCDC's Site Allocation and Area Specific Policies- Proposed Submissions Document in May and were surprised to see that the area of land east of Aldeburgh Road and South of the driveway to Aldringham House had been identified for development despite it being discounted in the consultation document. We have made representation to SCDC on how this has happened and await the outcome.

### Traffic issues

Many of you have raised the issue of the overgrown roadside verges together with the overgrown footpaths, you may not be aware but it is the responsibility of the cutting contractor to cut the vegetation growing on the immediate verge or footpath, they are not responsible for the growth that overhangs from the side. As this has been

a particular bad (good) year for growth this has become a significant problem and can only be dealt with as resources permit.

A few weeks ago some of you may have seen in the evenings a small group of individuals working on the footpaths and verges around the crossroads at Aldringham. This was a small group of volunteers from Leiston lead by Russell Cooper who have for a couple of years been going around the area doing this kind of work. I hope you agree with me they have done a splendid job and shown that you can make a difference. Maybe they can be an inspiration to others to get involved, if it is only to improve the area around your home. If you would like to assist with tidying up the Parish please let me know. A small group has already started to carry out work in Thorpeness.

### **Farewell and thanks**

I would like to conclude by thanking Peter Knight who took on the task of restarting and editing the newsletter just over a year ago. He edited the last three issues, but has now moved away from the area so is unable to continue. However we are very fortunate that Pippa McLardy has stepped forward to take up the baton and agreed to become the editor of the newsletter. Many thanks to Pippa.

### **Dates of last PC meetings in 2016**

(All Monday evenings 7pm until around 9.30)

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 17<sup>th</sup> October, 28<sup>th</sup> November

Please see our Parish Website for the latest information and venue [www.aldringham.onesuffolk.net](http://www.aldringham.onesuffolk.net)

*Eric Atkinson – Chairman*

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## **District Council Report**

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### **Planning the future**

Small areas suitable for housing development have been identified both in Aldringham (see Parish Planning update) and Thorpeness (the area between Pilgrims Way and Old Homes Road) and are included in the proposed Site Allocations and Area Specific Policies Development Plan document, which can be viewed online at [www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk](http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk).

Public hearing sessions begin on August 30<sup>th</sup> at Melton Hill Council Chamber in Woodbridge when Planning Inspector Elizabeth Hill BSc(Hons) Bphil MRTPI will conduct an examination into whether this plan and another concerning the Felixstowe Peninsular area are sound.

If found to be so, the documents will guide future development and growth across the district up to 2027.

If you want more information on how to air your views, the Council have appointed Annette Feeney as Programme Officer supporting the Examination. Her Email address is [programmeofficer@eastsuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:programmeofficer@eastsuffolk.gov.uk).

### **Pooch poop penalty**

A man walking his dog at Sizewell has received a Fixed Penalty Notice after being spotted failing to pick up his pooch's poop. Dog walkers are reminded to take a suitable bag with them wherever they walk on public land and dispose of it in any dog waste or litter bin. Members of the public can report failure to pick up poop to 01394 444000.

### **Devolution - air your views**

Your views are being sought by August 23<sup>rd</sup> on whether Suffolk and Norfolk should combine to create a new devolved regional authority headed by a directly elected Mayor. The Combined Authority would consist of one representative from each constituent council in the two counties, and would be an addition to, not a replacement for, existing bodies. It would receive funding of £25m each year for the next 30 years to support economic growth, development of infrastructure and jobs, £130m over five years for building new homes, £225m over four years for transport, and smaller amounts for an adult skills fund and annual apprenticeship grants. Full details are on [www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk](http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk). Andy Wood, Adnam's Chief Exec and independent Chair of the East Anglia Devolution Leaders Group, urges all communities to make their views known so the Secretary of State can make an informed decision in the autumn. Individuals can complete the survey on [www.angliadevo.co.uk](http://www.angliadevo.co.uk).

### **BEE smart**

Across East Anglia, 38 small and medium sized organisations have identified joint savings of over £770,500 and cut their carbon footprint by 13,997t after obtaining free advice from the BEE (Business Energy Efficiency) Anglia project. As well as a free energy audit, companies receive unbiased advice on new energy efficient products to cut energy consumption and save money. Limited grant funding is also available towards a range of equipment and technologies, and interest is expected to be high. Emanating from the European Regional Development Fund, and delivered through Suffolk and Norfolk County Councils, NWES (a not for profit enterprise agency) and Groundwork (charitable trust), local businesses with fewer than 250 employees should contact Groundwork on 01473 350370 or visit [www.beeanglia.org](http://www.beeanglia.org) to see if they are eligible for the project or any grant.

