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SCDC approves Outline Planning Application for 2000 houses plus schools, shops etc at Adastral Park

Residents will not have been surprised to learn that Suffolk Coastal District Council's Planning Committee voted unanimously to approve the Adastral Park Outline Planning Application.

The die was cast when Suffolk Coastal made the appalling decision to select the site at Adastral Park for an allocation of 2000 houses and, in doing so, mirrored an outline planning application put forward by BT in 2009.

That decision was extremely controversial and was the subject of a long battle and legal action taken by Waldringfield Parish Council.

During the legal process, Suffolk Coastal was not able to determine the BT application, as had been its stated intention in 2012, and the developers who had been working with BT withdrew.

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The next coffee morning in the village hall will be held on **Thursday 1st March** from 10am-12noon .

It will have an Easter theme. Each person purchasing tea/coffee and cake will be given a free raffle ticket, with a chance to win Easter related prizes.

The St. Elizabeth's Hospice volunteers will be selling Easter bunnies and other homemade gifts.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Chris Lyon -
On Behalf of The Coffee Morning Team
01473 736291



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There are two more Winter Talks at the Village Hall this season.

On **Thursday, Mar 1st, 7.30 pm**, **Lisa-Sumala Carter** will present **'An Introduction to Meditation and Mindfulness'**.

She describes her presentation as an interactive talk exploring meditation, simple ways to implement this practice into daily life with mindfulness and how being 'present' in the moment can benefit our lives.

The audience will be invited to participate and experience a few exercises during the evening...but it will merely involve closing their eyes, breathing, and listening. There is no running or jumping involved !!

For details of the second talk, please see Page 14

The land at Adastral Park was subsequently sold and a completely new outline planning application put forward by Carlyle Land/CEG. We consider that, in many respects, the Carlyle/CEG application is an improvement on the BT application.

Nonetheless, we remain concerned over the impact that any development of 2000 houses at Adastral Park will have on the Deben Estuary Special Protection Area, traffic on the A12 and local rural roads, urbanisation of the area, plus the many other negative impacts that this scale of development will inevitably create.

The Parish Council has spent some considerable time in scrutinising the new plans and discussing with the developer and with SCDC ways in which the plans can be modified to help reduce the impact on our local area.

So far this has resulted in:

- the planting of a deeper 'green boundary' at the SE corner of the site, to provide greater screening and separation from the AONB.
- the 'downgrading' of the Western Ipswich Rd Access road, to minimise its use after phase 1.
- bringing forward the new A12 T junction, so it is available prior to occupation of houses in phase 1. This will deter new residents from forming the habit of using the Ipswich Rd access points and help minimise the increased traffic on the Ipswich Rd.

Many aspects of the application are still to be agreed through ongoing applications via the Reserved Matters process. We will continue to monitor and try to influence the ongoing details of this application as they come forward.

Waldringfield Parish Council



Artist's impression of the new A12 T junction ©CEG .

IPSWICH ROAD—OVERHANGING TREES AND SHRUBS

By the time you read this newsletter, you will be aware that the Ipswich Road out of Waldringfield has been cleared (quite vigorously, it is hoped) of all overhanging trees and bushes, allowing traffic be able to pass reasonably freely without damage to vehicles.



This is the culmination of a two-year effort by very many people who have written in to Suffolk Highways, sent emails, reported it on-line, etc, although a reorganisation of SCC Highways last summer did not bode well, with the project looking likely to be put to the back of a very long queue.

However, a sustained email campaign by Steve James and other stalwarts of the village, the continued efforts of the Parish Council, the ceaseless support of our County Councillor, Patricia O'Brien, and the emergence of a friendly face from SCC's Environmental Management Division, Mark Wedgewood, all combined to bring this long-running saga to its successful conclusion. Thanks to all for their contribution to this community campaign

SAVE THE DATE - FRIDAY 8th JUNE

Auction of promises in aid of All Saints, our church of Saxon beginnings

Another fun and exciting evening
for the whole family!

