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https://www.rochester.anglican.org/communications/diocesan-publications/enewsletter/

Hello and welcome to the November 2021 edition of the magazine.

I would like to congratulate the many artists who shared their beautiful art work in All Saints church, Wouldham on the first weekend of October; there are some very talented people locally as the work was beautiful. Many thanks to all those who exhibited and visited making it a huge success.

Remember, remember the 5th of November! Please take care as there will be fireworks galore, so remember our pets and be sensible when using fireworks. When I worked as an Animal Behaviour Counsellor, I used to be busy organising alternative nights to help ease the firework fear for residents of the animal hotel where I was based along with an open night for my clients who brought their dogs along to have fun doing agility, playing games, and generally being distracted from the madding crowd.

My top tips are thus; walk dogs earlier, play some engaging games, and turn up the classical music, which has been shown to reduce stress in dogs.

As the year is disappearing fast, attention turns to Christmas and later in the magazine you will find details of Christmas fairs that are occurring soon. As a thought, instead of simply opening up your computer and buying online why not visit, and support, the local events who can offer personalised presents?



The 1st of November is world vegan day so why not try a vegan lasagne for a change? You can cheat and buy ready made vegan tomato and white sauces!

With my very best wishes, Pamla Dawn Walker, Editor editorwbpvmagazine@gmail.com

Wouldham Community Initiative are looking for volunteers. To help with activities such as the Fun day.

Wouldham Neighbourhood Watch

We are proposing setting up a scheme so if you are interested in helping please let me or Theresa know.

Please contact Theresa on tgraywpc@gmail.com for details



CHURCH OF ENGLAND

All Saints Church, Wouldham

Sunday: Morning prayer at 9:15 am Sung Eucharist at 10:30am

October Services

7th November 3rd Sunday before Advent

14th NovemberRemembrance Sunday21st NovemberSunday before Advent

28th November Advent Sunday

All are welcome to attend in person in church but it will be live streamed, and recorded on our church Facebook group.



Candle Prayer Time

The prayer group continues to pray at 7:30pm every Wednesday. You are also invited to join in prayer with a lighted candle from home.



With much love to all in Wouldham, Burham and Peters village.

From all at
All Saints, Wouldham and
The Church in Burham
If you would like to send in prayer
requests please contact:
Gwen Worcester on: 01634 672060
gwenworcester@hotmail.com

Dates for walks in November 2021



We explore the beautiful Kent countryside within Tonbridge & Malling and surrounding areas. Our group walks are mostly circular with a moderate pace over a distance of 5-6 miles. You don't have to be a Ramblers member to try out a couple of walks with us, to help you decide if you'd like to join. Walks start at 10.00am. For meeting points, details and walk leader contacts, see the programme link at:

www.tonbridgandmallingramblers.org.uk

or email: info@tonbridgeandmallingramblers.org.uk.

Date	Route	Distance
Wednesday 3rd	From the medieval stone bridge at Teston, alongside the Medway to Barming	5 miles
Sunday 7th	Penhurst circular	5.2 miles
Wednesday 10th	A gentle walk along and across the Medway to Barming	5 miles
Sunday 14th	Shipbourne to Underriver via plenty of styles!	6.3 miles
Sunday 21st	Brookland Lake, Snodland—a flat walk around the lakes	4.5 miles
Thursday 21st	A varied circular walk from Speldhurst with some hills and views of the Medway.	5.5 miles
Tuesday 23rd	Five Oak green to Hartlake Bridge through farmland and on along the Medway	5 miles
Sunday 28th	Circular walk from Plaxtol Spout	5 miles

We look forward to welcoming you on a walk soon!

Church Growth

Dear Friends,

Visitors to the Parish Church of All Saints in Wouldham frequently remark on what a beautiful church it is, and some of them speak about the peace they experience there, and of the connection with past ages and the sense of history.

All of this is undoubtedly something to be thankful for. But for me it is the people and the community who are the most valuable part of the church.

The life of Christian churches seems to fluctuate.