### **No flies on us**

Two Suffolk Coastal residents (one from Rendlesham and one from Sax) have been given fixed penalties for fly tipping, the first in a Bromeswell layby, and the second outside Leiston Recycling Centre when it was closed. This follows new powers given to local authorities on May 9<sup>th</sup> this year to apply a fine of £200 as an alternative to prosecution (payment within 10 days reduces the fee to £120). Failure to respond to the notice within 14 days can

result in prosecution and very hefty fines or imprisonment. Report fly tippers by calling Suffolk Coastal on **01394 444000**, email [scs@ncsgrp.co.uk](mailto:scs@ncsgrp.co.uk), or go online to [www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/yourhome/waste/fly-tipping](http://www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/yourhome/waste/fly-tipping) Leiston Recycling Centre on Lovers Lane is open every day except Wednesday 9am until 5pm in summer, and 9am until 4pm October to March and can cope with a wide variety of waste.

### **Something fishy**

Suffolk Trading Standards are warning residents to be wary of door-to-door fish sellers. Unscrupulous traders are passing off old and previously frozen stocks as fresh fish, ramping up the weights when people only wanted a small piece (in some cases to over £100 worth), using uncalibrated weighing scales and passing off cheaper varieties as more expensive fish. If in doubt, don't buy. Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 03454 040506 can provide advice on dealing with unwanted doorstep traders.

### **Tweet green scheme to win a monkey**

If you've got a brilliant scheme to improve the environment and can put it into 140 characters, you could win £500 for your community. The Greenprint Forum ([greenprintforum@gmail.com](mailto:greenprintforum@gmail.com)) are celebrating their 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary by giving away four 'Monkeys' for the best ideas submitted, and one will definitely go to the Suffolk Coasts and Heaths AONB. Get busy though – closing date is August 11<sup>th</sup>.

*Cllrs T.J. Haworth-Culf and Maureen Jones*

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### **Website**

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If summer continues as it's begun you may need something to do on those wet days! I'd really like more sunshine too. There may be something to interest you on the Parish Website - whilst it's not exactly riveting reading there's a lot of useful and varied Parish information as well as stories of the Parish, people and places, and hundreds of photographs, many of them old and fascinating.

If you can get out and about you can check details of events in the Parish (if you've mislaid this Newsletter!) You can even read the Newsletter on the website. It's worth a look, might be useful or amuse you for a while. If you can't find what you want Search the website from the top left of any page.

Do you have any ideas or suggestions for additions or changes to the website; would you like your Event or News item or story to be included? Please let us know - we look forward to hearing from you.

Email [pc@aldringhamcumthorpe.suffolk.gov.uk](mailto:pc@aldringhamcumthorpe.suffolk.gov.uk) or, if you don't have access to a computer please phone me on 01728 830039 with your news, event or other items of interest.

*Louise Chadwick – website editor*

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## **Uppen about (parish news)**

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*Uppen: to mention, disclose or reveal  
(a word 'much used around Aldbro' according to Edward Moor's dictionary of Suffolk Dialect published in 1823)*

### **The great beach and village clean-up**

The "Grime-Busters" would have been proud of us (*reports Bill Crow*). First the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Beach Clean on Good Friday which managed to spread its 50 strong volunteer force to tackle not only the beach (not too bad this year – no great easterly winds) but also the village and its lovely green environs. Then on 13<sup>th</sup> April promoted by Maureen Jones we scrubbed-up Old Homes Road and Gorse Common until the Q-tips couldn't wrinkle out anymore grot. Next year's "Hyper Humungous Hygiene Fest" the Beach Clean, will take place at 10.30a.m. on Good Friday as usual, meeting at The Dolphin Inn, of course. Beats Glastonbury...

### **And on the subject of festivals ....**

The moving of Aldeburgh's Music by the Sea free festival to the confines of Thorpeness Country Club grounds on July 2<sup>nd</sup> provided a 'good practice run' for a bigger and better event next year, says festival organiser and TA Hotel Collection Operations Manager Peter Osborne.

