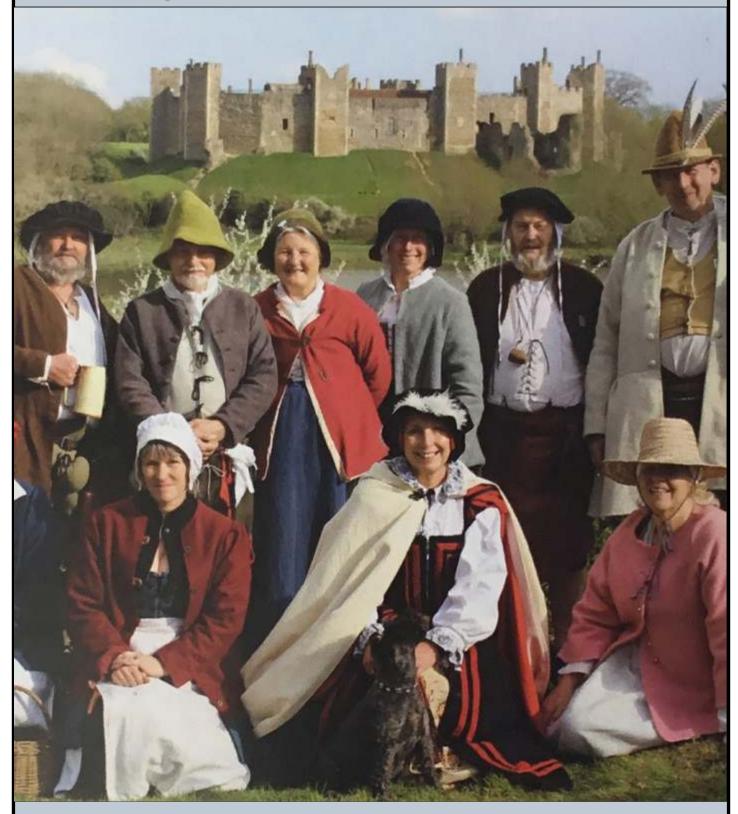


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Parish Diary

AUGUST 2021

- 12. Scrabble Club Village Hall Committee Room 2.30 pm.
- 14. Horticultural Society Annual Show Village Hall 2.00 pm.
- 14. Medieval Day see page 23 and leaflet.
- 15. Medieval Day see page 23 and leaflet.
- 21. St Mary's Open Afternoon 2.00 pm to 4.30 pm.
- 26. Scrabble Club Village Hall Committee Room 2.30 pm.
- 28. Red Barn Murder talk Village Hall at 7.00 pm.
- 28. Quiz Night 7.00 pm at the Case.

For Other Events at The Case see page 13 & 14

SEPTEMBER 2021

- 2. Parish Council meeting 7.30 pm in Village Hall.
- 8. Bentley Bluebells WI Kurling Village Hall at 7.30 pm.
- 9. Scrabble Club Village Hall Committee Room 2.30 pm.
- 9. Open Mic night 7.00 pm to 10.00 pm at the Case.
- 11. Historic Churches Trust bike ride.
- 17. Horticultural Society "Gardening for Wildlife" Village Hall at 7.30 pm.
- 23. Scrabble Club Village Hall Committee Room 2.30 pm.
- 25. Macmillan Coffee Morning 10.00 am to 2.00 pm at The Case.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

at THE CASE IS ALTERED, BENTLEY

We are delighted to tell you we plan once again to hold our very popular Coffee Morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care

Perhaps this year we'll enjoy better weather!

The date for your diaries is: Saturday 25th September, from 10am to 2.00pm.

In the past you've been fantastically generous with donations of cake and savouries, and we hope this year will be no different. If you would like to offer your baking skills, let me know at gill.redcotts@icloud.com, or just turn up on the day. Cakes etc. can be dropped off at the pub from 9.00am on Saturday.

As well as cakes and savouries, there will be tea and coffee, and the bar will be open from 11.00am. We'll be selling cakes to take away, and there's a chance to win a luxury hamper.

All are welcome – see you there!

OTHER ACTIVITIES IN THE VILLAGE.

CARPET BOWLS - Every Tuesday 7.30 pm & Wednesday 2.30 pm – Village Hall.

AEROBICS CLASS - Tuesday morning at 9.45 am (Term Time only) – Village Hall.

PILATES CLASS - Tuesday 11.00 am to noon (Term Time only) - Village Hall.

Contact Mrs Jill Sharp for information – 01473 311546.

TODDLER GROUP - Monday and Wednesday mornings 9.30 am to 12 noon (Term time only) at Village Hall.

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Other Village Web sites are listed on page 25

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SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

Traffic calming measures in Bentley took another step forward at the beginning of July when our new Speed Indicator Device (SID) was purchased and installed by the Parish Council. This was the culmination of two years of hard work by the Parish Council but will be well worth the effort. There are four sites, including two at either end of the village, that the SID will rotate around. The SID will warn speeding drivers and allow us to analyse traffic in both directions across a range of parameters from average and peak speed to traffic volumes. This will enable and support any further initiatives to protect road users in our cherished village. The PC has a dedicated group of councillors who will be changing the batteries and SID location periodically and will be working with our Community Speed Watch team to look at the impact on driver behaviour.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the PC.

