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# COMMUNITY & CHURCH NEWS



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# Parish Diary

## JUNE 2023

6th & 20th - Tuesday Club - Village Hall at 2.30 pm  
7th - Comrades - Village Hall Committee Room at 7.30 pm  
7th & 21st - Whist Drive - Village Hall from 7.00-9.00 pm  
7th & 21st - Craft at the Case - Case is Altered from 7.00-9.00 pm  
8th & 22nd - Scrabble Club - Village Hall Committee Room at 2.30 pm  
8th - Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall at 7.30 pm  
8th - Open Mic Night - Case is Altered at 7.00 pm  
10th - Music Event & BBQ - Case is Altered from 2.30 pm  
17th - Johnny Cash Concert - St Mary's Church at 7.00 pm  
20th - Tuesday Club - Outing to Dunwich  
22nd - Book Group - Case is Altered at 7.30 pm  
23rd - Bentley Bluebells WI - Village Hall at 7.30 pm  
23rd - Morris Men - Case is Altered at 8.00 pm  
24th - Monthly Quiz - Case is Altered - at 8.00 pm

## JULY 2023

4th & 18th - Tuesday Club - Village Hall at 2.30 pm  
5th - Comrades - Village Hall Committee Room at 7.30 pm  
5th & 19th - Craft at the Case - Case is Altered from 7.00-9.00 pm  
6th - Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall at 7.30 pm  
9th - Garden Party - Case is Altered at 3.00 pm  
10th - Bentley Bluebells WI - Village Hall at 7.30 pm  
13th & 27th - Scrabble Club - Village Hall Committee Room at 2.30 pm  
13th - Open Mic Night - Case is Altered at 7.00 pm  
15th - Music Event & BBQ - Case is Altered at 1.00 pm  
19th - Whist Drive - Village Hall from 7.00-9.00 pm  
27th - Book Group - Case is Altered at 7.30 pm  
29th - Monthly Quiz - Case is Altered at 8.00 pm

## Other Activities in the Village

Toddler Group - Mon & Weds 9.30 am to 12 noon (Term Time only) - Village Hall  
Holistic Yoga - Every Mon 7.30 - 10.00 pm - Village Hall  
Aerobics Class - Tuesday 9.45 am (Term Time only) - Village Hall  
Pilates Class - Tuesday 11.00 am to noon (Term Time only) - Village Hall (contact Jill Sharp for information - 01473 311546)  
Carpet Bowls - Every Tues 7.30 pm & Weds 2.30 pm - Village Hall  
Ballroom & Latin Dance Class - Thurs 6.30 - Village Hall - email [grove2209@gmail.com](mailto:grove2209@gmail.com)

# Bentley Directory

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Parent and Toddler Group	Pam Rayment	07970 741581
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Scrabble Club	Robin Owen	01473 311844
Tree Warden	Colin Hawes	01473 310678
Tuesday Club	Veronica Howe Catherine Sweeney	01473 310344 01473 310095
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Whist Club	Veronica Howe	01473 310344
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Assistant Priest	Revd Don Mehen	01473 310383

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Bentley (in Suffolk) Community page - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/292599697915731/>

Other village websites are listed in the publication.

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***Congratulations to Their Majesties on their Coronation.***

***We send King Charles III all our good wishes for a long, happy and glorious reign.***

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# BENTLEY VILLAGE AT CHURCH NEWS

Thank you for your continuing support. You are always welcome to join us for some of our services or our fund raising events.

## SERVICES IN JUNE

4 <sup>TH</sup> June	Holy Communion	10am
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning Service	10am
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Holy Communion	10am
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Family Service	10am

## SERVICES IN JULY

2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Holy Communion	10am
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Hymns and Pimms	11am
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Holy Communion	10am
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Family Service	10am
30 <sup>th</sup> July	Service to be confirmed	

## Hymns and Pimms

Come and join us on 9th July as we sing some well-known and loved hymns. Then enjoy some Pimms and refreshments.



## JOHNNY CASH TRIBUTE BAND

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June 7pm Bentley Church

Tickets £12 - contact Peter Day 01473 310518 or 07570 103005 or email [peter.d47@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:peter.d47@hotmail.co.uk)

**WEST VILLA:** very many thanks for the donations of bedding and towels that we continue to receive and deliver. They are very much appreciated as were the Easter Eggs. Sadly they still help many people made homeless so these gifts make a great difference to the people affected.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Summer Show on Cromer Pier** - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July

Coach leaves Bentley Village Hall at 9am so plenty of time for lunch and a wander. Show starts at 2.30pm; we will be leaving about 5pm. Cost including coach and show £48 person. Please contact Sandra Mehen: [sandranehen@gmail.com](mailto:sandranehen@gmail.com) or 01473310383. All profits in aid of Bentley Church.