When I was a child in north London in the 1950s it seemed to me that hardly anyone went to church. My parents were adult converts and were very enthusiastic. We worshipped in a huge Victorian building but a congregation just reaching double figures was normal.

Now that same church has to hold two services on a Sunday morning to fit everyone in. The style of worship is much the same. The church members are mostly families with children.

I'm guessing that they seek a space for reflection to give thanks for the blessings of their lives and to explore the meaning of their life.

This church growth seems to be a feature of many London churches for some time now.

The cycle in more rural areas such as ours seems to be the opposite. Whereas in the 1950s church life was apparently flourishing in Burham & Wouldham, now the church community is smaller.

Which I would like to think means we are poised for a new upturn!



If you have not joined us on a Sunday before, or if you are new to the area, you will be made very welcome at church services and to take part in any of the activities.

In peace Mike

Wouldham School Prayer and Praise

Will be held on the third Sunday of every month at 4pm These sessions will be lead by the children.



Burham Community Centre Messy Church

Burham Community Centre Rochester Rd Burham Rochester Kent ME1 3SH

Every 3rd Sunday morning at 10.30am

Bug House in Burham churchyard constructed by local children For more details see:

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Music in Church:

Choir Practice is normally held on Thursdays at 7.30pm. To apply to join the choir, or to find out more, please contact Douglas Henn-Macrae www.wouldhamchurch.org.uk

News from The Church in Burham (Methodist) Church Street, Burham

Short services continue at 10.30am each Sunday to which all are welcome. This is a short informal get-together with music, prayers, readings and a short talk. Do come and join us. We serve coffee, tea and biscuits afterwards with a time to chat.

The first Book Exchange since lockdown was a great success and we shall continue to hold this on the first Saturday of the month from 10.30 am till 12 noon. The next one will be held on the 6th of November. Everyone is welcome to bring books they have read to exchange them for others from our selection. Coffee, tea and homemade cakes are served for which we ask a small donation with all profits donated to charity. Do join us as we start to get back to normality! Last month the proceeds of £28 from the morning were sent to Water Aid.

We will be looking at starting our other activities shortly so keep an eye open for announcements.

Many of you know that Rev. Naomi Oates has been on maternity leave since last December and we welcome her back and look forward to her joining us at some of our activities.

People have enjoyed the online services provided by the Circuit and it is likely that these will continue for some time yet. You can also dial in and listen to these services by phone if you are not online.

For details of all online services see https://www.nkmethodists.org.uk/news/invitation-to-worship-from-home.html

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Email: naomi.oates@methodist.org.uk

Stewards: Eileen Smith Tel. 01634 867022

Joyce Brown Tel. 01634 864413. Rod Murr Tel. 01634 868075

A day in the life of ...Jessamy Korotoga

Job title: Head of Campaigns at Animal Aid

When did you start this role? In February this year, but prior to this I was the Animal Experiments Campaign Manager for five years, and for the previous eight years, I worked at another animal protection group.

What qualifications do you need to perform this role? I have an MSc in Conservation and a BSc in Zoology, but my colleagues have many different qualifications. The most important attributes for campaigning are passion and perseverance!

What attracted you to this position? Animal Aid is an amazing group, campaigning against all forms of animal cruelty (farming and slaughter, animal experiments, wildlife persecution, horse racing and shooting). We promote a cruelty-free life, which includes veganism.

What is your favourite part of the job? Working with such wonderful people to lobby politicians, raise public awareness, mobilise supporters and change how people see, and so treat, animals. We like to think we're a nation of animal-lovers, but more than 1,000,000,000 animals (excluding fish) are killed in the UK, for food, each year. This equates to 3 million animals a day facing terrifying deaths.

And the least? Looking at slaughter footage, whether it's sheep, pigs, horses or chickens. It is harrowing to see them terrified, unable to escape and facing certain death. Some are even subjected to intentional physical abuse. The horror is compounded when it is all unnecessary; no-one needs to eat meat, you can be perfectly healthy on a vegan diet.

