

MARCH 2026



Made in Hintlesham & Chattisham



SPRING SHOW

Saturday 21st March 2026
at Hintlesham Community Hall
Free entry to all visitors from 2pm to
see the winning entries and enjoy tea,
cake & a raffle

Entries open to all
Schedules at
<https://hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk>
Flower, cookery, handicraft & childrens
classes



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

12th March 7.30pm Meeting Room,
Community Hall. Contact: Parish.clerk@
hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk

RURAL COFFEE CARAVAN

17th March 10.00 - 12.00
Chattisham Church

14.00 - 16.00
Hintlesham Community Hall.
ALL WELCOME



HALL LUNCH

12th March 12.30pm
Community Hall.

Contact Thelma for further details
01473 652180 or 07766 506592



THANK YOU Gillian Jennings
(Duke Street Resident) for doing another
Litter pick around parts of the Village.
We all appreciate your efforts.

Stephanie Coupland

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.



COFFEE STOP

4th March. 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

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH

MEETING March 25th 7.30pm
Community Hall Meeting Room

You are all welcome to come and hear
how your local church is thriving.

TIDDLERS AND TODDLERS

We'd love to see you at the Community
Hall, Hintlesham for Play, chat,
healthy refreshments & coffee/tea!
ALL WELCOME !😊. Do drop in- 2nd
Wednesday of the month.

Contact Mary L-S. 07833 665381

BOWLS CLUB UPDATE:

2026 to date has been tough. We have
played 5 matches, going out of the cup
to division one Barking and playing
three away league matches. We had
an excellent 10-0 win at Whatfield but
lost 8-2 to Burstall and 9-1 to top of the
table Bentley.

We have three matches left to play this
season, all at home, which gives us a
good chance to move up the league as
we currently sit in 5th place.

CHATTITUDE EASTER WORKSHOPS:

Materials will be provided and you will be shown how to make Easter Eggs,
Wreaths and Trees. £20 per adult/£7.50 Children-cash or card on the Day.

Contact Judy Bradley 01473652071/cjbradley@mr-underhills.co.uk

NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD THURSDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

Your Parish Council meeting was well attended by 15 members. Cllr Rowland gave his apologies. Cllr Whyman (BDC Cllr for Capel St Mary gave the district council report). We were joined by several members of the public which is always good to see- please join us. Also present was Phil Branton of Wincer Kievenaar Architects of Hadleigh to present their outline suggestions for a housing development to the west of Dukes Park. This was a productive and useful exchange between Councillors and Mr Branton, who intends to undertake a public presentation on 26th March.

Cllr Cole welcomed members to the meeting, took apologies for absence, and the Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Several Councillors made signed declarations of interest.

Planning: DC/25/05471 – Land at Cobbolds Farm, Ipswich Road, Hadleigh: Discharge of Conditions. Members voiced concern relating to the high levels of 'light pollution' that occurs at the site and requested new lighting should be of a type that minimises this.

DC/25/05271 – Hall Farm, Mill Lane, Chattisham: Application for Conversion of Existing Garage to Office & Annex. No Objections.

Neighbourhood Plan Update – Cllr Bates reported on progress to the Plan and its recent submission to BDC for consideration. We expect the NDP to come to referendum in July. Caroline confirmed that details will be on the new PC website.

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) – Cllr Cole updated members on current expenditure & progress of CIL projects.

Traffic Speed Survey A1071 – Cllr Cole had contacted SCC Hudson for traffic data, with the prospect of using

Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras on stretches of the road.

Policies & Procedures – Cllr Cole introduced this matter as the PC needs to review and update our documents. Cllr's Archer & Whyman agreed to undertake this.

Finance – The list of financial items, for payment, were agreed to be paid.

Councillor Reports: Cllr Cole updated members on planning enforcement issue in Duke St at Cobblers Corner and the planning enforcement/related road use issues at the Duke St A1071 junction. Cllr Martin reported on Public Rights of Way and 'water-logging' issues.

Correspondence: An e mail had been received from KLH Architects making H&CPC aware of a proposal to build 20 homes adjacent to Birch Farm on the A1071. Cllr Cole suggested asking KLH to address the PC so a fuller understanding of the proposal can be gained.

These notes are my personal interpretation of the meeting and do not, necessarily, represent the determined position of the Parish Council. Minutes of this meeting will be published and available on the village website John Whyman – 19th Feb.

Hintlesham and Chattisham
Community

**Full English
Breakfast**

£7 per person inc. tea/coffee

Sunday 8th March
From 9am to 12pm in the Community Hall

**Please book - contact
Lauren 07539172064**

Cash payment only!