Overwhelming numbers at the Aldeburgh event last year, (estimates ranged between 10,000 and 15,000) led to fears that safety was at risk, and resulted in the change of venue and introduction of a £12 entry fee (discounted for locals).

Though reputedly 3,000 tickets were on sale, around 1,000 people turned up, but despite the influx efficient parking and traffic management kept everything moving smoothly throughout the afternoon and evening.

Twenty marshals manned the gates and kept order, and there were no reported crimes or other disturbances, although a vehicle involved in a collision opposite The Dolphin and Almshouses was not removed until 13 days later.

Those inside the grounds had food and drinks served by staff from the White Lion, Brudenell and The Dolphin. Twelve bands took to the stage, the finale provided by Coldplay tribute act Cold Place as fireworks lit up the sky above the old Kursaal building.

Next year will see more focus on families as well an addition to the number of food outlets. Addressing a frequently-heard gripe, there will be a review of the policy of not allowing picnics into the event, though for licencing reasons, taking alcohol in from outside will still be banned.

Though there was mention of an early July Saturday, the actual date of next year's event will not be finalised until (probably) September, and Peter hopes to include a Beatles tribute act and, possibly, a Blondie band.

"It was a good practice run and gave us something to build on," he said, "and can I add how appreciative I am for the support of local people, holidaymakers and the Parish Council."

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## **Local Groups**

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### **Thorpeness North Neighbourhood Watch**

This is very much a localised affair but if anyone in Thorpeness wishes to receive regular Police Connect reports via myself, together with hopefully relevant comment, would they please e-mail [wicrow@aol.com](mailto:wicrow@aol.com) with their address and telephone number? We have around 26 villagers on the circulation list most of which I think are still alive (I have been doing the N W co-ordinator job for 13 years and no one has resigned!)

### **St Andrew's Church**

Instead of giving you an update on all the things we are doing at St. Andrew's there is something else I think quite important that I want to share with you ...

As I sit here in the church (19th July) writing this article I am in the cool shade of the vestry. Outside it is 30 degrees and the Community Payback team are strimming and mowing the churchyard. The weather is very hot but they manage to keep up a steady pace of work. Likewise on the previous Saturday more than 20 people started the task of cutting and we were blessed with proper hay-raking weather; warm, dry with a gentle breeze. I'm sure they won't mind me mentioning that although many of them are over 70 they still manage to come year after year to do this task. It saddens me greatly to think that so many younger people with loved ones in the graveyard do not come and join in with us. Despite a fabulous free lunch and much advertising of the day on notice boards etc. hardly any new faces turn up. I hear nothing from them, apart, that is, from the odd irate phone call telling me the churchyard is 'disgusting' and I should be ashamed of myself letting it get so out of hand. So I have decided to take the opportunity in this article to tell you about our beautiful churchyard, and I do assure you the place is not disgusting and I am not ashamed of myself!

For just over 25 years we have managed it with advice from The Suffolk Wildlife Trust. We have one of Suffolk's best sites for Meadow Saxifrage along with Harebell, Pignut, Hairy Tare, Meadow Buttercup, Germander Speedwell and many, many others. This would not have happened if we had cut the grass to within an inch of its life all year round, also the abundant insect and other wildlife these plants encourage is wonderful to witness.

We know that by mid-June, and especially if it has been wet like this year, the whole churchyard can look uncared for, but this is NOT the case! We are simply waiting for the flowers to drop their seed and when that happens we announce the hay raking day as we did for Saturday 16th July and then we set about cutting it.

Our churchyard teems with masses of wildlife, from the humble ant to magnificent birds of prey like the Hobby. Snakes have been seen, both grass and adder, and although I know these are not to everyone's taste, they are indicative of a healthy balanced environment. If you are coming into our lovely churchyard please be aware that in all the 800 years of its existence the ground has

never EVER been flat and it is advisable to wear suitable footwear, trainers or, if wet, waterproof boots.

We do cut paths through the grass from the spring onwards especially to areas where we know people tend graves regularly. If you are having difficulty accessing a grave then I will put a phone number(s) on the church notice board and I will try to get someone to cut a path for you as soon as is possible.

At the bottom of the existing churchyard we have been gifted nearly an acre of land by the Ogilvie family for future burials, as we don't need this just at the moment we have planted it with wild flowers and it looks stunning. At first it was a mass of white with a few touches of blue and red, then almost overnight it turned bright yellow and now there is a strong hint of blue showing through. The air is filled with the buzzing and humming of insects, butterflies and dragonflies flit over this kaleidoscopic landscape, and the whole place, whilst vibrating with life, is very peaceful and calm.