What is a typical day like for you? It varies hugely, but email correspondence, talking with my colleagues about our campaigns, planning what we're doing next year, maybe briefing MPs, talking to supporters, planning our social media, checking web content, writing press releases; there are many ways to make change happen, so we use them all!

What advice would you give to someone thinking of this position as a career? Start by volunteering, learn as much as you can about what you are campaigning about and don't give up; there are very few campaigning jobs with animal groups, so many people fit campaigning around other paid jobs.

How would you rate job satisfaction out of 10? Definitely a ten!

Anyone wanting to learn more about how animals are farmed, is welcome to check our website: <u>Animal Farming - Animal Aid</u>



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The War Memorial Centenary Celebration Event took place. Due to deadlines, we are not able to include an update in this edition; further details will follow in the next edition.

The double yellow lines in Bell Lane have been approved by TMBC and will be installed in due course.

The Downsview gas work improvements were completed October.

Church Street One way system: From advice from KCC Highways, we have added this to the Highway Improvement Plan for 2022/2023 as the top priority item.

The field behind the Village Hall, also known as the dog walking field has been named "Downs Meadow". An application for 15 free saplings have been submitted to The Woodlands Trust, if granted, the saplings (crab apple, rowan and hazel) should be delivered in March 2022.

Horse Barriers New Court Rd footway/cycle-way; Further discussions will take place as no decision was taken at the late September meeting.

We are in the process of installing a plaque at the Millennium Oak Tree in the recreation ground.

The Windmill Public House: Following an appeal by the owner to have the pub removed from the Asset of Community Value listing on the TMBC website, TMBC has confirmed that the listing will remain.

Finally, we still have two volunteer vacancies for councillors. If you are possibly interested and care about the village and community or wish to know more on what the role involves, please contact me on the details below.

Saturday Bulky refuse: As yet there is no further update.

If you have any items that you would like the Parish Council to discuss just give me a call on 01634 685936. You can also email me on pam@burhampc.co.uk or join in at the next scheduled meeting, which is due on the 29th of November 2021.

Pam Saunders, Clerk

THE HOSPITAL OF SIR JOHN HAWKINS, KNIGHT, IN CHATHAM

DEPUTY GOVERNOR POSITION

Applications are invited for the appointment of Deputy Governor of Sir John Hawkins Hospital, a set of almshouses in High Street, Chatham.

The deputy governor acts as the hospital's administrator and clerk to the governors.

The job is home-based and self-employed and has no benefits other than a small monthly emolument.

Applicants can arrange the work, amounting to about two days a week, to suit their own convenience, apart from attendance at scheduled governors' meetings, normally 10 a year.

Applicants need to be numerate and computer-literate and preferably familiar with the SAGE accounting package, but training can be given.

The ability to record and produce the minutes of board meetings is essential.

The post falls vacant at the end of this year and applicants should contact Neil Wood, Chairman of Governors, on wood358@btinternet.com or 01622 718665.

Ref. NW01358

Aylesford Farmer's Market Fresh local produce from farm to kitchen



3rd Sunday of every month 9.30am - 1.30pm

- * 27 food stalls (including lots of vegan goodies such as: beers, cakes, cheeses, meat substitutes, sauces, pastries, salads, and pizzas along with gluten free options.
- Cookery demonstration.
- * Nine home & garden stalls
- * Craft stalls.

The next market will be on:

Sunday the 21st of November

Aylesford Priory Aylesford ME20 7BX

A donation box can be found in the car park to help support The Priory.





Back by popular demand ...

Burham Christmas Fair

You are invited to visit us at

Burham Village Hall on Saturday the 20th of November

between 1pm and 3pm.

For cakes, toys, jewellery, jams, pickles, a raffle and much more to get your Christmas off to a good start.

All proceeds to All Saints Church



Visiting household waste recycling centres during the covid-19 pandemic

Our household waste and recycling centres (HWRCs) at:

Capstone, Hoath Way, Cuxton Site (Medway Council) & Tovil (Kent County Council) are open for essential use only. You can only use these sites if there's a risk of injury, health or harm by storing your waste at home.