Fierce, emotional, reflective, beautiful, haunting...these are just some of the ways to describe the Requiem in B flat minor by Antonin Dvorak which will be performed by Hadleigh Choral Society on **Saturday 28th March at St Mary's Church in Hadleigh**. All are invited to attend this concert which promises to be an incredible experience. The Colchester Symphony Orchestra with professional soloists, and Christopher Phelps will conduct the evening which will start at 7:30pm. Tickets are £18 or free for those in full time education, and are available online, at The Idler bookshop in Hadleigh, or through choir members.

For more information visit www.hadleighchoralsociety.org.uk

H&CCC Monthly Draw - The Community Fundraiser

H&CCC Monthly Draw- The Community Fundraiser. The March 2026 Monthly Draw will take place on Friday 27th March 2026 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 **Many thanks Liz Stones**

JANUARY 2026		
Prize		No.
£100	Mrs S Leeks	234
£40	Daniel Foxlow	156
£30	Tom Emmerson	487
£20	Hilary Deakin	132
£15	Trudy Avis	280
£15	Molly Charnock	263

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.



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Wildlife in Hintlesham & Chattisham

by Bryan & Pat Sandford

Only for a few moments we had a Parrot in our garden but being attacked by other birds. If you have lost one, we hope you get him back safely.

We still have Starlings around, often as many as 25. Some birds were still breeding in early winter and beyond. Many of you tell us about Crows, Rooks, Jackdaws, Pigeons and Magpies feeding in our gardens and I saw a pair of Yellowhammers - but Seagulls will soon clear up all the bird food.

We were talking to a couple who asked me what happens to early morning snails which leave trails in the garden. Thrushes and Blackbirds feed on them, but they have declined in numbers in recent years, possibly due to loss of habitation. Not so many Squirrels have been spotted, but someone rang me to say they had seen a white thing like a Squirrel. It's probably the albino one that I have mentioned previously. The Badgers have been raiding our garden and digging more holes than a JCB. Which makes me wonder- where have the moles gone?

If you see something of interest please let us know on 652006.



Mark and Micky from the Guide Dogs for the Blind gave us a very entertaining and informative evening in February.

5th March

Suffolk Suffragettes with Chris Turland

2nd April

History of Western headwear with Anne Reader (+ demo, Milliner)

Meeting 7.30 H & C community hall first Thursday of the month.

Come and join us, bring a friend enjoy.

See you there your T circle committee



T CIRCLE

THURSDAY 5th March 2026

H&C Community Hall 7.30pm

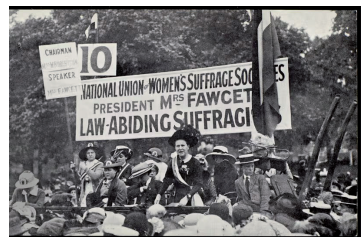


TALK ON SUFFOLK SUFFRAGETTES

By Chris Turland

Guests £3.50 includes refreshments

Suffolk has a strong connection with the Suffragette movement, including the key leaders Aldeburgh-born Millicent Garrett Fawcett and her sister Elizabeth Garrett Anderson. A local connection is Olive Beamish (1890 – 1978), a Suffragette 'Chief Fire Raiser', who moved to Hintlesham in 1955.





NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Following your, and statutory agencies', contributions to the Draft Plan in September 2025, a new edition was submitted to Babergh Council for an independent assessor to review. An approved draft Plan will be made available for all households in Hintlesham and Chattisham, to vote on their approval, or otherwise. It is hoped this will be possible by July 2026.

The final draft of the Plan and documents showing your comments and the changes made to the Plan as a result, are now posted on the Village Website.

COUNTRY PET SERVICES

Hi, I'm Bev Jeffrey and for those who don't know me, I run Country Pet Services in Hintlesham and have done so for the last 14 years.

I offer dog walking, house sitting, let outs and pet taxi, as well as visits to your small pets, such as guinea pigs and rabbits. I now have a vacancy for dog walks on Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays.

I am filling up quickly too for 2026 house sits, so I would love to hear from you to discuss you and your pets needs.



Ring or text on 07557 302752

E mail: Beverley.jeffrey@ hotmail.com

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STEVE'S CASH PRIZE BINGO

Elmsett & Aldham Village Hall

Saturday 28th March 2026

Doors open at 6.30pm

Eyes down at 7.30pm

**Please bring your own Drinks,
Soft drinks are available at 50p per can.**



YOU ARE INVITED TO



ST. PATRICK'S PARTY

20TH MARCH 2026

FROM 7PM

LIVE MUSIC FROM
JOHN FANNY ADAMS

IRISH DRINKS, SNACKS
AND FUN!



