

Aldringham cum Thorpe with Sizewell

Newsletter



Website: www.aldringham.onesuffolk.net

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Don't miss Thorpeness Fete – Saturday August 4th at The Dolphin from 12 noon - Guess the Weight of the Cake, Water or Wine, Tombola, Silent Auction, Cake Stall, Treasure Map, Raffle, Book Stall, Bouncy Castle, Music, Boules, plus loads more. Proceeds to charity

Parish Council Update

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PARISH MATTERS

Flooding

Our hopes were raised when in the first week of July a large sludge gulper turned up outside the Parrot and started to clear the drains. It turned out to be the foul water drains they were clearing, which they accomplished successfully. However, the surface water drain remains blocked. Therefore the flooding at The Parrot and the flooding in Old Homes Road remain serious issues outstanding with Suffolk Highways who we are pushing for a resolution before winter.

Coastal Erosion

Following the further erosion to the cliffs north of Thorpeness and the continuing destruction of the defence bags SCDC recently carried out works to clear torn bag debris and repair damage to gabions. However due to the deterioration of the northern part of the defences, warning signs are to be erected that deter beach walkers from using the length of beach running from Old Homes Road to the southern flank of the Ness, until the longer-term strategies for the management of the frontage can be determined. It is hoped that these longer term strategies will be the subject of consultation in the near future.

SCDC Local Plan

The review of the Local Plan which started a year ago and to which we made extensive comment is to be issued

as a first draft for public consultation, this is due to start on Friday 20th July for a period of 8 weeks until Friday 14th September 2018. This document has the potential to impact significantly the future of all the parishes in the Suffolk Coastal Area. There are to be a number of drop-in sessions where you can see the plan and make comments, see SCDC or our website for details.

Sizewell C

The proposals for Sizewell C are always in the background, occupying some of our time. We will be attending the next Sizewell C Community Forum on Thursday 26 July to hear the latest from EDF.

Planning

The parish council has dealt with nine planning applications since the last newsletter; we raised some issues with two of them which needed to be resolved before they could be supported. Details of the current applications can be found via the Parish Website which links through to SCDC's website.

The area of land in Aldringham east of Aldeburgh Road and south of the driveway to Aldringham House, has now had a formal planning application submitted by the Ogilvie Trust and Hopkins Homes. We are currently commenting on the proposals but are particularly concerned about the access to the site from the Aldeburgh road and the danger to pedestrians who will have to cross the road. We have also raised concerns regarding the urban-style landscaping proposed to the SLA at the front of the site, which we believe should retain a very rural feel, and also poor screening proposed for some boundaries to the site.

SPR Windfarms

Many of you will already be aware that phase three of the consultation process for the proposed two windfarms was started at the end of June, when SPR revealed their preferred location for the substations to be site 7 adjacent to Friston, which has caused great concern for them. Our position remains the same, that all the onshore infrastructure to support the windfarms should be located adjacent to the power stations and the two existing windfarm substations at Sizewell, thus creating a single energy hub in one location. We will continue to liaise with all other bodies including SCC, SCDC and the local parishes who are all in agreement that the focus should

be to create a single energy hub at Sizewell This is particularly important as it is likely that two more substations will be required locally to support a National grid proposal to install two interconnector cables which will link with the continent.

Even if the substations were to be located at Sizewell, the landfall for the windfarm cables will be just to the north of Thorpeness and the route for these cables will be through our parish, wherever the final location is determined to be. Therefore, we will also be focusing on the problems that will arise from the cable installation and the mitigation that should be put in place to minimise the disruption which will affect all our lives during construction and from the long term impacts.

If you haven't already done so please submit your comments to SPR; the consultation closes on 28th August.

Eric Atkinson - Chairman, AcT Parish Council

Dates of Meetings 2018

Monday 3rd September, Monday 15th October

Monday 26th November

Please see our **PARISH WEBSITE** for latest information.
(Have you noticed the new look to our website? Our designer Tracy Norman would love to have your feedback pc@aldringhamcumthorpe.suffolk.gov.uk)

District Council Report

SCDC First Draft of Local Plan

The Local Plan sets out the level of growth which needs to be planned for and identifies where that growth should be located and how it should be delivered. It sets out the planning policies that will be used to determine the outcome of applications. The first draft of the new Plan (which replaces a collection of documents adopted in recent times) includes planning policies and site allocations and is open for public consultation for eight weeks from July 20th. View it at <http://apps.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/committeeminutes/>