Cllr Damion Schumacher, Bentley Parish Council

Cover Photo

The Companye of Merrie Folke - see page 23 and Leaflet

Bentley Village at Church News

SERVICES IN AUGUST

1st	Holy Communion	10.00 am	
8th	Family at Church	10.00 am	
15th	Holy Communion	10.00 am	
22nd	Morning Worship	10.00 am	
29th	Benefice Communion	9.30 am	At Burstall

SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

5th	Service of Dedication	3.00 pm
12th	Family Service	10.00 am
19th	Holy Communion led by	10.00 am
	Rev Gosney, Suffolk Archdeacon	
26th	Harvest Service	11.00 am

Harvest Festival Service will start at 11.00 am not 10.00 am and will be followed, restrictions permitting, by lunch. Please email sandramehen@gmail.com by 20th September if you would like to join us for lunch. We will collect tins/packets of food for West Villa at the service.

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Restrictions Lifted - Although many will be delighted with the lifting of restrictions we will still be ensuring the safety of all those who come to church. We will understand if you still wish to sit distanced or wear a face mask, we will make sure you feel safe.

Your Invitation - All villagers are invited to attend our dedication and celebration service on Sunday 5th September led by The Rt. Revd. Dr Mike Harrison, Bishop of Dunwich, as we celebrate the achievements of Bentley's community and the organisations who made possible the re-ordering of the church and the modern facilities now available. Afternoon tea will be served after the service. RSVP Sandra Mehen,19 The Link or email sandramehen@gmail.com so we can cater accordingly.

Bereavement Service - Last year we held a very much appreciated outdoor service for those who wished to remember loved ones. This year the service will be on Sunday 31st October starting at 5pm and will be an opportunity to light candles and hang names of our loved ones on a special tree which will be lit. All are welcome.

We are hoping and praying that we will be able to carry out all our plans for the rest of this year when we have missed so much. Perhaps this year we will be able to look forward to a really special Christmas season, with our village community.

Just a thought from Isaiah - "Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God. He will not grow tired or weary. He gives strength to the weary. Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength."

St Mary's, Bentley Invite you to an Open Afternoon

Saturday 21st August from 2.00 pm - 4.30 pm Come along and see what has been achieved by our village community from the new indoor toilet and baby changing facilities to a modern commercial kitchen and meeting room. Come and listen to the modern church organ recently installed. Pop in and enjoy a free cup or tea and some cake.

Ride and Stride - The Historic Churches Trust Bike Ride

takes place this year on Saturday 11th September 9.00 am - 6.00 pm.

The Annual Sponsored Ride and Stride is a national event, and every second Saturday in September cyclists and walkers all round the country are out making money for their local county Churches Trust. It is an inter-denominational event and any money raised is shared equally between the church of choice and the Historic Churches Trust. Bentley Church will be open for this event. If you would like to take part. and support our lovely church please contact Peter Day for a sponsor form on 01473 310518 or email peter.d47@hotmail.co.uk

West Villa - again many thanks for the duvets, bedding and towels left at our door to help homeless families. It is much appreciated. Families can come with nothing but the clothes they are wearing so bedding is vital. When re-homed they are allowed to take the bedding with them so there is a constant need. Sadly, due to storage limitations, they are unable to accept furniture or toys. We will be collecting tins and packets of food as usual to take to West Villa as part of our Harvest Celebration. If you would like to help, please bring them to the service on 26th September or leave at 19 The Link by 30th September so they can be delivered as soon as possible.

Welcome to Bentley Newcomers - We would like to extend a very warm welcome to everyone who has recently moved into our lovely village. If you are a regular church goer or an occasional visitor please come along join us at our beautiful church, situated about a mile from the centre of the village, down Church Lane. We hold regular weekly services, usually including two Holy Communions and two more informal services, see page 5 for details. The church is, about 700 years old in a beautiful setting. You can always be sure of a warm welcome and we do have a car park.

Church Contact Details for weddings, baptisms and funeral or other queries

Rector - Rev Annette Shannon - 807674 Church Warden – Peter Day - 310518 Assistant Priest – Rev Don Mehen – 310383 Administrator - Hayley Purnell northsamfordbenefice@gmail.com or 07713 863 023

Dates for your diary

With the, hopefully, improving situation we are hoping to hold events postponed from last year.

Saturday 28th August 7.00 pm in Bentley Village Hall -

The Red Barn Murder a dramatised talk about a famous local murder. Tickets £6 per person including a glass of wine with cheese or pate and biscuits. If you already have tickets they will still be valid and please let me know if you are coming. If you asked for some tickets to be put aside I still have them. Proceeds in aid of Bentley Church. Contact Sandra (sandramehen@gmail.com or №01473 310383

Church Quiz we hope to be able to hold this be on Saturday 16th October starting at 7.00 pm. Tickets available in September.

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HELP NEEDED

Dick Leach, Ray Bloomfield and Peter Evans have over the years done sterling work in keeping the churchyard extensions looking so good. Dick Leach has now moved to Cyprus and we are hoping to find a new volunteer or volunteers to help us. A cut once every 3 to 4 weeks during the growing season would be really helpful and make it a welcoming place for those whose loved ones are buried there. We have a petrol mower, so if 2 or 3 of you feel you could help out occasionally it would be great to have a rota. Please contact Peter Day on @01473310518 or peter.d47@hotmail.co.uk

VOLUNTEERS?

Other jobs you may like to help with.