We will be announcing and
delivering details soon,
so put it in your diary, please,
and think about some new,
interesting and appealing promises.

Anything from delicious cupcakes to
a holiday villa in the South of France!!

Maintaining this historic building is
an ongoing challenge
But, with the help of all of us,
it is manageable

Woodbridge Swift survey 2018

This years' swifts should be returning
around May 7 – something to look
forward to. Thank you to all of you who
have sent me information about swifts in
previous years. In Woodbridge and the
surrounding villages, we have recorded
72 nests at 33 sites. Please send details
of nesting swifts or any other interesting
information to me at.....

woodbridge.swifts@gmail.com.

We will try to identify more new sites in
2018 and would really like more data
about swifts in Waldringfield.

See more information on our website

www.rspb.org.uk/groups/woodbridge

Jenny James

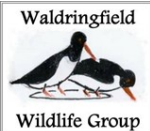
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PROGRAMME FOR 2018

- April 14th** Dragonflies by Adrian Parr, Suffolk Dragonfly Recorder & British Migrant Dragonfly Officer
- May 2nd** Nightingale Walk in Newbourne Springs with Peter Maddison followed by al fresco breakfast. 6.00am start at the Spring's Car Park
- June 9th** Owls by Steve Piotrowski, Tour Leader & Environmental Consultant (Author of The Birds of Suffolk)
- June 14th** Orford Ness National Nature Reserve guided tour with David Mason Lead Ranger to see flora and nesting birds. 10.00am Orford Quay

Waldringfield Gardeners will be holding their Produce, Flower & Craft Show on Saturday August 11th.

If there are any 'classes' which we do not have that you would like to enter, please let me know ASAP, as we are now updating the schedule of classes.

We have always had some separate classes for children but have had no entries in them the last few years.

Do we keep them in hoping that there will be some children enter them or do we drop them? Last year, we had 2 children enter in the open classes.

Alexis

for Waldringfield Gardeners

Reply to: g1dik@btinternet.com

- June 28th** Butterfly Walk with Peter Maddison at Landseer Park. Meet at 10.30 am until 12.30pm
- July tbc** Summer Picnic.
- Oct 13th** **AGM** followed by a talk on Wild Geese by David Healey
- Autumn** Fungi foray and Identification with Jonathan Revett at Bradfield Woods . 10.00 a.m.
- Dec 8th** The National Broads Reserve Project by Michael Strand Development Manager, SWT + members Christmas lunch.

All meetings in the Village Hall Kennedy Room start at 10.00. Talks start at 11.00 unless otherwise specified. Visitors welcome. Admission charge: £3.00 for visitors and non-members. Members – No charge . Field Trips: – Contact Linda 01473 736044 mob 07788 286482



Neil Winship has resigned from the Parish Council, after seven years of service. On behalf of the PC, I would like to thank Neil for the time and effort he has spent over the years serving as a Parish Councillor and in the roles of SALC (Suffolk Association of Local Councils) Representative, Emergency Planning Officer and 'Dog Poo Czar'. His hard work on our behalf is much appreciated.

Neil's resignation leaves the Parish Council with two vacancies, which we are keen to fill. Being a Parish Councillor involves attending a meeting once a month, and although councillors have other roles within the PC, this isn't compulsory - we simply take on tasks we are interested in and feel capable of doing. There are no qualifications other than living in the parish and having a desire to engage with the community.

Anyone interested in joining us is welcome to contact the Clerk (address elsewhere in this newsletter) for further information and/or go to www.beacouncillor.co.uk. See also 'Notice of Vacancy, on p15

Ian Kay (Chairman, Waldringfield Parish Council)

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

Looking back over past newsletters, I note that there is a familiar theme; that of change.

In my experience, change happens rather slowly, then suddenly it's happening. Change is often difficult because it means adapting to new methods and new methods today involve use of technology. Face to face, even conversations by phone are slowly fading.

