

APRIL 2026



Made in Hintlesham & Chattisham

HINTLESHAM  
COMMUNITY  
HALL EVENTS  
TEAM

# Egg Hunt Extravaganza

Join the excitement at the Egg Hunt Extravaganza!  
Find the most clues and solve the puzzle to get your prize!

**4th APRIL 2025**

**2pm – 5pm**

Hintlesham Community Hall





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

To talk about a wedding, baptism or funeral please contact  
 the Lay Chair of the PCC Jenny 01473 652466

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

9<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm Meeting Room,  
 Community Hall. Contact: Parish.clerk  
 @hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk

**RURAL COFFEE CARAVAN 21<sup>st</sup> April**

10.00 - 12.00

Chattisham Church

14.00 - 16.00

Hintlesham Community Hall.

ALL WELCOME



Hintlesham and Chattisham  
 Community

*Full English  
 Breakfast*

£7 per person inc. tea/coffee

Sunday 19th April

From 9am to 12pm in the Community Hall

Please book - contact  
 Lauren 07539172064

Cash payment only!



**HALL LUNCH 9<sup>th</sup> April**

12.30pm Community Hall.  
 Contact Thelma for further  
 details 01473 652180 or  
 07766 506592



**COFFEE STOP 1<sup>st</sup> April**

Drop in between 10-12 noon at the  
 Community Hall. Come and meet friends  
 for coffee and cake, unlimited coffee/tea  
 £1, homemade cake and scones 50p.  
**Info from: Margaret Langton 652210**

**VILLAGE WALK** will be on the third  
 Thursday of the month subject  
 to holidays. Details are available  
 through Rob 07517795424 to join  
 the Hintlesham and Chattisham  
 walking group WhatsApp



**TIDDLERS AND TODDLERS**

Things are changing a bit about how we  
 communicate meetings- Text Mary to  
 join our WhatsApp Group, where we'll  
 share information for our next session.  
 😊 All very welcome!  
**Mary: 07833 665381**

**PLANT SALE 2026 Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2025**

The Plant Sale, in aid of Chattisham & Hintlesham Church Restoration Fund, will be on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2025 at Three Mile Farm, Duke Street, Hintlesham, IP8 3QN 3-5pm. There will be plants for patios and baskets, perennials and shrubs, herbs, and vegetable plants. Cakes will be on sale and there will be cream teas and a grand raffle.

If you grow your own plants and could contribute to the plant sale, any seedlings and small plants surplus to requirements and any herbaceous plants that could be split, potted up and donated, these would be very welcome. If you can contribute plants or have space in a heated greenhouse to grow on small plug plants, please let Mary Williams know.

If anyone needs spare pots, then please ask Margaret Langton (652210). If you would like to help sell the plants on 4th May or help with the cake stall or the raffle, please contact Mary Williams (652632 or barryandmarywtb@gmail.com)

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# NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> MARCH

**Present:** 11 Parish Councillors with apologies for absence from Jamie Bostock and District Councillor Mark Rowland. County Councillor Christopher Hudson has yet to make his bi-annual appearance.

**Minutes of the last meeting:**  
Approved with one alteration

**Reports from County and District Councillors:** None received.

**Extraordinary Parish Council meeting:** Due to the recent revelation of the proposed development on land east of Duke Street, several members of the public have questioned the ethics of Cllr Jamie Bostock being on the H&C Parish Council. In response to these criticisms, Cllr Bostock has offered his immediate resignation. Due to the conflict of interest, and the need for the Parish Council to fulfil its obligations to residents, an extraordinary meeting of the PC agreed to accept Cllr Bostock's resignation.

**Planning:** Granted DC/25/05015 Chattisham Hall, Mill Lane, Chattisham, Ipswich Suffolk IP8 3PX DC/25/05007 Chattisham Hall, Mill Lane, Chattisham, Ipswich Suffolk

**Public Session:** 13 members of the public were present.

Richard Cowley, as spokesperson for the Resident's Action Group, stated that 80 people had attended a recent public meeting, and all were against the proposed development on land east of Duke Street. Councillor Peter Eaton, as Planning Lead, explained that this land had been offered for development as part of Babergh DC's Call For Sites. None of the sites offered had been assessed for approval by Babergh. The results of all assessments would be made public in due course and subject to public consultation.

