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The Editor and the
Community Council
would like to take
this opportunity of
wishing you all a
Very Merry Christmas
and a Happy,
Healthy & Prosperous
New Year

BONFIRE NIGHT

A spectacular display enjoyed by all at this very well attended event.

Sincere thanks to all who worked so hard to make it possible.

Wishing you all A very merry Christmas.

*Bryan Smith,
President, Community Council*



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NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Notes by observer of the meeting: 9th October 2024

(Minutes will be available on PC notice board in the High Street or <https://naylandwithwissington-pc.gov.uk> after the next meeting)

Gerry Battye chaired the meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Lorraine Brooks asked whether online access to PC Minutes could be restored going back to 2005. It was agreed to upload 10 years of PC minutes on the PC's new website and make it clear how to request copies from further back.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Isabelle Reece enquired whether the planting plan for the old bus stop had been completed as she was looking to agree a sum from the Locality Budget. She has been pursuing the cemetery wall matter but had not got as far as she would have liked and is awaiting a response. She is trying to get Public Realm to say whether the pavement weeds schedule next year will be more effectively scheduled than this year's. The proposed new refuse collection issue is growing; Isabelle welcomes residents' views; contact Isabelle.Reece@babergh.gov.uk

HIGHWAYS

James Finch is chasing the issues on the A134 including the reflective bollards and condition of the traffic islands. Babergh will be asked to book a mechanical sweep on and around the traffic islands. Councillors agreed to express concerns to SC Highways regarding their inadequate response and unsightly appearance of the A134 in relation to these matters which fall short of the requirements in an AONB.

FINANCE

Councillors agreed to contribute 50% of the cost of a new defibrillator for Wiston from PC CIL funds – in the region of £1300. The Clerk is to write to nearby homeowner regarding the proposed siting of the defibrillator. The date for the Finance Sub Committee meeting will be 27th November.

Gerry Battye confirmed progress was being made regarding establishing the PC's commitment to the Model Publication Scheme (Freedom of Information).

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh had no objections for works to trees at **The White House 16 Church Lane [DC/24/03666]** to reduce T1 Hazel by 3ft-4 ft, prune sides to maintain balanced and natural shape; at **9 Court Street [DC/24/03707]** to reduce a Tulip tree to previous pollard points; at **39 Fen Street [DC/24/03976]** to fell a Walnut tree T3 to stop crowding of old apple tree and to replace it with a heritage damson fruit tree; at **The Cartlodge Lower Courtwood 13A Court Street [DC/24/03706]** to crown lift an Oak tree T2 with a TPO by 1-2m and remove deadwood and thin crown.

Planning Permission was granted at **Hill Farm Business Centre Harpers Hill [DC/24/03661]** for 6 separate secure storage spaces subject to conditions including landscaping, operating times, loading stipulation and construction hours.

Regarding an application at **2 Gravel Hill [DC/24/03691]** for erection of double carport/machinery store councillors had concerns whether neighbours were being consulted, that the required statutory notice is not displayed and incorrect information on the plans. They suggest consideration is given to the scale of the building in relation to neighbour amenity.

Councillors discussed an application at **11 High Street [DC/24/04395]** listed building consent for retention of pub sign bracket (without the sign). Councillors were reminded that a condition of the Appeal to reinstate the sign and bracket at the former White Hart. Whilst some councillors were sympathetic to this argument, it was resolved on a casting vote not to object subject to full consultation with the Heritage Team.

Councillors will look at a recent listed building application at **5 High Street [DC/24/04420]** for replacement/alteration of windows and external doors, new roof lights, internal and external alterations to rear extensions including replacement roof and render finish to rear lounge.

A date will be arranged for councillors to view the Webinar recordings of planning training sessions. It was agreed that

Councillors are free to chat on WhatsApp, however, any official communication should be confirmed via email.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO REFUSE COLLECTIONS

The changes proposed are a central government requirement for uniformity across the country. Babergh have adopted the new weekly collection of food waste and 3 weekly collections in rotation of; general household waste (black bin), paper/card (new green bin) and plastic/tins/glass (blue bin).

The move to three-weekly general waste collection is not part of the legislation but Babergh are currently proposing this.

Concerns have been expressed about the 3 weekly frequency; the PC will not make a comment at this stage.

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES

There were no objections in principle for Woodland Corner to erect their own sign discouraging people from driving all the way around the corner to their entrance. This would be subject to the PC approving the position and size.

The potential design of a planting scheme for the old bus shelter green area at the entrance to Heycroft Way/Harpers Estate had been considered and the consensus seemed to be to keep it simple for the District Council to maintain. Councillors will look at the site for further discussion.

Tendring Hall Estates asked the PC for suggestions regarding potential future use for the old scout hut. It has some historical significance and on the local list. Tendring Estate do not wish to maintain it; there is only footpath access; a dwelling is to be built in front of the hut; it's in need of repair. This would be raised at the Community Council meeting and in the Community Times.

VILLAGE HALL

The grant application with the National Lottery is proceeding made and tenders for the replacement roof are being sought.

A site meeting with the PC's grounds maintenance contractors will be held to obtain quotes for tree work on Webb's Meadow and maintenance of the Burial Ground.

IN BRIEF

It was confirmed that all but one allotment rent was received for last year; the current year rents have just been requested. There are two half allotments to be reallocated to people on the waiting list.

Owen Brown arranged a polite notice requesting that glass and breakable vases are not left on graves.



**NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

**VACANCY FOR
FOOTPATH WARDEN**

The Parish Council is looking for a new Footpath Warden. No specialist knowledge or experience needed, just a keen eye while you are out enjoying our wonderful countryside. Please contact the Parish Clerk, Debbie Hattrell, for more information on clerk@naylandwithwissington-pc.gov.uk or 01376 425744. Residents are encouraged to report any issues with the network of footpaths to the Parish Council and on the County Council's online reporting tool - see page 46 for details.

Notes by observer of the meeting: 13th November 2024

(Minutes will be available on PC notice board in the High Street or <https://naylandwithwissington-pc.gov.uk> after the next meeting)

Laura Erith chaired the meeting. Kevin Sheath was co-opted onto the Council.

PUBLIC FORUM

Following an update from Matthew Lee (Suffolk CC) for the Community Times Lorraine Brooks said the Environment Agency are dragging their heels processing a permit to enable the reduction by cutting of the wall of reeds along Caley Green; she asked the PC if they would express their concern to the EA over the delay in processing the permit for this work.

A representative of the Lady Anne Windsor Charity, which provides almshouses for local people, is hoping to move a local project forward with collaboration of Leavenheath and Nayland councillors; Tricia Fuller who had experience with past Nayland projects agreed to assist.

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

Isabelle Reece said she has been pursuing repair of the cemetery wall but has encountered queries where the responsibility lies. Debbie Hattrell said she is looking through PC archives for proof it lies with Babergh, however, for many years Babergh have taken responsibility which seems to indicate they are responsible.

