

JANUARY 2026



Made in Hintlesham & Chattisham



Chattisham Church Re Ordering

Chattisham Church continues to be used on a regular basis for worship and many other social and community events. Architects' drawings are displayed in Chattisham Church showing the options for re ordering Chattisham Church.

The PCC are organising open days at Chattisham Church. PCC Members will be available to explain the plans and answer questions. The Plans will be on display throughout January and village members are invited to visit at any time during the working day and leave comments.

Open Days:

Tuesday 6th January 10.00am to 12.30pm

Saturday 17th January 10.00am to 3.00pm

Tuesday 20th January 10.00am to 12.30pm/Rural Coffee Caravan

Tuesday 27th January 10.00am to 12.30pm (Craft Day)

Coffee, Tea and biscuits will be served on all Open Days.

Come along and see the exciting plans to bring generational change to our historic church making it accessible to all and fit for purpose now and for generations to come.



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

HALL LUNCH

8th January 12.30pm

Community Hall.

Contact *Thelma* for further
 details 01473 652180 or 07766 506592



**RURAL COFFEE
 CARAVAN**

20th January

10.00 - 12.00
 Chattisham Church

14.00 - 16.00
 Hintlesham Community Hall. ALL WELCOME



COFFEE STOP

Wednesday 7th January

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



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

8th January 7.30pm

Meeting Room, Community Hall.

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

**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. *Next date 14th January.*
 Contact *Mary L-S.*

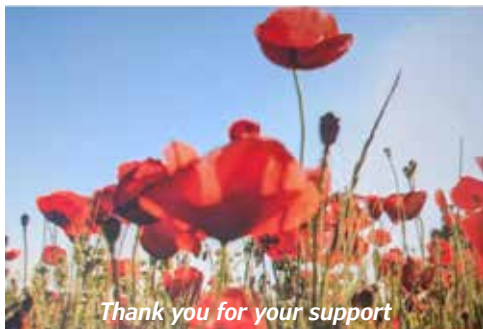


GRATEFUL THANKS

We would like to thank our wonderful
 community for the cards, messages, notes,
 flowers and, best of all, hugs that we
 received re the sudden and unexpected loss
 of our dear grandson Jamie to meningitis.
 He was 21 years old and had just started
 his Masters course at Cardiff University.
 Needless to say, we are devastated and
 our world has been turned upside down.
 However, your support through kind
 thoughts, prayers and good wishes has
 been overwhelming and we are so grateful.

Janet & Richard Davies

**I would like to say a big thank you to
 everyone that has supported the local RBL
 Poppy appeal 2025, to those that have kindly
 displayed collection pots, helped with House
 to house collections and to all that have made
 donations. Between us we raised £766.65!**



Thank you for your support



COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

11th January

Community Hall

Contact *Lauren 07539 172064*

NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD THURSDAY 11TH DECEMBER

10 Parish Councillors were present and 2 members of the Public.
Apologies from Marc Rowland, District Councillor.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved. One item was raised- the payment to Suffolk.Net which was paid in error-Parish Clerk to seek a refund and ensure the old village website is deleted and the new village website and the new Community Council websites are linked and accessible to the community.

Public Session

A member of the public raised significant concerns about speeding vehicles on the A1071 and multiple accidents within the 40mph section between Hadleigh and Hintlesham. The Chair agreed to write to Suffolk Highways seeking their introduction of additional speed limit monitoring and enforcement actions.

Planning Applications:

DC/25/05109 Duke Street

The PC supported the decision by the Planning Dept to refuse the previous application and does not believe this latest version is substantially different from the previous, so should be refused.

DC/25/01015 & 05007

Adjacent to Chattisham Hall

Listed building consent to create an additional 3 bedroom dwelling in the Countryside by extending the current recreation building. The application does not comply with Planning Regulations because it is outside the built up area boundary and does not meet any of the criteria for an exception. The Parish Council will be objecting on this basis

CIL Expenditure

One of the new flashing school speed signs is faulty and the manufacturers have been contacted to make repairs.