Change usually takes place to make things more efficient, more economic because funding has been reduced and it is therefore more difficult to continue to provide services in the same manner. We all want more efficient and economic systems. However, achieving those aims often means reductions in staffing levels to achieve economic parity and adopting new systems of working to achieve efficiency.

The County Council is in the process of doing this. Other public bodies also face the same challenge. Full Council met on 8th February to agree its budget for the coming year. An increase of 2.99% was proposed.

Recently, I chaired the Police & Crime Panel that challenges and supports the Police and Crime Commissioner. The considerable challenge that it faces, alongside other public bodies, is the reduction in government funding. The Panel unanimously agreed, at its last meeting, to an increase of 6.8% for 2018/19 precept for policing. This equates to £12 per annum for band D property.

As you will be aware, I opposed the building of 2,000 houses at Adastral Park. However, despite the considerable efforts of NANT and myself, the proposal has been passed by Suffolk Coastal District Council. Sadly, not only will the area be saturated with cars from this development, but the possibility of the proposed 1,300 houses at Bell Lane/Foxhall Road would undoubtedly add to the gridlock.

Patricia O'Brien, SCC Councillor



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GARDEN WASTE SCHEME

Register for Garden Waste Collection – Now!

People can now sign up to register an interest in joining Suffolk Coastal's Garden Waste Collection Service.

People in Suffolk Coastal will be given the option of paying an annual charge of £43 per garden waste bin (the equivalent of paying about £1.65 per fortnightly collection).

This is a completely voluntary scheme, which people will have to opt to join (rather than residents automatically becoming part of the scheme).

The first paid-for collections are scheduled to start from the beginning of May 2018, with local residents able to subscribe for the new service from 1 March 2018 and we will email them when the subscription service is live.

However, in the meantime, people can register their interest by completing a simple online form on the Suffolk Coastal District council website

Later in the year, subscribers to the scheme will also be given the option of receiving a free, larger (240 litre) green bin for their garden waste (240 litres is the most common wheeled bin size, but the current brown organic waste bins in Suffolk Coastal are 140 litres).

The new, larger green bins are expected to be delivered during the autumn (2018) to those residents who request one and have subscribed to the garden waste service.



Waldringfield Community Composting

Waldringfield Community Composting started five years ago, with a mission to try to increase the amount of home composting of garden waste.

This has multiple benefits: increasing the vitality and water retention of our garden soils; increasing the amount of organic matter left in situ (so saving the labour of shifting it and allowing it to become the habitat for the multitude of creepy crawlies that feed the birds we love to see); lessening the traffic to Foxhall to dispose of it in our cars; reducing the number of stops for municipal lorries to collect brown bins (less noise, wear on roads etc - every little helps!) - and all contributing towards mitigating the need for big solutions like incineration or advanced municipal composting as at Parham - they are carbon intensive sledgehammers to crack nuts for rural areas where gardens can easily absorb whatever 'waste' they produce.

We also promote the separate home composting of food waste - providing Hotbins, bokashi units and wormeries at very low prices - and we still have some of each in stock.

You will no doubt have read that the Council will start charging for brown bins in April, and while the annual charge is not huge (£47 p.a.) you might well want to invest in a more permanent solution - and help the local and national environment at the same time!

Get in touch! We have three trained Master Composters on our team ready to talk through any composting issues with you!

Linda, Betsy and John



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Live in Care compares well to the price of a care home but you do not have to sell your belongings and share a Carer with up to 20 others at night. You do not have to eat from a limited menu or wait until a disruptive resident calms down. Instead of becoming institutionalised our Live in Carers will interact with you or a loved one during the day and ensure all is well at night.

To find out more, please call your local care team on 0808 274 2190 or visit: www.iphomecare.co.uk



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(DETAILS ON NEXT PAGE)**

Next Copy Date

18th May

(for publication June 1st)

Eastern Angles touring theatre visits
Waldringfield Village Hall with

*Guesthouse on Wednesday 28th
March 2018 at 7.30 pm.*

This is a poignant and beautifully observed drama set in Clacton, in which three generations of women have to set aside differences as they decide the fate of their family-run B & B.