Debbie Hattrell said the PC would finalise proposals at this meeting for land around the old bus shelter at Harpers Estate/Heycroft Way junction to submit an application for funds from the locality budget and the PC's finance committee will meet on 27th November and will then be in a position to apply to her for funds if they have any other projects proposed. Isabelle explained that applications for funds from her locality budget are no longer items specific.

Councillors asked her to chase the mechanical sweep of the by-pass islands to help prevent the return of weed growth.

Isabelle welcomes residents' views on the new refuse collection proposals; further details on page 7 & 39.

HIGHWAYS

James Finch was pleased to report that reflective bollards on the A134 traffic islands have been installed to replace the old units; a mechanical sweep by Babergh is awaited.

The PC had received an enquiry regarding a cycle/pedestrian pathway alongside the A134 from Horkesley Road to Park Road, and a possible crossing at Water lane. It was pointed out this would be a matter for Essex Highways.

FINANCE

The date for the Finance Sub Committee meeting will be 27th November.

Laura Erith had met with the Council's grounds maintenance contractor to determine work required and budgeting for the year ahead. This included: that considerable work was necessary for hedges and trees at Pop's Piece to bring them under control for easier maintenance in the future; overhanging vegetation needed taking back on the allotment field, tree work on the boundary of Webb's Meadow was required, maintenance along Candy Lane; continuing the usual regime at the Burial Ground; fencing on Fairfield Playpark.

FAIRFIELD DRIVE & PARKING

Councillors are concerned that the construction traffic for the new dwelling to be built near the turning circle will cause problems to this already congested area and potentially damage the recently patched up driveway. The rights for additional or change of use was questioned; Gerry Battye suggested that when the Roley Estate gifted the land to the Parish they probably retained

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Christmas Dates To Remember

Christmas Day and Boxing Day fall on Wednesday and Thursday this year, and New Year's Day is on the following Wednesday.

Doctors Surgery

Closed Wednesday 25th, Thursday 26th December & Wednesday 1st January
Surgery hours: 8am-6pm Monday-Friday
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Don't forget to your order prescriptions early for collection before Christmas & New Year.
Out of hours emergency NHS 111. Further details on page 26 & 47

Bus Services

NO service on Wednesday 25th, Thursday 26th December & Wednesday 1st January
Check website nearer the time for the afternoons of Christmas Eve & New Years Eve
See page 46 for bus timetables

Refuse Collection

Collections will take place as normal up to, and including, Tuesday 24 December.
Blue bins: collections due Thursday 26th December will be Saturday 28th December
collections due on Friday 27th December will be on Monday 30th December
Black bins: collections due Thursday 2nd January will be Saturday 4th January
collections due on Friday 3rd January will be on Monday 6th January
Blue bins: collections due Thursday 9th January will be Friday 10th January
collections due on Friday 10th January will be on Saturday 11th January
Brown bins: no collection between 25th December - 7th January.
Leave bins out by 6.30am. See page 37 for Babergh's full schedule

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NEIGHBOURS IN NEED APPEAL

The Community Council issued this appeal when they become aware that there are a few residents in the village who at times are unable to get out for themselves due to age or physical issues and would benefit from having a prescription collected, an errand run or some shopping dropped off. Residents excelled themselves when the appeal was made by putting themselves forward.

If you would like assistance that we can offer please let Lorraine Brooks know via email at lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com or 262807.

Or if you may be able to help by being included on a volunteer list to help someone local to you if the need arises please make contact. Please let her know your name, telephone number, email and the road that you live in. Only when approached by someone who requires an errand would details of nearby volunteers / those in need be exchanged.

Nayland with Wissington is a kind and generous parish so we are hopeful this appeal will ensure residents do not feel alone.

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prescription, an errand run
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If you think you can
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a right of way to the old scout hut. The Clerk will advise the Diocese's surveyor of the situation as they own the drive (with shared responsibility of Nayland House and the PC). It was agreed any plans for resurfacing the drive should be delayed until construction of the dwelling is completed.

Woodland Corner (WC) have expressed concerns regarding parking for access to their facility; they put forward a suggestion that current two parking bays beyond the Playpark are extended up to the turning circle. Councillors are concerned for safety and maintaining the charitable aims of Fairfield which is recreation. It was suggested the expensive idea would do very little to relieve congestion in Bear Street and more spaces will invite more traffic to the drive and junction; it is not the PCs responsibility to provide or fund parking for WC or the school; the school should provide their own parking; have they considered using their own side of the drive.

PLANNING

Councillors heard that Babergh had no objections at **72 - 78 Bear Street** [DC/24/03739] listed building consent for erection of single storey rear extension (following part demolition of conservatory), including glazed link between house and garage, new garage roof and part conversion of garage into additional living accommodation and internal alterations; at **The Coach House 86 Bear Street** [DC/24/04477] for non-material amendment relating to DC/23/04127 for a new French door to replace an existing window, to extend the patio area and revise the patio steps; at **39 Fen Street** [DC/24/03976] for tree works to fell a Walnut tree (T3) to stop crowding of old apple tree and to replace it with a heritage damson fruit tree; and at **Smokey Farm Campions Hill** [DC/24/04778 & 80] for discharge of conditions relating to DC/24/02437 - 4 biodiversity enhancement strategy and 6 manure management.

Between meetings councillors had no objections to listed building consent at **5 High Street** [DC/24/04420] LBC for replacement/alteration of windows and external doors, new roof lights, internal and external alterations to rear extensions including replacement roof and render finish to rear lounge subject to thorough consideration by the Heritage Team and by stipulating appropriate conditions. Materials should be sympathetic, and colours appropriately selected. Windows and Door need to be appropriate, blending with elevations and linking old with new. The Heritage Officer must be convinced that internal wall alterations does not detrimentally affect the heritage assets of the house.

Discussing a recent listed building application at **16 Court Street** [DC/24/04752] for works to form WC on first floor as detailed in the heritage design and access statement councillors had no objections providing the Heritage Officer is content with the proposed studwork.

Councillors will meet on 19th November to view the Webinar recordings of planning training sessions.

WINTER SOLSTICE PICNIC ON CALEY GREEN

It's that time of year again to brighten up the winter
afternoons with the great traditional picnic

on Saturday 21st December at 1pm

Always an exciting event, this year it will be even more
splendid as it will be on a Saturday.

So, rinse out that thermus and dust off the tupperware -
bring what you like to this wonderful event.

All welcome... See you there.

Chris Hunt

RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES

It was agreed that plans for land around the old bus shelter at Harpers Estate/Heycroft Way junction should be kept simple and future maintenance responsibility left with Babergh. The Clerk will put forward to Isabelle Reece and Babergh the proposal that the weeds around the edge of the site are removed and the area grassed and ask Babergh for the commitment to mow the site on a regular basis. Some maintenance to the bus shelter is required; Dawn Harris will investigate potential costs.

The parish tree risk assessment (excluding Suffolk CC's responsibility on Caley Green and Horkesley Road) usually takes place in spring with a councillor, tree warden and tree surgeon present.

