



AUGUST 2026

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HINTLESHAM & CHATTISHAM
PARISH COUNCIL



COULD YOU BE A PARISH COUNCILLOR?

We currently have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor



Parish Councillors **represent our community** and help make decisions on local issues affecting Hintlesham and Chattisham.



You will **help decide** on matters such as planning, highways, village facilities and community projects.



Meetings are usually held once a month. It's a voluntary role, but an opportunity to **make a real difference**.



Interested?

Please contact the Parish Clerk for further information or to apply:
parish.clerk@hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk

Help shape the future of our villages



Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator Needed

Are you able to help your community feel safer by providing the point of contact for our residents and the Neighbourhood Watch charity?

Key roles:

Engaging with vulnerable residents / Encouraging reporting of suspicious activities/
Coordinating with Suffolk Police / Distributing awareness raising flyers and advice/
Participating in community safety events.

Contact Parish Councillor Diane Chase to find out more at:
diane.chase@hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk



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

COFFEE STOP 5th August

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



COFFEE STOP CHANGE IN SEPTEMBER

In September it will change to the 4th Wednesday of the month.

This will spread regular social events more evenly over each month and we shall take a break in December. Please note Wed 23rd September.

HALL LUNCH

Please note there is no Hall Lunch in August. Next is on 10th September.

Contact Thelma
01473 652180
or 07766 506592



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**



AUTUMN GARDEN SHOW Saturday 19th September

Schedules available from the secretary:
hintleshamgardeningclub@gmail.com or on the village website:
hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk



PARISH COUNCIL

Please note there is no meeting in August. The next is on 10th September

Contact: Parish.clerk@hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk

RURAL COFFEE CARAVAN



18th August

10.00 – 12.00 Chattisham Church

14.00 – 16.00 Hintlesham Community Hall.

ALL WELCOME

T CIRCLE dates for your diary.



6th August Crafting evening with Debbie. 7.30 Hintlesham Community Hall

3rd September Harbour Lights Suffolk Folk Trio-Stories and Music 7.30

1st October Mark Murphy talks on "Life in Radio and Suffolk Cancer Support"

ANNUAL HINTLESHAM AND CHATTISHAM V KERSEY CRICKET MATCH



Sunday 13 September

2.30-6.30pm Rockalls Cricket

Ground, Rockalls Hall, Polstead CO6 5AT

CHATTITUDE SAVE THE DATE

Friday 9th October 7pm

for another performance

by CB Jackson and friends.

Notes from the Parish Council Meeting

9th July 2026

Report(s) from County and District Councillors & Members of the public in attendance.

Cllr Rowland and Cllr Hudson were not in attendance at this meeting. Apologies had been received from Cllr Rowland.

Local road closures were discussed – Back Road will be closed for roadworks in July & August as follows-

from 16 July 04.00 until 09:00 on 17 Jul.
<https://one.network/?tmi=GB44917488>

from 10 Aug 07:00 PM until 14 Aug 5:00 AM
<https://one.network/?tmi=GB44383210>

Discussion took place re the potential development behind Duke Street. As planning has not yet been submitted the PC cannot comment further but have supported residents objections.

Thanks were expressed to those who were involved in making the recent Beer Festival such a fantastic and successful event.

Planning GRANTED

DC/26/00771

The Folly, Folly Road, Chattisham, Ipswich
Suffolk IP8 3QQ

DC/26/02055

Broadview, Silver Hill, Hintlesham, Ipswich
Suffolk IP8 3NJ

DC/26/01664

Hall Farm, Mill Lane, Chattisham, IP8 3PX

Joint Local Plan Scoping Consultation - Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils

The Scoping Consultation for the Babergh and Mid Suffolk Joint Local Plan is currently active. The consultation allows residents and stakeholders to influence future housing, jobs, infrastructure, and environmental policies across both districts over the next 15–20 years.

The consultation is open until 5pm on Friday 31 July 2026 Cllr Eaton urges everyone to submit a response.

Joint Local Plan Scoping Consultation - Mid Suffolk District Council - babergh.gov.uk / midsuffolk.gov.uk

Neighbourhood watch

Cllr Chase suggested that villagers may want to be involved in a Neighbourhood Watch initiative. A request for someone to be involved in taking this on to be published in The Link.

VAS Signs

One of the VAS signs needs replacing due to age. The Chair has now received a quote for a replacement. Cllrs proposed to go ahead and replace the sign as they are believed to be effective in reducing traffic speed through the village.

The illuminated sign fronting a business in Chattisham has now been removed.

Footpaths

Footpath 26 in Chattisham is currently closed due to a section of erosion of caused by badgers. The eroded section is currently fenced off.

Cllr Coupland now has some has copies of the Village Directory. Please contact her if any new residents require a copy.