Financial Year Outturn 2017/18

This report provides an overview of the Council's financial performance in respect of the General Fund, Reserves, Capital Programme and Collection Fund. It can be viewed on the Council website www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk

Councils merger - East Suffolk Prospectus

Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Council will merge on April 1st 2019 following 10 years of partnership working which has resulted in £22m saving across the two councils. In 2009, the pair was the first in the country to appoint a shared Chief Executive. The new East Suffolk Council will be the largest in the country, covering over 487 sq miles and serving 250,000 residents. It will have nearly 50 miles of coastline, deliver over 80 services, contain 164 town and parish councils and include the most easterly point in the UK (Lowestoft Ness). It is

hoped the new council will be more, efficient, effective and resilient and better able to serve its communities, businesses and taxpayers. For more details and to view a Prospectus visit: <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/east-suffolk/the-east-suffolk-prospectus?pid=Mjk29549&v=1>

East Suffolk Council Electoral Review

The independent Local Government Boundary Commission for England is asking Suffolk people to comment on plans for ward boundaries within the new combined East Suffolk Council (joining Waveney and Suffolk Coastal). The consultation period began on July 3rd and runs until August 27th.

The Commission proposes there should be 55 councillors serving eight one-councillor wards, 13 two-councillor wards, and seven three-councillor wards. (Aldeburgh ward is a one-councillor ward – ed)

View the map on line at www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk, on the Commission website at

<https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk> or visit the Council Office to view hard copies. The boundaries will come into effect after election in May 2019.

Suffolk Waste Partnership Road Litter Campaign

Suffolk Waste Partnership are installing 15 new smart bins in trunk route laybys in an effort to reduce litter on A roads, which costs £300,000 a year to clean up. The bins, which are solar powered, will have a lit-up litter sign for after dark, and will send an alert to HQ when they need emptying! They're financed with a £10,000 grant from the Government's Litter Innovation Fund. Keep an eye open for them – they're bright orange with reflective stripes – and help Keep Suffolk Beautiful.

Special Education Services – have your say

Demand for Special Education Services continues to grow, and to meet it Suffolk relies heavily on independent special school placements outside the county, taking youngsters away from their families. Suffolk currently has the lowest number of specialist education places among similar authorities, and now needs to make changes to meet future demand. Following development workshops held throughout Suffolk in the last three months, three options have been outlined.

1. Meet need through the independent sector.
2. Develop new special schools using independent sector for a small number of specialist needs.
3. Combination of new support centres attached to mainstream and specialist providers, plus occasional use of independent placements for specialist needs.

To make your views known, visit www.suffolk.gov.uk/SENDsufficiencyeducation. For a paper copy, telephone 0345 603 1842. Closing date is 5pm on August 7th 2018.

Historic Aldeburgh House shortlisted for award

Benjamin Britten's last home, The Red House in Aldeburgh, has been shortlisted along with 10 other museums for a Kids in Museums Family Friendly Museum award. The museum is commended for its Mini Music Makers sessions, and for reaching out to the community

by providing a shuttle bus to get to it. Results will be announced on October 1st.

Maureen Jones and TJ Haworth-Culf – SCDC
Contact details on Useful Numbers page

Uppen about (parish news)

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

SID's taking speed but he's not vicious

Have you seen SID lately? SID is our new Speed Indicator Device, and he roams around the parish at three week intervals, reminding you to slow down if you're speeding in a 30mph zone, recording the amount of traffic that passes, and also making note of the speeds of vehicles.

SID, who cost the Parish £3,200, was installed on 18th June in a spot on the B1122 outside The Old Vicarage in Aldringham measuring speeds of traffic coming from the Aldeburgh direction. During the first three week stint, in all, 40,246 vehicles passed him on the Northbound carriageway, and 51% of them were exceeding the speed limit. The worst culprit was travelling at 75mph, but as there is no way of knowing the vehicle's identity, it could possibly have been a police car on its way to an incident. Sunday drivers, far from being the tiresome potterers you always get behind when you're in a hurry, are the speediest of the week, with 60% apparently throwing caution to the wind and exceeding the speed limit. Saturday drivers are nearly as bad at 55%, and a lot of folks are in a hurry on a Friday (52% exceeders). But on a Tuesday more people stick to the speed limit (53%) than exceed it (47%), and it's a similar story on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday (49% of speeders each day). SID has four fixed points within Aldringham and Thorpeness so you're likely to meet him soon. He won't be reporting you for speeding, but if you see him, check your speed and see if we can improve the stats for the future.