***Guesthouse** asks what's it like when the town you were proud to grow up in becomes impoverished?*

To: Colin and Betsy Reid, Dormers, Cliff Rd,
Waldringfield, IP12 4QL Tel: 01473
736506 (leave message or email
colinreid2@btinternet.com or
betsyr@talk21.com)

Please provide tickets for *Guesthouse* on
Wed 28th March 2018:

..... Adults (£10.00 each – or £9.00 for
early booking up to 28th February)

..... Under 18 (£6.00 each) No separate
discount for Seniors this year.

I enclose a cheque to the value
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Waldringfield Parish Council

Your Parish Councillors:

Ian Kay (Chairman)

Alyson Videlo (Deputy)

Frances Matheson - Serena Gold

Janet Elliot - Colin Archer

Colin Reid

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Tuesdays. 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Kennedy Room

Meeting Dates 2018:

March 13, May 15(AGM), June 12, July 10,
August 14, September 11, October 9,
November 13 and December 11

The Annual Parish Meeting

**will take place on April 10th 2018
in the Main Hall**

**ALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE OPEN
TO THE PUBLIC** and there is an opportunity

at these meetings to put information to
the Council and ask questions. If anyone
wishes to see planning applications, report
problems, etc., please contact the Clerk to
arrange it.

Contacting the Council:

In writing to:

**The Clerk, Waldringfield Parish Council,
43 Fourth Avenue,
Frinton-on-Sea , Essex CO13 9DY**

Telephone: **01255 678 888** (with voicemail)

E-Mail: pc.waldringfield@googlemail.com

www.waldringfield.onesuffolk.net

All Saints' Church

Christmas Services. Did you come to any of our Christmas services? The church was full for a lovely service of carols and lessons, and an impressive rendering by Waldringfield Choir of a difficult piece. We were delighted that the wine, mince pies and other goodies were enjoyed in the church hall after the service and disappeared in good time. For once, no one commented on how cold it was!



The midnight service on Christmas Eve was very well attended, and our now traditional Happy Half Hour on Christmas Day with The Reverend Christine Nunn was the fullest ever. Thanks to all who gave so generously to collections at all these services.

General Housekeeping. Last autumn, the quinquennial inspection of our church was carried out, with several areas highlighted for attention ---more expense! During February we have addressed the major issue of having the roof professionally cleaned of moss and other deposits. This was carried out over three days, despite poor weather conditions on two days, and the external tap at the church hall freezing up.

The excellent roofers transformed themselves into plumbers and dismantled, repaired and restored the tap to working order. Immense care was taken with the roof, with an especially moderate pressure washer and water heated to 70 deg c to ensure that no damage was caused to the old tiles. Treatment was carried out to guard against further deposits.

The result—perhaps you have already seen it – is amazing. The company took some “before and after” photographs which we will receive shortly and will display in the church for a time. The cost was £1875. added to which will be water and electricity charges, but has given us a wonderful result and some peace of mind. We were surprised at the level of care, respect and admiration for the building shown by the operatives. We did, however, decline the invitation to two of us to “Come up and look!”

Invitation to help. You may recall that during 2017 we undertook quite a lot of work, including woodworm treatment and five year electrical inspection for both church and church hall. The required electrical work in the hall has been completed, and that in the church is in the process of being carried out.

Much work was done in the churchyard, besides the regular maintenance; hedge cutting along long boundaries and several lots of essential tree surgery have also been done. Insurances are due in March for church and hall, amounting to just under £1,000.

Most people appreciate the “hidden” costs of maintaining the most historic building in the village. The parish has responsibility for this, and anyone who is a permanent resident may be baptised (at Rector’s discretion) married or buried there. We are fortunate to have a band of regular donors, weekly, monthly, quarterly, and one-off.