- 1: Join a church cleaning rota
- 2: Bake a cake for the Open Afternoon
- 3: Join a working party to paint 5 metallic drainpipes black
- 4: Bake a cake or other goodies for after service refreshments
- 5: Help serve refreshments after the service
- 6: Read the bible at 2nd or 4th Sunday informal services

Needed – black metal paint to paint 5 drainpipes at church.

If anyone would like to make a donation to help keep our beautiful village church running please contact Mr Ken Felgate, Kishar, Grove Road, Bentley IP9 2DD, 0147331858 or k.felgate108@btinternet.com

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FRIENDS OF CAPEL LIBRARY 100 CLUB

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Bob Perkin (Treasurer)

BENTLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

Annual Show

This will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 14th August 2021. It is a members only show. Please come along and make it one of the best.

It will open to the public at 2.00 pm – all are welcome. There will be a raffle.

Monthly meeting.

The next monthly meeting is on 17th September 2021 in the Village Hall commencing 7.30pm The speaker is Cathy Smith – the topic 'Gardening for wildlife - small changes for big gains'. This our first meeting since the restrictions so we hope as many as possible will come and start life over again.

Surplus plant pots, trays etc will be gratefully received by Jo and David at Applewood acres Dodnash Fruit Farm (The home of the future Community Orchard).

In the mean time enjoy your gardening.

Pam Lovell

BENTLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

All is quiet on the Plan front at the moment, as Babergh is conducting the last round of consultation before the Plan goes to the Inspector. Consultation finishes on the 11th August; assuming all goes well, it'll go to the Inspector shortly after that. She will recommend either for or against a referendum; if it's for, there's a notice period, then a formal referendum where people can vote in the Village Hall, just as in an election.

I have a few copies of the final Plan available for loan, and there's a copy in Capel library. The plan, and all its supporting documentation, is on the web at https://bentleyneighbourhoodplan.wordpress.com/documents/

Watch this space; we'll continue to update you on progress!

Nicky Moxey

chair, Bentley Neighbourhood Plan team.



BENTLEY CARPET BOWLS

Still living in strange times but we are managing to bowl twice a week. It was lovely to restart Carpet Bowls and catch up with familiar faces.

We are always looking for new members and if you fancy trying Carpet Bowls out just come along on a Tuesday Evening at 7.30 p.m. or a Wednesday Afternoon at 2.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. You will not need any special equipment just bring yourself you will be most welcome.

We are now waiting to hear from the Suffolk Carpet Bowls Association to see if there will be a Winter League. As we are currently in the First Division we need to get in as much practice as possible so we are ready to take on the other teams.

Looking forward to the future and hoping near normality will return before too long. Keep Safe.

Jill Mills

Bentley Carpet Bowls Secretary.

Bentley CETC Primary School News

With a year as challenging as the last 12 months has been, our schools have outshone themselves from creating engaging virtual learning and adapting to new ways of working. The summer term has been a much welcomed return to learning in school and it has been such a joy to be back together again. Some of our recent highlights include Sports Day, where we were able to share the day with the children's families. We followed an Olympic theme and classes made their own Olympic torches. We were lucky with the weather and it was a really special day.

Our Year 6 children have been enjoying a well-deserved PGL Residential before the end of term. Many of the activities during the visit were adventurous, including abseiling, rifle shooting, giant swing and high ropes to name but a few. As well as the opportunity to try something new and spend time with friends the children showed real independence and responsibility. We are so proud of these children and wish them all the very best for their move to secondary school. Good luck, we will miss you but enjoy your new adventures!

Year 4's enjoyed an activity day getting together to enjoy some social time together. Instead of our annual sleepover the children had fun on the day with a water fight being a highlight.

We are looking forward to September, especially welcoming our new Reception children. We have loved starting to get to know you with a few visits this term.

We have started to work on a new Facebook page and are looking to use this as a new way to share with you what we are doing in school...watch this space. We are also encouraging families to use the school app.

We hope everyone enjoys their Summer holidays. Check your local library for opportunities to take on a Summer Reading Challenge, get outside and enjoy the sunshine (hopefully) and most importantly have fun!

For more news and up to date information about the school, please visit our website:http://www.bentleycopdock.co.uk/

Bentley Primary : 01473 310253. Email: admin@bentley.suffolk.sch.uk Copdock Primary : 01473 730337 Email:admin@copdock.suffolk.sch.uk

We have now resumed our Scrabble sessions and the next meeting is on Thursday 12th August.

2021 SEASON

We meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at 2.30pm in the Village Hall Comittee Room. Anyone who would enjoy a gentle game of Scrabble, a cup of tea or coffee and a chat is welcome to join us.

Robin Owen



The specialist volunteers at **Suffolk Accident Rescue Service (SARS)**

volunteer their time to assist the East of England Ambulance Service at the scenes of serious incidents or trauma across Suffolk and its border areas – be that in the home or at the roadside. Since 1972, many thousands of patients have been treated by SARS volunteers and countless lives have been saved.



SARS members include anaesthetists, critical care paramedics and other clinicians with enhanced prehospital skills. SARS responders carry lifesaving equipment and drugs not normally found on frontline ambulances – they can undertake procedures and provide a level of patient care that would not normally be available outside the hospital environment. This can help save lives, reduce the chances of patients

suffering permanent disability and provide relief from extreme pain. As clinicians live locally, it also means that they can be on scene before any other medical resources – a speed of response which can be vital for time-critical patients.

Since January 2021 SARS has been mobilised over 280 times, including callouts in your local area.

