

JULY 2026



Made in Hintlesham & Chattisham





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

Wednesday 1st July

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



HALL LUNCH

9th July 12.30pm Community Hall.

Contact Thelma for further details
01473 652180 or 07766 506592



VILLAGE WALK will be on the third Thursday of the month subject to holidays. Details are available through Rob 07517 795424 to join the Hintlesham and Chattisham walking group WhatsApp.



GARDEN CLUB

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 Meeting

9th July 7.30pm Meeting Room,
Community Hall. Contact: Parish.clerk@
hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk

RURAL COFFEE CARAVAN

21st July 10.00 - 12.00 Chattisham Church
14.00 - 16.00 Hintlesham Community
Hall. ALL WELCOME

T CIRCLE dates for your diary.

2nd July Members Afternoon Tea at Golf club
2.30 for 3pm
6th August Crafting evening with Debbie.
7.30 Hintlesham Community Hall
3rd September Harbour Lights Suffolk Folk
Tri-o-Stories and Music 7.30

CHATTISHAM PLAYING FIELD WORKING PARTY:

The Chattisham Playground needs some TLC. *If you would like to join the working party, please contact Cris (07958 522079).*

TIDDLERS AND TODDLERS

are planning our end of year party for 9th or 10th July, tbc. Please contact Mary (07833 665381) to join our Whatsapp group or just give us your details so that we can keep in touch with you.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

The final consultation phase of our Draft Neighbourhood Plan has concluded and the Parish Council has responded to those comments.

An independent reviewer has been appointed to assess the content of the draft Plan for compliance with legislation and guidance and will inform Babergh if any changes are required before the Plan can be approved as suitable. The details of the process of this review are available on the village website.

An approved Plan will then be sent to every household for us all to vote on its acceptance or otherwise.



Notes from the Parish Council Meeting on 11th June 2026

There were 11 Councillors present with apologies from John Whyman. Our County Councillor- Christopher Hudson -attended via a phone link and there were 2 members of the public present.

Matters Arising

The Chair has been in touch with Babergh regarding inappropriate lighting at Charity Farm, Chattisham and Enforcement will be involved.

The Parish Council do not think they should pay for replacement road markings which were covered by Highways' road works- Councillor Hudson said he would address this.

The Chair has had a quote for a zebra crossing between the hall and the Muga, but the cost of over £12,000 was deemed excessive, so another price is being sought.

County Councillor Report:

Christopher Hudson has taken over the role of looking after the highways with 7000 miles of roads with lots of potholes. He has spoken to JCB regarding a machine for repairs which involves an expense of £200,000. Many people have problems with signs and parishes should have more power to arrange sign cleaning. He suggested that he will set some money aside for our parishes. He was unsure who had put the traffic monitoring strips across Duke Street. He also asked if there was any more development on the Spring Meadow proposal. The Chair said the Parish Council had written to Babergh along with many others, objecting to the scale and location of the proposal, so they will be aware of the feelings of villagers.

Planning: DC/26/02281

Proposal: Planning Application. Change of use of a parcel of land currently designated as grade 3 agricultural, to residential gardens. Location: Land West of Warnham Lodge to Whisper Cottage, Duke Street, Hintlesham, IP8 3PW. Not a large area involved, appears to be the farmer tidying up the edges of his field behind these houses, so no objection.

Neighbourhood Plan: The final version is with an independent reviewer. No clear timing for completion of the review.

VAS Signs:

We have 4 signs in the village but one now needs replacing after 5 years, so the Chair will be getting a quote.