OLD SCOUT HUT

Tendring Hall Estates asked the PC for suggestions regarding potential future use by the community for the old scout hut adjacent the burial ground. It has some historical significance and on the local list. Tendring Estate do not wish to maintain it; there is only footpath access; it's in need of repair; a dwelling is to be built in front of the hut. This would be promoted in the Community Times – see page 11.

IN BRIEF

There are 3 allotment vacancies which will be allocated to those on the waiting list; one in a poor condition with fencing missing will be offered to the third person on the waiting list if they require it "as it is" rent free for the first year.

Owen Brown confirmed notices requesting that glass and breakable vases are not left on graves are in place.

Owen Brown explained that our Footpath Warden wishes to step down by May. While much of the reporting of problems is now done online there are aspects of the job that would benefit by having a warden. A vacancy for the role will be promoted in the CT; see page 2

YOUR CHANCE TO HELP NAYLAND'S COMMUNITY SPIRIT

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Nayland has for years been recognised as having community spirit in abundance with a good variety of activities on offer.

It is important that community energy should be encouraged... it can only flourish with the continued involvement of residents. Below are a few village organisations that would be delighted to welcome new committee members or helpers. If you think you may be interested, please make enquires. Being part of a group is rewarding and you will meet new friends.

VOLUNTEER VACANCIES

Would you like to make a difference in your community by getting involved and thereby making new friends?

Then please consider putting yourself forward...

- **Community Council** would welcome committee members and/or helpers at community events: they meet six times a year, *see page 47 for dates*. Contact Rachel Hitchcock 07788 954309
- **Village Hall Management** would like another committee member; they meet on the first Monday of the month. Contact Iain Wright 01206 263646 or Chris Thompson 01206 262825.

NEW REFUSE COLLECTIONS

See further details on page 39

At Babergh District's Full Council Meeting in September we were asked to endorse the Cabinet's chosen new recycling and waste collection scheme. The scheme will see the introduction of two additional outside bins per household – and an indoor 'food waste' caddy – and a reduction in the frequency that black bins are emptied, to only once every three weeks instead of every other week.

At the meeting, together with my Group colleagues Cllrs Paul Clover, Margaret Maybury and Brian Riley, I questioned the administration leaders on financial costs and lack of logistical detail as well as the effect the new scheme would have on residents. We spoke and voted against the motion.

Several residents have already contacted me to express their views on this new scheme. **What do you think?**

I would be happy to hear from you. My email address is Isabelle.reece@babergh.gov.uk

Councillor Isabelle Reece, Bures St Mary & Nayland Ward

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMANSHIP & WORKING PARTIES

Further details on page 46

Chair: **Laura Erith** (*during summer*)
lauraerith@icloud.com

Vice Chair: Dawn Harris

WORKING PARTIES:

Allotments: Laura Erith, Dawn Harris, Adam Birchweaver, Tim Leach, Jo Reed

Burial Ground: Laura Erith, Owen Brown, Tim Leach

Caley Green: Owen Brown, Dawn Harris, Sally Dalton

Fairfield: Gerry Battye, Dawn Harris

Finance: Tricia Fuller, Laura Erith, Sam Trehame

Footpaths: Sally Bartrum (Footpath Warden)

Highways: All councillors with individual areas

Planning: All councillors

Trees: Terry Bannister (Tree Warden), all councillors

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

- **Nayland Choir** would like another committee member; they rehearse on Thursdays (during term time) at 8pm at Nayland Primary School. Contact Helen Walder 07810 275836
- **Village Lunch** is a friendly team needing help with preparing and serving lunches in mid-April and mid-October. Contact Gale Scott 01206 262061 or Terry Bannister 01206 262454.
- **Women's Institute** would welcome further members and also help with running their branch which meets on the second Thursday of the month at 2.30pm, *see page 29 for contact details*.
- **St James' Parochial Church Council** require a volunteer Minute Secretary for their 4-6 weekly meetings. Contact Kathy Hunt on 262014 or kath12hunt@gmail.com.

Please support the events organised by our wonderful village groups. They are so important to the well being and future of our community but they need your participation in order to continue.

YOU CAN EVEN HELP WHILE BROWSING SOCIAL MEDIA

You could help our village event organisers enormously just by making a comment (however brief), or asking a question, when you spot a promotion on social media.

'Liking' a post does not help in the same way; it does not help keep the post in the discussion.



Please note the last coffee morning before Christmas will be on 11th December; they will resume in St James on 15th January.

SCHEDULED ROADWORKS

Stoke Road

20th-22nd November - 2-way traffic control

Anglian Water: Utility Repair and Maintenance Works.

Wiston Road

6th-8th January - Road Closure

Anglian Water: Utility Repair and Maintenance Works.

Further details: <https://one.network/>

*This was correct when Community Times went to print
(this can be subject to change/delays)*

St James' Parochial Church Council

require a volunteer

MINUTE SECRETARY

for their meetings which are held every 4 to 6 weeks.

It is not an onerous role; it involves producing and distributing the Agenda and Minutes for each meeting.

Contact Kathy Hunt on 262014 or
kath12hunt@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

Meeting: 30th October 2024 Chair: Rachel Hitchcock 07788 954309
Full minutes available at: www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk

Rachel Hitchcock welcomed members to the meeting.

Executive Committee: As always we welcome new members to join the team – please spread an encouraging word to anyone who may be interested in joining us. It is an enjoyable friendly village committee that provides positive events and facilities for the community. Contact Rachel on 07788 954309 or rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com if you would like to know more.

Fundraising Activities/Events: As always future ideas and support are welcome.

Community Defibrillator (AED): AEDs are located at the Village Hall and at the Fire Station. The AED at the Village Hall is managed by the CC and regularly checked. The AED at the Fire Station is being serviced and currently not in situ.

Regarding the proposed public access AED in Wiston. Community Heartbeat Trust (CHT) confirmed a defibrillator could operate without a power supply. The cost would be in the region of £2,600; the PC have agreed to contribute 50% of the cost (approx £1,300) via CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) funding. A location by the Parish Council noticeboard in Wiston is being considered; the PC are writing to a nearby householder to advise of the proposal. We are awaiting confirmation on the status of the AED at the Fire Station (whether it is registered with the Ambulance Service) prior to finalising a location for one at Wiston.

Online Ticketing Facility: NaylandEvents.org – This is extremely useful for selling tickets to village events. If village organisations wish to use this facility to sell tickets for their events contact Justin Dowding at jpdowding@gmail.com.

Village Hall Gardening Morning: The autumn gardening session was on 26th October; there were a good number of volunteers helping but a CC member was unable to attend.

Community Involvement: Ideas to help raise participation in village groups and events are welcome. **'Volunteer Vacancies'** is an item included in the Community Times; please let Lorraine know if you have vacancies, along with an idea of the level of commitment needed.

It would be helpful if everyone, when they see promotions for Nayland events on Facebook, could make a comment (however brief) and not just click on 'like' which is no help. All village groups would benefit from the additional publicity.

Resident Volunteer List: This is a list of residents prepared to assist others who at times are unable to get out for themselves and would benefit from having a prescription collected, an errand run or some shopping dropped off. If anyone requires assistance or could give assistance if needed please contact Lorraine.