If you would like to contribute at any level to help with the upkeep of this lovely, peaceful place, please contact our treasurer, Harriet Earle 736200 . Our small band of volunteers would appreciate help on a non-monetary basis, too. If you are interested in the history of our church with its Saxon connections, our information leaflet has been updated. You will find copies on the bookshelves in the church which can be taken away and kept.

*Photographs kind courtesy of Simon Knott
www.suffolkchurches.co.uk*

Services in March .

Sunday March 4th 0930 (third Sunday in Lent). Reverend Christine Nunn Holy Communion, Common Worship

Sunday March 11th 1030. Mothering Sunday with posies for mothers. Reverend Christine |Nunn. Tea and coffee in the church hall.

Sunday March 18th Evensong (Fifth Sunday in Lent) . Celebrant to be announced

Sunday March 25th 0800 (Palm Sunday) Holy Communion. Traditional Book of Common Prayer. Reverend Canon Ian Wilson, Benefice Rector.

Thursday March 29 1900. Maundy Thursday service at Kirton church. Reverend Canon Ian Wilson

Friday March 30th 1030 Good Friday meditation. Reverend Canon Ian Wilson

Waldringfield Parochial Church Council

Rector~ Reverend Canon Ian Wilson.

Wardens~ Margaret Quantrill and James Barclay.

Secretary and Fund Raising Committee lead~ Rolls Barclay.

Lay Reader~ Walter Aldis. Treasurer ~ Harriet Earle.

Jean Haste. Frances Matheson. Anne Parkinson, Ron Payne. Bridget Dearlove.

Organist~ Elizabeth Kennedy.



Another season of sailing draws near

For more information on how to get involved, go to Page 14

Photographs courtesy of Alexis Smith

WALDRINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL'S plastic action



The school is no slouch! We have been worried about plastic pollution in the soil for ages – see the sample of what we found in a leaf mould bin once the leaves had all nicely rotted down.

In 2015 we had a big plastics action day: parents were asked to bring in all their plastics for a week and quite a lot of them did – we had oceans of stuff to sort through! It took us an afternoon to sort the soft plastic from the containers. We stuffed it all into an enormous plastic bag to which we gave some eyes and flukes and called a whale – because just a few years before a whale had been washed up on Felixtowe beach with 8kg of plastic in its stomach.



We followed this up the next term with a visit to the Materials Recycling Facility at Great Blakenham to see what actually happens to all the stuff we put into our blue recycling bins – look at the report of our visit.

A recurring irritant in the grounds is straws from the milk available for the youngest children in spite of the fact that they drink it inside, and the little plastic wrappers – already close to being micro-plastic. This term one class has written letters to the providers of the milk querying the excessive packaging – next half term this class will have a session pouring their own milk into washable beakers to prove they can do it – if the youngest class can also do it with a bit of practice too, then the Eco-team will be on strong ground to ask to dispense with individual packaging for the milk altogether.

A mother and daughter pair at the school have gained strong support from the child's class and the school generally for a 'ban the bag' movement – initially concentrating on plastic bags brought in with gym shoes or Forest Schools kit in (though they do have logoed cloth bags for these items) – many schools world-wide, but particularly in Africa and Asia have done this. The Plastic Bag girls and the Eco-team have been logging the number of plastic bags brought in each day since September – the number has dropped from ten or so per class to just one per class last week. A work-in making cloth bags out of either redundant T-shirts or over-ordered tea-towels (those ones with children's faces on but those children have all grown up now) is planned.

Meanwhile children in two classes have this week almost all learned to use a sewing machine and run up a small red and white checked bag out of old school uniforms (in just ten minutes - quick teaching by Jill, Linda and Margaret, the Head's mother!) We will sell these to parents on 6th March: four or five should enable collection of veg at the supermarket again and again and again, week after week – no more peel off-the-roll-and-throw-away-at-home bags (average duration of use 12 minutes)!

And on Friday see how Miss Matthews got round sending books home without a plastic bag if the book bag had been forgotten!

Suffolk Coastal District Council would like to offer you the chance to view and comment on its Annual Status Report (ASR) for the District 2017, recently approved by the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra).

