



# Hintlesham & Chattisham

## THE VILLAGE LINK

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### Poppy Collection Cancelled

*Auriol Wilson writes:*

It is with sadness we cannot collect in person this year for the Annual Poppy Appeal. Last year, nationally £50 million was raised. Please give generously, if you are able, wherever you see poppies or merchandise on sale.

(Although they won't be collecting this year, I wish to give thanks to my valiant sellers: Hilary Hollis, Eileen Damant, John Mower, Jenny Cox & Jill Fish without whom I would be in a muddle!)



### Local Bees – An Internet Sensation



Bee-keeper Jim Hammond, who lives in Duke Street, mentioned on Facebook he had a few jars of Hintlesham honey for sale. He was amazed to receive 1100 hits for his posting. His honey was quickly sold out ... except for one jar ... which you can win! See inside.

### Village Witch-hunt

Far scarier than any Hallowe'en ghost or ghouel was Matthew Hopkins who visited our villages in 1645. But why was he here? (Vincent Price portrayed Hopkins in the 1968 film)

More inside ... if you dare!



### Hintlesham Barns Open Again

Hintlesham Barns at College Farm is the latest village business to put up the Open sign again. Julie Girling tells The Link they are open Wednesday to Saturday, but due to Covid regulations, will operate a "reduced" coffee shop. Tel 01473 652550 for more details.



### Come on Down

Social Club members, Michaela Debenham and John Shapland, have been pulling the pints at the Social Club and invite you to get involved. More inside.

Last month, The Link asked whether it was time to ditch the "libraries" in the old local kiosks.

Follow the lively Defibrillator vs Books debate on page 4.





Hintlesham & Chattisham Community Hall  
 To book the Hall or Meeting Room 'phone  
 Richard on 07497 292699 (9.00am – 9.00pm only)

## The View From Here ...

*Judy Bradley from The Street  
 in Chattisham writes ...*

The view from here is across a field of greying stubble to the trees beyond, but for the trees I would be able to see Rookery Farm on the Wenham Rd., where I grew up in the fifties. Here is the Church end of The Street, Chattisham.

Life on the farm seemed idyllic, although the sharpest memories may well be of the best bits. I remember striding across the fields to Chattisham Chapel where my uncle played the organ. In spite of this, I was anxious to explore and I left when I was seventeen spending the next thirteen years working around the UK. Early on, I met my husband to be and I returned to Suffolk with him in 1980 to open Mr Underhills, a small country restaurant at Stonham. In 1997 we upped-sticks and went west to Ludlow in Shropshire. After 36 years as Mr Underhill's it was time to retire and we decided to move back to Suffolk.

Best laid plans etc., we ended up having to rent somewhere and landed in Chattisham, way closer to my original home than I had intended. This turned out to be a lucky move, great location and such a friendly village with loads going on. A house just up the road came on the market so we grabbed it. It seems very strange to have a proper home after all those years of living above the shop. At last we have our own kitchen and are, for the first time in ages, home alone, no guests, no staff, no stress!

Even lockdown had a plus for me, I made some calls under the Community Network scheme and ended up chatting to some people who had known the The Rookery, my family, the beautiful Jersey cows, lots of details and names from the past, real trips down memory lane, I almost felt young again. And the view from here? I'd say it's pretty darn special.

To talk about a wedding,  
 baptism or funeral,  
 please contact the Vicar,  
 Rev Jackson, at [rev@kind.church](mailto:rev@kind.church)  
 01473 657349



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## Win a jar of Hammond's Hintlesham Honey



Simply count up the number of bees in this month's edition and send your answer, along with your name and address, to [The.Village.Link@gmail.com](mailto:The.Village.Link@gmail.com) or drop off your entry at Nutfield Cottage in Duke Street. The closing date is Saturday 10th October. (Thanks Jim for donating a jar of the sweet stuff!)

## Rural Crime Heads Up

PC Sarah George (287) writes: I am the Community Engagement officer covering Hintlesham and Chattisham. I have been asked to write a short bit in the magazine every now and again about crime patterns we are experiencing.



Sadly, Suffolk Constabulary have recently experienced an increase in thefts of high value Tractor Navigation Systems. This is believed to be being committed by an organised crime group. There are no further details known yet regarding the offenders.