House Numbers:

A resident wondered if houses in Duke Street should be numbered as delivery drivers can have difficulties. It was thought this was impractical and unenforceable-it would be better to increase the number of post codes which now cover a wide area and encourage residents to use **What3Words**. (www.what3words.com)

CIL Update:

There is £40,000 CIL money available to spend on the villages, but some of this is allocated for such things as the hall extension and the Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Chase reported on the police forum in Capel St. Mary which had a good turnout. The overview of crimes in Hadleigh and nearby areas was generally low level with particularly pleasing results in reducing anti-social behaviour, disruptive cars and off road bikes. Somebody complained about bad driving which seemed to be getting worse. Police are doing more safety awareness and crime reduction work with schoolchildren, which hopefully will bring good results. There was a talk on Neighbourhood Watch which is now 44 years old but still a good thing to have- according to reports, crime is 20% lower in places with a NW in place - The Chair asked for this to be on the agenda of our next PC meeting. The next Police forum meeting is 16th September, Hintlesham Community Hall

These notes are an interpretation of the meeting by Diane Chase. Formal minutes are posted on the village website.

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



Chattitude presents **Rewilding: Letting Nature Take Control**



John Cousins, farmer, land agent, and former Director of Agriculture for the Wildlife Trusts UK, will share examples of rewilding projects from his own farm in Flowton and across Europe alongside honest reflections on food, waste, and what changes can make a real difference.

Chattisham Church. Friday, 3rd July, 6:30 for 7 pm

£12.50 pp to include a drink and nibbles

contact Judy Bradley - 01473 652071 chattishamchurch@gmail.com
or Eventbrite.co.uk

Footpaths in our Villages

We are fortunate to have many footpaths in our 2 villages and remind all walkers that they should stay on the designated footpaths and not ignore or remove signs saying no public right of way.

Maps detailing all the footpaths are available on the village website at :

www.hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk/home/SearchForm?Search=footpaths&action_results=Go

or by searching: Hintlesham 318 Footpath Definitive map

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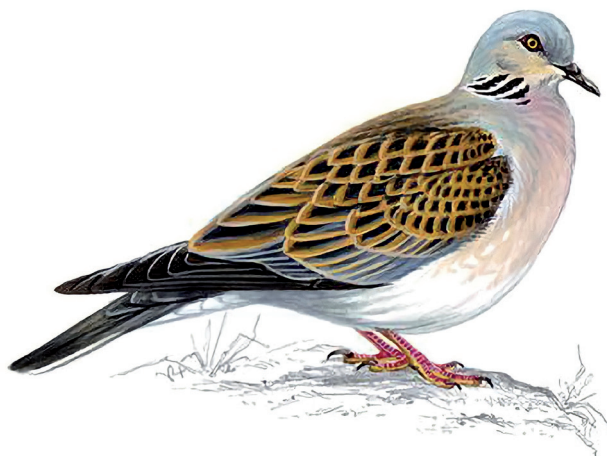
Local Wildlife by the Sandfords

At around 4am, I could hear the wonderful singing of a single Nightingale in the small copse opposite Chattisham churchyard. It had flown all the way from Africa and they are high on the endangered list. Their large, well-made nests can be found low down in a thick hedge or thicket and 6 eggs can be laid. However, loss to predators is very high – Weasels and Stoats mainly but also to an odd Rat. The singing of a Song Thrush and a number of Blackbirds around, made it sound like an orchestra. They never seem to interrupt each other and it goes on for 10 minutes or more.

A phone message told me people had seen a Green Woodpecker feeding. The Parakeets are still around in the orchard next door and must have been bred in captivity. We haven't heard or seen Swifts, Swallows or House Martins yet-they are still to arrive in numbers-I hope to hear from Hugo and Margaret from their patch.

We have heard very little about our Barn, Tawny and Little Owls, but thank you to those who told us about seeing Turtle Doves. There are many fledglings of all breeds around - we hope they survive predators.

Many of you have spoken to us about the cutting back of the hedge in the churchyard which had been done in the nesting season. This has caused upset and anger over the disruption to wildlife at this time of year.