To be able to visit a HWRC **you must book a slot online in advance**. Please note that slots are very limited in order to maintain social distancing for staff and visitors. You will only be able to book one visit in any 4 week period per household to ensure everyone can use sites safely. Kent residents visiting Medway Council sites must show Identification:

<u>Visiting a Household Waste Recycling Centre during coronavirus - Kent County Council</u>

SATURDAY WASTE COLLECTION IS STILL SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

TMBC Helpline 01732 844522

www.tmbc.gov.uk

THE HENRY PETERS CHARITY

This charity was set up by Henry Peters in his will around 1912 to be distributed to the sick and poor of Wouldham by the Parish Council. The trustees have agreed that the payments could be used to fund residents getting to and from the doctors' surgery or hospital.

To apply please contact the Council clerk on 07904 281522 or Tina via Email: clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk.

Parish information

BURHAM PARISH COUNCIL: Mon-Friday, 10am - 2pm

Pam Saunders, Clerk: Tel: 01634 685936.

Email: pam@burhampc.co.uk www.burhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk.

The Parish Office, Rochester Road, Burham. ME1 3RJ

Meetings usually the last Monday in the month.

Next Council meeting: 25th October 2021.

WOULDHAM PARISH COUNCIL:

Tina Miles, Clerk, Tel. No. 07904281522

Email: clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk www.wouldhampc.com

Our next meeting is on the 5th of October. For details about how to join please see the agenda published on wouldhampc.com

COMMUNITY WARDEN:

Vivien Hickmott 07813694140

Police:

PCSO Samir Patangwa.

Non emergency Tel. No.: 101

TRANSPORT:

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ALLOTMENTS: To enquire about the availability of allotments, contact:

Burham: Dave Young 01634 867669. Wouldham: Sue Durrani 01634 682363

PETERS VILLAGE

e at:

Contact Steve at:

Petersvillagenhw@gmail.com



Phoenix Medical Practice 33 Bell Lane, Burham, ME1 3SX. Tel: 01634 867982.

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Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday	8:30am	6:00pm
Dispensary opening times	Opens	Closes
Monday & Thursday	8:45am	12:00 noon
	2:00pm	4:45pm
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday	8:45am	12:00 noon
	2:00pm	6:15pm

NHS111: If you require urgent medical help ring 111 or visit 111.nhs.uk

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Prescriptions can be arranged to be collected, thanks to a service offered by the church. The surgery requires 4 days notice to prepare them and 24 hours notice is required for volunteers to collect them. Contact Rachel Harris (who will be available to deliver medicines on Tuesdays and Thursdays) on 07725 289194 for more details.

Hearing aids availability and maintenance from https://hikent.org.uk are looking for volunteers to help with the aftercare clinics they normally hold on the 2nd Thursday of the month at Burham Community Centre. Ring 01622 691151 for more information and updates of when the free of charge drop-ins will resume.

Burham CE Primary School Fireworks Display

Friday the 5th of November 2021

Gates open 6pm

Fireworks start 7pm

BBQ, Bar, Refreshments

Entry is by advance ticket only. No tickets available on the gate.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR OWN FIREWORKS OR SPARKLERS TO THIS EVENT

KCC Mobile Library is free to join & use and will visit the following:

Wouldham	Date (Tuesday)	Time
Walker Burke Avenue	2nd, 16th & 30th Nov.	1:05pm - 1:35pm
Ravens Knowle	2nd, 16th & 30th Nov.	1:45pm - 2:15pm
Burham	Date	Time
Village Hall	2nd, 16th & 30th Nov.	2:25pm - 3:25pm

Eccles	Date	Time
Bull Lane by the Village Hall	2nd, 16th & 30th Nov.	3:45pm - 4:35pm