Come and have a look if you like - you'll be most welcome.

*Sue Atkinson - Church Warden.*

### **The Friends of St Andrew's Church**



#### **Spring Events**

**The Quiz Night** held on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March was a great success. Fifteen teams took part. We raised £570.41 for the Fabric Fund after expenses were paid. Many thanks go to all who helped prepare and serve the refreshments, to run the raffle, scorers Tony and Moira Woods and our Question Master, Peter Norton. Thank you, too, to all the teams who supported the event.

**The Bridge Drive** held in Aldeburgh Church Hall on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April was supported by twelve tables of players. Those taking part generously bought many raffle tickets. The Kitchen Team served a delicious afternoon tea which was much appreciated. A large number of people were involved in the planning and running of this event including the men who set up the tables and chairs and cleared away afterwards, the ladies who baked cakes, made sandwiches and served the afternoon tea, and the raffle organizer who sourced many lovely prizes. Many thanks to all involved, especially the Bridge Players who supported the Drive and helped to raise £668.

**The Spring Coffee Morning and Plant Sale** took place on a wet and windy day but still raised £413. The Coffee Morning and all our events are primarily social occasions where people who love our church and want to help keep it in good order can come together to raise funds for its upkeep.

**The New & Nearly New Sale** was organized to take place on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June after a large donation of

items of clothes, jewellery, handbags, CDs & DVDs and bric a brac was given to the Friends. This event took place at Aldeburgh Church Hall and raised £556. Thank you all our supporters, friends and family who helped to set up and man the stalls and those who came and bought many bargains.

### **Future Events**

Friends' events are advertised in the Parish Magazine, the local, free monthly magazines for Leiston, Aldeburgh and Saxmundham, the Community News and the weekly EADT Coastal Scene as well as posters around the local area. See also this Newsletter's What's On page.

We would always appreciate help of any kind with our fundraising events. If you would like to help at any of our events or are able to donate cakes or any other items, please contact me, Anne Norton or any Committee Member. Mrs Angela Chandler, Mrs Fiona Gimson, Mrs Ann Goldstone, Revd. Sheila Hart, Mrs Patricia (Budge) Little, Mrs Janet Poll.

We would love to have some new committee members. We meet on approximately six occasions a year and would make you very welcome if you would like join us.

### **Autumn Events**

**The Coffee Morning and Crafts Sale** will take place in the church on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October from 10am – 12noon in the Church.

**The Quiz night** will take place at Knodishall Village Hall on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm for a prompt start at 7.30pm. Book in your team of up to 6 people with Anne.

Anne Norton - Secretary  
email [anneenorton@aol.com](mailto:anneenorton@aol.com)

Tel: 01728 830519

### **Thorpeness Art Group Autumn 2016 Programme**

This autumn we will focus on the glories of Venetian art and architecture in the middle to late 16<sup>th</sup>C. The theme throughout will be the extraordinary Venetian use of colour in paintings, construction, mosaics, glass, and apparel. Featured artists will be Carpaccio, Tintoretto and Veronese and the Bellini family. Lectures will take place in The Tower Room, Alms House, Old Homes Road, Thorpeness on the 2/9/16/23/30 November 2016 starting at 2 p.m. Refreshments are provided. Cost £35 for the whole series.

A 'Taste of Venice' lunch featuring such typical dishes as Risotto Nero, Zuppa di Cozze, Carpaccio and Fegato alla Veneziana should take place in December as an end-of-term social get-together. Full information from Bill Crow.

Bill Crow

Tel: 01728 454641

### **Connecting Communities**

is the new name for CATS and Suffolk Link transport (reports Mike Trapp). The area is wider but with fewer vans. Up to five bookings can be made up to 14 days in advance between 8.15am and 4pm. Full details from [www.suffolkonboard.com](http://www.suffolkonboard.com) Tel: 01728 635938

### **Wardens at Sizewell**

If you or your partner have memory problems, Wardens Charitable Trust at Sizewell run a number of events you might enjoy. There are monthly singalongs from 2-4pm to include tea and cake (£2.50), fish and chip meals with entertainment, and the chance for a relaxing bath, too, if that's something you've had to give up for safety or mobility reasons. Telephone Bev on 01728 635731 for dates and details, or visit [www.wardenstrust.org](http://www.wardenstrust.org).