**Community Service led by the Dean of the Cathedral**

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August starting at 3pm followed by afternoon tea. There will also be a choir to help us sing.

**Lonely? Need a Listening Ear?**

Do you know of anyone in the village who would like a visit at home or in hospital? Would you like someone to visit you? Would you like someone to talk to, pray with you or for you? Please call Doreen or 311122; Carolyn on 311090; Jane 310518 or Sandra 310383. We are here to help.

## SUPPORTING BENTLEY CHURCH

St Mary's Church Bentley has been at the centre of Bentley life for over 700 years. Generations have worshipped here and found it a place of refuge, reflection and joy. Bentley residents have the right to have their weddings, baptisms and funerals there and be buried in the churchyard. Please help us ensure that St Mary's Church stands for another 700 years. It costs £300 a week to keep this beautiful and historic church open. One way to support us is by giving via this QR code using your smartphone. There is also one in the church building. Thank you.



### Just a Thought

As we say goodbye to parishes we have worked with for 23 years we now look forward to working with the parishes of East Bergholt and Brantham. It will be a challenging and exciting time as we prayfully seek to find a new priest to lead us forward.

#### Church Contact Details

for weddings, baptisms and funerals or other queries  
Church Warden – Peter Day - 310518  
Assistant Priest – Rev Don Mehen – 310383  
Treasurer – Ken Felgate - [k.felgate108@btinternet.com](mailto:k.felgate108@btinternet.com)  
PCC Lay Chair – Jane Day – 01473 310518  
PCC Secretary – Sandra Mehen – 01473 310383

## BENTLEY (SUFFOLK) HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our monthly meetings are now finished until September – we will all be busy in the garden and the greenhouse growing and nurturing entries for the **Annual Show on 19th August.**

In the meantime, there are many gardens that are going to be open to view in the coming weeks:

4th June - Boxford and Edwardstone

4th June - East Bergholt some offering afternoon tea overlooking the Dedham Vale

11th June - Clare - beautiful Town Centre gardens

23th June - Chelsworth village gardens

2nd July - Hidden gardens in Bury St Edmunds

These gardens are advertised on the website with additional details.

I wish you all a warm and rewarding summer.

I will remind you of the Show details in my next entry. **Pam Lovell**

## BENTLEY CARPET BOWLS

Since 1991 Bentley Carpet Bowls have been playing Tattingstone Carpet Bowls for firstly the Cynthia Page trophy and since 2017 the Cynthia and Derek Page trophy. This competition raises money for the Papworth Hospital. Cynthia and Derek were both keen bowlers with Tattingstone Carpet Bowls. Due to Covid we have unfortunately been unable to play these matches for three years.

This year Tattingstone were pleased to re-instate this competition and we played our home match against Tattingstone on 18<sup>th</sup> April which won 10 – 0. The away match was played on 10<sup>th</sup> May and we managed to win 8 – 2. It was great to catch up with the Tattingstone bowlers over the two evenings with both evenings finishing with a very generous raffle and refreshments. Derek and Cynthia's son came and presented the trophy to our Captain Pam Rayment and we were able to hand over a cheque for £200 to him for Papworth Hospital. **Jill Mills - Secretary**

Our last match of the winter league season was at Belstead where after a difficult evening we lost 2-8. However the two points we did get enabled us to finish above Martlesham in what is a very competitive league. We now look forward to the summer league which starts on May 30<sup>th</sup>. **David Howe.**

## BENTLEY BLUEBELLS WI

We named our WI Bentley Bluebells for the obvious reason that the village is surrounded by beautiful bluebell filled woodlands and again this year they did not disappoint. It is so good to be enjoying the chance to walk out and take advantage of the longer days. This means that those of you ladies who find coming to meetings in the dark need not worry. Our diary is filled for the year with an outing in June to an Auction House, in July a speaker on "Unusual Gravestones" and in August a garden party with cake (plus other goodies of course).

Our April birthday party went with a real swing as we were entertained by 10 delightful Ukulele players and singers.

We are hosts this year for the WI Group Social Evening which includes Tattingstone, Capel St Mary, Brantham and East Bergholt. If any of you spot Elvis in the village he is on his way to entertain us, so point him in the right direction please. Even better still, ladies come and see for yourselves!