Plaque to mark the contribution of Ken Willingale: Members had agreed a plaque to commemorate the contribution of Ken Willingale to the CC and for this to incorporate an existing tribute of his wife Olive in the HortSoc section of the village hall garden. A slate plaque will have the wording: *"Ken Willingale, Community Council Treasurer, Chairman and President 1966-2024 and Olive Willingale, Horticultural Society Secretary & President 1980-2011. Commemorating their many contributions to the village"*. Tony Fryer will engrave the plaque. This was agreed in principal at the September meeting; a quote has been requested.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Matt Cable gave his report on finances to 30th October.

Breakdown of profits: Community Times £543, Calendar £134, Quiz £664.20, profit recognised for Bonfire night so far £689.

Grants paid: Nayland Village Choir £1,500, Nayland School Choir £400, Baby & Toddler Group £300.

Expenses: £974 for water gauge at Caley Green, £180 for permissive path mowing (along Stoke Rd), £270 for hall hire, £94 for web hosting, £198 for annual defibrillator maintenance, £633 for insurance, £119 for post office closure event.

Current Position: The accounts show reserves of £25,208.99 represented by Deposit a/c £11,748.13, Current a/c £10,738.62, Stripe a/c £1,472.92, Cash in Hand £1,249.32. We hold £143.51

for the RBL Services Fund and grants are pending for: VH roof £10,000, Lizzie's Fund £153, VH coffee machine £280.

Therefore, unencumbered assets are £14,632.48.

GRANTS & DONATIONS:

Permissive footpath maintenance: Members previously agreed to maintain a popular stretch of path from Court Knoll to the allotments at a cost of £600; the work is due to be done by Daniel Bowman on 4th November with a volunteer from the Tendring Estate helping with the clearing up. Going forward, with regular maintenance, the cost would be less; Rachel will consider asking the Parish Council if they would be able to contribute to the future cost of vegetation management. There is a section of this path that is prone to flooding so possible solutions to make this more passable may be worth considering as well as whether any grants may be available. Matthew Hague of the Tendring Estate wanted to wait until the maintenance work had been completed before exploring that possibility. (As reported by the Conservation Society, they have arranged for another nearly permissive path to be cleared, also on 4th November.)

Nayland First Responders: Members previously agreed to cover the cost of hiring the village hall for a NFR fundraiser; Anthony Roberts has donated one of his 'Dickens' Christmas Carol' performances which will be held on 19th December. The cost for hire of the hall will be £155.

Community Times & Websites: Lorraine Brooks thanked all for contributing to recent issues, adding we are heading towards another deadline.

She said advertising income has reduced about a third from its 2015 all time high and printing expenses have risen. However the original aim of the CT was for communication, not profit.

Village Calendar: Lorraine Brooks said the the calendar project is currently £195 in profit, although £185 of that is income from the 2004 calendar, so the 2025 calendar is £10 in profit. All sponsorship has been paid. The 2025 calendar is now on sale at Forget Me Not, Mill Street Deli, Studio B Hair Salon, 17 Court Street and online. Wendy Sparrow is managing these sales outlets.

Claire Buller will be holding calendar supplies and liaising with those helping with sales at events and other venues. Assistance with sales would be very much appreciated as would ideas to maximise sales, so if you are holding an event or run a group please let Claire know if you could have a few on sale; 07971 065856 or clairejbuller@gmail.com.

Forthcoming Activities:

Bonfire & Fireworks: Tuesday 5th November. Rachel Hitchcock, Claire Buller & Jo Metson leading. Firework Crazy is booked. The usual arrangements are in hand. Fred Bugg will manage the bonfire; the Guy will be paraded after the fireworks. Woodland Corner are doing the children's sales & hot chocolate. Ice Cream Van and Fish and Chip Van are confirmed. Individuals from the First Responders will be first aiders. Claire has in hand: Hot dogs and Mulled wine and Matt has the beer. A few more volunteers would be much appreciated for a litterpick the following morning. Tickets would be on sale on 31st October 6-8pm alongside Nayland Bear's Halloween spectacular at the old bus shelter.

Christmas Fayre: Saturday 30th November. The date change has enabled key organisers to be available. Rachel and Vicki are leading. Setting up will begin on Friday evening. There are sufficient external stallholders booked. Father Christmas will be attending, the School will provide entertainment and the Christmas Trail will be launched.

The Baby & Toddler group and Family@Nayland will provide activities for children. The CC will have £50 first prize on their raffle; other prizes can be given to Claire in advance or brought along on the day.

Christmas Trail (Windows, Trees & Wreath Competition): Promotion is in hand. Windows to open 1st-24th December and

Nayland with Wissington Community Council's

CHRISTMAS FAMILY FAYRE

Saturday 30th November

10am until 12.30pm in Nayland Village Hall

Fun for all the Family

Visit Father Christmas

Launch of the Christmas Trail

Musical Entertainment by Nayland Primary School

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Christmas trees and the wreath completion to be displayed from 9th December. Maps will be ready for the Christmas Fayre.

Village Christmas tree: up on 8th December. Claire has in hand, helpers will be welcome, it's a fun occasion. It will be taken down on 5th January at 9.30pm.

Father Christmas' Tour of Nayland: 2pm on 24th December. Claire has made arrangements.

Fun Village Quiz: The Village Hall is booked for 7th February.

SOCIETY REPORTS

HortSoc: Trevor Smy said they are not going ahead with their proposed coach outing to Polhill Garden Centre as there had not been sufficient interest. They will have a stall at the Christmas Fayre. They are planning 2025 activities including the Spring Show on 23rd March and the Summer Party will be reintroduced.

Friends of Caley Green: Sally Dalton reported there have been two pairs of swans; the old pair and a new unringed pair alternating near the Green and 16 ducks were counted. There have been a number of people fishing from the Green and river-craft users coming and going. The A134 by-pass has at last been treated with weedkiller.

First Responders: Adam Lunn said Tracy Le Grys has moved home so no longer responding from the Nayland group; Adam Lunn, is now team leader. They're benefiting from a grant from the Bures Music Festival; they will replace their two oldest defibrillators. Their Go Fund Me account will be replaced by the Trust's Just Giving account which allows Gift Aid. They will be laying a wreath at the Nayland Remembrance service. Tickets for the Christmas fundraiser, a reading of Dickens's Christmas Carol on 9th December, are available on Eventbrite.

Parish Council: Laura Erith reported permission was granted at Appeal for a dwelling to be built on land behind Fairfield recreation ground. They hope a new councillor will be joining them to take them back to full compliment.

St James Church: Kathy Hunt reported they are grateful for any help to keep the Church looking cared for; anyone who would like to help please get in touch. The coffee mornings are still popular. They are preparing for Remembrance Services and Christmas Carol concerts by LittleGarth and Nayland Primary and our 9 lessons and carols service on the 22nd December.

Royal British Legion: Chris Hunt said they had an interesting visit to Boxted Airfield Museum in September. The Remembrance Day services will be on Sunday 10th November and Armistice Day on 11th November. On 2nd November the Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning will be held.