Help SARS by signing up to the SARS 999 Lottery. For as little as £1 a week you could win up to £25,000 while helping save local lives. To sign up please visit www.sars999.org.uk/lottery/



For more information on SARS visit www.sars999.org.uk/

With your support, SARS are determined to keep responding – thank you!

BENTLEY BOWLS CLUB

We are now three quarters of the way through the season, and at the moment are keeping safe in both the Samford and Triples League, although points do not matter this season, its still competitive within the Clubs.

We have played our Club Triples and Pairs competitions with Peter Day, David Howe and Colin Rose winning the Triples and John Boyland and Barry Ford winning the pairs. Our other Club Competitions are ongoing.

The RACE NIGHT has been booked for 25th September (a change of date from originally), so look out your tickets. If you are unable to attend please let Colin 313102 or Ray 311122 know so that we can resell tickets if necessary and also for the catering side.

As we are coming out of lockdown keep safe everyone.

Lillian Calvert Secretary 01473 808652

QUIET LANES

Following the public consultation including a public meeting in November 2020, the Parish Council voted to proceed with the proposals as a large majority of comments received during the consultation were in favour.

Suffolk County Council published a legal notice of their intention to designate these lanes in Bentley and East Bergholt in February 2021 at which time the public had another opportunity to make representations to Suffolk County Council.

Suffolk County Council have now approved all the proposed lanes on the map opposite and signage is in the process of being installed at the start and end of each lane.

The sign is included in the Highway Code and indicates to drivers that other more vulnerable users may be using the road. The guidance in the Highway Code to drivers - 'You should drive slowly and carefully and be prepared to stop to allow people extra time to make space for you to pass them in safety'.

We hope these signs will encourage motorists to drive with more caution and provide recognition that these lanes are used for non-motorised travel and that drivers should expect to consider the needs of walkers, cyclists, horse riders and the mobility impaired.

Bentley is one of approximately 127 parishes across Suffolk who are proposing designation of over 300 Quiet Lanes. There are plans for a county wide campaign to raise driver awareness. For more information see the Quiet Lanes Suffolk website www.quietlanessuffolk.co.uk

BENTLEY BLUEBELLS W.I.

Hooray! Our first meeting as a group and what a way to start 'normal' again, a delicious summer lunch in a beautiful setting on a beautiful day.

We have now compiled our list of speakers and activities for the next year which includes, Curling, Guide Dog puppy raising, Paper sculpture, the Night sky, Haunted pubs, Silk flowers, Trees and woods of Shotley peninsula.

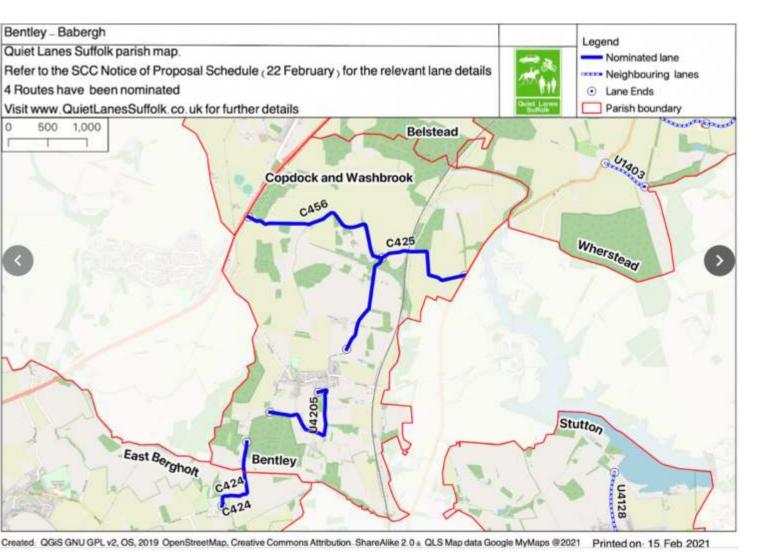
So if any of these interests you do come along and join us, we would love to see a few new faces. 'Chat with a friend' they may like to come along too.

At the Bentley Medieval Day 14th and 15th August the WI will be there as usual serving tea, coffee and our usual array of delicious cakes, if there is anyone who would like to donate cakes to us we will be very grateful.

Here's to a safe and successful 21/22 year of interest and fun.

Contact Sandra Ford on 01473 310072 or Jan Pickess on 01473 313139 if you want any further information.

Theresa







NOTES FROM THE CASE

Suffolk's first Co-operative Pub!

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https://www.facebook.com/TheCaseBentley

Email: savethecase.bentley@gmail.com

As you will be aware, on Monday 19 July the Government moved to the next phase of the pandemic regulations and all restrictions for hospitality venues were lifted. In this phase we are being encouraged to make '*informed decisions about how to manage the risk to ourselves and others*'. Here at the Case we take this change very seriously so have decided that our previous decision to take a much slower, steadier approach is the safer option for all our customers and volunteers. Even though we are now not required to provide table service or adhere to previous social distancing rules we do intend to keep in place some of our existing safety measures:

- retaining the full height screen around the bar
- seating at the bar will be unavailable
- visual reminders to respect a safe social distance, especially at the bar
- hand sanitizers and cleaning equipment will be available to customers and volunteers
- suitable ventilation through out the pub
- contactless payments preferred
- over 18s only inside the pub

Although no longer a legal requirement we will continue to display the NHS QR code for those who wish to use it.