Call our lovely Secretary Sandra on 310072 for details on how to join or visit or more information.

**Theresa Bloomfield**



## **BENTLEY BOWLS CLUB**

We have now started our season and have played three games - winning one and losing two. Things can only get better! Our Friday night club nights have started with several members playing plus some new ones trying out the sport. The weather has not been too kind but hopefully that will improve as we go into the season.

We have had our quiz night which was a great success. Thank you all for supporting us and hope you had a good evening. The quiz brings in much needed funds to keep our green in good order. Charles our quiz master has decided after 12+ years to give up and the bowls club thank him for a job well done.

**Lillian Calvert - Secretary 01473 808652**

## **TUESDAY CLUB**

At last we are beginning to see a bit of Sun, hopefully we are going to have a great Summer. The Tuesday Club has enjoyed some great talks and entertainment in the last few weeks.

We had a very interesting talk by Tony Quin on Bee Keeping and the making of Honey. Mike from the Fire Service gave a talk on Safety in the home and the importance of Fire Alarms. We welcomed Frazier back who put us all through our paces with a Chair Aerobics session. We have more interesting talks and entertainment in the weeks ahead.

The next meeting is 23rd May at 2.30pm. On the 4th July we have Julie Stokes from Active Lives - changes lives. 18th July we welcome back Jenny and Mustafa who will give us more interesting stories about Turkey. The club has welcomed new comers, we are a friendly club and would love you to join us so pop along on one of the dates and have tea, biscuits and a chat we would love to see you.

**Catherine Sweeney, Secretary.**

### **HELP STOP SPEEDING IN BENTLEY**

Speedwatch is operated in the Village by volunteers with the authority of Suffolk Constabulary.

**Are you concerned by vehicles speeding?**

**Are you able to volunteer for an hour each fortnight?**

If so please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council, Mrs Joy Scott by email at [clerk@bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk)

**Be part of the team. Full training is provided.**

# BENTLEY STORES

## Bentley Stores and The Princes Countryside Fund

Eight years ago we were seeking funding to build a Community Shop for the village and making all sorts of contacts with varying results! However the catalyst to enable us to proceed happened in December 2015 when a significant grant from The Princes Countryside Fund was awarded to us for Capital expenditure with additional revenue funding to ensure our shop was sustainable over the first two years.

We are still enjoying the benefits as the shop reaches its 7 year anniversary on 14 July 2023. When he was Prince of Wales, His Majesty was presented with a Bentley Stores shopping bag and there is a picture of this in the shop above the till!

## The Big Help Out

In tribute to His Majesty The King's public service, The Big Help Out is encouraging people to try volunteering for themselves and join the work being undertaken to support their local areas. The aim of The Big Help Out is to use volunteering to bring communities together and create a lasting volunteering legacy from the Coronation weekend.

We are fortunate in Bentley to have so many good volunteers and can always do with a few more to cover holidays and illness. Volunteering for a few hours is surprisingly interesting and fun, some of us like "playing shops" and we meet so many local people as well. Just talk to any of our volunteers..... if you are new to Bentley and have not visited the shop you will be pleasantly surprised!!

## Volunteering Vacancy

One special area is our website where ***we need a keen and capable volunteer of any age to run it and keep it up to date.*** Its main function is to keep everyone informed about our opening hours and activities. We do not use it for booking events or anything of a similar nature so, once it is updated, it should only need limited maintenance.

If you know anyone who could help please [email info@bentleystores.co.uk](mailto:email_info@bentleystores.co.uk)  
Thank you.

**Your Community Shop is alongside The Case is Altered.  
With plenty of parking, even for Horses!**

**Opening times  
Monday to Friday 9 to 1.30  
Saturdays 9 to 12 noon  
Sundays 9 to 11am**

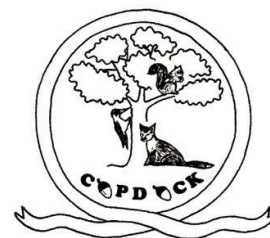
## NEWS FROM BENTLEY & COPDOCK PRIMARY SCHOOLS



**Bentley Primary 01473 310253**  
[admin@bentley.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bentley.suffolk.sch.uk)

**Copdock Primary 01473 730337**  
[admin@copdock.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@copdock.suffolk.sch.uk)

<http://www.bentleycopdock.co.uk/>



The summer term is always an exciting one with lots to look forward to. We have sporting events galore as the weather improves with football, netball and cricket in the diary

We started the month marking the coronation of King Charles III at the beginning of May. Children, staff and families came together at each school to celebrate this historic event. Kings and Queens were chosen and the Kings were anointed with holy oil. We had our own fly past followed by everyone joining in with the National Anthem and three cheers for our new King and Queen. Children continued into the morning making their own crown - adding images for what they would like to do in the future or adding an emblem which represents who they are. Children then had the opportunity to sit on the 'throne' and reflect on our own 'to-be' and 'to-do' list. (see page 14 and back inside cover for photos).