Conservation Society: Mike Hunter congratulated the CC for arranging clearance of the permissive path on the north side of the Tendring Hall Field adjacent to Court Knoll. The Society has arranged clearance of the path on the south side of the field. Their last talk this year will be on 12th November when David Pryor will speak about the reconstruction of an Anglo Saxon Longship by the organisation known as the Sutton Hoo Ship's Company. The Society will have a table at the Xmas Fayre.

Land Company (Nayland Meadow): David Slater said footpath improvement work to the PROW along the riverbank was completed recently; it's hoped the grass seed will continue growing rapidly so they can consider reopening the path. The slope between the new path and the wildflower meadow has been sown with a wildflower mix.

Baby Toddler Group: Gillian Manser expressed thanks for the CC grant which has enabled them to pay this year's insurance premium and continue running. They've had a good number of families attending during the first half of the Autumn term and welcomed newcomers..

Village Hall: Iain Wright said they are dealing with some complaints regarding noise levels from the hall. Their National Lottery grant application process, towards the new roof project continues..

Village Players: Justin Dowding said performances of their panto 'Rapunzel' will be on 4th-7th December; tickets are available on naylandevents.org. He added tickets sell quickly, particularly for the Saturday matinee.

Nayland Choir: Justin Dowding said their winter concert 'Winter Solstice in Song' will be held on 15th December in the village hall; tickets are available on naylandevents.org

AOB: Remembrance Service: Wreath Laying by the CC - Claire and Wayne Buller will kindly lay a wreath on behalf of the CC at the War Memorial on 10th November.

Village Christmas Displays: It was agreed to contribute towards electricity for the illuminations at 99 Bear Street. Similarly, Nayland Bear will be supported towards the cost of decorations and batteries.

Old Scout Hut: Tendring Hall Estate have asked whether there are any suggestions for potential future use for the old scout hut. The hut has some historical significance. The Tendring Estate do not wish to maintain or use it; it's in need of repair; there is only footpath access; a dwelling is to be built in front of the hut.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: will on **Monday 6th January** at 7.30pm (Exec 7pm) in the Village Hall

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Further details from:
Rachel Hitchcock 07788 954309
or email rachel_hitchcock@hotmail.com

Application for the Village Quiz on 7th February 2025

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Address:

Email:

Team Name:

Payment: £

Please submit in envelope with payment to:
Forget Me Not Stores, 2 Birch Street or to Rachel Hitchcock, 21 Stoke Road



NAYLAND & WISTON

CHRISTMAS TRAIL

A festive appeal from the Community Council

The Christmas Trail has been so well received in recent years and it is delightful that it is being repeated in 2024, getting together as a community and bringing a little seasonal cheer to the local streets.

Thank you to all who set their festive creativity free and volunteered to create a Christmassy trail around the village that can be enjoyed by us all.

Advent Windows: From 1st to 24th December windows around the village will be decorated and 'opened' each day. Check the Christmas Trail map to discover where they are.

Christmas Tree Trail & Wreath competition

From 9th December the festive Christmas trees and hand-made wreaths will be on display around the village. Each Christmas tree will have a simple question to answer so collect a copy of the Trail map to find out what the questions are.

There will be three categories for the wreath competition: Adult; Child (under 16); and child (under 10)

The competition will be judged and the results announced on 21st December.

Copies of the Christmas Trail map will be available at the **Christmas Fayre on Saturday 30th November** and following that in the village shops and on **naylandandwiston.net**.

In the meantime you will find the first 10 advent window locations on the map below.

Advent Windows:

1. 16 Heycroft Way
2. 33 Bear Street
3. Forget Me Not 2 Birch St
4. 4 Stoke Road
5. 38 Bear Street
6. 11 High Street
7. 24 Stoke Road
8. 31 Bear Street
9. 9 Heycroft Way
10. Mill House, 12 Mill Street



THE OLD SCOUT HUT: A CONUNDRUM

The Parish Council has been approached by the land owner, concerning the future of this abandoned timbered 'Babergh (2004) Local List' structure.

As the Babergh site relates, it is thought that the 4m x 6m hut "was originally used by Miss Oates, (sister of Captain Lawrence Oates of Scott's ill-fated Antarctic expedition, 1910-12), as her studio/house for several years when her family home, Gestingthorpe Hall, was sold in 1946, until she moved to Liston a few years later. She offered the hut to Sudbury Scouts in the early 1950s".

It was members of our Nayland Scout group that dismantled it and re-erected it, at its current cramped and hidden site near the cemetery entrance. This pocket of wooded land, belongs to the Rowley Tendring Estate and is adjacent to the perpetual stream.

Of course, over time and since the closure of the Scout Troop, run over many years by the wonderful Macbeth family and boys' parents, its lack of use has led to dereliction and some vandalism. As well, during its time in

*Do you have
any ideas
about the
hut's future?*

Nayland, we have seen the creation of our wonderful Village Hall, its major rebuilding around 2000 and its current re-roofing project. The excellent Church Hall has also seen major refurbishment. Both halls are used extensively by groups small and large. Sadly, the Old Scout Hut, now boarded up and overgrown was left behind, unfit for further community use.

No services were installed. In addition, permission now exists for a house to be built on the adjacent former allotment. There is no parking or wheeled access available for the hut, situated as it is, adjacent to the cemetery, on a much used public footpath, with no lighting and no parking.....

However if you have any ideas about the hut's future, given the above restrictions, please do contact the landowner, Tendring Estate. The Estate Office is: *Tendring Hall Estate, Church St, Stoke-by-Nayland, Colchester CO6 4QP* or email via Matthew.hague@perdixpartnership.co.uk or Will Barton at william@landbridge.co.uk

Alternatively contact: *Debbie Hattrell, Clerk, Nayland with Wissington Parish Council* by email at: clerk@naylandwithwissington-pc.gov.uk

The Annual
**CANDLELIT
CAROL SERVICE**

St James' Church
Sunday 22nd December
at 6.30pm

Following the candlelit service,
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FATHER CHRISTMAS COMES TO NAYLAND

Tuesday 24th December

Starting at 2pm from the Christmas tree in the High Street he will tour the village - stopping for 10 minutes as marked on the map - spreading his Christmas cheer en route by handing out chocolate coins to the little people of the village

If it is raining
Father Christmas will
not be able to travel
round by tractor
but he will be at the
Christmas tree at 2pm



REMEMBRANCE

Events to mark Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day were held.

Remembrance Sunday began in Wiston as seen here; wreaths were laid and a service, conducted by David Pryor, held at the War Memorial at St Mary's Church. Kathy Hunt was the standard bearer.

At the war memorial in Nayland, wreaths were laid and the service continued in St James' Church.

On Monday 11th November for Armistice Day, members of Nayland Royal British Legion, Mr Pryor, Revd Stéphane and other residents met at the village war memorial to take part in a two-minute silence to mark the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month.