Clean air is important for our health and for the environment. Air pollution is associated with a number of adverse health impacts and is recognised as a contributing factor in the onset of heart disease and cancer. Additionally, air pollution particularly affects the most vulnerable in society: children and older people, and those with heart and lung conditions.

Under the Local Air Quality management regime all local authorities have a duty to assess air quality across their district and to report on the findings. The ASR provides an annual review of air quality across Suffolk Coastal. The report includes monitoring data for 2016 and details progress on actions to improve air quality both within our 2 designated Air Quality Management Areas (Woodbridge and Stratford St. Andrew), and across the district as a whole.

The Air Quality pages on our website have recently undergone a revamp, making them easier to read and navigate and to include lots of additional information such as how you can get help reduce emissions. To visit our new site go to; <http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/environment/environmental-protection/air-quality/>

There is a whole new section on Wood Burning with advice on how to get the most out of your open fire or wood burning stove whilst keeping emissions to a minimum. It includes information on the 'Woodsure Ready to Burn' initiative backed by Defra which identifies dry or seasoned wood that is ready for use and will produce fewer harmful emissions such as particulates.

The ASR Consultation can be viewed on the new website at; <http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/environment/environmental-protection/air-quality/air-quality-consultations/open-consultations/> Alternatively, hard copies can be viewed at Customer Services in Woodbridge and Felixstowe libraries.

Comments

We are seeking, and would welcome, comments on the report. These can be emailed to environment@eastsuffolk.gov.uk, or sent to Environmental Protection at the Council's Offices, East Suffolk House, Riduna Park, Station Road, Melton, Woodbridge IP12 1RT.

We may not be able to reply directly to every consultation response, but be assured all comments received will be taken into account. **The Consultation closes on Monday 19th March 2018.**





On Thursday April 12th at 7.30 pm (please note that this is the second Thursday of the month, not the usual first) Stephen Poulter will speak to the title 'To the Hammer Born: Confessions of an Occasional Auctioneer.'

Stephen Poulter is currently an auctioneer at Acorn Auction's fortnightly sale in Sawbridgeworth, Hertfordshire. As an auctioneer and online dealer in antiques, vintage items and collectables Stephen proposes to reveal the insider secrets of how to make a living in the trade !! Using examples from the wide variety of items, pictures, furniture and ceramics he sells, he will relate the fascinating stories behind all sorts of historical objects dating back over the last 250 years. There is a fun quiz element with the audience members being invited to identify unusual objects and to guess the value of other items. Then we can all go off and spend the Spring and Summer trying to perfect the art!

Gareth Thomas

SUFFOLK COASTAL

If you live in Suffolk Coastal and need to make a journey where there's no public transport available to you locally, we'll collect you and connect you to an appropriate bus route or train link for onward travel so you can reach your destination quickly and easily.

For journeys where connecting to other services is inappropriate, end to end journeys may be possible.

Give our friendly team a call who will happily go through the options that are available to you.

Call: 01728 635938

Booking hours: Mon-Fri - 8.45am - 4.00pm

Service hours: Mon-Sat - 7.00am - 7.00pm

CONNECTING  COMMUNITIES

Opportunities to go sailing

Did you know that there are plenty of opportunities for adults and children to start sailing here at Waldringfield?

You can join one of our weekend learn to sail courses or, for children, there is a week-long course in the summer. We will also be continuing our informal "Pirates & Mermaids" sessions on Saturday mornings. These are beach-



based activities for the under 7s. Also on Saturday mornings is our Junior Sailing Club for older children and social sailing for adults.

Waldringfield
Sailing Club



For those who want to get more involved, then you would be very welcome to come along for a chat over a cup of tea and cake to see how you might get involved in our friendly racing activities.

www.waldringfieldsc.com

Notice of Vacancy

Notice is hereby given that there remains a vacancy on Waldringfield Parish Council. The vacancy has previously been advertised and, to date, no election has been requested.