The children were lucky to have a gift of a coronation mug and seeds given to them by the Parish Council. They also received a book mark from school.

Year 6 children across the Federation took their SATs tests and showed how mature they can be. Hedgehogs and Woodpeckers had an enjoyable trip to Colchester, taking in the castle to support their learning of the Romans.

We met our new children and their families who are joining us in September at a meeting and the very exciting Teddy Bear's picnic. Children then joined their class for induction mornings so they can get used to their new teachers, classrooms and friends.

Year 4 children look forward to their sleepover in July where our Federation will come together for some outdoor fun.

Have you ever considered becoming a School Governor? We are particularly looking for someone with experience in business and finance. If you are interested why not contact either school office or our chair of governors, Mr Simon Hurst, for more information – [simon.hurst@copdock.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:simon.hurst@copdock.suffolk.sch.uk)

### **Bentley Primary School 100 club March/April**

March

1st place - Tori Przybyl

2nd place - Sally Mason

3rd place - Michael Balaam

April

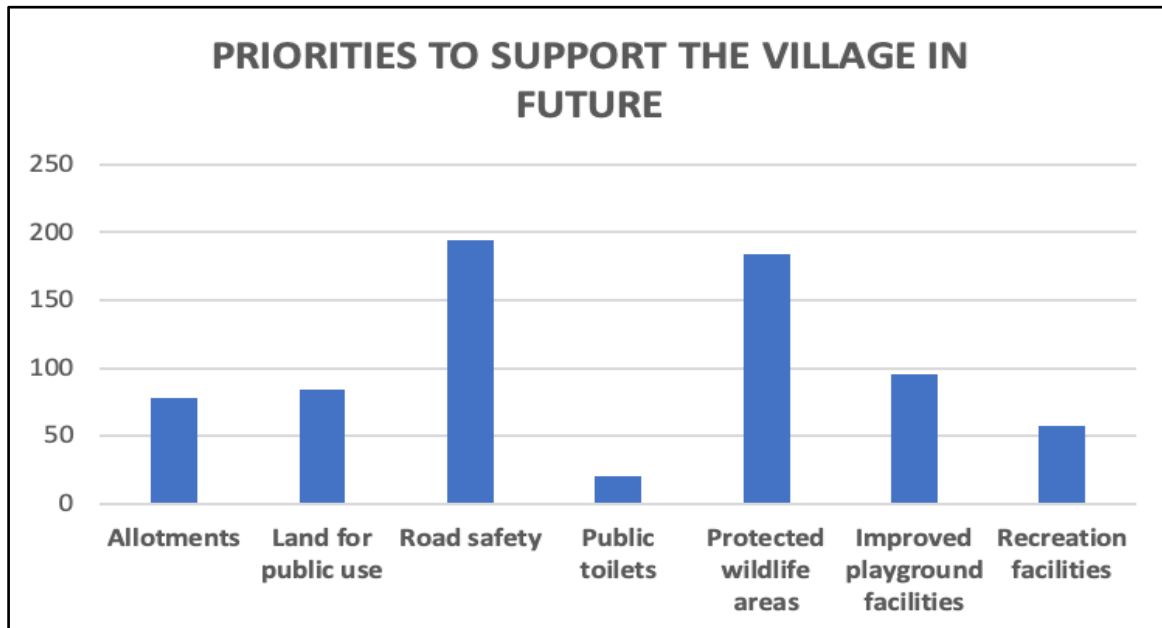
1st Place - Danielle Offord

2nd Place - Craig Wardley

3rd Place - Moira Alexander

## Please tell the Parish Council how we should spend the Community Infrastructure Levy money the Parish gets

When we did the Neighbourhood Plan consultation a few years ago, we asked how you would like the village facilities developed. You told us that these were your priorities:



### What we've done:

**Road safety** – we've bought the SID speed signs, and persuaded Suffolk CC to put us on the rota of villages visited by the ANPR automatic number-plate recognition speed cameras. The Parish Council took advantage of a county wide Quiet Lanes scheme to have several of our own.