**Land East of Duke Street, Proposed Development:** No back-fill development is an important part of our Draft Neighbourhood Plan; consequently the Parish Council voted unanimously to oppose development of this site.

**Neighbourhood Plan Update:** Caroline Bates informed that all documents have been acknowledged as received and compliant with the required format, by Babergh DC.

A further public consultation period opens on March 23<sup>rd</sup> for 6 weeks to enable the community to comment on the changes made as a result of the last consultation. This will be publicised in The Link, The Village Website and with posters in Noticeboards. Any comments are to be made on the Babergh website. Further to that, an independent reviewer will consider the detailed content of the Plan and determine its suitability for acceptance. If this review is positive, the Plan will then be circulated prior to a local referendum to determine acceptance or rejection of the Plan.

**Housing Needs Assessment and Community Land Trust:**

Caroline Bates reported that she had recently met with both Hastoe Housing Association and Community Action Suffolk to discuss a Housing Needs Survey.

Because of the location of the proposed land, any Housing Association would need the majority of the Parish Council to support the proposed planning application and a Housing Needs Survey is needed in which demand for local affordable housing would need to be identified. The HNS would cost approx. £2500 and could be paid for out of CIL monies, if approved by the PC.

## Traffic Speed Survey Back Road

**A1071:** Due to recent resident complaints about excessive speeding, the PC agreed to a speed survey between College Farm and a site close to Old House farm. The cost of the survey is £580 and will be funded by Cllr Christopher Hudson.

Ian Bryce said that as part of the Bramford to Twinstead Pylon line, there

would be traffic lights at Claremont for 5 weeks, this should slow down traffic at no cost at all.

*These notes are my personal interpretation of the meeting and do not necessarily represent the position of the Parish Council. Minutes of this meeting will appear on the village website in due course.*  
*Peter Eaton 17<sup>th</sup> March*

## H&CCC Monthly Draw - The Community Fundraiser

**The April 2026 Monthly Draw will take place on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026 in the Community Hall at 7.15pm. Everybody welcome!**

### February 2026

| Prize | Member            | No. |
|-------|-------------------|-----|
| £40   | Annie Eaton       | 110 |
| £30   | Jess Bell         | 278 |
| £20   | Michaela Debenham | 215 |
| £15   | Shirley Mower     | 317 |
| £15   | G Cook            | 442 |

***If your annual membership renewal is due, the simplest way to pay is directly into the 'H&CCC Lottery' bank account, sort code 77-68-36 account number 01231760 giving your membership number as reference.***

**Membership of the Draw is only £12 a year and the money raised, after prizes have been given out, is used to support the work of the Community Council. If you are not already a member of the Draw and would like to join please email [liz.stones3@gmail.com](mailto:liz.stones3@gmail.com)**

## Spring Garden Show

Thank you everyone who made our Spring Garden Show such a success. With nearly 300 entries, the Hall was full of colour and it was lovely to see so many visitors in the afternoon.

Our Autumn Show will be held on Saturday 19th September.

Schedules will be out soon. Cathy

*The Winners were:*

Most Points Flower Arranging  
*Rosemary McCarville*

Best Exhibit Flowers/Pot Plants  
*Peter Eaton*

Most points cookery  
*Cathy Leney*

Most points handicraft  
*Wendy Ramsey*

Most Points Ladies  
*Rosemary McCarville*

Most Points Men  
*Hugh Richards*

Children 7& under *Eliza Presley*

Children 8 & over *Ferne Butcher*  
12-16s *Alfie Butcher*

## BOWLS CLUB UPDATE

It has been a quiet few weeks as we head towards the end of the season. Since the last update just one game played, beating top of the table and promoted Clapgate Lane 7-3 at home. We have just two league matches left to play with us aspiring to finish third in the league.