The thieves are targeting farms and construction sites. Please be vigilant and report anything you feel is out of the ordinary or suspicious to Police on 101, or 999 should this potentially be a crime in progress.

## Not on email?

We know not everyone's on email or online. Not a problem! You can still contribute to The Link by dropping a line to Gerald Main, Nutfield Cottage, Duke St., Hintlesham IP8 3QP or simply call 07736 480342.



## Social Club Update

*Cristiana Velloso Langton writes:*

After a smooth start on the 22nd of August, the Social Club is now following COVID-19 secure guidelines and aiming to open its doors every Friday, Saturday and Sunday in October. Come and enjoy a drink, play a game of pool, or have a go behind the bar. We've had several members happily volunteering. It's fun and busy work, but a committee member is always on hand to help. We couldn't be more grateful to Michaela, Lee, Clare and Emma and to one of our newest members, Haydon, for their help. Do you fancy having a go in October? We need your help.

Contact us on 07958522079, membership.socialclub@hintleshamandchattisham.co.uk, the Social Club Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/HSCSuffolk](http://www.facebook.com/HSCSuffolk)), or chat to any committee member at the bar.

If you are not a member yet, come and join us. All existing and new memberships are extended to January 2022!

## Tuesday Circle spins to Thursdays in 2021

*Hilary Deakin writes:*

The Tuesday Circle have dates for your 2021 diary:

12 noon on **Tuesday** 26th January, "Soup and sweet" socially distanced in the main hall at the community centre. Our 'Christmas meal' will be in the Spring with a date yet to be announced.

Monthly meetings are moving to Thursdays from Thursday 6th May so we can socially distance in the well-ventilated main hall. Looking forward to meeting up again in 2021. On behalf of the Committee, take care and stay safe.

## Coffee?

*Emma Lloyd writes:*



The Rural Coffee

Caravan will next visit Timperleys, Hintlesham on the 20th October from 2-4pm. All are welcome to join us for a permitted, socially distanced coffee and chat.

Please bring your own mug and fold up chair, if required. The new rule of 6 is being observed and you will be carefully and thoughtfully placed. See you there!

## Persecution in H&C

In Hintlesham & Chattisham many children (and a few adults) will be dressed up as scary witches or wizards for Hallowe'en. It's all a bit of fun, but it wasn't always the case.

Spare a thought this Hallowe'en season for Rebecca Morris, Susan Marchant and Mary & Nathaniel Bacon who lived in Chattisham in 1645 and were found guilty of witchcraft and hanged at Bury St Edmunds. At least 5 women from Chattisham and 4 from Hintlesham were accused of witchcraft following the "investigations" of Matthew Hopkins, the self-proclaimed Witchfinder General who was born at Wenham. Everyone in our villages must have been terrified of having a finger pointed in their direction.

Belief in witchcraft was common in those times and Hopkins and his accomplices wouldn't have found it difficult to build a case against anyone who was mentally or physically "a bit different". Read more about Hopkins' visit to our villages, in Audrey Lorford and Diane Chase's excellent book: "Hintlesham & Chattisham - The Story of Two Suffolk Villages."



## The Big Red Phone Box Debate

Last month The Link asked whether the time had come to use the telephone kiosks in the villages simply to house the defibrillator equipment and get rid of the "libraries". This prompted reader, Jean Sanders to write:



*"We have found the Chattisham box most useful. We have seen cars stop outside the box and the occupants use the mini library. It probably does need a clear-up from time to time so that the defibrillator can be easily reached, and I would be very happy to help with this. We would be very sorry if all the books were removed after lockdown."*

One Duke Street resident, who doesn't wish her name to be published, observes: *"For too long our old phone kiosk has been unsightly, unhygienic and unfit for purpose."*

Chattisham resident and Parish Councillor, Diane Chase writes: *"It was the case that some people did drop off bags of books on the floor, but since the notice advising to keep the floor clear for the defibrillator, this has worked. We like our 'Chattisham Library' and in normal times it is well used. In fact, we could do with an extra shelf. There is no reason why books and the Defibrillator can't mix."*

However, Hintlesham's Adrian Waller, who was instrumental in running defibrillator training sessions in the village and has installed units all over the UK, including at the top of Mount Snowdon, disagrees:

*"When our parish council went to so much trouble to invest in and install three defibrillators across our community, the telephone kiosks made the most sensible locations and there are many great examples across the country. However, when I have tried to carry out the periodic checks on the defibrillators it has been a struggle to access them, having to wade through heaps of old books. In an emergency situation, when someone suffers a cardiac arrest it really is a matter of time, for every minute that passes without*

*treatment (high quality CPR and defibrillation) the person's chance of survival diminishes by at least 10%. It is therefore imperative that there should be 100% unimpeded access to the defibrillators, after all it could be you or me that may require the defibrillators' lifesaving treatment.*

*I would make the recommendation that the books and their shelves are permanently removed from the kiosks and we stick to using the mobile library when it next becomes available.*

*I have also included a Video link from the resuscitation council and their recommendations in the use of defibrillators... <https://vimeo.com/399707203>.*

Parish Councillor, Stephanie Coupland says: *"I know they look a mess at the moment, but once painted we are going to clear out old books and put some better ones in there.*

*It was used quite a lot but then some people used it as a dumping ground for their old books. If used properly they can work well. It's a great place to keep our defibrillator as accessible to everyone, as long as people do not leave books on the floor."*

Perhaps the Parish Council will continue the debate?



## The Last Man on the Memorial - Update

Following the publicity about Harold Tipple's name being added to the war memorial 81 years after his death, one of his relatives has come forward. Harold's first cousin once removed, Patricia O'Gorman, saw the press coverage and made contact. She hopes to visit Harold's grave in the next few weeks and will be the first member of the 19-year-old pilot's family to visit Hintlesham since WW2.

# CHATTISHAM & HINTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Notes from the Planning Meeting of the Parish Council Meeting held via Zoom on 20th August 2020 at 7.30pm

DC/20/03195 – Oak Villa, Pond Hall Road, Hintlesham – Erection of two storey side extension.

The Council objected to the application on the following points:

Following the original application DC/19/05549 being refused, Babergh has given advice to the applicant on Appearance and Scale - this seems to have been ignored.

The Parish Council feel the extension is too large in scale to the existing property and also the material finish is not consistent with the existing building therefore will not look like an extension of the existing property.

DC/20/03039 – Northlands Farm, Priory Road, Hintlesham - Erection of an agricultural storage shed (retention of) – This is a retrospective application and there were no objections

DC/20/00838 – Land North of Burstall Lane, Sproughton - Amended plans and documents for Hybrid Outline Application.

The Parish Council agreed that the original objection to the application still stands.

## NOTES FROM CHATTISHAM AND HINTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL held via Zoom on Thursday 10th September 2020

Councillor Hudson kindly offered to donate to the Update Play Area fund, the sum of £3,500 from his Locality Fund. This was a surprise to the meeting and thanks were expressed to Councillor Hudson for his generous donation. This will be added to the CIL monies which the Parish Council has claimed for this project.

A member of the Public reported that the 'Drain Cover' in George Street, which had previously been repaired, was once again making a terrible noise when cars drive over it. The Clerk had written to SCC Highways about this and Councillor Hudson is to follow this up again.

VAS Sign: The Chairman reported that it seems that SCC Highways have once again mislaid paperwork in relation to the positioning of the posts in other areas of the Village, which need to be agreed before we can move the sign. Councillor Hudson agreed he would chase this up for us.

Speed Check: R. Young once again gave an update on the Speed Checks which had been held on Silver Hill since the last meeting. Speed has definitely increased in that area with 20 offenders being logged by the officer in charge of the speed

check.

## Planning

DC/20/03388 – Land adjacent Sandy Knoll, Chattisham Lane, Hintlesham – Erection of stables building ancillary to approved dwelling DC/19/02524

The Council objected to this application due to the location of the Stable Block, feeling it was too close to the road and felt it could be better sited elsewhere on the plot.

DC/20/03399 – Birch Farm, Silver Hill, Hintlesham – Erection of Farm Shop

The Council objected to the application on the following points: This is not a Farm Shop as it was unable to produce their own produce. It is a new retail outlet in the countryside which goes against Babergh District Council policy

- There is already a shop in the village currently open 3 mornings a week providing services to the village

DC/20/03537 – Ceylon House, Raydon Road, Hintlesham – Erection of gates across existing vehicular access

The Council have no objections to this planning application however feels the gates could be sited further back from the road to allow cars leaving and entering the property to stay off the highway when opening and closing the gates

Update on The Livery on Duke Street, Hintlesham

The gentleman who rents out the paddocks etc spoke to the Council about The Livery Yard, a discussion was held and it appears that if the horses are being fed hay, nuts etc it should have planning permission for this. If they were just grazing, then they do not. The gentleman is to make further enquiries about this.