Tudor and Craft Fayre

Our opening times for the weekend of **14 – 15 August** will be extended to accommodate the Tudor and Craft Fayre taking place on Bentley Parish Field. Both days we will be open from 12 until 4pm. Saturday we will reopen at 6pm as usual.

Quiz Night

We are very happy to announce we will be holding our first Quiz Night (for a very long time) on **Saturday 28 August at 7pm**, little earlier than previously. As usual, teams should be no more than 6 people. The quiz will also be broadcast outside for those who wish to take part but would prefer not to sit inside. The winning team will receive pub vouchers.

Open Mic

For those with Facebook you will know that our regular Open Mic artists have continued throughout the pandemic with their monthly performances online. We are now pleased to announce that from September we will be restarting our Open Mic Nights. They will now be on the **second Thursday** of each month, beginning on *Thursday 9 September from 7pm – 10pm.* All performances, for the time being, will be outside. All performers welcome! Please contact Dave on 07885963882. PA provided.

MacMillan Nurse Coffee Morning

On Saturday 25 September, from 10 – 2pm, we will be holding our annual MacMillan Coffee Morning. Despite terrible weather conditions and Covid

restrictions last year we had a wonderful attendance and raised an exceptional amount of money for this worthy charity. Donations of home made or shop bought cakes will be gratefully received. The bar will be open from 11am.

Cask Marque

We are pleased to announce that we have again been awarded the Cask Marque 'Certificate of Excellence', for our cask beers and our accreditation has been renewed for 2021!

St Elizabeth Hospice

Andrew Budd, one of our dedicated volunteers throughout the pandemic, will be cycling 250 miles with his wife Mary-Jane, in aid of the St Elizabeth Hospice. The route starts in Ipswich on 28 August for 3 days and takes in Cambridge and Great Yarmouth and then back to Ipswich. If you would like to support him please see the posters around the pub. Every penny raised goes directly to the hospice.

Volunteering at the Case. Please see the separate section on this, below.

Our current opening times are:

- Friday and Saturday evenings 6.00pm 10pm
- Sunday 12 3pm.

We look forward to see you soon.

Afternoon Cream Tea at The Case pub, Bentley

We are delighted to announce that the Cream Tea held on 19th June raised the magnificent sum of £445 for Families in Need, Ipswich.

Once again Bentley and its friends demonstrated their generous spirit and willingness to eat cakes for charity!

Many thanks to all who attended and all who helped.

Coming next – Macmillan Coffee Morning on 25th September.

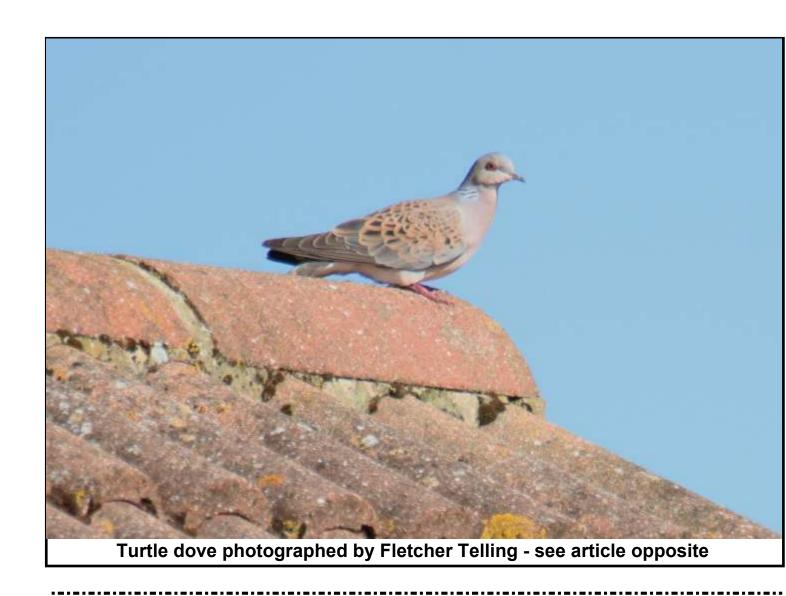
Would you like to volunteer at the Case?

The Case, post lockdown, has now been open for 3 months. Our small group of stalwart volunteers have done an excellent job, turning out on some cold, wet and windy nights. As all restrictions are now lifted, and the weather improves, we are expecting more customers and hope to look to extending the opening hours and days. Given this, and the fact that many of our volunteers want to take a break to see family (or even a short holiday!) we are very much in need of new recruits.

Might you be interested?

It is a great opportunity to meet people and to contribute to an important community asset.

You would be given full training and opportunities to shadow experienced staff. If you would like to find out more about this or any other way you can be involved in supporting your community pub please contact The Chairman at savethecase.bentley@gmail.com or ask at the bar for an application form.



Presentation to Dick Leach - see article at foot of page opposite

BENTLEY WILDLIFE NOTES

The Turtle dove

In recent weeks, many of you may have spied a turtle dove in Bentley; if you haven't then it's more than likely that you have heard one. A few days ago, this turtle dove was joined by another. The behaviour of the pair revealed that they are a male and a female as one was displaying and chasing the other. The name "Turtle" is not related to the reptile but derives from its Latin specific name "turtur" (Streptopelia turtur), which essentially is a description of its distinctive "purring-like" song. It is Britain's only migratory dove, flying here from sub-Saharan West Africa, a distance of 5,600 km. The fact that it spends its summers here and winters in Africa means it is difficult to conserve this bird without collaborative international effort. Unfortunately, the African-Eurasian flyway for this bird lies above the Mediterranean, where many are shot because they are regarded a delicacy. It is estimated that in Greece alone 70,000 turtle doves are killed each year. The turtle doves that have arrived in Bentley are the lucky ones.