CHURCH SERVICES FOR MARCH 2026

1 st March	Morning Prayer	9.30 am	Chattisham
8 th March	Communion with Baptism	9.30 am	Hintlesham
15 th March	Mothering Sunday	9.30am	Chattisham
22 nd March	Cafe Church	9.30 am	Hintlesham
29 th March	Palm Sunday	9.30 am	Hintlesham

APRIL

5 th April	Easter Sunday Festival Eucharist	9.30 am	Chattisham
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Chattisham Events

Tues 17 th	Coffee Caravan	10 am to 12 noon	Chattisham
Wed 18 th	Discussion Group	3 pm	Chattisham
Tues 24 th	Craft and Chat	10 am to 3 pm	Chattisham

A word from our Vicar

Dear Friends, It's that time of year again, when I get asked "What are you giving up for Lent?" Lent holds profound significance in the Christian calendar—a 40 day period of spiritual preparation leading to Easter. This sacred season, mirroring Jesus's 40 days fasting in the wilderness, offers believers time for reflection, repentance, renewal of faith.

Lent invites Christians to journey with Christ toward the cross. Through self-denial, fasting and prayer, believers share symbolically in Christ's suffering and sacrifice, helping them detach from worldly distractions and redirect their focus toward spiritual growth. Whether giving up certain foods, habits, or luxuries, these acts of sacrifice are daily reminders of Christ's ultimate sacrifice.

Many Christians use this time to assess their lives, confess their shortcomings, and seek reconciliation with God and others. This penitential aspect prepares hearts to fully appreciate the joy and triumph of the Easter resurrection. Lent encourages Christians to deepen their prayer life and personal discipline and to engage with Scripture. Importantly, Lent isn't just about temporary restrictions but about lasting transformation. The habits formed in forty days are intended to continue beyond Easter, fostering genuine spiritual maturity. In our fast-paced, consumer-driven culture, Lent offers Christians a countercultural pause, a sacred space to remember what truly matters, to hunger for God rather than material things, to emerge spiritually strengthened, ready to celebrate Christ's resurrection.

To go back to my original statement, I shall be taking on: reading those theological books I've been meaning to read but keep finding excuses not to read "just yet". I shall also make more effort to open my eyes to the glories to God around me, in nature, in the people I meet and in the work I do. Whatever you have planned for Lent, I hope it brings you every blessing.

Geoffrey – Rector of Hintlesham and Chattisham

WHAT'S ON - MARCH 2026

MARCH 2026

Date	Event/Venue	Contact
4 th	Coffee Stop 10-12 Community Hall	Margaret Langton 652210
5 th	T Circle 7.30 PM Community Hall	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533
8 th	Community Breakfast	Lauren 07539172064
11 th	Tiddlers and Toddlers	Mary 07833 665381
12 th	Hall Lunch	Thelma 01473 652180
12 th	Parish Council Meeting	parish.clerk@ hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk
14 th	Chattitude Workshop Easter Eggs, Wreaths and Trees Chattisham Church 2-4PM	Judy Bradley 01473652071/ cjbradley@mr-underhills.co.uk
17 th	Rural Coffee Caravan 10-12 Chattisham Church 2-4 Community Hall	
20 th	St Patrick's Day Party 7PM Community Hall	Lauren 07539172064
21 st	Garden Club Spring Show Community Hall 2pm	Cathy park.farm1@btinternet.com
23 rd	Charity Golf Day Hintlesham Golf Club	pjhollis20@gmail.com Tel 01473 652566
27 th	Community Draw 7.15 Community Hall	Liz Stones liz.stones3@gmail.com
27 th	Beetle Drive 8pm Community Hall	Lauren 07539172064
28 th	Hadleigh Choral Society Concert, ST Mary's Church, Hadleigh	www.hadleighchoralsociety.org.uk.
28 th	Steve's Cash Bingo Elmset and Aldham Village Hall 6.30PM	
APRIL		
2 nd	T Circle Event	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533
4 th	Easter Egg Hunt 2-5PM Community Hall	Lauren 07539 172064

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

Deadline for the April edition of The Village Link is 20th March. Email items for insertion to: Caroline Bates – TheLinkHC@outlook.com

The magazine welcomes contributions, but reserves the right to amend, shorten or reject any article or advertisement submitted for publication.

Any views expressed by contributors are not necessarily shared by the magazine's committee.

AD RATES

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

Some places are still available at the Friends of Hintlesham with Chattisham Churches CHARITY GOLF DAY Monday 23rd March 2026 at Hintlesham Golf Club.

The cost for the day, including bacon roll and two course lunch, is £62.50 per Head for Non-Members/£38.00 for Members. Contact pjhollis20@gmail.com Tel 01473 652566