### **Good Neighbours**

Around 39 guests, both volunteers and users of the service, enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea on July 6th in the beautiful garden at Birch Tree Lodge Aldringham, home of Harry and Bidy Barclay. Unlike last year, the weather was kind, and the AcT GN catering sub-committee coordinated a magnificent spread of sandwiches, scones, pastries and cakes kindly donated by members. Many thanks to them, all the other willing helpers, and most of all to Harry and Bidy for their kindness in having us.

AcT GN have a new Chairperson Pippa McLardy, and two new members of the Steering Group, Wendy Sturmeay and Christine Laschett. Sydney Graham kindly agreed to remain as Hon Treasurer for another term, but sadly Hon Secretary David Parratt and his wife Sue are leaving the village soon, so we are in need of a new officer. Thank you for all your hard work, David, especially instituting Good Neighbours Grub.

To mid-July tasks remained steady at around 2.2 per week, not counting those undertaken on a regular basis by some volunteers, and ranged from the considerable number still involving transport, to electrical problems, form filling, assistance with new technology, pet minding, gardening and flat pack furniture assembly. We continue to be a versatile lot!

If you have a small task you would like a Good Neighbour to help you with the number to ring is

**07521 047 843**

*Pippa McLardy - Chairperson*



*Good Neighbours garden party - photo: Roger Searle*

## Thorpeness and Aldringham Heritage Group



We have just had a visit to The Wardens on Sizewell cliffs where Richard Gimson gave a talk entitled "The Wardens Tale". Our next planned talk will be at The Dolphin on October 25<sup>th</sup>, to be given by Bill Crow. Look out for further details on that one.

The proposed Heritage Trail around Thorpeness is taking shape and we are in the process of producing another four storyboards. We are extremely grateful to the Galloper Wind Farm Fund for financial support towards our new storyboards.

Our first printing of a Tourist Information leaflet on Thorpeness has proved popular and has now been given out to visitors to our area, requiring a second print to be commissioned. The printing costs have kindly been sponsored by Thorpeness Hotel & Golf Club, The Dolphin, The Kitchen and The Meare Café.

Positive discussions have taken place with representatives of the District Council about leasing a plot of land on the Car Park in Thorpeness for a Heritage Visitor Centre. Draft Heads of Terms for such an arrangement are being explored.

*Arthur Day - Chairman*

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### ***Classics at The Pavilion Thorpeness***

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***Sunday August 28th 2016***

**All classic and vintage vehicles welcome**

**Gates open 12pm**

**At the Ogilvie Pavilion and Sports Ground  
Thorpeness**

**Free Entry for exhibitors and public but donations  
for upkeep of pavilion & field gratefully received**

**A bar and light refreshments/ BBQ will be available**

**Free Bouncy Castle – various craft and fashion  
stalls – other retail opportunities!**

*from Aldringham head towards Thorpeness on the  
B1353 and the Pavilion and sports ground is on the  
left before just before you get to Thorpeness, GPS  
coordinates 52.184165, 1.611659*

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[Landyfreak@Hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Landyfreak@Hotmail.co.uk)

## The Ogilvie Pavilion and Sports Ground

If you have been driving past the entrance to the Thorpeness Pavilion and Sports Field recently, you may have noticed it looking a little different; a new lick of white paint on the walls, which we feel is more in keeping with the village than the pink, and a lovely new patio at the front of it.

Out are the old tatty brick walls that were planted up with geraniums, and in are planters on the patio and revamped picnic benches. This should all make a lovely backdrop as we enter into another summer of events. When the Ogilvie Trust hand over the field and pavilion to the new charity trust (hopefully by autumn), we will start to do some much needed work on the inside of the pavilion. Cricket continues as usual, with some matches scheduled for the summer and there is always practice at the nets most Sunday afternoons and Tuesday evenings (see board at the gate for details).

Last year we restarted the 'drinks and nibbles' on Sunday lunchtimes which were very popular, and we hope to continue with them again during some Sundays in August. Please see village notice boards for dates.

On August 28<sup>th</sup>, Bank Holiday Sunday, we will be holding a classics car rally from noon onwards (see advertisement opposite) which will be preceded by a car boot sale from 9.00am. Hopefully the booters will stay on for the rest of the afternoon as there will be more stalls, food outlets and a bouncy castle for all to enjoy, and entrance will be free.