It is therefore essential that we establish good habitat for turtle doves here in East Anglia and South-East England. Turtle doves are ground feeders, they like patches of open ground and feed almost entirely on seeds; red or white clover seeds are beneficial, but they will also feed on sunflower seeds. Like all animals, turtle doves require a water source. There is still much debate about what constitutes the perfect habitat for turtle doves, but they are found in woods, fields, hedges, gardens and have also been observed on roof tops. Their nests are platforms of twigs in trees; planting trees and hedgerows will therefore help, especially thorny species such as hawthorn. Additionally, if we all let our gardens grow a little wilder that will be far more beneficial for them. Giving chance for more plants to seed and giving the turtle doves more variety of habitat to choose from, and another reason why letting the road verges grow is also beneficial.

Fletcher Telling and Colin Hawes

BENTLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW



SATURDAY 14TH AUGUST
In the Village Hall





all are welcome.

Please come along and make it one of the best.

There will be a raffle.

Peter Day (Churchwarden) presented Dick Leach with an engraved tankard and card as a token of St.Mary's Bentley's gratitude for all the work he has done for the Church over the last five years.

We wish Dick and Gay Godspeed and every blessing as they start a new chapter in their lives in Cyprus.

Pictured also at the simple ceremony is Ray Bloomfield and Peter Evans the other members of the team.

(Photos opposite).

BENTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Chair – Cllr M Munday Bentley Parish Council Mrs J Scott
Clerk – Bentley Parish Council **Telephone: 01206 298174**e- mail:joyvscott@outlook.com

Bentley Parish Council Meeting took place at Bentley Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 1 July 2021 – A risk assessment had been carried out for 9 Councillors and up to 24-28 members of the public with seating 1 metre plus apart.

6 Councillors, County Councillor G Hall, District Councillor D Busby, Tree Warden. Footpath Warden and Speedwatch Co-ordinator were present. **Apologies** were received from Cllrs Feltwell, Spicer and Schumacher.

Items reported under Matters Arising: Certificate of Exemption for 2020/21 Accounts had been sent to External Auditors - AGAR is on the website and Notice of Public Rights was put on the Notice Board. Necessary changes to the slide have been actioned.

County Councillor Hall and District Councillor Busby's Reports are displayed on the Parish Council Website.

Planning - One planning decision was received.- One Planning application was discussed – Councillors Recommended Refusal.

Reports were received from the Tree Warden, Capel Library, Bentley Long Barn and Speedwatch Co-ordinator.

Matters discussed

- Playing Field Society: Funding of Terralift Drainage Treatment was discussed and it was proposed that drainage of the field be undertaken at a cost of £8K plus VAT using £6,026.03 CIL money, Maritime to contribute 10% with the Parish Council making up the shortfall of £1,200. A new agreement with Maritime has been signed and the funding of Gym equipment on the field was discussed. Viridor application was unsuccessful the Parish Council have pledged £3K plus £1,159.59 S106 money (which will need to be spent on specific item(s)) £2K will be taken from the Playing Field Society Firework Account and a CIL funding enquiry has been submitted to Babergh for £4,608.
- SALC's Internal Audit report was discussed.
- Cutting of Verges during June was discussed also the grass at Silver Leys and overgrown road signs. The overgrown hedges along East End Bergholt Road had been reported to SCC Highways but were deemed not to warrant action at this time – To be followed up by County Cllr Hall with Highways.
- Councillors were updated about the Tudor Fund Raising Event to be held on the Playing Field 14 and 15 August.
- Quiet Lanes have been approved by SCC & installation of signage has started.

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- Bentley Bridge Barrier: The Parish Council were asked by SCC to approve the new designs - The one metre between the edge of the road and the barrier has been extended to 2.5 metres and it will be a shorter metal barrier with wooden covering. The Parish Council were pleased to approve the new design and were glad that SCC had taken notice of local residents and in particular horse riders and cyclists.
- SID has been purchased and installed by Cllrs Schumacher and Bamford Speedwatch to be informed in advance of it being moved.
- Neighbourhood Plan. is with Babergh for consultation there have been no significant comments so far.

The meeting closed at 8.57 pm. Full draft minutes are available on the PC website - www.bentleypc.onesuffolk.net

VILLAGE PLAYING FIELD

LITTER

The Parish Council is extremely disappointed to report that litter has been left on the Village Playing Field. **Please take your rubbish home or use the litter bin on the field.**

DRAINAGE

With the help of Maritime FC the Parish Council have decided that drainage of the Playing Field needs to be addressed and have today instructed Terrain Aeration Services to undertake a deep aeration treatment – including injection of dried seaweed to address the drainage problems on the Playing Field.

See Latest News Page on Bentley Parish Council Website: http://bentleypc.onesuffolk.net/news-posts/ for more details.

This work is due to be carried out on 11th October 2021 from Monday to Friday – the field will therefore be out of action at that time.