For further advise or book requests please e-mail: jonne.woolgar@kent.gov.uk Tel. No. 0300 041 8558 or visit: https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/libraries/visiting-a-library/mobile-libraries-during-coronavirus

Churches:

Church of England Parish of Burham & Wouldham:

- * All Saints, High Street, Wouldham.
 Holy Communion at 10.30 every Sunday.
 You can join in on Zoom by emailing Mike Hayes for the link.
- * St Marys Church, Burham. Old Church Rd, Open daily 10.00am - 4.00pm. Closed during 'lock down' A redundant Anglican Church under the care of the 'Churches Conservation Trust'. Occasional special C of E services are held there and events run by the Friends of St Marys.
- * The 'Church in Burham' (Methodist). Church St. Burham 10.30 every Sunday.

Eating and Drinking:

The Watermans Arms, Wouldham. Tel. No.: 01634 681830

Pub/Restaurant/Pizza takeaway, Wouldham

The Butchers Block Tel. No.: 01634 786626

Pub/Restaurant/takeaway, Burham

The Robin Hood Tel. No.: 01634 861500

Pub/Restaurant/takeaway. Common Rd, Burham

The Windmill Inn Tel. No.: 01634 864570

Pub/Restaurant/takeaway, Burham

Happy House Chinese Tel. No.: 01634 668326

Takeaway, Burham

The Medway Inn & Ruby'sTel. No.: 01634 869181

Pub/Bar meals/Indian Restaurant/takeaway, Wouldham.

Fish & Chips Van: Tel. No.: 07840181091

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November in Your Garden

'To walk in nature is to witness a thousand miracles'

November feels like the beginning of Winter. The promise of Bonfires and hot toddies help to bring some warmth to the months ahead. The shorter days may mean fewer opportunities to get outside to enjoy the garden and get into nature, but on fine days there is little better than a brisk walk through a woodland taking in the autumnal colours & kicking through the fallen leaves, or along the coast watching the waves tumbling to the shore.

Late autumn is ideal to get the last bits of tidying done as over the next few months there are fewer opportunities to get out into the garden. So make sure any weed seedlings are cleared, do the last lawn trim on a high setting, rake up any last leaves (these can also be shredded by

running over with a mower which helps the leaves to break down quicker in the compost heap!), and tidy any straggly hedges, cut back any last perennial growth & add to the compost heap. Give the lawn edge a last trim & use an Autumn lawn feed to promote strong root growth, also aerating and scarifying will remove dead material and aid drainage creating a healthy lawn for next year. Avoid cutting, where possible if it's too wet, or if frost is forecast.

By now most spring flowering bulbs should have been planted, but

November is recommended as the best month for planting Tulip bulbs as the cold weather minimises the risk for disease, & early in the month will still be ok for planting up other spring flowering bulbs such as Narcissi & Iris. You can make some really cheery displays clustering pots together with spring bulbs in, or by creating a 'bulb lasagne' in larger pots. To do this, use a large pot, and layer bigger bulbs near the bottom & work up to the smaller sized bulbs, keep a layer of compost between each layer & don't let the individual bulbs touch. A stunning display can be created by colour co-ordinating your choice of bulbs in each pot.

Also check nest boxes and bug hotels to make sure they're clean and sturdy ready for their winter & spring inhabitants. You can also use autumn clippings to create a ground heap for use by insects that hibernate at ground level, or for local hedgehogs to use to create a nest; they tend to create a small burrow which is then covered with garden material such as leaves and twigs to make a cosy nest.



Build a Hedgehog House hedgehog-rescue.org.uk With hedgehogs now on the 'in danger of extinction' list it is important to do all we can to help these garden friends as loss of habitat has contributed to their decline.

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So don't feel the need to tidy every corner of the garden for winter as it's often the less perfect areas that they will find ideal for hibernation. If you are lucky enough to have a visiting hedgehog then you can also leave out cat food and water for them during November to make sure they have enough fat reserves to survive hibernation (place it under a slab raised on a brick so that they can get in but the resident cats can't!).