H&CCC MONTHLY DRAW MAY 2026

Prize Money	Name	Member No
£40	Mrs Overing	301
£30	John Squirrell	196
£20	J Wykes	384
£15	J Cox	173
£15	Claire Bartley	459

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 July 31st 2026 Monthly Draw will take place on Friday 2026 in the Community Hall at 7.15pm. Everybody welcome

T Circle

In June Georgina gave a talk on the importance of exercise in maintaining everyday activity, followed by a seated exercise demonstration session to 20 T Circle members -some of whom were already regulars at Georgina's Monday morning sessions 9.30 am in the Community Hall.



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/>

Save the Soul of our Village

by Gerald Main

70 Hintlesham residents packed the Community Hall on Thursday 28th May for a public meeting, hosted by the Community Opposition Group, to update supporters on the campaign to overturn proposals for an estate of dozens of houses on agricultural land to the east of Duke Street and adjacent to Timperleys.

The Chair of the group, Richard Cowley, thanked villagers for the 'amazing' support given to the campaign's GoFundMe appeal, which had raised more than £3000 to engage a top planning consultant to advise the group. However, Mr Cowley warned that this could be a long term campaign, which would require on-going funding and urged the meeting to continue supporting the GoFundMe appeal. See QR code below.

One Duke Street resident, who didn't wish to be named, said, "The developers seem hell bent on ripping the soul out of the village." A Chattisham woman added, "The existing infrastructure in the village is already under pressure," and she felt more people, and especially more cars, would result in roads being blocked and services threatened.

Finally, ideas were discussed for future fundraising and a mass emailing campaign to ensure the community's voice was heard clearly by planning authorities and politicians.



CHURCH SERVICES FOR JULY 2026

5 th July	Communion	9.30 am	Chattisham
12 th	All Age Eucharist	9.30 am	Hintlesham
19 th	Morning Prayer	9.30 am	Chattisham
26 th	Café Church	9 30 am	Hintlesham

Next Month

2 nd Aug	Morning Prayer	9.30 am	Chattisham
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Chattisham Events

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

Community Council Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) 13th July 6PM

The Hintlesham and Chattisham Community Council will be holding an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) on **Monday 13th July 2026**.

This meeting is open to all residents of Hintlesham and Chattisham and has been called to discuss and consider proposed changes to the Community Council Constitution. The Community Council plays an important role in supporting local events, activities and community projects, and the Constitution helps to guide how the organisation operates. Residents are warmly encouraged to attend, hear the proposed changes and share views.

Community Consultation Meeting – Chattisham Playing Field and Play Area 16th July 6PM

The Hintlesham and Chattisham Community Council is inviting all residents to attend an open community meeting to discuss the future of the play area and surrounding space at Chattisham Playing Field. The current play equipment has reached the end of its useful life and will need to be removed or replaced in the near future. Before any decisions are made, the Community Council would like to hear the views of local residents

WHAT'S ON - JULY

JULY 2026		
Date	Event/Venue	Contact
1 st	Coffee Stop 10-12 Community Hall	Margaret Langton 652210
2 nd	T Circle Members' Tea, Hintlesham Golf Club 2.30 for 3	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533
3 rd	Rewilding Talk, Chattisham Church 6.30 for 7pm	Tickets via Eventbrite.co.uk or Judy Bradley - 01473 652071, chattishamchurch@gmail.com
4 th	Beer and Cider Festival Community Hall 12.00	Lauren
9 th	Paint and Plonk night	hintleshamschoolassociation@ gmail.com
9 th	Hall Lunch	Thelma 01473 652180
9 th	Parish Council Meeting	parish.clerk@ hintleshamandchattisham-pc. gov.uk
13 th	Community Council EGM 6PM Community Hall	Lauren 07539 172064
16 th	Community Council Consultation 6pm Community Hall	Lauren 07539 172064
21 st	Rural Coffee Caravan 10-12 Chattisham Church 2-4 Community Hall	
31 st	Community Draw 7.15 Community Hall	Liz Stones liz.stones3@gmail.com
AUGUST		
6 th	T Circle Event	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533

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

Deadline for the August edition of The Village Link is July 18th.
Email items for insertion to:
Caroline Bates – TheLinkHC@outlook.com

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