Joy Scott - Clerk

HEDGEROWS

Bentley Parish Council respectfully reminds parishioners to check that their hedgerows and plants are not, inadvertently, obstructing or impeding pedestrian access along public footways. Council asks that any such growth (width and height) is cut back in order to avoid any unintentional accident or injury to pedestrians, cyclists or motor vehicles.

If any parishioner is aware of a particular problem site, please notify the Clerk in order that appropriate action may be taken.

POST COVID - THE NEW NORMAL?

As we hopefully come out of CoVid restrictions will you be reverting back to life as was or have you moved to a new 'normal'. Working from home, shopping on line, avoiding public transport, visiting smaller towns & villages, making more use of outside space for exercise and socialising and becoming more I.T. savvy. These all have a significant impact on service providers especially local government and its planning team.

Should we, for example, be providing 'hubs and clubs' - part-time virtual office space with meeting rooms closer to where people live? If this kind of space was provided locally, would you use it?

When seeking exercise do you just make use of the many footpaths across the village and would you like to see some kind of outside exercise equipment? If you are a cyclist, would you make use of a dedicated cycle route to Ipswich or a circular route around the Shotley peninsular?

With more remote working will we see people working for more than one employer? If you are an employer, are you finding it difficult to recruit people with the right sort of skills? Should we be offering apprenticeships to people of all ages?

At Babergh District Council we are keen to hear your views on the questions above and any other topic you feel relevant – please feel free to e-mail me (your district councillor) at the address below.

dave.busby@babergh.gov.uk

We Simply Care!

What do you do when you work in care but are unhappy with how things are done? For Jinienei Welham, the answer was We Simply Care to start her own company We Simply Care. launched in 2018 and has gone from strength to strength

providing home care to the elderly and vulnerable in South Suffolk and North East Essex.

Jinienei feels that first aid in the community is paramount and so she has invested in a defibrillator which is registered with the north east ambulance service. This is situated on the We Simply Care Ltd, office wall, unit3 Great Gilberts farm, IP92JX. Jinienei understood that local people would have to travel too far to reach the nearest available defibrillator and wanted to have that available for use in emergencies.

The company continues to grow and flourish and is in the process of expanding to provide more care and support to more people, so are looking for new staff to join the team.

They can train anyone in First Aid, Moving and Handling, The Care Certificate, Safeguarding, Equality and Diversity, Infection Prevention and Control, Food Hygiene, Health and Safety, COSHH, Fire Safety and Risk Management. The recent purchase of a GERT suit also helps people to understand how it feels to suffer from various conditions such as movement limitations, eye and ear problems, limb stiffness and other conditions too.

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NEWS

Psalm 100:1-2 KJV Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

We are very glad to be able to worship as appointed in the Scriptures. We will continue to be mindful of health and safety and visitors are kindly asked to let us know if you would like to attend. We will, of course, be delighted to see you but please contact us first via email so we can make sure there is a place for you: info@bentleyreformedbaptistchurch.com

The Zoom option will remain available, please go to our website front page and you will find the relevant links for the morning and afternoon services. No password is necessary.

We look forward to a visit from the chair of the **Free Grace Evangelist Association**, God willing, on Friday 10th September. Full details will be published on the website nearer the time. The charity, alongside its regular work of promoting the Gospel and distributing the Scriptures, has been able to support many poor pastors and congregations in Africa, India, and Myanmar during the pandemic.

We also hope to participate in the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust 'Ride & Stride' and its partner event, 'Pedal & Drive' on 11th September by being a stopping point on the route. We welcomed many energetic people last year despite the restrictions and hope to do the same this year. We may not have an historic building, but we stand for the historic faith!

Acts 3:19-21 KJV

Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

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BENTLEY STORES, OUR VILLAGE COMMUNITY SHOP.

FIVE YEARS OLD!

On 14th July 2021 Bentley Stores, our own village Community Shop has been run for the last five years, 100% by volunteers, and has sold 93,220 items! If you are new to the village why not pop in and see us, you will be surprised at how many things you can buy!

Opening hours

We are open weekdays 9 to 1.30 and weekends 9 to 12 noon.

A BIG THANK YOU

All our volunteers, old and new, have been involved in serving, buying, cleaning, cashing up, banking, bookkeeping, accounting, facilities management, policies and procedures, the list goes on. HELP is needed to revive our web site as that expertise escapes us at the moment!

Local Suppliers

Bentley and Tattingstone Honey.

Meat and Sausages from East End Butchers
Cakes and Biscuits from EV Cakes in Hadleigh
Capel Pies and Quiches from, you guessed it Capel!
Press Gang cleaning and laundry from Hadleigh
Bread and Rolls daily from Capel Bakery
Free range eggs from Havensfield eggs at Hoxne
Stokes Sauces from Rendlesham
Wholefooods from The Wholefood Store in Manningtree
Apple Juice from Stoke Farm Orchards, Battisford
Coffeelink Beans and Cafetière roasted in Ipswich
Rapeseed Oil from Hill Farm, Heveningham
Bathroom Drain unblocker made in Hadleigh
Church greetings cards
Books by local Author.

Charity Support

On our Charity plant stand we have sold many different plants supplied by local people and this has generated significant funds to two Cancer charities, Myeloma and MacMillan, donations can be made by card or cash.

Card and Cash Payments

When we opened it was 50:50 cards/cash but now it has changed to 72% of payments by card. We have no minimum value for card sales as this helps our customers. The average cash purchase is £2.73 and on cards £7.54. Thank you to all our customers and volunteers for all your support and encouragement, as we have no shareholders the only beneficiaries are our community.