If you see a hedgehog out during the day, or that looks small then contact our local hedgehog rescue.

In the vegetable garden, continue to harvest winter root veg such as carrots, parsnips, turnips & leeks, and brassicas such as cabbage, caulis & Brussel Sprouts and check that these are firmly rooted for winter winds, if in doubt stake them to avoid them being damaged & keep them netted to protect from hungry pigeons. November is also ideal for planting out garlic,

shallots & winter onion sets, these can just be pushed into soft ground until just their tips are showing. Keep the planting area well weeded over winter ready for their main growth spurt in spring. Broad beans and hardy peas can also be sown direct now but protect young growth from snails and hungry pigeons.

Other things to be doing in the garden now:

- * Make sure all last tender perennials have been cut back & moved to a protected area such as a greenhouse or shed or have been covered or wrapped with bubble wrap for protection.
- * Raise garden pots off the ground if poss. & remove any water trays so they're not sitting in the wet.
- * Keep bird feeders and baths topped up and defrost in freezing temperatures.
- * Prune Apple or Pear trees now by taking out the 3D's (dead/diseased/damaged) & remove any wispy growth too.
- * Cut back any remaining tomato plants now & add to the compost heap.
- * Cut back autumn flowering raspberries to the ground once they have finished cropping.
- * Move outdoor herb pots into the greenhouse/shed to keep them producing a little longer. Harvest any remaining basil, but also take a few cuttings & place in a glass of water until roots appear. Then pot up & keep on a sunny windowsill over winter for fresh basil.



Sue Durrani Wouldham Allotment Association 01634 682363

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Oxford Christmas Market £139

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Christmas at Kensington Palace, with Festive Afternoon Tea

Thursday 25th November £65

Glow At Wisley

Friday 26th November Sunday 19th December £56 (£44.50 for RHS Members)

Ruxley Manor Garden Centre

Tuesday 30th November £20

Runnymede Christmas Lunch Cruise

Wednesday 1st December £69

Southbank Christmas Market & London

Lights

Saturday 4th December £27

3 Course Christmas Lunch in Eastbourne

Tuesday 7th December

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Friday 10th December £44

Winchester Christmas Market

Saturday 11th December £32

Brighton Christmas Festival

Sunday 12th December £30

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Wednesday 15th

December £67

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Sessions:

Mon - Fri 9.15 - 11.45am

Mon - Fri 12.20 - 2.50pm

Mon - Fri. Lunch Club 11.45 - 12.20 pm

Optional 'early bird' drop off at 9am for £1.00

JELLYBEANS PRE-SCHOOL, WOULDHAM VILLAGE HALL

Our Ofsted Inspection found Jellybeans to be 'good'.

Sessions:

Mon - Fri morning: 9.15am -11.45am Mon - Thurs afternoons: 12.25pm - 2.55pm Mon - Thurs Lunch Club: 11.45am - 12.25pm

Early drop off option available.

Feel free to visit at any time, no appointment necessary.

For further information please contact:

Mrs Donna Cook (Supervisor) on 07932551771

SHOPS

Frosts Service Station & Store, Rochester Rd, Burham. 01634 861228

Opening times: Monday - Saturday: 7.00am - 9.00pm.

Sunday: 7.00am - 8.00pm

The Vale Bakery, 209 Rochester Rd, Burham

01634 861572

Opening times: Tuesday to Friday: 8:30am - 4:00pm.

Saturday: 8:30 am - 1:00pm

The Watermans Arms Village Store, High Street, Wouldham

Opening times: Every day 7:00am - 7:00pm

Church activities:

All Saints, Wouldham Church Choir:

Choir practices are normally held in the church at 7:30pm on Thursdays, and there are vacancies for over-18s in all voice parts.

For more information please contact Douglas Henn-Macrae Tel. No. 01634 683096 or e-mail douglas@gundulf.org.uk

Church Bell Ringing All Saints Church, Wouldham. Tina Miles Tel: 07967 795913. Currently suspended.

Film Club The Church in Burham, Church St. Currently suspended.

