

MAY 2026



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Plant Sale

Sunday 3rd May

In Aid of Chattisham & Hintlesham
Church Restoration Fund

**Three Mile Farm,
Hintlesham, IP8 3QN
3.00pm - 5.00pm**

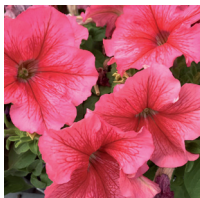
Plants for your Patios and Baskets,
Perennials, Shrubs, and Bedding Plants.

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Cards and Cream Teas

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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

Hintlesham and Chattisham
Community

Full English Breakfast

£7 per person inc. tea/coffee

Sunday 24th May
From 9am to 12pm in the Community Hall
Please book - contact
Lauren 07539172064
Cash payment only!

HALL LUNCH

14th May 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
07517795424 to join the Hintlesham and
Chattisham walking group WhatsApp.

Friends of Hintlesham with Chattisham Churches Restoration Supper Saturday 20th June, Corner Farm House Chattisham IP8 3PY

The Friends Restoration Supper has moved this year from its usual date in cold February to what we hope will be a warm June summer evening.

Louise & Tom Lidstone have kindly offered to host this year's supper which is to be held at their house on the evening of Saturday 20th June. Drinks will be served from 6.30pm, supper 7.00pm to 11.00pm.

Tickets include a glass of wine or soft drink and a two-course supper, Cheese, Coffee/Tea. Further drinks will be available to purchase throughout the evening. Tickets £20 per person are limited in number-purchase from - Julia Woolley (652441), Julia Faulds (730298), Jill Warner (652205), Catriona Pakenham Walsh (730535) and Peter Hollis (652566)

Parking Available. All proceeds will be donated to the Churches Restoration Fund.

Peter Hollis on behalf of The Friends

PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Meeting 14th May
6pm Chattisham Church and
7pm Hintlesham Community Hall.
Parish Council meeting 14th May 7.30pm
Meeting Room, Community Hall. Contact:
Parish.clerk@hintleshamandchattisham-

COFFEE STOP

6th May. 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

THANK YOU

We would very much like to thank our
Neighbours and Friends in Hintlesham
and Chattisham for all the lovely Cards
and Gifts given to us when we
moved to Capel St. Mary.

Peter and Shirley King

Rural Coffee Caravan 19th May
10.00 - 12.00 Chattisham Church
14.00 - 16.00 Hintlesham

NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY 9th April

Apologies: J Whyman

Neither the County nor district councillors were present and no reports had been submitted by them.

A member of the public asked how many had attended the recent presentation on the proposed development of Land East of Duke Street. The Chair of the PC meeting estimated that approx 170 villagers attended, with the overwhelming majority stating they were against the proposal.

Planning DC/25/04310. It was noted that the application for houses on the Golf Club has been appealed. The PC has no further comments to make beyond previous objections to the original planning application.

Neighbourhood Plan. The plan is progressing well. Final consultation is now open until 15th May. This will be reviewed by Babergh and an independent assessor over the coming months-if no issues are raised we will then be in a position to hold a referendum on the plan.

Standing orders. A small team has been set up to review and update the standing orders.

This is the interpretation of the meeting by Jim Hammond

HINTRESHAM COMMUNITY HALL

FRENCH NIGHT

An evening of food, fun and entertainment

SATURDAY MAY 9th 2026

FOOD | MUSIC | GAMES

Includes Three courses
and a glass of
Champagne

£10 PER PERSON

From 7pm



BOWLS CLUB UPDATE

Our aim was still to finish third in the table even though we found ourselves in 6th place with one game to play. In our penultimate match we could only draw 5-5 at home to Stutton, needing 6 points in our final match to avoid relegation. Our worries proved unwarranted as we beat Kesgrave 10-0 and a finishing position of 3rd, just 4 points off promotion. We look forward to our end of season awards night in early May with the Summer League starting in May.

Info for the final table is here: Suffolk Carpet Bowls Association <https://share.google/CtTGAn1RyGnB3BRbS>

MARCH WILDLIFE - THE SANDFORDS

About 65 years ago I may have seen the last Red Squirrel in Suffolk sitting on a red telephone box. Since then I have seen Greys, a pure albino and on the 10th March, a pure black one.

A lot of reports this early Spring have birds doing strange things - a cock Pheasant roosting up a tree all day, a hen Pheasant with six chicks feeding under a window feeder. We have Tits, Linnets, Finches, Wrens, Sparrows and Robins. Pat maintains Roger left them to us when he left us so suddenly with the world in such a mess. I'm sure her beliefs are right.

Increasing numbers of Red Kites are flying overhead looking for an easy meal - maybe because of road kill. The Song and Mistle Thrushes are starting to return to our gardens and blackbirds are competing for snails.

You might see a very large Blue Tit - he must be a cock bird so let us know if you see him. Starlings have become one of the most common birds when feeding and most do not migrate but use nesting plots all year round-I wonder what will happen when the Swallows, House Martins and Swifts return. There are still not many Moles around and not so many Bats as there used to be. There are eighteen different species but we don't know the name of the two who sleep in our front doorway. Someone saw an Otter crossing the road in Chattisham, so watch out for your fish.