Also following a complaint regarding the heaps of manure near to gardens of properties in Duke Street, the council were told that this was waiting to be removed from the site.

Regarding Horses on Footpaths, he said that he had informed the owners of the horses that they should not be riding on Footpaths.

Planning Applications Updates-

DC/20/02312 – Old Rectory, Rectory Lane, Hintlesham – Granted

DC/20/02313 – Linden Cottages, Duke Street, Hintlesham – Granted

## ZOOM MEETINGS

The Council agreed that it would have to continue with Zoom Meetings due to the current guidelines from the Government in relation to the Covid-19 virus.

Reports from Parish Councillors

B. Cox, Public Transport Liaison Officer, reported that Beestons Buses are now back to their hourly service, Monday to Saturday. New timetable is on the website and also at each bus stop.

S. Coupland, Footpath Officer, reported that all footpath signs which are down have been reported. It is hoped they will be reinstated ASAP.

J. Whyman reported to the meeting that the Community Council and the MUGA Club have each received a grant from the Community Financial Support, which is part of the Grant Funding Scheme set up by the Government to support local clubs etc.

Report written by S. Coupland.

The full meetings' minutes will be published on the Village Website. These notes are my personal interpretation of the meeting content and do not, necessarily, represent the determined position of the Parish Council.

Check out the Village website ..... [www.hintleshamandchattisham.onesuffolk.net](http://www.hintleshamandchattisham.onesuffolk.net)

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## Next Parish Council Meeting

Be the first to know what's happening in the village by checking out the Parish Council's virtual meeting on Zoom. The next one is on Thursday 8th October at 7.30 PM. The Zoom details: Meeting ID: 880 7854 7771 / Passcode: 613777

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## MUGA

Government guidance on team sports and Covid 19 at venues like the MUGA are subject to change and the latest advice should be sought online.

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## Friends of Hintlesham with Chattisham Churches

### Michael Deakin Golf Day

*Peter Hollis writes:*

The delayed Michael Deakin Golf Day took place on the 7th September at the Hintlesham Golf Club with some 40 players taking part. Despite some light rain during the morning, the golfers enjoyed a fine day with the Braiswick Blades winning the team prize and Ian Throsell the individual trophy.

A big thank you to all the golfers and everyone who made the day a great success with the event raising £850 for the Churches Restoration Fund. Special thanks goes to Henry, Debbie and their team at the Club, all the local businesses who donated raffle prizes, and the Friends committee for scoring, entertainment and raffle.

## Call that parking?



*Hintlesham's Adrian Waller writes:*

Following recent surgery to my left leg, the lack of mobility has led me to purchase a mobility scooter to enable me to get about.

I now understand fully the frustrations caused to people (the elderly and infirm, young children, disabled people and parents with babies and children in pushchairs) who are trying to use the pavements for what they are intended, but are restricted from doing so by the inconsiderate behaviour of some motorists who see it as a given that they can park on the pavement. For those of us who live on Duke Street, we all know that many drivers regularly speed in excess of 30mph, with little or no regards to other road users, thus making the plight of the pedestrian forced onto the road more precarious.

**The Highway Code rule 244 states that drivers "MUST NOT park partially or wholly on the pavement in London and should not do so elsewhere unless signs permit it", the RAC state ...If you are parking along a narrow road, where parking wholly on the road would stop other cars, and particularly emergency vehicles, from getting through, then it is a sensible option to park partially on a pavement, providing there are no parking restrictions and providing you are not blocking a wheelchair user or pram from using the pavement.**

Please respect other users of the road and pavements when parking up.



## GARDENING CLUB NEWS

*Cathy Leney writes:*

Thank you to everyone who sent us photos of their gardens. This record of 2020 has been added to Facebook and the village website. Our October AGM and winter meetings have been postponed to 2021.

*Mary Williams adds:*

Please do not forget to pick up a Kings Seed catalogue, so you can get up to 50 % reduction on seeds, this winter. The catalogues are available in the carparks at Suffolk in Chattisham, or Field End in Hintlesham. Further information available in the September Link, or from [hintleshamgardeningclub@gmail.com](mailto:hintleshamgardeningclub@gmail.com) or call Mary on 652632 / Margaret on 652210.