Neighbourhood Plan Update

A project has been initiated to progress the opportunity to develop a piece of land as a Community Land Trust site for affordable

housing. The low level development would be best suited to older residents wishing to downsize and young families.

If planning permission is granted, this will be a development which will remain under the ownership, control and direction of the Trustees for the benefit of the community within the Parishes.

2026 Council Tax Precept

Items currently funded by the Parish Council through a council tax precept, were discussed and a draft budget for 2026 developed. The Community Council requested additional funds to support the rising costs of maintaining the Community Hall Woodland area, An amount was agreed.

Reports from Councillors

Several councillors reported concerns about dangerous parking in Duke Street at the junction with the A1071. Several vehicles are parked close to the junction causing congestion and potential danger. The Chair will remind the owners that vehicles must not be parked within 10 metres of a junction and must not cause danger/obstruction.

There are complaints of noise nuisance caused by Fireworks at events at Hintlesham Hall and Golf Club with no advance notice given. Councillor Coupland will request advance notice is given in future via Facebook or The Link.

Priory Road-Concerns have been raised re: the damaged 'Not Suitable for HGVs' sign which has been knocked down. Chair to request action by Suffolk Highways.

A response is required by the PC to the consultation on the Reorganisation of Suffolk Councils-each Councillor to send views to Chair and Peter Eaton by 5/1/26

This report is the interpretation of the meeting by Caroline Bates

T Circle Update

"Pennikity Pots returned our decorations, after glazing, in time for redistribution at the very enjoyable Christmas meal held at the Golf Club.

Tuesday 6th January

12 for 12.30 is members Soup, Sweet & AGM.

February 5th

Subs due, cash or cheque please.

Speaker: Guide dogs for the blind Mark Bright with Micky.

March 5th

Suffolk Suffragettes.

Meetings are held in H & C Community Hall on the First Thursday of the month 7 for 7.30.

Do come and join us, bring a friend or neighbour.

See you there, your T Circle committee



H&CCC Monthly Draw

The Community Fundraiser

The January 2026 Monthly Draw will take place on Friday 23 January 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

OCTOBER 2025

Prize	Name	Member No.
£40	P Walmsley	287
£30	A Dolby	291
£20	J. White	335
£15	John Barrett	391
£15	Pat Wright	126

NOVEMBER 2025

Prize	Name	Member No.
£40	John Barrett	391
£30	Tree Martin	273
£20	A Glazin	419
£15	Oliver Brunt	246
£15	Jo Fletcher	179

200 Club

It's January and time for the 200 club members in Timperleys, George Street and anyone else I collect from to pay their annual subscriptions.

See you soon, Jenny

Bowls Club

A good finish to 2025, progressing to the quarter finals of the cup, having beaten Bentley 12-8 on aggregate.

In the league we are in 4th place, having played 6, winning our 3 home games, losing our 3 away matches. Two league matches since the last monthly review, beating top of the table Bentley 8-2 at home before losing 7-3 away at Clappgate lane with that result taking them above Bentley to go top. We have two matches in the first half of January, away at Whatfield and home to Barking in the first leg of the cup. This will be our toughest match of the season with Barking currently 2nd in Division 1.



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.



OUR WILDLIFE in CHATTISHAM

by Bryan & Pat Sandford

Blue Tits feeding young around three nests, a Robin, Finch, a wren sitting on eggs, two common Cranes flying north from Hintlesham and a Moorhen with a single baby following mum. All these have been verified between the 6th November until the 25th. What a lovely sunny day that was. Also seen were two sets of young weasels both with parents down the Back Lane. Both had different aged young. We were very lucky to see this lovely sight.