Date of next meeting – 10th September 2026

BABERGH JOINT LOCAL PLAN

Babergh and Mid Suffolk District Councils are preparing a new local plan to help shape the future of the districts. The Joint Local Plan will guide decisions on housing, jobs, infrastructure, town centres, the environment, transport and community facilities.

The scoping consultation is now open until 5pm Friday 31 July and is an opportunity to gather views from residents, businesses, and other stakeholders on key challenges, opportunities and priorities for the future. The survey can be completed here:

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/scoping/>

FRIENDS RESTORATION SUPPER UPDATE

Many thanks to Louise and Tom Lidstone for hosting this year's Restoration Supper at their house in Chattisham. On a lovely summer's evening, 45 people ate a buffet meal in the garden with friends new and old.

Thanks to all who helped prepare the food and drink for the event including Julia Woolley, Julia Faulds, Catriona Pakenham Walsh, Jill Warner and Louise Lidstone. Thanks to Steve Warner and Tom Lidstone for transporting and setting up tables and chairs and running the bar.

The event raised £1,371.43 for The Church Restoration Fund. A record for this event!

Peter Hollis on Behalf of The Friends

Members enjoyed a delicious afternoon tea at Hintlesham Golf Club in July with outstanding service and stimulating conversation.



Dates for your diary:-

August 6th, 7.30 in community hall is a crafting evening with Debbie.

September 3rd, 7 for 7.30 in community hall. Harbour Lights, a Suffolk Folk Trio, entertain us an "Open Meeting" guests £3.50.

October 1st in the Community hall Mark Murphy talks on "Life in Radio and Suffolk Cancer Support" an Open Meeting guests £3.50.

Do bring yourself, a friend or neighbour and join us. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Best wishes. T Circle Committee

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Our Neighbourhood Plan is still at the examination stage and we are limited in what we can report at this time, but we will bring you news of the outcome when we have it. The Examiner's role is to determine if our Plan meets what are known as the basic condition tests.

All being well, our Plan will be allowed to proceed to a local referendum.

The referendum will be organised by Babergh District Council, and it will operate in the same way as any other local election. The question that will be asked of those who are entitled to vote is: "Do you want Babergh District Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Hintlesham and Chattisham to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?"

At this time, it is hoped that the referendum will take place this autumn.

Caroline Bates, Parish Councillor





In aid of
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ANNUAL MACMILLAN CHARITY TEA PARTY

FRIDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER 2.00pm to 4.00pm
at the H&C COMMUNITY HALL

COME AND HAVE A CUP OF TEA & DELICIOUS CAKE
& HELP THOSE WHO ARE TRYING TO COPE WITH THIS
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T CIRCLE

Open Meeting – Everyone Welcome



HARBOUR LIGHTS TRIO

**AN EVENING OF EAST ANGLIAN
TRADITIONAL SONGS, TUNES &
HUMOROUS TALES**

H&C Community Hall

THURSDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 7.30pm

Cost £3.50 for Non Members includes Refreshments - Community Bar will be open

Local Wildlife by the Sandfords

Liz King's procession was fit for a queen with four black horses so well behaved and a large crowd walking behind with great respect. There was a single Robin sitting on the gate post as she passed Orchard Corner. God has taken you home to rest in Chattisham churchyard with Colin.

A cock Blackbird with a yellow ring feeding four fledglings was reported by my friend from Cornwall. It was rung by Michael and Jenny Bensley in Chattisham. They could migrate back here, so if you see one let us know. "Who keeps Peacocks or Peahens?" asked Ian and Ann who live opposite the church. A number of sightings with visits to over seven gardens were reported this month- I think the owner has been found in Pond Hall Road.

The Parakeets are still around and we see flashes of them now and again. We have two pairs of Spotted Woodpeckers feeding their young with fat balls. It's lovely to see and wish the lonely Green Woodpecker would do the same as they seem to be on the decrease-we know their nest location, but no young yet. A resident reported they had discovered a tic on their upper leg. After unsuccessfully trying to remove it, a trip to the surgery was needed plus antibiotics in case they developed Lyme Disease-take care.

14 year old Isla has been doing a good job taking over the feeding and watering jobs from Roger, whom we miss very much. We have many Rooks, Crows and Pigeons – most of which have rings on. We believe they came from Capel St. Mary where their loft used to be and we have gained a dozen more with no rings. We also have four white-fronted squirrels from a nearby dray. Every bush and hedge contains many garden birds.

"What is England's smallest bird?" Many might say the Wren but it is the tiny Goldcrest, closely followed by the Firecrest.

We thought we had lost our Nightingale which was upsetting but at 6.30am on a Saturday morning, we heard our Nightingale singing opposite our house. Always good to finish with positive news.