Some of you may also have noticed some large metal containers at the back of the field near the cricket nets. These will eventually become the home of the relocated Aldeburgh Rifle Club, which hopefully will be changing its name to the Thorpeness Rifle Club soon. The containers will be clad with black weatherboarding to fit in with the rest of the buildings on the field.

The Thorpeness Croquet Club is already very active holding tournaments as well as playing for pleasure several afternoons during the week. They hope to have some of their members playing during the Bank Holiday Sunday Classics/car boot day and everyone is welcome to come and have a try. Full supervision will be given.

Along with Tea and Toast and the activities the Pavilion Trustees put on, we also have a model airplane club who fly on the field when weather permits, and a group of war gamers who meet most Monday afternoons. Wendy Sturmeys fun quizzes run every other Wednesday evening from April to October.

All in all, the Pavilion is increasingly busy - we even had a wedding take place on the field this July. It is the intention of the Trustees to keep this wonderful facility open for the Parish and we have a website and contact number should you consider using it yourself in the future.

If you wish to use the Pavilion or Sports Ground for a meeting, function or event please contact Wendy Sturmeys 01728 452586 or Alan Biddlecombe 01728 453302. For further details of all the events and more visit our website at <http://thorpenessclub.btck.co.uk>

*Sue Atkinson*

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## USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

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### Aldeburgh cum Thorpe Parish Councillors

Eric Atkinson Chairman	01728 830497
David Mayhew Vice-Chairman	01728 452773
Pippa McLardy	01728 454565
Scott Squirrell	01728 833691
Maureen Jones	01728 453915
Mick Sturmeay	01728 452586
Shirley Tilbrook Parish Clerk	01728 830001

### District Councillors

TJ Haworth- Culf	01728 451933
terry-jill.haworth@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk	
Maureen Jones	01728 453915
maureen.jones@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk	

### County Councillor

Richard W L Smith MVO	01728 602714
richardsmith4@suffolk.gov.uk	

### Police - Suffolk Constabulary

#### **Always Dial 999 for Emergencies including Coastguard**

Dial 101 for Non Urgent Issues  
Aldeburgh Police Station, Leiston Road, Aldeburgh  
Leiston Police Station, 34 Kings Road, Leiston

### Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

If you'd like to join, contact:  
Aldringham - Tony Woods - 01728 832043  
(for Chandlers Way, Mill Hill and Mill Lane, and West Hill)  
Aldringham – Maria Chapman-Beers  
Email [tribunegang@gmail.com](mailto:tribunegang@gmail.com)  
(Aldeburgh Rd and roads off except Aldringham Park,  
to borders with Leiston, Aldeburgh, and down Thorpe  
Rd towards Thorpeness)  
Thorpeness - Bill Crow - 01728 454641

### Hospitals

Aldeburgh & District Community Hospital	
Park Road, Aldeburgh	01728 452778
Ipswich Hospital	
Heath Road, Ipswich	01473 712233

### Doctors Surgeries

The Surgery	
Church Farm, Victoria Road, Aldeburgh	01728 452027
The Surgery, Main Street, Leiston	01728 830526
The Surgery,	
Lamsale Meadow, Saxmundham	01728 602022

### Dental Surgeons

Aldeburgh Dental Practice	
167 High Street, Aldeburgh	01728 452884
The Dental Surgery	
Crown Street, Leiston	01728 830790
High Street Dental Centre	
98 High Street, Leiston	01728 832133
Saxmundham Dental Surgery	
9 High Street, Saxmundham	01728 602537

### Pharmacies

Aldeburgh Pharmacy	
125 High Street, Aldeburgh	01728 452763
Coopers Pharmacy	
20 High Street, Leiston	01728 832231
Lloyds Pharmacy	
62 High Street, Leiston	01728 830545
East of England Coop Pharmacy	
High Street, Saxmundham	01728 602051

### Veterinary Surgeons

Leiston Veterinary Clinic	
1d Eastlands, Leiston	01728 833566
Fromus Veterinary Group Fromus House, Street Farm Road, Saxmundham	01728 602599

### Thorpeness Croquet Club

Angela Clark	07851 780 842
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### Good Neighbours Group

Chairperson Pippa McLardy	07521 047843 01728 454565
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### Local Heritage Group