Inviting young golfers to the tee this summer

Having been voted among the top 100 Golf Clubs in England by National Golfer Magazine, Thorpeness Golf Club is not resting on its laurels. Improvements continue to be made, and in May it opened its newly revamped 1st tee which creates a much grander impression at the start of a round of golf.

The recently opened 9 hole mini golf course (pictured in the last Newsletter), which includes miniature models of the windmill and the iconic House in the Clouds, is aimed at attracting and introducing younger golfers to the game, and in another move to encourage a new generation of golfers, PGA Professional Daniel Skriabin has joined the ProShop team.

Daniel will help with the general running of the pro shop, while offering coaching to people of all ages and abilities, but particular to juniors. Junior golf lessons (ages 7-16)

will be on offer through the summer holidays (until August 30th) on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from noon until 1.30pm at only £5 a session. Contact Daniel for details.

Daniel Skriabin - daniel.skriabin@thorpeness.co.uk
01728 454926

Droves brave elements to pick litter

It was only the second or third time in 15 years that the forecast for the Annual Good Friday Beach & Village Clean was wet and very windy. Thus we predicted only a modest 50 or 60 volunteers would appear. In the event the intrepid "Beach Baggers" turned up in droves and we soon exhausted our 100 pickers, bags and gloves. With such a terrific response we were able to clean nearly two miles of beach and village, generating 100 or so bags of rubbish and a vast collection of other flotsam and jetsam that had arrived with the winter's easterly winds. I must thank my novice committee for the organization and on-the-day stewardship. They did a fantastic job. I was told by a photographer who specializes in coverage of local action groups tackling environmental issues that it was in his terms: 'the biggest and best organized beach and village clean I have ever attended' So there you are. Our local 'snapper extraordinaire' Tony Pick (*rather apt - ed*) made a little film of the event which you can access under the 'Big Beach Clean' on youtube. Great fun.

Litter latest

Thorpeness Beach Baggers are delighted to announce they have been selected from among a number of worthwhile projects to receive £100 from the Sizewell C Community Fund.

Nicky Corbett at the Sizewell C Information Centre says in her note accompanying news of the award: "Let's hope many are now more aware of the danger of leaving litter on our beaches, but no doubt your services will always be required and much appreciated".

Bill Crow – Thorpeness Beach Baggers- wjcrow@aol.com



After the beach clean, Bill Crow hears young pickers' stories about their finds

Damaged sea defences out of bounds

Walkers on Thorpeness beach are being asked to avoid the stretch between Old Homes Road and just south of the Ness because decaying sea defences are causing a hazard.

Weather conditions have exposed damaged geobags and gabions, and the beach level in front of the defences is now so depleted that even at low water, walkers are forced to climb onto them to get through the area.

In an email to local councils and others, Paul Patterson, Senior Coastal Engineer at Coastal Partnership East wrote: "We have recently carried out works to clear torn bag debris and repair gabions however it is apparent that deterioration of the northern part of the defence is so far advanced there is no simple low cost remedy available to make public access reliably safe". He added that longer term strategies in managing the frontage will be the subject of consultation soon.

In the meantime, signs have been erected advising people to divert to the footpath inland for this stretch of the beach.



Exposed geobags and damaged gabions on Thorpeness beach

Mental health services – Have your say!

People living in east and west Suffolk are being urged to have their say about local mental health services as part of a unique engagement opportunity.

The NHS Ipswich & East Suffolk and NHS West Suffolk clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) want to transform the way mental health provision is delivered across the county.

In order to do that, they first need to find out how effective the people who deliver and receive the current services think they are.

Commissioners want to hear from people who currently use or have previously used mental health services, those who care for them and the staff who deliver those services.

All three groups are being asked to input their feedback via three surveys that 'go live' from Monday 2nd July.

The surveys are part of a much larger engagement exercise that aims to help create a new model for east and west Suffolk that will bring mental and physical health services much closer together.

In a break from usual practice, the CCGs have commissioned four local voluntary sector organisations to

engage with local people under the banner "The future of mental health – a very different conversation".

Suffolk Family Carers, Suffolk User Forum and Suffolk Parent Carer Network will co-ordinate a whole host of mental health workshops and events to gather feedback on the current services.

Healthwatch Suffolk will then gather and analyse the feedback before preparing a report making a case for change for the CCGs' governing body meetings in November.