**Wildlife** – we designated all the green spaces in the village in the Neighbourhood Plan, meaning that they can't be built on, including the Copse along Capel Rd.

**Playground** – we put in the gym equipment on the Playing Field, along with the picnic benches, and put in drainage across the field to make it much more playable year-round. We added an upcycled slide/climbing frame to the Play Area (thanks to Mark Woods and Ray Bloomfield).

**Land for public use** – thanks to Sandra Bond's generosity, we now have the Community Orchard.

**Recreation facilities** – we have replaced several of the village benches, and the War Memorial area is getting an upgrade, with a beautiful commemorative bench.

### This is where the money comes from:

The parish gets some money from the building of houses. Before the Neighbourhood Plan, this was 15% of the district levy; now it's 25%! The Babergh calculator suggests that, based on current development plans, we will get around £38,000 by 2030 (we have a possible £19,000 available now). In order to claim this money, we need to update the Parish Infrastructure Improvement Plan that formed part of the Neighbourhood Plan.

**Please help by filling in the leaflet that came with the Bugle and letting us know your priorities now.**

# BENTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Bentley Annual Parish Council Meeting took place at Bentley Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 11 May 2023.

Following the Uncontested Election – Cllr Munday was elected as Chairman. Cllr Feltwell as Vice Chair and Council Representatives were also elected.

**Planning** – Two planning decisions were received.

Councillors recommended approval on one Planning application. Appeal APP/D3505/W/22/3303184 was dismissed by the Planning Inspector. The Brockley Wood Gravel site – no activity on SCC website since the last meeting.

Reports were received from County Councillor Georgia Hall, Tree Warden, Footpath Warden, and Speedwatch Co-Ordinator.

## Matters discussed

- Grants were approved for Village Organisation and other Organisations for the year 2023/24
- Cyclists – Bentley Water Meadow – No cycling permitted plaques are being put up.
- New Domain name – Clerk has new e-mail address [clerk@bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk)
- Playground Inspection Reports
- Fence between the School Playing Field & Footway
- Flooding /Pothole Station Road – should be completed by 18 May/
- Protection of Trees in Bentley
- Improvements to War Memorial – Working Party
- Traffic calming – Laptop to be purchased to download SID data
- Playing Field Society – Purchase of equipment – Company of Merrie Folk
- Parish Infrastructure Investment Plan (PIIP)

The meeting closed at 9.15 p.m. Full draft minutes are available on the P C website - [www.bentleypc.onesuffolk.net](http://www.bentleypc.onesuffolk.net).



The Parish Council are receiving complaints about dog owners who are not dealing with their pet's poo.

**PLEASE DON'T LEAVE YOUR DOG'S  
POO ON FOOTPATHS/FOOTWAYS  
OR THE VILLAGE PLAYING FIELD  
FOR OTHER PEOPLE TO TREAD IN.**

**BAG IT AND BIN IT!**



# CORONATION CELEBRATIONS



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## Bentley Celebrates the Coronation with a Big Pub Lunch

Nearly 70 members of the community, including volunteers, came together at the Case pub on 7th May to enjoy a three course meal and celebrate the coronation of King Charles III and his Queen. The weather finally realised its patriotic duty and the sun shone down. We ate quiche with new potatoes and salad, and brown sugar meringues followed by coffee and biscuits. The bar did a brisk trade and everywhere there were smiling faces. It was a real community occasion to add to an unforgettable weekend.



Many thanks to our guests and a huge thank you to those who worked so hard to make it happen.

**Long Live the King!**





## NOTES FROM THE CASE



Suffolk's first Co-operative Pub!

Tel: 01473 805575

<http://www.thecasepubbentley.co.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/TheCaseBentley/>

email: [chair@thecasepubbentley.co.uk](mailto:chair@thecasepubbentley.co.uk)



Lighter nights and warmer days (hopefully) mean summer is on its way and we have a packed schedule of events for the next few months.

### Charity Launch Day

We would like to say a huge 'Thank You' to all those involved in the launch day of our new charity of the year, **Samaritans of Ipswich and East Suffolk**. It was a wonderful day and evening. Who knew that a second hand book fair would attract so many people? Over £600 was raised on the day. This figure includes £183 from the sale of 50p books! This was a great start to our charity year and is probably one of the best launch days we've had for any of our annual charities.