See more on page 24



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Thursday 19th December

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For more information:
Adam Lunn
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Rapunzel
The Panto

Directed by Mike Poole

Wednesday 4th December @ 6:30pm
Friday 6th December @ 7.30pm
Saturday 7th December @ 2:30pm & 7.30pm

Nayland Village Hall, Church Lane, CO6 4JH
Tickets: Adults £10, Under 16s £6
from www.villageplayers.co.uk
or contact 01206 262808




This amateur production of 'Rapunzel: The Panto' is presented by special arrangement with BEN CROCKER PANTOMIMES

Nayland Choir presents

WINTER SOLSTICE IN SONG
from Darkness to Light

Sunday 15th December

Nayland Village Hall

Doors open 3.30pm Concert 4pm

Tickets: £10, under 18s free

Mulled Wine & Mince Pies for all!

Available from naylandevents.org




Dedham Vale Society: Winter Lecture

CHARLIE AND THE DIG

Speaker: Charlie Haylock
Renowned raconteur, radio broadcaster, and dialect coach

Monday 9th December
8pm at Nayland Village Hall
Admission £10



LARRY HARRISON/NETFLIX 2018

This is an intriguing and sometimes hilarious look behind the scenes in the making of the Netflix film, "The Dig".... a film based on a novel with the same title about the famous Sutton Hoo burial ship and the people involved.

Charlie will explain how a potential "scam" email from "The Dig" producer, turned out to be real, and then followed by a phone call from Ralph Fiennes himself. Charlie will demonstrate his unique method and fascinating way of teaching actors, including Ralph Fiennes, how to master a regional dialect, so it sounds natural.....and not exaggerated and "put on".

Charlie will also explain the extreme lengths Ralph Fiennes took, not only to play Basil Brown, but to become Basil Brown. The Talk is both informative and extremely entertaining.

www.dedhamvalesociety.org.uk

THANK YOU TO OUR RETIRING POSTMISTRESS



Following the closure of Nayland Post Office in August, on 27th September the Community Council presented Patsie Ford with a gift in thanks for 43 years dedication as our postmistress.

Joined by a host of residents, who were spilling out into the High Street, wishing Patsie well in her retirement, Rachel Hitchcock, CC Chair, presented her with a framed original watercolour of the Post Office, painted by the late John Parsonson, and a greeting card signed by many residents. There was a party atmosphere with a toast to Patsie and a celebratory cake baked by Kathy Hunt who had worked alongside Patsie in the Post Office for many years.

Gerry Battye thanked Patsie for her contribution to the village over many years and shared memories of the Post Office (and Postmistress) and their pivotal role in so many aspects of village life.

Patsie said: *"I had a really touching and kind send off and I can't express my thanks enough to all that were involved - it made me feel very proud and happy and a tad emotional."*

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CHRISTMAS FAYRE RAFFLE

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They can be left at 107 Bear Street or brought along on the day.

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Upcoming Events

Saturday 30th
November
**THE
JOE
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BAND**
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FROM
SUFFOLK

Saturday 21st
December
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Sat 25th January
Blueprint
from 8:30pm

Sat 22nd February
THE VINYARD SONS
FROM 8:30PM

March
TBC

DRINKS

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fri & sat: 12pm - 11pm - sun: 12pm - 8pm

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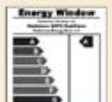
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for our forthcoming Spring production

KEN LUDWIG'S MORIARTY

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(play to be confirmed)

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Holmes and Watson are back on the case!

Their investigation leads them into a mystery filled with spies and
intrigue. World peace is at stake and they must join forces with
Irene Adler and others to take down the villainous Professor Moriarty.
An adventure which has danger - and laughter around every corner.

The play is scripted for 5 actors 3 of whom play multiple characters,
but this could be adjusted.

Auditions will be held on:

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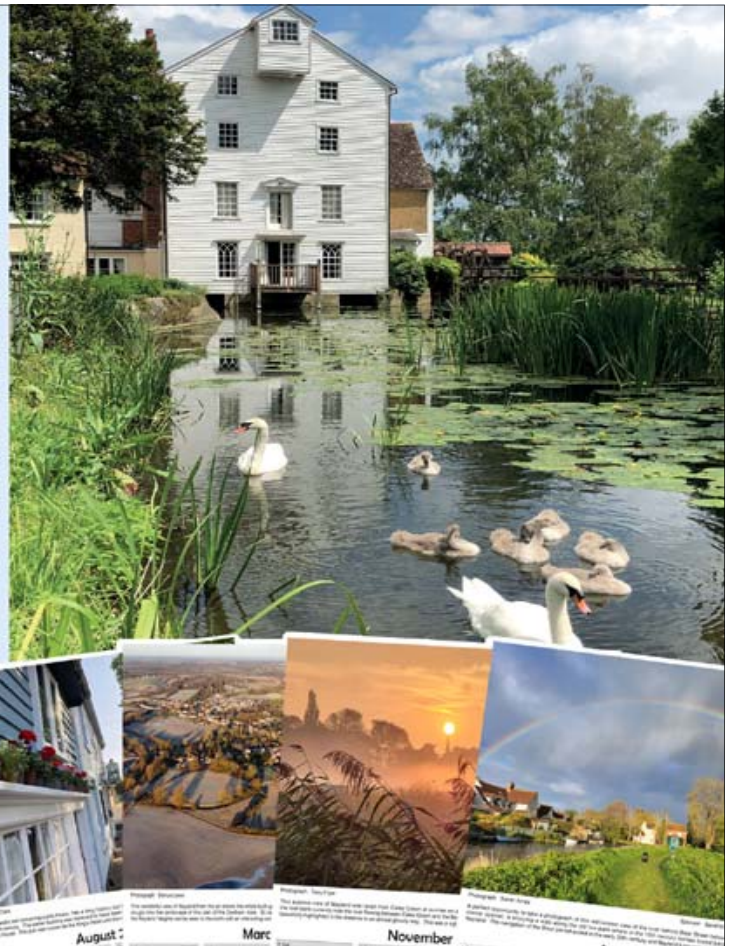
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NAYLAND BONFIRE & FIREWORKS



A big thanks to Firework Crazy who once again provided a fantastic display... but most of all a HUGE thank you to all of the volunteers who make this event happen - we couldn't do it without you. Special mention to Fred Bugg and his bonfire, the whole Community Council team, and everyone who produces and serves the food and drink, no mean feat with the numbers involved - you are amazing. Thank you to Mill Street Store for supplying sausages and to both them and Forget Me Not for selling tickets. Thanks too to everyone who helps at the gate and with setting up and tidying away.

Quite a team - and community at its best - which makes it fitting that we raised an amazing £4,800 for the Community Council to put back into village activities and projects. Thank you!

Rachel Hitchcock, Chair, Community Council



RIVER WATCH

Thank you to those who kindly allow use of your interesting photographs to be included in the Community Times. As always if you spot anything of interest or unusual, do please send details for inclusion here to: lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com

As a reminder the Environment Agency (EA) 24 hour hotline number: 0800 80 70 60.