To respond to one of the surveys please use one of the links below:

People who use, or have previously used mental health services, should respond:-

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MHTransform_Plan_Service_Users_Public

Carers of people who use, or have previously used mental health services, should respond:

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MHTransform_Plan_Carers

Professionals who work in mental health services or support people with mental health needs should respond https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/MHTransform_Plan_Professionals_Staff

Not going to pot

Astonishing statistics from the fortnightly Highways bulletin for the period June 25th to July 8th: -

- 958 potholes were filled in at 664 different locations around Suffolk, with 92% of the repairs being permanent.
- On pavements, 388 repairs were carried out at 257 locations, 81% being permanent.
- In the summer programme over all, 93 miles of roads around the county have been surface dressed.

If you spot a pothole in need of attention, you can do so online through the Suffolk County Council website. However, if it poses an immediate danger to public health, call 0345 606 6171 immediately, or on trunk roads ring 0300 123 5000 to alert Highways England.

Hole related quote from the late Dennis Healey:

"Healey's first law of politics : when you're in a hole, stop digging".

Not, of course, applicable to Highways Dept employees.

Run for fun

Anyone who enjoys running (or even just walking) for fun will welcome the inauguration of the Sizewell Parkrun on August 25th. The route is 5km from the Sizewell car park to RSPB Minsmere and back, well protected from sea breezes among the dunes where the terrain is firm and well-drained. The run will then become a regular weekly fixture. Volunteers, as well as participants, are being sought to help organise the event.

Contact:- barrynorman.leistontgether@gmail.com

Local Groups

News from ImpACT

Aldringham Village Maintenance

Members of ImpACT have been out and about during the last month working on various problems that have been a cause of concern to villagers.

Aldringham Lane: – Various members of the group carried out clearance work after the hedge trimming by Mortier Farms at the Knodishall end of the footpath. Edges of the walk way were cut back to allow wheelchair and buggy full access for the summer.

Open Manhole in field adjacent to Low Lane:- For some time a manhole in the first field off Low Lane had been open to the elements and a potential fall hazard. Plywood had been laid across the opening, but in time this had rotted in pieces into the drain. This has all been removed, by our members, and the heavy duty cover, that had been buried, was dug out and 'jemmed' back into position, making safe the manhole - a heavy and unpleasant task as the manhole was over a 'foul- water' run.

Flooding on Aldringham Lane near to the Parrot:- Despite concerted efforts by parish councillors and ImpACT members to achieve a result concerning the ongoing flooding on Aldringham Lane, we are told that Suffolk Highways has no resources to carry out this work this year. A survey has been carried out and repair work is scheduled for inclusion in next year's budget. The problem is getting worse and sediment had been washed down filling the gutters with loose grit and stones posing a threat to passing windscreens. Our volunteers with help from the Parrot, spent a long and hot morning filling 40 barrows of sand and ferrying them to the car park. No doubt we will be asked to do this again before the drainage problem is finally sorted.

Mill Green Christmas Tree:- A Christmas tree, donated by Christine and Mike Laschet, has been planted on Mill Green as a focal point for our annual Carol Singing and Christmas Celebrations. This will stand alongside the Annual bought tree until it is tall enough. We wish it a long life.

SPR Windfarm Substations.

ScottishPower Renewables Phase 2 Community Consultation has now been completed. Its preferred site for the three substations has been announced as Zone 7, the most westerly area, which is a stretch of farmland to the north of Friston between Grove Road and the run of pylons. This area will encompass all three substations - two SPR and the National Grid connection. The route of the cabling and onshore landing area is outlined in loose blocks of land as the precise path is still to be finalised. However it runs through our Parish, mostly through farm fields, but crosses the Aldeburgh Road at a 'pinch-point' at Fitches Lane before heading off through fields again to Knodishall and Friston. The three Parishes Councils for Aldringham, Knodishall and Friston, have all objected to the proposed location, as have the District Councils of Waveney and East Suffolk as well as Suffolk County Council itself. It is time for us all to have our say. Phase 3

is taking place from 16th May until 28th August. You should by now have received SPR's Summary and Approach to Site Selection through your letter box and may already have attended one of the Public Information Days. If you now wish to express your views on this important local matter, write to:-

Scottish Power Renewables

RTLY-RLGH-GKSE

FREEPOST, 25 Priestgate, Peterborough, PE1 1JL

Alternatively you can E-mail them at either:

eastangliatwo@scottishpower.com or

eastangliaonenorth@scottishpower.com.

Please also copy these responses to your Parish Council and the Local Planning Authority:

lisa.chandler@eastsoffolk.gov.uk

It is important to register individual opinions, as lack of response is often taken as implicit compliance.