### Coronation Big Lunch

We would also like to say yet another big 'Thank You' to all the volunteers who helped with the Coronation Big Lunch. It was a terrific day with so many people enjoying a very pleasant lunch on such a special occasion. A total profit of £340 was made on the day and this too will be donated to **Samaritans of Ipswich and East Suffolk**.

### Quiz Nights

Supporting our chosen charity each month are our quiz nights. They are a firm favourite with many in the village (and further afield) and it can sometimes be a tight squeeze to fit everyone in, so do come early if you want to guarantee a table. **Quiz starts at 8pm**. As always teams are up to 6 people, entry £2 per person. First prize, £36 in pub vouchers. Losers are awarded a wooden spoon. Our next two quiz nights are **Saturday 24 June** and **Saturday 29 July**. As before all profits from the quiz and raffle will go to, **Samaritans of Ipswich and East Suffolk**

### Open Mic Nights

Our Open Mic Nights are always very popular and continue to attract new talent. The next two evenings are **Thursday 8 June** and **Thursday 13 July**. Music starts at around 8pm. As always a PA is provided, all performers welcome! Further enquires and dates, please contact Dave on 07885 963882 or look on our website or Facebook page.

### Music, Beer and BBQs

On **Saturday 10 June** we are holding a music event with some of Bentley's very own musical talent and some of the regular Open Mic Night guests. There will also be a BBQ. Bring a deckchair and sit back and enjoy the afternoon. **Pub opens from 2pm. BBQ and music start around 2:30pm**. Between **5pm - 8pm** food will be available to purchase from **Suffolk Spice Fusion**. See below for contact details.

The following month on **Saturday 15 July** we will be holding another great music afternoon this time with the very popular **Robbie Gladwell** and friends. The afternoon starts at **1pm** when the pub opens. The **music** begins at around **2:30pm**. **The BBQ will start around 1:30pm.**

### **NHS Anniversary Celebration**

On **Sunday 9 July** we will be holding a **Garden Party** from **3pm to 5pm** (bar open 12 - 6pm) to celebrate the **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the NHS**. Cakes and savouries will be available to buy. Nearer the time there will be tickets in the shop and the pub. Entry is free but tickets will entitle you to a free cuppa and gives an indication of numbers. During the afternoon there will also be live music from **Kristina**. She will be entertaining us with a mix of songs from across the eras. Cake or savoury donations will be warmly welcome. For more details look for the posters around the pub nearer to the event date or on our website and Facebook page.

### **Street Food Events**

As well as welcoming back **Suffolk Spice Fusion** in June (see above) they will also be with us in July, along with **Real Thai Food in Hadleigh**. These have already become very popular events and we hope to continue them through the rest of the year. On **Saturday 1 July, Suffolk Spice Fusion** will be returning with their tasty North Indian cuisine. Then on **Saturday 22 July, Real Thai Food in Hadleigh** is making a return visit too. Both vendors will be serving from **5pm - 8pm**. Pre-orders are preferred. A walk up service is available but in some instances this may incur some waiting time. Contact **Suffolk Spiced Fusion** on **07931 887293**. To contact **Real Thai Food in Hadleigh**, call on **07951 613382**. Closer to the time look out for more information around the pub or on our website and Facebook page. **As before, food can be eaten inside the pub from 6pm. Families welcome.**

### **Morris Men**

On **Friday 23 June** we have a return visit from the **Colchester Morris Men**. The group are a Morris Ring side from North Essex. They will be performing many of their traditional Cotswold dance routines outside the pub **from 8pm**.

We are constantly being asked when we will be open again for week day lunchtimes, especially now that summer is coming. At the moment we have sufficient volunteers to cover our week day evening slots but are unable to guarantee that enough volunteers would be available to cover week day lunchtimes too. If you would like to see this facility return and are able to help with a few hours a week or even a month then please ask for a volunteer application form. You will be given full training and support. It's a great way to meet people and learn new skills (or just brush up on some old ones).

We hope to see you soon!

# GARDEN PARTY AT THE CASE - Celebrating the NHS!

**SAVE THE DATE** for our very popular village Garden Party at the Case is Altered, Bentley. **And this year it comes with a theme – we are celebrating 75 years of our National Health Service.** It's been in the wars lately but where would we be without it?



As always we rely on our wonderful village bakers to pick up their wooden spoons and contribute to the feast. You haven't let us down yet. If you've been in earlier years you'll know the spread is magnificent.