## BOWLS CLUB

*Frank Wilkin reports ...*

It was great to get back to bowls and see most of the team members. It is very different from club nights of old, but it is a good start and it felt safe with all the safety measures that were in place. Club night every Wednesday with members that are drawn out each week, 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm start.



## FAnTa

During term time, we will continue to meet every 1st and 3rd Friday 18:00-19:30 at St. Nicholas Church.  
Contact: [cris.velloso.langton@gmail.com](mailto:cris.velloso.langton@gmail.com)

## WALKING GROUP

Due to the Government restrictions on groups of over 6, it has been decided to cancel the walk for this month. Very sorry, but we have to follow guidelines. Hopefully, we will start back in November if Government restrictions are changed. Contact Stephanie Coupland 07787581390 if you require further details.



## GET WELL BARRY

Everyone wishes Barry Williams a speedy recovery from his recent stroke. He will be sadly missed from the Parish walks, but we hope he will be back with us as soon as he can.

Love from the 'Walkers' XX

## THANK YOU FOR RALLYING ROUND

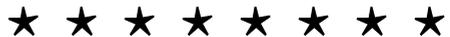
*Pauline Whitbred writes:*

I would like to thank all my neighbours and friends for their kind help following my recent fall in Duke Street when unfortunately, I broke my wrist. Thanks to you all.

## PLUMTASTIC!

*Jean and Don Sanders from Chattisham write ...*

Very many thanks to all those who bought our home-grown plums and also gave donations. The £50 raised has been given to Sarcoma UK, a national charity that funds vital research, offers support for anyone affected by bone and soft tissue cancer, and campaigns for better treatments. Your generosity is much appreciated.



# 200 Club

## September 2020



Name	Member	No
£50	C Hewitt – Hintlesham	241
£40	P Woolley – Chattisham	460
£30	J Whyman (Mr) – Hintlesham	308
£20	T Martin – Chattisham	273
£15	L Jones – Hintlesham	376
£15	J Whyman (Mrs) - Hintlesham	307

You have to 'Be in it to Win it'

To be in it, send contact details to [hccc200club@gmail.com](mailto:hccc200club@gmail.com)





# Reflections

I learnt a skill in lockdown. I filmed and edited daily videos and school assemblies; regular checks on locked churches; phone calls to parishioners each day and prayers for them; and home schooling two children. A lot was new but what I really learnt was – how to play the harmonica.

Of all the legacies of lockdown, the extra inches – darn that fridge – the dog dreading walks “not another one, please boss” and anxiety about social gatherings; my family thinks the worst legacy of lockdown is that I learnt to play the harmonica.

You can't get good unless you are obsessive, said my harmonica video. So play Oh Susanna until it's note perfect. Or until the family would cheerfully shove the harmonica up your left nostril, because frankly two weeks on one song would stretch the patience of a saint.

The dog particularly hated the three note sections, played over and over for 15 minutes straight; and learnt to howl a quarter note flat along with the tin sandwich.

So when Boris said “OPEN THE CHURCHES” the family rejoiced, Sunday services - one day of quiet. Except of course they came with me bless them, we prayed for those unable to come, we thanked God for the help we'd been to one another; we had a silent weep for those lost to us. We looked one another in the eye and knew that this was a good place to be, a place of inner peace.

And when we got home the dog lead and harmonica were missing, with an odd look on the mutt's face...

*Jackson*

Rev'd Jackson Crompton-Battersby

[www.kind.church](http://www.kind.church)

## Sunday Services

4th October	9.30	Chattisham
11th October	10.00	Hintlesham (Mini Messy Church in Community Hall)
18th October	9.30	Chattisham (Holy Communion)
25th October	9.30	Hintlesham (Family Service)



(Feel free to check times / dates with Jenny Cox tel. 652466 or see [www.kind.church/handc](http://www.kind.church/handc))

**The deadline for the November edition of The Village Link: 10.00 am Wed 21 October.**

***The magazine welcomes contributions, but reserves the right to amend, shorten or reject any article or advertisement submitted for publication. Any views expressed by contributors are not necessarily shared by the magazine's committee.***

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### Final Words...

***The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention.***

*Oscar Wilde*