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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.

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 07557 473245: or Caroline Bates 07810 830534.

The next stage is that 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.



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

7th May:

Wendy Smith - Wimbledon Officiating as it was.

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

The Friends of Hintlesham with Chattisham Churches Charity Golf Day Results

Many thanks to all those who helped make this year's Friends Golf Day such a success. By good fortune the day turned out to be one of the best weather days of the week.

Thanks to Henry, Debbie and all the team at Hintlesham Golf Club the day ran smoothly with 7 teams participating and enjoying great Club hospitality and catering. Thanks also to the Friends team of Julia Faulds, Jill Warner, Julia Woolley and Catriona Pakenham Walsh for organising the Tombola

The winning team this year were Rob Thacker's Team Sona who were presented with the Michael Deakin Trophy for 2026. The best Individual player was Jono Auld of team Fairway to Heaven

Thanks to the generosity of all those who took part and sponsors the day raised £441.64 for the Hintlesham and Chattisham Churches Restoration Fund. A big thank you to all who took part and to this year's sponsors - Adnams, Coes of Ipswich, The Forge Garage, Hintlesham Golf Club, Hintlesham Hall, Hollie Pilates and Andrews Butchers.



The Friends Golf Day 2027 will take place on Monday March 23rd

H&CCC Monthly Draw- The Community Fundraiser

Prize Money	H&CCC Monthly Draw MARCH 2026 Name	Monthly Draw
£50	Julie Hemstedt	208
£40	Judy Bradley	357
£30	Nicola Hall	490
£20	Linda Jones	376
£15	Steve Hurren	103
£15	Michael Bensley	282

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 May 2026 Monthly Draw will take place on Friday 29th May 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

HELP FUND THE FIGHT by Gerald Main

Hintlesham residents are being asked to put their money where their mouths are to prevent 100 plus houses being built on fields to the east of Duke Street and adjacent to Timperleys. Monies will be used for a planning consultant to advise the community group campaigning to stop backfill housing developments in the village.

The group's chairman, Richard Cowley, says "Over 160 people who attended a recent consultation exercise indicated they were opposed to this inappropriate scheme. He added "to give the community the best chance of killing off this unnecessary and unwelcome proposal, we need to have a planning expert in our corner, and that professional expertise will cost us, but if we don't see off this proposal the cost to Hintlesham, Chattisham and the surrounding villages will be felt for decades to come". Speaking after the consultation event, County councillor, Christopher Hudson said, "The scale of the development is entirely out of keeping with the village," and he predicted unimaginable chaos as a result of additional traffic on the roads, especially near the village school and approaches to the Beagle roundabout on the A1071 near Ipswich.

The opposition group has set up a "go fund me" page:

<https://gofund.me/9f92d0bac>.

Or scan the QR code

Gerald Main





CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY 2026

3 rd May	Morning Prayer & Baptism	9.30 am	Chattisham
10 th May	Café Church	9.30 am	Hintlesham
17 th May	Communion	9.30 am	Chattisham
24 th May	All Age Eucharist	9 30 am	Hintlesham
31 st May	Benefice Communion	10am	Chattisham

JUNE

7 th June	Morning Prayer	9.30 am	Chattisham
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Chattisham Events

Fri 15 th	Chattitude Event	6.30pm	Chattisham Church
Tues 19 th	Coffee Caravan	10 am to 12 noon	Chattisham Church
Wed 20 th	Discussion Group	3 pm	Chattisham Church
Tues 26 th	Craft and Chat	10 am to 3 pm	Chattisham Church



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.

Friday 15th May doors open 6:30 pm, talk 7 pm
 Tickets £12.50 pp to include a drink and nibbles

contact Judy Bradley - 01473 652071 cjbradley@mr-underhills.co.uk
 or [Eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)

WHAT'S ON - MAY 2026

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Date	Event/Venue	Contact
3 rd	Plant Sale 3-5PM Three Mile Farm	Mary Williams (652632 or barryandmarywtb@gmail.com)
6 th	Coffee Stop 10-12 Community Hall	Margaret Langton 652210
7 th	T Circle 7.30pm Community Hall	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533
9 th	French Night Community Hall 7pm	Lauren 07539172064
14 th	Hall Lunch	Thelma 01473 652180
14 th	Parish Council Meeting	parish.clerk@hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk
15 th	Chattitude Event 6.30 Chattisham Church	Judy Bradley 01473652071 cjbradley@mr-underhills.co.uk
15 th	Draft Neighbourhood Plan consultation closes	www.babergh.gov.uk/ HintChatNP.
19 th	Rural Coffee Caravan 10-12 Chattisham Church 2-4 Community Hall	
24 th	Community Breakfast	Lauren 07539172064
29 th	Community Draw 7.15 Community Hall	Liz Stones liz.stones3@gmail.com

JUNE 2026

13 th	Strawberry Fayre, Primary School	
20 th	Restoration Supper Chattisham	Peter Hollis 652 566

SAVE THE DATE

**Hintlesham School Fundraising Event
9th July Paint and Plonk night**

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

Deadline for the June edition of The Village Link is May 15th.

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

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