## MUGA

Annual General Meeting  
28<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm,  
Meeting Room, Community Hall.  
ALL WELCOME

## FOR SALE

A complete Elite tropical aquarium including cabinet. 350lts (48" x 15" x 30") £100.

**Contact Diane Chase, 652359**



## SAVE THE DATES

*Hintlesham School fundraising events*

**13<sup>th</sup> June**  
Strawberry Fayre

**9<sup>th</sup> July**  
Paint and Plonk night

## February Wildlife in Chattisham and Hintlesham

### *The Sandfords*

We were amazed to see a large pond in our garden, formed by the recent heavy rain. Two pairs of Ducks, a pair of resident Moorhens and a visiting Heron. A couple of you have seen Blue Tits looking to be feeding their young as early as January and we have seen the same, noticing many birds still nesting in October. There seems to be a big recovery in numbers within the Linnets and Sparrow families-also many Magpies which is not good news for our garden birds. We recently saw two Bats hanging on our window bird feeder which was a strange sight and we wondered if you have heard the Owls lately. Barn, Tawny and Little Owls are the most common around here but not many sightings and few Doves so far. Deer are on the increase with Fallow, Roe and Red, but Muntjac the most common in gardens-as well as grass, they like to eat trees, shrubs and bushes- if you plant a new one, put a wire cage around until it gets going. (652006)



"T Circle meetings start at 7.30  
in H&C Community Hall:-

**2<sup>nd</sup> April : History of Western Headwear with Anne Reader (Milliner)**

**7<sup>th</sup> May : Wendy Smith - Wimbledon Officiating as it was.**

Come and join us, bring a friend or neighbour - Guests £3.50

See you there your T circle committee.



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## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

The final consultation phase of our Draft Neighbourhood Plan is now open for comment from 23rd March to 15th May. Any comments can be sent to Babergh Council at: [www.babergh.gov.uk/HintChatNP](http://www.babergh.gov.uk/HintChatNP).

**You can find links to all of the submitted documents by visiting: <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/HintChatNP>**

If you need to see a paper copy of the Draft Plan and response form, please contact Les Cole 07557473245: or Caroline Bates 07810830534

Once this deadline has passed, an independent reviewer will assess the content of the draft Plan and inform Babergh whether any changes are required before the Plan comes to every household for us all to vote on its acceptance or otherwise.

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## LITTER AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

One of our concerned residents and his son kindly spent an hour litter picking a stretch of Lower Barn Road to Lower Barn Cottage last week. They were horrified to report a considerable number of glass bottles-spirits, beer and cider (some smashed) along with energy drinks cans etc. -and collected enough to fill a large 'bag for life' carrier bag.

Litter can be hazardous to wildlife, horses, dogs and walkers alike-and is extremely unsightly. **It is also a crime** - If you see litter being thrown from a vehicle, note the registration number and report it to the Council using this link to a form.

[https://bmsdc-self.achieveservice.com/AchieveForms/?mode=fill&consentMessage=yes&form\\_uri=sandbox-publish://AF-Process-9f17fb86-df9f-43f1-afd8-50f9fa081a8a/AF-Stage-a42311d7-d9c4-47ed-98d4-6a4483a77e96/definition.json&process=1&process\\_uri=sandbox-processes://AF-Process-9f17fb86-df9f-43f1-afd8-50f9fa081a8a&process\\_id=AF-Process-9f17fb86-df9f-43f1-afd8-50f9fa081a8a](https://bmsdc-self.achieveservice.com/AchieveForms/?mode=fill&consentMessage=yes&form_uri=sandbox-publish://AF-Process-9f17fb86-df9f-43f1-afd8-50f9fa081a8a/AF-Stage-a42311d7-d9c4-47ed-98d4-6a4483a77e96/definition.json&process=1&process_uri=sandbox-processes://AF-Process-9f17fb86-df9f-43f1-afd8-50f9fa081a8a&process_id=AF-Process-9f17fb86-df9f-43f1-afd8-50f9fa081a8a)

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## NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF HINTLESHAM AND CHATTISHAM

The Community Council AGM will be held on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026, at 7:00 PM. Residents are invited to attend and participate. Nominations for Community Council members and officers, including existing members and officers, must be submitted to the secretary no later than Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> April. Nomination forms can be requested by emailing [lauren.debanks@btinternet.com](mailto:lauren.debanks@btinternet.com).