Contact Eileen Smith on: 01634867022

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United Charities of the Ancient Parish of Burham

Winter Fuel Grant 2021

Applications for grants towards the costs of winter fuel bills are invited from residents of the Ancient Parish of Burham.

To qualify for assistance applicants should be aged 65 years or over and have lived within the boundaries of the Ancient Parish for the past 10 years.

The weekly HOUSEHOLD income of applicants, i.e. the total income from all occupants, must not exceed £275 for single occupancy or £350 for multiple occupancy. For this purpose, income is determined after deducting half of rent payable (rent after deducting any housing benefit received) and ignoring attendance allowance and similar state benefits and credits. Only one application per household will be considered. The Trustees reserve the right to make such enquiries as they believe necessary to confirm entitlement to the grant.

Application Forms will automatically be delivered to <u>2020 recipients</u>. New applicants can obtain forms from Monday the 1st of November 2021 from:

Burham:

Dave Young (17 Bell Crescent), Jill Emptage (147 Rochester Rd) Roger Kiralfy (c/o Arkadia, 159 Rochester Rd) Jack Owen (22 Whitehouse Crescent) Jill Pannell (177 Rochester Road)

Blue Bell Hill: Barry Smith (296 Robin Hood Lane)

All applications are handled in the strictest confidence.

If you require help completing the form, please feel free to ask a trustee.

Completed Application Forms should be returned to Mr. Kiralfy at Arkadia 159 Rochester Road Burham ME1 3SF by Monday the 29th of November 2021.

Burham and Wouldham Women's Institute



The members of Burham and Wouldham WI are an active bunch and they embrace new ideas as well as the traditions of Kent and country. I first saw yarn bombing in Reykjavik Iceland where trees and street furniture were decorated with brightly coloured knitting. Nearer home you may have seen knitting adorning pillar boxes. The one on Blue Bell Hill was a delight last Christmas.

In November you will see our knitting displayed as giant poppies when you enter each village as we do our part in remembering those who fell so we might have freedom of speech and life. WI have here combined knitting and action. Thank you to all those members of the community who knitted a poppy for our display. Want to join us?

Come along on the 3rd Tuesday in the month at 7.30pm in Burham Village Hall.

Heather Brown

Secretary Burham & Wouldham WI

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, WOULDHAM, WEATHERVANE APPEAL

After a successful two year fundraising campaign and the generosity of many individual donors, All Saints Church have raised the funds to refurbish the weather vane that has graced the tower for the past 219 years.



Work will commence shortly to remove it for restoration. Hopefully it will be returned be back in place fully restored to serve the community for another two centuries.

£2,500 achieved.

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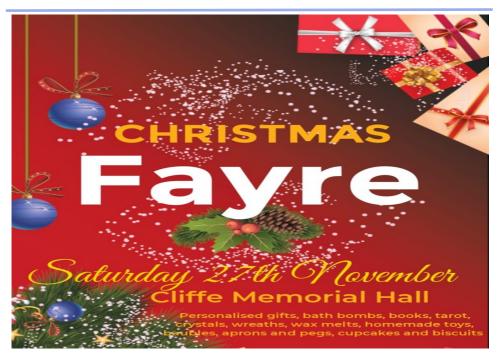
ST MARY'S CHURCH, BURHAM

(down by the river)

Friends of St. Mary's Church, Burham 2021 events can be found by visiting:

www.facebook.com/stmarysburham

or by contacting Rosie on 01634 672346.



Halls for hire:

Wouldham Village Hall - Available for:

- * Private functions/parties
- * Regular bookings (for groups to meet or small businesses to hold classes)
- * Meeting or training sessions

Costs:

- * £11 per hour for private bookings, (minimum of 3 hours hire)
- £13 per hour for business bookings or
- * A damage deposit of £50 is required when booking the hall.
- * Deposit cheques will only be cashed if the hall is not left in good order to rubbish not taken away.