Red Kites being bred in captivity and released into the wild is not proving very successful at present but if you are an early riser in mid-summer you might see Kites travelling east to west over the Washbrook area. As many as ten at a time will drop off for food, mostly dead meat, not like other predators. Owls, Kestrels and Sparrow Hawks will kill Moles, Shrews, Mice and small birds. Goshawks have been around the village for some time and are often seen around the wildlife field behind our house. They will take pheasants, Pigeons and Ducks, even from our garden.

We have noted a few more Hares on the fields around. If you meet one on our roads, please give it time to escape into a gateway. We have been given nine injured birds this year – eight of which made it back into the wild. There seem to be a lot of Badgers run over between Hintlesham and Hadleigh, with many killed in one night. Please watch out for our wildlife.

Young Isla has taken over the massive hole Roger left by feeding and watering the birds. She is doing well and making friends with a number of them.



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From 1st January 2026, Body Mind as One becomes Flow is Life website: www.flowislife.co.uk;
email: janet@flowislife.co.uk correspondence address & phone number remains the same,

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS BOOK ACCORDINGLY



The Rural Coffee Caravan

Founded in Suffolk as a charity in 2003 to provide practical support and reduce the stress of rural isolation and loneliness. The caravan is a mobile community café and information centre to help replace some of the social infrastructure missing from much of Suffolk's rural areas.

There are now 5 vehicles making more than 500 visits a year working with local volunteers to provide information in support of independent, happy living. The vans provide a friendly cheerful drop-in service with tea and cake and a wealth of knowledge and practical advice.

The Caravan team can help signpost you to support which is not always readily found on line including information in bereavement, local events and activities, energy saving grants and scam awareness, pension credit applications, assistive care technology, mental and physical well being-and more.

info@ruralcoffeecaravan.org.uk

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Supporting People's Growth

Thanks to all those who helped with the Hall Lunches in 2025 - *the Christmas meal was a huge success*



CHURCH SERVICES FOR JANUARY 2026

4 Jan	Morning Prayer	9.30 am	Chattisham
11 Jan	Cafe Church	9.30 am	Hintlesham
18 Jan	Holy Communion	9.30 am	Chattisham
25 Jan	All Age Eucharist	9 30 am	Hintlesham

Next Month

1 Feb	Morning Prayer	9.30 am	Chattisham
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Chattisham Events

Tues 20	Coffee Caravan	10 am to 12 noon	Chattisham Church
Wed 21	Discussion Group	3 pm	Chattisham Church
Tues 27	Craft and Chat	10 am to 3 pm	Chattisham Church

Friends of Hintlesham & Chattisham Churches Update

Upcoming events:

Friends Restoration Supper 2026 move the event to June and take advantage of the better weather. Watch this space for further information.

Friends Golf Day 2026

Next Year's Golf will be held at Hintlesham Golf Club on **Monday March 23rd**. The Friends Golf Day is a friendly event open to Golfers of all abilities and handicaps. Please put the day in your diary. Full details and Entry forms will follow in the New Year.

All funds raised will be donated to the Churches Restoration Fund

WHAT'S ON - January 2026

JANUARY 2026		
Date	Event/Venue	Contact
6 th	T Circle Event	Hilary or Annie 07845 940533
7 th	Coffee Stop 10-12 Community Hall	Margaret Langton 652210
8 th	Hall Lunch	Thelma 01473 652180
8 th	Parish Council Meeting	parish.clerk@hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk
11 th	Community Breakfast	Lauren 07539172064
12 th	Tiddlers and Toddlers	Mary 07833 665381
20 th	Rural Coffee Caravan 10-12 Chattisham Church 2-4 Hintlesham Hall	
23 rd	Community Draw 7.15	Liz Stones liz.stones3@gmail.com
FEBRUARY 2026		
5 th	T Circle Event	
11 th	Parish Council Meeting	parish.clerk@hintleshamandchattisham-pc.gov.uk

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

Deadline for the February 2026 edition of The Village Link is 16th January
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

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