Mrs S Atkinson	01728 830497
"Logwood", Aldeburgh Road, Aldringham	

### Rainbow Tots

Ms Anja Shaw	01728 453295
Every Tuesday 10am - 1:30am	
Aldeburgh Community Centre	

### Tea & Toast

Mrs E Tipping	01728 454165
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### Thorpeness Cricket Club

Mr F Byrne	01728 830834
Email: <a href="mailto:byrneengineering@uwclub.net">byrneengineering@uwclub.net</a>	

<b>Connecting Communities Transport</b>	01728 635938
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## WHAT'S ON – Aug to Dec 2016

August	Place	Event
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> 7pm-9.30pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Parish Council Meeting
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> 10am-5pm	Prior's Oak Leiston Rd Aldringham	Open Garden
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> (times below)	Thorpeness and Aldringham	Mobile Library
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> set up 7am	Thorpeness Sportsfield	Car Boot Sale
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> 2pm	Thorpeness The Dolphin	Village Fete
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> 3pm	St Andrew's Church	Animal Service
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 21 <sup>st</sup> 12 – 3pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Drinks and nibbles
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> 2pm - 4pm	Mill Hill Aldringham	Coffee Caravan
Weds 10 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> 8pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Fun Quiz
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Thorpeness Meare marquee	Marmalade Ball
Fri 19 <sup>th</sup> 10am till late	Thorpeness Meare	Regatta and fireworks
Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> 1pm -7pm	Thorpeness Country Club	Neighbourhood Plan drop-in discussion and display
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> 9am	Thorpeness Sports Field	Car Boot Sale and Classic Cars (from noon)
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>		<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
<b>September</b>		
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> (times below)	Thorpeness and Aldringham	Mobile Library
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> 7pm-9.30pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Parish Council Meeting
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>		<b>START OF AUTUMN SCHOOL TERM</b>
Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> 8pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Fun Quiz
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> 12 noon	Thorpeness The Dolphin	Good Neighbours Grub
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> 2pm-4pm	Mill Hill Aldringham	Coffee Caravan
Weds 14 <sup>th</sup> 10am -12 noon	Thorpeness Shop car park	Coffee Caravan
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> 7pm	Thorpeness Tower Room	Wine tasting (tickets from hazelsearle@btinternet.com)
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> 4pm - 5pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Tea and Toast
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> (times below)	Thorpeness and Aldringham	Mobile library
<b>October</b>		
Weds 5 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> 8pm	Thorpeness Tower Room	Fun Quiz
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> 2pm – 4pm	Aldringham Mill Hill	Coffee Caravan
Weds 12 <sup>th</sup> 10am - 12noon	Thorpeness Shop car park	Coffee Caravan
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> 10am - 12noon	St Andrew's Church	Coffee Morning and Craft Sale
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> 7pm - 9.30pm	Thorpeness Tower Room	Parish Council
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>		<b>SCHOOL HALF TERM HOLIDAY BEGINS</b>
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> 4pm-5pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Tea and Toast
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup> TBA	Thorpeness The Dolphin	Heritage Group Talk by Bill Crow
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> (times below)	Thorpeness and Aldringham	Mobile Library
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> 12 midnight		<b>CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR TO GMT</b>
Mon 31 <sup>st</sup>		<b>SCHOOLS BACK AFTER HALF TERM</b>
<b>November</b>		
Weds 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> , 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 30 <sup>th</sup>	Thorpeness Tower Room	Bill Crow's art lectures 2pm – 4pm
Weds 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 16 <sup>th</sup> , 30 <sup>th</sup> 8pm	Thorpeness Tower Room	Fun Quiz
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> 7pm for 7.30	Knodishall Village Hall	Friends of St Andrew's Quiz Night
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> 7pm	Thorpeness Tower Room	Wine tasting (tickets from hazelsearle@btinternet.com)
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup> 4pm – 5pm		Tea and Toast
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> 7pm-9:30pm	Thorpeness Tower Room	<b>Parish Council Meeting</b>
<b>December</b>		
Weds 14th 8pm	Thorpeness Tower Room	Fun Christmas Quiz

The Mobile Library calls at Thorpeness Almshouses from 9.40am to 9.55am, Aldringham Church from 10 to 10.15am, Aldringham Ogilvie Homes from 10.20 to 10.40am and Aldringham Mill Hill from 10.45 to 11am.