On the initiative of Friston Parish Council, a Working Group (Substations Action – Save East Suffolk - SASSES) has been set up and is highly active in fighting the current proposals.

Its stated aim is to challenge the decision by ScottishPower Renewables to site large electrical substations inland rather than at or in close proximity to the existing Sizewell energy hub. Our Parish Council has expressed its support as have Friston, Knodishall, Leiston and Benhall and Sternfield Councils.

Information on SASSES can be found at <http://sases.org.uk>

William Seale *impACT*

The Friends of St Andrew's Church



Bridge Drive

Ten tables of players took part in the Bridge Drive held in April. As usual there was a fine array of cakes and sandwiches for the interval and a table full of draw prizes. Thanks go to our Kitchen Crew and supporters who made cakes and sandwiches and provided draw prizes also everyone who helped to set up the hall and clear away. Thanks go to our Bridge Drive participants who helped us raise £666.14 for the Fabric Fund.

Quiz Night

Ten teams took part in the Quiz Night on Friday 16th March. Rev Christine Brooks, our quiz master presented a wide variety of topics for the quiz rounds. The smallest team, consisting of a group of three from Rumburgh and the Rev Mark Lowther won the quiz. Thanks go to Christine our quiz master, Mary our scorer, the kitchen crew, those willing helpers who set up the hall and cleared away afterwards including Edward and Peter who sold the raffle tickets. We thank the teams for taking part and buying raffle tickets which helped us raise £426.50 for the Church Fabric Fund.

The next Friends' Quiz Night will take place on Friday 9th November at Knodishall Village Hall.

Coffee Morning

The May Coffee Morning was well attended with various stalls for people to browse. Thank you to everyone who donated items for the Tombola and to sell and everyone who came along to Coffee Morning. We thank you for your generosity. The sum of £305 was raised from sales and donations.

A further £57 was made by selling Bric a Brac and Books at the Friston Car Boot Sale.

Cake Stall

Our cake Stall was held at the Leiston Co op, Solar Store in July. Many people supported us in providing cakes of various kinds, scones, biscuits, and other treats. We raised £234.33 including some donations. Thank you to all who contributed to our cake stall.

The Friends' Committee appreciates all the help it receives to put on our fundraising events.

Our events are advertised in the Parish Magazine, the local press and posters displayed around the area.

If you would like to join The Friends of St. Andrews, you will find Membership Forms in the church porch.

Current Committee Members:

Rev Sheila Hart (Chairperson),	Mrs Anne Norton
(Membership Secretary),	Mrs Angela Chandler
(Treasurer), Mrs Fiona Gimson,	Mrs Budge Little.

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Membership Secretary
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Thorpeness Art Group Autumn 2018

November lecture programme

As I research my way through the mass of information available on the artists of the Viennese Secession it is becoming increasingly apparent that within the creative hot-house that was Vienna during the fin de siècle, celebrity painters and famous composers, it would seem, very much shared each others' lives. Klimt we know was inordinately fond of the music of Beethoven and Brahms, indeed it was Klimt who created the magnificent frieze as a tribute to the former in the Secession's new exhibition building in 1898. What we may not have known was that the notorious womaniser Klimt had a flirtatious 'lunge' towards the young Alma Schindler (later to become the wife of Gustav Mahler, as well as being a substantial composer in her own right).

During the following year Klimt painted what is considered to be his finest portrait, a depiction of Schubert at the piano surrounded by a bevy of glorious young ladies wearing what may be described as 'Impressionist frocks'. Mahler went on to bring the members of the brass section of the Vienna Philharmonic orchestra to perform his arrangement of the climatic Ode to Joy from Beethoven's Ninth at the opening of the 14th exhibition in the Secession building.

After the death of Gustav, Alma Mahler had a brief fling with Oskar Kokoschka, another of our decidedly edgy Viennese painters (there is a 'Kokoschka' in the Red House Aldeburgh). Egon Schiele and Kokoschka shared

an art exhibition in 1908 at the Kuntschau, Vienna, to the accompaniment of Schönberg's Second String Quartet premiered the same year ... and that is about as far as I've got. Let's see what Josef Hoffmann, the architect/designer, and Kolomon Moser, the illustrator, were up to music-wise when I get my new books. It's all so exciting – well it is for me anyway.

During the five lectures at The Dolphin Inn (Wednesdays 7/14/21/28th November and 5th December commencing at 2.30 p.m. in the Garden Room) I will attempt along with guidance from David Mintz (Chairman, Cratfield Concerts) to bring a little of the musical atmosphere of the period into our exploration of the lives and works of the artists.