The Council is now able to fill the vacancy by co-option.

ANY APPLICATION SHOULD BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE CLERK TO THE COUNCIL, DELIVERED BY EMAIL OR POSTED TO THE ADDRESSES LISTED ON PAGE 9

Applicants are asked to give brief reasons for offering their services and what qualities they bring to the Council.

Any elector interested in applying is welcome to contact the Clerk for further information and/or go to www.beacouncillor.co.uk. The successful applicant will be chosen following consideration by the Parish Council.

Applicants should note that Councillors are expected to attend regular monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of each month, and any additional meetings as may be arranged, and to represent the electors of Waldringfield in raising and discussing those issues of interest and concern on which the Parish Council is empowered to act.

Applicants should also note that membership of the Council is open to electors who are citizens of any state in the European Union or of the Commonwealth and whose residence is in Waldringfield or within 3 miles of Waldringfield, or whose principal place of work is in Waldringfield and who is not disqualified (by reason of a criminal record, bankruptcy or involvement in corrupt practices).

From DEFRA:

From 18 January 2018, an Avian Influenza Prevention Zone applies to everyone who keeps poultry or captive birds in England. If you keep poultry or birds, you must follow our detailed requirements on strict biosecurity, whether you have commercial flocks or just a few birds in a backyard flock.

We have taken these measures because bird flu has now been found in wild birds in this country. Bird flu is also present in Europe, and wild bird migration brings birds to the UK from areas where we know highly pathogenic bird flu is present. We keep our disease control measures under review based on the latest scientific evidence and veterinary advice.

Anyone who finds dead wild birds should report them to the Defra helpline on 03459 33 55 77.

Registered Poultry Keepers and Hobbyists should sign up to the AHPA Alerts Service - email apha.corporatecommunications@apha.gsi.gov.uk

(or copy http://animalhealth.system-message.co.uk/AH_subscribe_index.php into an internet browser) to keep up to date with the latest news – Additionally, alerts are not just avian-specific so livestock owners can sign up for same.

We currently regard the risk of bird flu occurring in poultry in the UK as low (provided there's a good standard of biosecurity). We publish a summary of animal disease risks (including issues around bird flu) in our [veterinary outbreak assessments](#).

Further information can be found at www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu or calling by calling the Defra Rural Services Helpline on 03000 200 301



ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Waldringfield Village Hall

7.30 pm, Tuesday April 10th

Nearer the time, see the website and noticeboards for further information

CALLING ALL KEEN GARDENERS.

Would you join us in opening your garden on 20 May from 2-5pm? We're building on the success of our open gardens event, which last year saw over 360 visitors and need more of you.

It's a very enjoyable day with an extremely appreciative public for gardens of any style or size, with donations going to the St Elizabeth's Hospice.

Contact Rosalind Erskine 736676 or Serena Gold 736243.

Waldringfield Gardeners



Sunday May 20th 2.00 – 5.00pm
Open Gardens & Scarecrow display.
Entry and Cream teas at the village hall.

Saturday June 30th

Plum and cherry pruning workshop with Dr Anna Baldwin.

Start at the village hall.

Saturday August 11th

Produce, Flower & Craft Show in the village hall.

Thursday September 27th 1.30-4.30

visit to Wakelyns Agroforestry, Fressingfield

Saturday November 3rd 3.30 till late

Pumpkin Party, Apple fun, Lantern Parade and more....

Waldringfield village hall and by the river.

Saturday November 24th 10.00 -1.00pm

Christmas Flowers/Greenery

Waldringfield Village Hall.

Wednesday November 28th

AGM 7.30pm Dormers, Cliff Road

Followed by Seed swap with mulled wine and mince pies from 8.00 .

Call for Community Volunteers

To volunteer or to obtain more information,

contact Suffolk Police's Speedwatch Coordinator in our area, Sgt Peter Street

Peter.Street@suffolk.pnn.police.uk or on 01473 613500



www.communityspeedwatch.co.uk