Nearer the time there will be tickets in the shop and the pub. Entry is free but this helps us know how many to expect, and the ticket will entitle you to a free cuppa. There will be live music too.

**Home-made cakes can be delivered to the pub at any time after 9am on the day.**

**And the date? SUNDAY JULY 9, FROM 3.00pm. All welcome!**



**SEASON 2023**

The Scrabble Club meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall Committee Room.

If you would like a gentle game of Scrabble, a cup of tea or coffee and a chat please come along and join us.

Dates of the meetings are shown on the Bugle diary page. **Robin Owen**

## FOOTPATH SOCIETY

From the Village Hall, a woodland walk. 10:30 Tuesday June 27th.

Modest length. Please bring water just in case it is hot!

**John Wheals. 01473 310569.**

## GRASS CUTTER NEEDED

The Parish Council are looking for someone to keep the grass tidy in two areas; the children's play area by the pub, and around the new gym equipment on the field.

We think it would probably take a couple of hours a session and need around 20 sessions a year, and the person would need to supply their own equipment.

We are offering £15 per hour for the job. If you can help, please contact Joy Scott on [clerk@bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@bentleysuffolkparishcouncil.gov.uk)

# CAPEL ST MARY LIBRARY

## **A big thank you**

We really have got amazing customers at Capel Library and a host of wonderful volunteers. If it wasn't for our community, we wouldn't be the library we are. Is there something you would like to see more of in the library? Is there something we could improve on? Please do pop a long and have a chat, we are always open to ideas.

We have rested our warm spaces for now, the weather is getting warmer and there is less need for warm coats and blankets. A huge thank you to everyone who donated items. We still have free sanitary products through our Prides & Periods campaign, as well as incontinent pads, so if you know anyone who would like these products, pop in and have a chat. Another big thank you goes to everyone who joined us for the big screening of the Kings Coronation, it was lovely to see so many people come together.

## **Summer Reading Challenge**

It is that time of year when we start to look towards the Summer Reading Challenge. It is our annual event where children are encouraged to read 6 books over the summer holidays. All those who successfully complete the challenge are invited to a special party. We are also looking for volunteers to help listen to the children. Pop into the library for more information. If you have volunteered with us before, the Volunteer Timetable is now available.

## **Home Library Service**

Do you or someone you know struggle to get to the library? We have volunteers ready and waiting who are able to bring the books to you. Just give us a call at the library and we can discuss how the service can benefit you, a friend, neighbour or loved one.

## **Sunday is Family Craft Day**

Did you know that every Sunday we hold crafts in the library, this is completely free and aimed at everyone and anyone, bring the family, bring yourself, but most importantly, bring those creative juices. Just think, you don't have to worry about getting messy at home, let the library deal with the mess. Every Sunday 10.30-12.30.

## **The Friends of Capel Library**

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> April the Friends of Capel Library held a very successful Cake and Craft sale, to raise funds for the Motor Neuron Disease Association. A huge thank you to everyone who donated cakes and crafts and an even bigger thank you to all of you who came and visited us on the day and purchased items. We made over £250 for the charity.

The Friends Group have many events on their calendar so keep an eye on their Facebook page for details.

## Regular Events in the Library:

- **Tot Rock & Stay & Play** – Thursdays during term time 9.30 onwards; songs, and stories followed by a more social play session with free refreshments
- **Minecraft:** Children of all ages welcome and those under eight must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring with you your tablet or phone equipped with Minecraft Pocket Edition or Minecraft Windows 10 Edition. Try to remember to charge your device beforehand! Contact the library for more details.
- **Lego:** Every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday we hold our Monthly Lego Club. It is £1.50 per child which includes a drink and a biscuit. Each month has a theme, but you can also build what you like. At the end of the session a prize is given to the most creative build, as voted for by fellow creators. So, join us 10.30-12.00 for some building fun.
- **Sunday Crafts** is every week from 10.30 to 12.30. All children & families welcome, no booking is required and there is no charge. Come and get crafty at Capel Library.