The fee for the entire series is £40 (including refreshments). Booking commences 1st September 2018.

Bill Crow - wicrow@aol.com

Tel: 01728 454641

P.S. I promise I will not get too 'heavy'!

P.P.S. There will of course be a 'Vienna Secession' lunch for the Group in January 2019.

Good Neighbours



Good Neighbours garden party at Birch Tree Lodge July 2018

A last minute stand-in by GN volunteer Michael Hall saved the day when Mike Doy our proposed speaker at the AGM in April was forced to pull out through illness. Michael's talk (with the able assistance of Eric Atkinson operating the overhead projector) was on his extremely interesting days with J.W. Thompson in the early days of television advertising. Thank you, Michael and Eric, for putting together such a fascinating insight in such a short space of time.

In July, there were no hitches to mar the Annual Garden Party, held this year in the beautiful garden at Harry and Biddy Barclay's Aldringham home. More than 30 volunteers and scheme users attended and enjoyed the usual magnificent spread of sandwiches, pastries and cakes. Many thanks indeed to Harry and Biddy for their wonderful hospitality, and to all who helped with transport, food and clearing up.

The first Community Lunch at The Parrot, Aldringham, in June was much enjoyed by 21 diners and there will be

another there on November 30th. September 14th will see a return to the Dolphin in Thorpeness. Many thanks are due to David and James for hosting these popular gatherings.

Thanks too are due to Christine Laschet who is standing down from the Steering Group to concentrate on other commitments, and to those who remain (especially Sydney Graham, our Secretary and Treasurer) and to all volunteers.

What we really need now is some younger good neighbours to start taking the reins from those of us whose teeth need a bit of a file! Any recruiting suggestions warmly welcomed.

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- plmclardy@hotmail.com

The Ogilvie Pavilion and Sports Ground

Not a pretty site.....

The sports field, along with every other piece of grassland in the area is not looking very good at the moment; it's all dry and yellow and although it's nothing a few good heavy rain showers won't start to put right, it certainly doesn't look nice. However, like everyone else's grass it will recover and look good again sometime soon.

The use of the pavilion building is growing year by year. This last twelve months has seen an increase in bookings, and Wendy, our booking agent, is always happy to take your enquiries and either answer them or if she can't then pass you on to someone who can. Please phone her on: 01728 452586 if you would like to hire the pavilion, the field or both.

Coming up this summer the Sunday 'Drinks and Nibbles' will start very soon, please see village notice boards for dates.

The field will be open for free parking at the Thorpeness Village Fete on the 4th August. There will be parking (£5) on the field for the fireworks on the evening of Friday 24th August, and two days later on August Bank Holiday Sunday (26th) will see the return of our 'Classics at the Pavilion' event. This is a free event and anyone with a classic vehicle is welcome to come along and show off their pride and joy. There will be donation buckets around the field and all we ask is that please, don't ignore them, give whatever you can, it all goes towards the up keep of the pavilion. Nearer the date there will be lots of posters advertising the Classics and also notices in the local press. The bar will be open, there will be plenty of food as well as a car boot sale, so something for all the family.

In the last newsletter we sent out a questionnaire asking for people's opinions about what they would like to see available as we make plans for a new village facility, sadly so few of you replied that we can only think that you will trust our judgement entirely and make full use of anything we provide. What we DON'T want is to get it wrong and waste time and money providing a 'white elephant' for the village. What we DO want is to make sure that there is an 'accessible for all' facility that will meet the needs of the village for both permanent and second home owners.

Anyone wishing to book the Pavilion and/or sports ground should contact Wendy Sturmeay on 01728 452586 or visit our website at <http://thorpenessclub.btck.co.uk/>

Sue Atkinson - Trustee - The Ogilvie Sports Field and Pavilion Trust



Classics at The Pavilion & Carboot Sale Sunday August 26th Thorpeness

Gates open 10am

Free entry!

Thorpeness Classic Vehicle Rally and Car Boot Sale Sunday 26th August 2018

A six acre playing field takes some filling, but at last year's rally there was such an abundance of classic cars, motorcycles, a steam road roller and people that an energised atmosphere was created. The sports field is there to be used by the local community and it is heartening to see such a good response.

This year, our first auto jumble stall will be on site, in addition to a barbecue offering burgers and bacon rolls, a licensed bar with a stock of Green Jack real ale, Suffolk brewery-canned lager and non- alcoholic drinks, plus tea and coffee on sale at competitive prices.