For Avian Influenza the DEFRA helpline is 03459 335577 <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/avian-influenza-bird-flu>

WATER LEVELS

Early autumn saw substantial rain followed by a dry spell but water levels have been fairly stable, although as seen here they dropped for a while in mid November.

There has been no real need to refer to the newly installed water level gauge at Caley Green but have a look next time you're passing. The gauge provides two water level readings: the river bed depth (useful for the school projects and locals) and the above sea level (for official recording) in line with the EA and river trusts.

So if you have any concerns they can be reported to the EA hotline and Lorraine would be pleased to be advised in order to keep a note of incidents (*details as above*).

WATER QUALITY & SEWAGE

There is currently no news on water quality and testing results.

REED & VEGETATION GROWTH

The situation with reeds around the Horseshoe weir (and other areas of the river through Nayland) remains disgraceful. A nearby resident has once again contacted the EA requesting either work is carried out or consideration given to other options towards a solution. The EA are the riparian owners around the weir.

It's mostly about financial and manpower constraints, not as they often claim, in the interests of biodiversity. Reeds and other bulky species thrive at the expense of biodiversity, as they squeeze the less robust species out.

It is unfortunate that a patch of nettles and shrub suckers near the weir is attracting some undesirable activity. Being near the portage points it's been providing river users with somewhere to relieve themselves (and they aren't bagging and binning it!). Some use it as an area to have a barbeque. There's probably no point in appealing for it not to be used in this way in the CT; the culprits probably don't live in the village.

WILDFOWL & SWANS

For those who may not know, the original Nayland cob swan (ring No F4GV) has an injured wing; advice sought recommended no action but to continue monitoring. He has been holding his own with his pen and was fine when checked on 17th November.

This pair and the new unringed pair have been toing and froing their territory; each moving from the river to the Meadow pond. This may well continue during the winter until it's time for them to mate, when they may get serious about claiming their space.

The pair here last spring failed to breed; hopefully, one way or another cygnets will be raised here in 2025.

NAVIGATION

The EA issued warnings on 12th November that large trees are restricting navigation in Nayland.

The locations are: Just below the horseshoe weir W3W///vineyard.advancing.depth TL97262-34204 and between the weir and Anchor Bridge W3W///prime.paintings.replenish TL97343-34100. They advise to navigate with extreme caution.



Water levels on 14th November, photo by Sally Dalton



The cob swan with the injured wing trying to get to the Meadow pond; photo by Nanako Dowding



The unringed pair of swans; photo by Nayland House

CALEY GREEN

The Friends continue to keep an eye on the Green and wildfowl. They empty the bins when necessary between Babergh collections. Caley Green has brought much enjoyment again this year especially to local families; as predicted the number of visitors has decreased over post-Covid years although some rivercraft users travel some way to access the river.

THE LONG REED BED

The long running saga regarding reduction of the enormous and expanding wall of reeds along Caley Green continues still! Suffolk County Council is very aware of the overwhelming desire of residents to have management of them undertaken. You may recall that the work was about to take place in February when a resident complained and work halted. SCC have the funds in place, a contractor ready to undertake the work; the delay is with the EA who are dragging their heels granting a permit.

The season whereby this work can be undertaken is rapidly passing. A letter will be sent to the EA asking them why this matter is not being dealt with for publication in the CT.

RIVERBANK PROTECTION UPDATE

Suffolk CC confirm they will fund and take forward installation of wooden revetment around the bay at Caley Green to protect it from future erosion, but have no update on the time-frame.

LITTER BY SLUCEGATES

Clearance of litter and flytipping on SCC's triangle of land adjacent to the sluice gates was reported to them in late 2022; clearance by their contractor is still awaited.

FLYTIPPING: HARPERS HILL WILDLIFE SITE

It is astonishing that flytipping of garden waste continues to occur on the Harpers Hill county wildlife site. SCC and Babergh, at considerable cost to public funds, removed a huge amount of garden waste and grass mowing from the site recently. New deposits soon appeared; as this photo taken on 29th September shows.



Fresh fly-tipping on the Wildlife Site

If you see littering report it at:
<https://www.babergh.gov.uk/report-fly-tipping>



PERMISSIVE PATH CLEARANCE

The Community Council to maintain a popular stretch of permissive path from Court Knoll to the allotments. The work was carried out on 4th November by Daniel Bowman with a volunteer from the Tendring Estate helping with the clearing up. As reported by the Conservation Society, they arranged for another nearby permissive path to be cleared.



COMMUNITY LITTERPICK

The Conservation Society and Parish Council express thanks to the twelve adults and three children that participated in the community litterpick on 12th October. Thanks to Mike Hunter for the photo.



THE NORTHERN LIGHTS were back on 10th October; thanks to Roy Clarke for this photo taken on the Heights.

SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT...



NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

View the colour version of the Community Times at: www.naylandcommunitycouncil.org.uk/CommunityTimes.html

Do keep scenes you see coming to [lorraine.nayland @btinternet.com](mailto:lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com).

YOUR LETTERS

An enquiry was recently received about inclusion of a letters page in the CT.

The magazine's sub heading remains "Your local magazine for news and views". So your letters have always been welcome; just email them through in advance of deadline as shown on the back page.

HIGH STREET SALE OF GOODIES

On 5th October (from left) Rachel Hitchcock, Claire Buller from the Community Council and Cheryl Leeks and Emma-Lee Barrell from Woodland Corner were selling goodies in the High Street. It was a lovely sunny morning and they enjoyed the opportunity to chat with passers by.

The Community Council were selling Bonfire Night tickets and Nayland Calendars while WC had a fundraising stall selling delicious cakes and goodies. Many thanks to all who supported the sale.

VILLAGE HALL GARDEN MORNING

Many thanks to the volunteers who attended the Village Hall Autumn Garden Working Party on 26th October. It was a very sociable and satisfying morning with much achieved.

SPONSORED RIDE IN 1979

Thanks to Leigh Sebba who sent in this photo raising the question - does anyone know anything about this photo which appeared in the East Anglian Daily Times on 25th September 1979?

The location appears to be a farmyard with a diesel tank in the background.

If anyone has any information about this photo please let Lorraine know: on 262807 or lorraine.nayland@btinternet.com



A sponsored horse ride at Nayland in September 1979

SEE IT, SNAP IT, SEND IT...



Harpers Estate was the place to begin on Halloween; Nayland Bear and Fish came by to haunt their friends Elaine and Di. Rachel Hitchcock and Claire Buller joined them selling Bonfire Night tickets and Nayland Calendars. Families enjoyed the display and went on their spooky way trick or treating through the village and then called in the Light Stop in St James, lit only by candles, which brought the evening to a calming closure. Thanks to Elaine Muskett, Gill Boardman and Mandy Cook for capturing these scenes.



COLOURFUL SHEEP

Thanks to Jan Verral who spotted this ram with unusual colouring in the field by the permissive path; he looks as if someone with muddy boots has walked over his back and left footprints behind!

SWAN LADY

Jan also captured this scene of Sheila, the swan lady from Stanway. She regularly visits Nayland to observe and feed our local swans; she is very knowledgeable and interesting to talk to. The swans often follow her canoe as she piffle off to Wiston.