Last year's AGM minutes and the agenda for this meeting are available from the secretary or on the Community Hall website: <https://www.hintleshamcommunityhall.com/community-council>



## CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL 2026

|                        |   |         |            |
|------------------------|---|---------|------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> April  | Maundy Thursday Communion                             | 6.30 pm | Chattisham |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> April  | Good Friday   | 10am    |            |
|                        | Meet at Chattisham church - walk to Hintlesham church |         |            |
|                        | Last Hour   | 2pm     | Chattisham |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> April  | Easter Day Festival Eucharist                         | 9.30 am | Chattisham |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> April | Café Church   | 9.30 am | Hintlesham |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> April | Communion   | 9.30am  | Chattisham |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> April | Morning Prayer  | 9.30am  | Hintlesham |
| <b>May</b>             |   |         |            |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> May    | Morning Prayer  | 9.30 am | Chattisham |

## Chattisham Events

|                       |                  |                  |                   |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> | Coffee Caravan   | 10 am to 12 noon | Chattisham Church |
| Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>  | Discussion Group | 3 pm             | Chattisham Church |
| Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> | Craft and Chat   | 10 am to 3 pm    | Chattisham Church |

## GOOD FRIDAY WALK 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Please come and help decorate the Easter Gardens at both churches. We shall start by making one at Chattisham church and then walk along the footpaths to Hintlesham. We aim to get there by 11 for refreshments and to have a short time of reflection at the Easter garden there.

You can join us there if you wish and if you can bring some flowers or greenery they will be very welcome. Transport will be available for non walkers.



# WHAT'S ON - APRIL 2026

## APRIL 2026

| Date             | Event/Venue   | Contact  |
|------------------|---|--|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Coffee Stop 10-12 Community Hall                                      | Margaret Langton 652210                                |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | T Circle 7.30 PM Community Hall                                       | Hilary or Annie 07845 940533                           |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Good Friday Walk 10am<br>Chattisham Church                            |  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Easter Egg Hunt 2-4pm   | Lauren 07539172064                                     |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Hall Lunch  | Thelma 01473 652180                                    |
| 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Parish Council Meeting  | parish.clerk@<br>hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.<br>uk |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> | Community Breakfast   | Lauren 07539172064                                     |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | Rural Coffee Caravan<br>10-12 Chattisham Church<br>2-4 Community Hall |  |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Community Council AGM 7pm   | lauren.debanks@btinternet.com                          |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> | St George's Day Quiz 7.30pm<br>Community Hall                         | Lauren 07539172064                                     |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> | Community Draw 7.15pm<br>Community Hall                               | Liz Stones liz.stones3@gmail.com                       |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> | MUGA AGM 7.30pm<br>Community Hall                                     |  |

## MAY 2026

|                  |  |  |
|------------------|--|--|
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Plant Sale 3-5PM Three Mile farm             | Mary Williams (652632 or<br>barryandmarywtb@gmail.com) |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | T Circle 7.30 PM Community Hall              | Hilary or Annie 07845 940533                           |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> | Draft Neighbourhood Plan consultation closes | www.babergh.gov.uk/HintChatNP.                         |

The village website address is:  
[www.hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk](http://www.hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk)

**Deadline for the May edition of The Village Link is 17<sup>th</sup> April. Email items for insertion to: Caroline Bates – TheLinkHC@outlook.com**

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### AD RATES

|                              |                 |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Local business ads (For H&C) | £15             |
| Other business Ads           | £20             |
| Distribution of fliers       | £20 per village |