Free entry for exhibitors and the public. No need for exhibitors to book - just turn up.

Francis Byrne 07775791441 Or Stuart Girling 07905116491

Cricket Club at The Pavilion

We were very pleased to finish in April the installation of a new Astroturf surface to complement our new cricket net. The Astroturf, which was laid the full width of the net, stops any vegetative growth thus making maintenance minimal. The club would like to thank Suffolk Coastal District Council and the Ogilvie Pavilion and Sports Ground for the funding.

It's not only challenging to find cricketers; it's also hard to find opposing teams who are village cricket rather than league standard. Village cricket is a vanishing form of the game which is such a shame. It's much more fun to exercise while playing a game that is enjoyable, rather than visiting the gym. Anyone with a keen eye/hand co-ordination can play village cricket. Joining league cricket is a significantly higher level where winning becomes overly paramount.

We've played 3 matches 2 against league standard sides which we lost heavily but won our game against Kings

Head Orford. We bowled particularly well that day with contributions from 4 promising young cricketers.

We play Middleton away Thursday 2nd August and the Thorpeness Badminton Club Sunday 12th August 2pm at home.

We have net practice on Sundays 1pm. Anyone welcome for free.

Francis Byrne - 07775 791441
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Rifle Range News

Just a few words on how things are progressing on the Rifle Range: The inside work was completed during April. The range was inspected in May by the National Smallbore Rifle Association Inspector, who travelled from Scotland, and all work passed inspection with flying colours. He was most impressed with all our efforts. In June, it was inspected by Suffolk Police and again all was well. We now await our Home Office approval.

We have rewritten our constitution and club rules and have started shooting in the Suffolk and Cambridgeshire Summer League just to get used to using the new range. It is two years to the week from our first container being delivered.

We will inform all when we have our official opening of the range.

Tony Ralph – secretary – srarsax109@hotmail.co.uk

Thorpeness and Aldringham Heritage Group



Support for this fairly new group is continuing to grow at a fast rate. We have more members than ever this year and I expect there will be a few more joining us before the membership year is over. Many of our events are ticket only and to be sure of getting one you usually have to become a member as events are nearly always sell outs and we don't have any tickets to offer to the general public!

This year's summer event took place at 'Bittern' on Lakeside Avenue at the beautiful home of members Mark and Juliet Ballamy. The views from their garden of the Meare and the boathouse were breathtaking. Whilst enjoying the view, drinking refreshing Pimms and nibbling on a wide selection of canapés our members spent the evening in happy chatter, remembering Thorpeness and Aldringham in times past, renewing old friendships and making new ones whilst listening to Adrian Nicholson on his keyboard playing a selection of tunes suitable for such an evening.

We have more events arranged for later on in the year one of which will be a talk by Glen Ogilvie on 4th September at The Pavilion. Later on, in December Bill

Crow will be giving us a talk on Coffee, a subject he knows an awful lot about. The committee will be supporting him by making lots of chocolate cakes to accompany the various coffees we will be sampling and even though it will be December there won't be a mince pie in sight.

We should have a presence at the Thorpeness fete in August, as we did at the Father's Day fete at The Parrot in Aldringham in June, so do please come along and say hello. There should be leaflets showing 'The Thorpeness Walking Trail' and of course the latest update on our 'Heritage Hut' which is to be built on the Thorpeness carpark near The Kitchen.

If you are interested in coming to any of our future events and want to be sure of getting tickets please do consider becoming a member. Membership forms are available from the village shop or from Mrs Elizabeth Tipping, 5, Peace Place, Thorpeness. £5 for single membership, or £10 for couple/family membership. There is also a lifetime option of £50 and £100 respectively. For that you get two newsletters a year and priority notice to any of our talks or events. You can also email us on info@tahg.org.uk The Thorpeness and Aldringham Heritage Group Committee we wish you a wonderful summer and hope to see you soon.

Sue Atkinson - Membership Secretary

FREE ENTRY - DONATIONS TO ST ANDREW'S CHURCH ALDRINGHAM



Open Garden for Butterflies, Moths and Flowers

Thursday 9th August
At Prior's Oak
Leiston Road, Aldeburgh
Suffolk IP15 5QE

(PRIOR'S OAK LIES 1 MILE NORTH OF
ALDEBURGH ON THE B1122, ON THE LEFT)
In aid of St. Andrews Church, Aldringham

Trudie Willis extends an open invitation to visit her
Wildlife garden ~ 10 acres including a Honeysuckle and
Buddleia collection. An expert will be on hand to point out what is
flying

and to show moths attracted to mercury vapour lights. Other
attractions include Trudie's Tortoises and Donkeys.