We are one of 400 community shops in England!

Looking forward to the future!

TUDORS TO VISIT BENTLEY

The Companye of Merrie Folke ("Horrible Histories", "Elizabeth I & II", "The Secret Lives of the Tudors", "Histories Ultimate Spies" and "The Reformation") will be setting up their encampment on Bentley Village Green, (IP9 2DW), over the weekend of 14th – 15th August to help raise funds for a young man suffering from a brain tumour.

The Companye will be offering various hands-on activities for visitors, from clay charm making and scribing, to Tudor games and pastimes. For the more adventurous there is also have-a-go Longbow Archery. Little ones may wish to try on Tudor clothes whilst listening to ancient stories, whilst bigger folk may like to try their strength in a Tug of War Battle.

Other activities will include Tudor Surgery (not for the squeamish), participatory Dance, for those wishing to shake a shapely ankle, and a "Unicorn Race" for the children.

Characters present will include a Cook (why not sample her authentic Tudor food?), an Armourer (see if his armour fits you), a Cunning Man (beware of this fellow and his "cures") and a Barber Surgeon (if he can't shave or cure bits of you, he will cut them off).

Why not visit Annys our Basket Maker? She will be pleased to show off her baskets and maybe sell you one or two. While with us, come and watch the very popular puppet shows as performed by "The Fools Puppet Theatre Companie". These will cause amusement for both young and old.

There will be games for all ages and abilities as well as some modern-day Crafters for that special gift or souvenir. Light refreshments will be on sale and of course hot dogs, burgers ice creams and pizzas will be available too. Our four-legged friends are not forgotten either as there will be a Fun Dog Show each day, kindly organised by The Greyhound Trust Suffolk.

Why not get into the spirit of things and come dressed as a Tudor? There will be prizes for the best dressed who come as a Knight or Princess (they may even get to meet a King or Queen).

Craftspeople attending will include "A Bit of Glass", "The Suffolk Hamper Company" and Henry Moore who appeared on TV's "The Great Pottery Throw Down".

Entry to the event will be by donation of coin of the Realm. Some activities will require a voluntary donation or a small payment (we have deliberately kept these activities at "pocket-money levels"). Please bring plenty of small change along with yourselves.

So for a day out with a difference, (and a few surprises) why not come and meet the Tudors, ask them questions about their lives, brush up on your Tudor manners and perhaps try a goblet of spiced wine or two, but beware of the Executioner. You may end up in his stocks or even WORSE.

We look forward to welcoming you.

CAPEL LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

It has certainly been an interesting time of late, not just for the library but for the country as a whole. We start this month by saying a fond farewell to Jackie Harman. Jackie has been at Capel Library for 12 1/2 years and has achieved so much during that time. She successfully set up our lovely Friends of Capel Library Group, being the lead on many events, including the successful Film Nights. She has successfully managed refits of the library and has put her heart and soul into making sure Capel has a library to be proud of. I'm sure you will join me in wishing Jackie much success and happiness for her future endeavours and you will be pleased to know you may still see her time to time in the library. Thank you, Jackie, for all that you have done for the library, the community and for me.

But now, as restrictions are lifted, we have been able to offer more activities in the library. The Summer Reading Challenge is well under way, and it is lovely to see children back in the library. It is not too late to join in, simply pop along to the library, and sign up. Remember to bring your library card, but do not worry if you have not got one, simply bring along some ID with your name and address on and we can get you your own library card. All for Free.

On a Sunday we offer Family crafts. During the restrictions, these crafts were available to take away and complete at home. Now restrictions are lifted you can either do the crafts in the library or still take them away. Pop in on Sunday from 10.30am to get your craft pack. It is completely free!

We trialled an outside Tot Rock, which was lovely, and this will be re-launched in September, after the children return to school. It is 9.30am every Thursday during term time and weather permitting, we will be able to hold it outside in the lovely new Community Garden, thanks to Capel Community Trust.

Lego Club is back. On July 31st we will be holding our Lego Club, Capel Creators. We are doing things a little bit differently this time, to keep everyone safe. Spaces are limited and need to be pre-booked in advanced. Simply give us a call and reserve your place. We won't be offering refreshments just yet, but you are welcome to bring your own. Each child will be given a cup of their own Lego and a base plate. The challenge is to build your creation only using your bricks! We love setting everyone challenges, but I know you creators will rise to it.

The Friends of Capel Library Cinema Nights are back!! Military Wives is being shown on the 17th August and there is still time to grab a ticket. 1917 will be shown on the 21st September.

We will also be having a visiting crafter, Alison Mayston from the Craft Loft, on 12th August. Alison will show you how crafting can help your mental health as well as being an extremely enjoyable past time. This is a ticketed events for all ages - Adults will be £4.50 and Children £2.50 - and will be in the library 2pm-4pm. Call the library to book your ticket. We really are enjoying seeing people back in the library and we hope you are enjoying it too. Watch this space, our Facebook Page, and our website for more upcoming events.

Do not forget we sell stamps and book tokens as well as sale books and jigsaws.

Footnote:

I would like to thank everyone who has taken the time to wish me well and I know that I will still see most of you around the village or when I pop back to help at Capel Library. I have thoroughly enjoyed the last 12 plus years, and I know I leave the library in very capable hands and look forward the seeing it become an even more integral part of the community. All the very best to everyone,

Jackie

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