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A WORD FROM OUR VICAR

Dear Friends, Some thoughts as I think about my summer holiday... The etymology of "Holiday": from "Holy Day", the word emerged in writing around 1200, to mark days exempt from the usual routine due to religious importance. The annual summer holiday gives us a chance to step off the treadmill for a bit. Holidays mean rest, time with family and friends, and a slower pace of life. In a culture obsessed with busy-ness, taking a break can almost feel like cheating. But the Bible says otherwise - rest isn't a luxury; it's a gift from God.

The Old Testament makes this case most powerfully through the Sabbath, and especially the Year of Jubilee (Leviticus 25). Every fiftieth year, Israel let the land lie fallow, cancelled debts, freed slaves, and gave land back to its original families. It was a bold reminder that everything belongs to God, not us, and that his people were never meant to be enslaved to work or wealth. For one year the usual grind stopped and justice, mercy, and trust in God could breathe again.

None of us will experience a Jubilee like that, but a summer holiday can be a mini Jubilee. It reminds us life is bigger than our to-do lists and relearning to trust the God who keeps things running while we don't.

Jubilee also nudges us to notice what we've been neglecting. A proper chat with someone we love, a walk in the countryside, birdsong, a good book - these ordinary moments can quietly reset our perspective. We're reminded we're human beings, not human doings. But there's a catch. Rest isn't just for us. It should refresh us, make us more generous and compassionate towards others. Once we've tasted God's renewal, we are better placed to pass it on to people who are tired, burdened or forgotten.

Rest and work become a witness to a different way of living—not driven by anxiety and hustle, but by God's generosity and faithfulness.

Maybe this summer we can treat our holiday as more than an escape -a bit of spiritual practice in trust, gratitude, and renewal-then we might catch a glimpse of the Jubilee life God has always wanted for us-freedom instead of feeling tied down, generosity instead of grasping and rest that's genuinely joyful, in the presence of God who gives us every good thing.

Have a great summer break, *Yours Rev Geoffrey Clement - Rector*



H&CCC MONTHLY DRAW JUNE 2026

Prize Money	Name	Member No
£50	C Hodge	470
£40	J Bryce	109
£30	I Bryce	141
£20	R De Banks	161
£15	J Hemstedt	208
£15	D Hall	491

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.

The August Monthly Draw will take place on Friday 28th August in the Community Hall at 7.15pm. Everybody welcome

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



CHURCH SERVICES FOR AUGUST 2026

2 nd Aug	Morning Prayer	9.30 am	Chattisham
9 th Aug	Café Church	9.30 am	Hintlesham
16 th Aug	Communion	9.30 am	Chattisham
23 rd Aug	All Age Eucharist	9 30 am	Hintlesham
30 th Aug	Benefice Communion	10am	Elmsett

Chattisham Events

Tues 18 th Aug	Coffee Caravan	10 am to 12 noon	Chattisham
6 th September	Morning Prayer	9.30 am	Chattisham

Introducing the Hintlesham Badger Podcast

Hintlesham has a new voice! The Hintlesham Badger Podcast is now available and can be found by searching Hintlesham Badger Podcast on Spotify.

If you've never tried a podcast before, don't worry – it's simply a radio-style programme you can listen to whenever and wherever you like, using a smartphone, tablet or computer. It's free and easy to use.



Presented by former BBC broadcaster and Duke Street resident, Gerald Main, the podcast shines a spotlight on village life with friendly interviews, local history, community news and stories from the people who know Hintlesham best. From longtime residents sharing their memories to those helping shape the village today, every episode aims to entertain, inform and celebrate our community.

Whether you're a lifelong resident, a newcomer or simply interested in village life, we hope you will enjoy listening.

So why not give it a try? Just search Hintlesham Badger Podcast on Spotify, press play and discover the stories, characters and conversations that make Hintlesham such a special place. New episodes will be released monthly.

Many thanks, Gerald Main

WHAT'S ON - AUGUST 2026

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Date	Event/Venue	Contact
5 th	Coffee Stop 10-12 Community Hall	Margaret Langton 652210
6 th	T Circle	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533
18 th	Rural Coffee Caravan 10-12 Chattisham Church 2-4 Community Hall	
28 th	Community Draw	Liz Stone
SEPTEMBER 2026		
3 rd	T Circle Event	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533
10 th	Hall Lunch	Thelma for further details 01473 652180 or 07766 506592
10 th	Parish Council Meeting	Parish.clerk@ hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk
13 th	Annual Cricket Match, Polstead	Roger Luxmoore-Styles (07825 401334)
23 rd	Coffee Stop	Margaret Langton 652210
25 th	Annual Macmillan Charity Tea Party 2-4 Community Hall	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533

The village website address is:
www.hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk

**Deadline for the September edition of
 The Village Link is 21st August.**

**Email items for insertion to: Caroline Bates –
 TheLinkHC@outlook.com**

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