OPEN: 10am - 5pm



REFRESHMENTS AND DRAW
WHEELCHAIR- FRIENDLY GARDEN

USEFUL CONTACT DETAILS

Aldringham cum Thorpe Parish Councillors

Eric Atkinson Chairman	01728 830497
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Russ Rainger	01728 688739
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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 – Maria Chapman-Beers
Email 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
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

Andrew Paris	01728 833673
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Good Neighbours Group

HELP LINE	07521 047843
Chairperson Pippa McLardy	01728 454565

Local Heritage Group

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

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

Mrs E Tipping	01728 454165
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Thorpeness Cricket Club

Mr F Byrne	01728 830834
Email: byrneengineering@uwclub.net	

Connecting Communities Transport	01728 635938
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August		Place	Event
Fri	3 rd (times below)	Thorpeness and Aldringham	Mobile Library* see times below
Sat	4 th 12 noon	Thorpeness The Dolphin	Village Fete
Sun	5 th 12 th 19 th 26 th	Thorpeness Country Club	Special Church Services
Sun	5 th 12 th 19 th 26 th 12 – 3pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Drinks and nibbles
Wed	8 th 8 - 10pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Fun Quiz
Sun	12 th 2 - 6pm	Thorpeness Sports Field	Cricket match v Thorpeness Badminton Club
Tues	14 th 2– 4pm	Mill Hill Aldringham	Coffee Caravan
Wed	15 th 1 - 6pm	Thorpeness Sports Field	Country Club cricket tournament
Sat	18 th till late	Thorpeness Meare marquee	Marmalade Ball
Sun	19 th 12 – 5.30pm	Thorpeness, Sports Field	Marmalade Cricket Match
Mon	20 th	Aldeburgh Carnival	Road closed one way TO Aldeburgh
Mon	20 th	Thorpeness Sports field	Park and ride for carnival
Mon	20 th 7 – 10pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Parish Council meeting
Wed	22 nd	Thorpeness Pavilion	Fun Quiz
Fri	24 th	Thorpeness Meare	Regatta and fireworks
Sat	25 th 9am	Sizewell Carpark	Inaugural Parkrun **
Sun	26 th 10am – 4pm	Thorpeness Sports Field	Car Boot Sale and Classic Cars
Mon	27th		BANK HOLIDAY
Fri	31 st	Thorpeness and Aldringham	Mobile Library *
September			
Mon	3 rd 7pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Parish Council Meeting
Tues	4 th 6 -10pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Heritage Group meeting
Wed	5 th	Suffolk schools	START OF AUTUMN SCHOOL TERM
Wed	5 th 8 -10pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Fun quiz
Sat	8 th	Suffolk Churches Ride and Stride	
Tues	11 th 2– 4pm	Mill Hill Aldringham	Coffee Caravan
Weds	12 th 10am –12 noon	Peace Place Thorpeness	Coffee Caravan
Fri	14 th 12 noon	Dolphin Thorpeness	Good Neighbours Community Lunch
Wed	19 th 8-10pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Fun Quiz
Mon	24 th 7pm	Thorpeness Pavilion	Parish Council planning committee/ working group
Fri	28 th (times below)	Thorpeness and Aldringham	Mobile Library
October			
Tues	9 th 2pm – 4pm	Aldringham Mill Hill	Coffee Caravan
Wed	10 ^h 10am – 12 noon	Thorpeness Shop car park	Coffee Caravan
Mon	15 th 7pm - 9.30pm	Thorpeness Tower Room	Parish Council
Mon	22 nd	Suffolk schools	SCHOOL HALF TERM HOLIDAY BEGINS
Fri	26 th	Thorpeness and Aldringham	Mobile Library
Sun	28 th 2am		CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR TO GMT
Mon	29 th	Suffolk Schools	SCHOOLS BACK AFTER HALF TERM
November			
Wed	14 th 10am-12noon	Peace Place Thorpeness	Coffee Caravan
Mon	26 th 7pm – 9.30	Thorpeness Tower Room	Parish Council Meeting
Fri	30 th 12 noon	Parrot Aldringham	Good Neighbours Community Lunch

*The Mobile Library calls at Aldringham Ogilvie Homes from 9.45am to 10.05am, Thorpeness Almshouses from 10.10am to 10.25am, Aldringham Church from 10.30 to 10.45am, and Aldringham Mill Hill from 10.50 to 11.05am.

**Every Saturday onwards.