## OPENING TIMES

Monday:	Closed	Friday:	2.00pm-5.30pm
Tuesday:	9am-12.30 & 2.00pm-5.30pm	Saturday:	9.00am-3.00pm
Wednesday:	9am-12.30	Sunday:	10.00am-3.00pm
Thursday:	9am-12.30		

## SUFFOLK MOBILE LIBRARY

Suffolk mobile library will be stopping at Bentley Village Hall from

1.30-2.15 pm on the following days

15th March - 12th April - 10th May - 7th June - 5th July

2nd August - 30th August - 27th Sept. - 25th Oct - 22nd Nov - 20th Dec

## THE FRIENDS OF CAPEL LIBRARY

### The Friends of Capel Library 100 Club

#### April draw


£25 Chris Keeble  
£10 Mike Garrod  
£5 Jennifer Nicholls

#### May draw

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**Let's get the church rocking!**

## Advice Column May

*I've just had my bathroom retiled, but I'm not happy with the work.*



*At first, things seemed to be going well, but then the tradesperson left to do another job and I had to chase them for updates. They did eventually come back and finish the job, but the work was pretty rough around the edges. They also left all the old tiles and plaster for me to dispose of, which I wasn't expecting. I've now got the invoice, but I don't think the price reflects the work done or the service I got. Can I challenge this?*

It's always frustrating when you run into problems with home improvements.

You mention that the job looked "rough round the edges", if this is to a degree you could consider the job unfinished or unsafe, you should be able to get the tiler to come back to fix it. You could also suggest removing the old tiles might be considered as part of finishing the job.

If the tiler considers the work complete, it's worth knowing you're protected by the Consumer Rights Act 2015, which says the tiler should have completed the work with 'reasonable care and skill'. If they haven't done this, they've broken the law. The Act means you're legally entitled to ask the tiler to fix the problem (if they provided the tiles as well as the service) or get money refunded (if they just provided the service and you bought the tiles). They should fix the problem or refund you in a reasonable amount of time, without causing too much inconvenience. As you've received the invoice for the work but not paid yet, now would be a good time to ask them to fix the issue or you can negotiate a lower price for the work.

Let the tiler know you understand what you're entitled to. Speak to them in person, or contact them in writing/over email, there are template letters on the Citizens Advice website, [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk), either way make sure you have a written copy of anything agreed. Before you contact them, it's a good idea to take photographs to use as evidence of the problem. Make notes about what happened, including dates and times. You should also gather any paperwork and receipts - was there any prior written agreement about who would dispose of the old tiles? Was the final cost in line with estimates or quotes given to you at the outset of the work. If not, there is advice on the Citizens Advice website about steps you can take.

If you're struggling to come to an agreement with the tiler, there are other steps you can take to solve your problem these include using 'alternative dispute resolution', which is a way of solving disagreements without going to court. There are full details about how to do this on the Citizens Advice website.

For information and advice on this or anything else, visit [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk) or call Sudbury and District Citizens Advice on 01787 321400 and leave a message and someone will call you back when available. We will attempt three times to call you back, so please expect a call from a withheld number.

Alternatively, contact us via email at [advice@sudburycab.org.uk](mailto:advice@sudburycab.org.uk) or by using the contact facility on our website, <https://www.sudburycab.org.uk/contact>

We are providing advice by telephone and email Monday – Thursday, 10am – 3pm.

## **BENTLEY REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH**

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### **For further information:**

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The Bible describes Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, as “King of kings, and Lord of lords”. Yet, He was willingly born in poverty as a man, and lived the life of a servant here on earth, in humble obedience to His heavenly Father, ending in a terrible death upon the cross. This was in order to save sinners, such as we all are.

“Christ Jesus... made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.” (Philippians 2:7-8)

We would be delighted to see you at one of our services, where you will hear more about this greatest of all kings. Be assured of our continued prayers for the people of Bentley.

## **The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (CROW Act)**

Public Rights of Way: footpaths, bridleways and carriageways

- A right of way on foot is a footpath.
- A right of way on horseback or to lead a horse is a bridleway.

A footpath is a right of way that allows the public to walk along it in both directions. It should not be used by bicycles or horses. Riding a bicycle, pushing it or carrying it along a footpath is not permitted. Failing to follow these rules is an act of TRESPASS (unlawful).

Footpath width: 1.8 metres maximum

Bridleway width: 3.0 metres maximum

Sources:

1. Government Website: The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000.
2. Rights of Way: A guide to Law and Practice. John Riddall and John Trevelyan, 2007.

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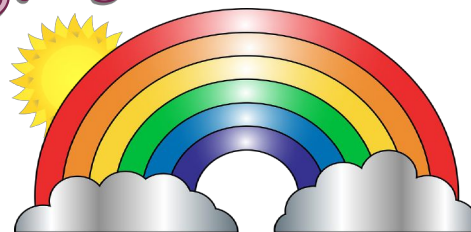
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