To book, Email: wouldhamvillagehall.com

Burham Village Hall:

A large modern hall located in the centre of the village next to the Village Recreation Ground with a large car park. It has many facilities including a large main room with floor area of 80m^2 , a kitchen, toilet facilities including disabled facilities and access. Two other smaller rooms are also available. Post Code ME1 3RJ.



Costs:

- * £7 or £9 per hour for Monday to Friday 8:00am to 8:30pm
- * £12 to £20 per hour for Weekends from Fridays at 8:30pm depending on the activity (Please see <u>Calendar Burham Parish Council (kentparishes.gov.uk</u> for full details)

Burham Old School Community Centre:

Formerly the village infant school full of character with parking a short walk away in Bell Lane, the building has a large hall and a smaller hall, suitable for up to 16 people, with toilet facilities, including disabled access, and used for local clubs and charity events to name a few.



Costs:

* £10 per hour week days and £12 per hour at weekends To book, contact Thurza Browne on 01634 863322

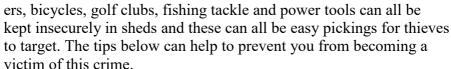
WOULDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Our last meeting was on the 5th of October back in the Village Hall.

Our next one will be on the 2nd of November.

Crime prevention advice from PCSO

As summer comes to an end, the number of shed break-ins can increase. Items such as lawnmow-



- * Install a shed alarm, with a notice displayed to warn thieves that it is not worth the effort of breaking in. The alarms are easy to install and can be purchased at most DIY stores.
- * Make sure the door is always securely locked.
- * Ensure all valuable property is marked with your postcode. Post coding property makes your belongings very unattractive to a thief by making items easily identifiable and difficult to sell.
- * Lock up pedal cycles. Use bike locks and chain them inside to
- * other large items or to the shed.
- * Keep a record of the make, model and ID numbers of bicycles and all other equipment and take photographs of unusual items.
- * Check your household insurance policy to ensure that the value of things stored inside is covered by your contents' policy.

Please make all reports of ASB via 101, the online reporting form or 999 in an emergency.

In order to get maximum support from local authorities, please ensure you report anything and get a crime reference number. Cllr Gray is setting up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme for Wouldham Village and there is already one running in Peters Village led by Cllr Rimmington. Please get in touch if you are interested in joining.

New Councillor

We would like to welcome Samantha Buchanan as a new Councillor and look forward to working with her. *Continued* ...

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Planning

A member of the Parish Council attended the consultation regarding Bushy Wood as there will inevitably be an impact through the whole of Wouldham. You can keep up-to-date on progress by going to the website: https://landateccles.co.uk/

Fly tipping

Fly tipping continues to be an issue, so it is important for everyone to report it whenever they come across it. You can report directly to: https://www.tmbc.gov.uk/bins-waste/report-fly-tipping.

Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee

The Platinum Jubilee bank holiday and an adjusted late May Bank Holiday will create a four-day weekend from the **2nd to the 5th of June 2022** filled with events to celebrate the nation's longest reigning monarch. The Parish Council are looking to set up a Steering Group to oversee celebrations in the village. Any individual or organisations that would like to be involved, please contact the Clerk.

Footpaths/Grounds Maintenance

The PC are currently reviewing its Grounds Maintenance plan. If there is an area you think should be included, please let us know.

We have been made aware that there have been a few issues of cars and horses cutting through from Oldfield Drive to the Tramway. Not only is this dangerous, the path structure was not built to support vehicles. New signs will shortly be erected indicating that cars and horses are not allowed to traverse the land.

Posters: Can event organisers please ensure that posters are removed from posts etc. once their event has ended.

Finally, there has been an increase in speeding through the village. Please note that the speed limit for the whole of Wouldham is 20mph.

Website

Can I remind you about our excellent website: wouldhampc.com, where you will find information on our meetings, about the Councillors, planning applications and notices. It is a great way to keep in touch.

Tina Miles

Email: clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk Tel. No. 07904281522

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www.wouldhamchurch.org.uk

www.burhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk/

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