PAVEMENTS ARE NOT FOR PARKING!!

On a Sunday morning in Stoke Road - five cars in total were seen parked on the pavement. None on them allowed room for wheelchair or buggy access. Stoke Road is not alone in such occurrences but they have become increasingly common along this stretch of pavement. Please think of parents and those with disabilities when you park.





Nayland with Wissington Society News



NAYLAND CHURCH HALL

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Kevin Walsh has taken over from Rachel Skells as the booking secretary and Treasurer for the Church Hall. Many thanks to Rachel Skells for her dedication for over a decade in the role.

The Church Hall is available for one off and regular bookings. Please do consider using this great village facility for children's parties and private gatherings or contact us to set up a regular booking.



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Chairman: Robert Dossor 265912 robert@ovcottage.com

Secretary: Kathy Hunt 262014

Our AGM on 14th October welcomed local Member Michael Callaghan reminding us of the process of decimalisation of the Pound when his father, James Callaghan was Chancellor. It was amazing to hear what was involved, from design of the notes and coins, including the materials selection, to the construction of an entirely new Royal Mint and the politics involved in selecting a site and placating the Unions.

Officers for next year will be: President Andrew Gowen; Vice President John Partridge; Chairman Robert Dossor; Secretary Kathy Hunt; Treasurer and Membership Richard Cave; Poppy Appeal Organiser Mark Shirley; Standard Bearer Kathy Hunt, deputy David Wiles; Welfare Officer and Community Council representative Chris Hunt, David Slater.

The Chairman reported that the Branch had an active year with outings to Sudbury Silk Mills, Thorpe Abbots 100th Bomb Group and 95th Bomb Group at Horham's Museums and Boxted Airfield Museum. Regular meetings had also been held with a wide variety of speakers. The meeting was reminded that 2025 was the 80th anniversary of the end of WW2 and thoughts should be given to how this would be celebrated. The Chairman thanked all the Branch officials for their work and Mark Shirley for organising the Poppy Appeal. The total raised for this year is just over £3,000, which is lower than last year.

Remembrance was observed as usual, starting with the Coffee Morning on Saturday 2nd November, when over £300 was raised for the Poppy Appeal. The main event was held on Sunday 10th November at Nayland War Memorial with the usual Church Service, when a large crowd paid their respects to the fallen. Wreaths were laid by the Branch, Suffolk Fire & Rescue Service Nayland Station, the Community and Parish Councils, the First Responders' Group and a representative from the Boxted Airfield Historical Society.

Our programme for 2025 is not yet arranged, but meetings will be held in March, May, June, August and December. 2025 is the 80th anniversary of the end of WW2 with both VE and VJ Days to be commemorated, so the Branch will join with whatever other village events are organised. As always, everyone is welcome to our meetings in the Church Hall.

Photos of Remembrance Day service by Mike Hunter and wreaths by Adam Lunn





NAYLAND CINEMA

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We are drawing near to the end of another cinema year with the attendance over this period resembling a little bit like an ECG trace but we didn't flat line!

Moviola who provide us with the DVD and Licence are a not for profit organisation who were, like many other organisations, greatly affected by Covid. Restarting the business after Covid with a healthy bank balance meant that they were able to subsidise community cinemas, however the increase in costs to provide this service, film distributors increased returns, a hike in postal charges and a decrease in audience figures has had a huge impact on the business.

Moviola have pared down their costs as much as possible including the salaries for those who work for the organisation. They have done all they can and inevitably therefore this means an increase in costs to us. It is possible to obtain a DVD and Licence from other organisations but these have a minimum guarantee (Moviola's film distribution costs are a third of the box office takings) and we just cannot guarantee attendance to support this.

We currently don't have any plans to close the community cinema but we do need your support. We have so much more to offer than just the film so come along and give us a try. The food and wine are great and the atmosphere convivial. If however you don't fancy the film you can always come along and just have supper.

Our last film for the year is on Friday 13th (lucky for some) December simply titled 'Wilding' a review of this film is below. For all Archers fans this will be all too familiar.

- **Friday 13th December: 'Wilding' (2023)** is a documentary based on Isabella Tree's best-selling book of the same name. Having inherited Knepp Castle, a 3,500-acre estate in West Sussex, aristocratic farmer Charlie Burrell (Sir Charles Burrell) and his wife, Isabella made the decision in 2000 to turn the land over to an experimental rewilding project along the lines of an experiment being carried out in Holland. The film now follows the reclamation of the space by wildlife; fences were removed, they introduced red and fallow deer, pigs, cattle, storks, beavers and creatures that would have roamed the land freely a few hundred years ago.
- **Future Dates:** We do not yet have titles for films available in 2025 but Cinema screenings will be held on 17th January, 21st February & 21st March - please pop the dates in your new diaries.



THE VILLAGE LUNCH

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The village lunch on 9th October was most enjoyable; Andy Moore, Conservation Education Manager at Colchester Zoo gave an excellent illustrated talk about the conservation work at the Zoo. He explained they have a reserve in Africa and are doing extraordinary work to save animals in Africa.

Thank you to the wonderful Village Lunch team who provide a delicious two course lunch, as can be seen here with the fabulous selection of desserts on offer.

We raised just over £600 for our village hall; thank you to all who supported the lunch and ultimately the hall which is a great asset to our community.

Our next Village Lunch will be held on Wednesday 9th April; the speaker is yet to be confirmed but please put the date in your 2025 diaries - full details will be given in the next issue.



NAYLAND CHOIR

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The choir have had a busy Autumn, rehearsing for our Winter solstice themed concert; the atmospheric music chosen takes us from the darkness of Winter back into the light and promise of Spring from composers including Thomas Tallis, Samuel Barber, Josef Rheinberger and Sarah Quartel.

We will be performing all these and more at our next concert which will be on Sunday 15th December at 4pm at Nayland Village Hall where you can also enjoy seasonal mulled wine and mince pies. Tickets are available on naylandevents.org and are £10 (free for under 18s).

We will also be singing at the carol service at St James' Church on Sunday 22nd December as well as raising a glass and celebrating with Christmas songs in the Hare and Hounds in Leavenheath on Thursday 19th December.

Two other local and seasonal carol events (not Nayland Choir) are on 6th December at lunchtime at the Anchor, Nayland, with a collection for Colchester Sing to Beat Parkinsons, and Monday 16th December 10.30-12.00 at Stoke-by-Nayland church where Coffee and Carols will be held in aid of EACH and the Tom Bowdidge Foundation.

At Nayland Choir, we are always keen to welcome new members and we don't audition so, if you fancy joining us after Christmas, do come along to a rehearsal in Nayland School hall at 8pm and try us out. We start back on 9th January.



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT WOMENS INSTITUTE

President: Lorna Rumsey 01787 211975

Secretary: Jeannette Finch 262993

In September we had a returning speaker Catherine Bucannon who gave us a very interesting talk 'All I Want For Christmas' about toys, going way back and also very up to date ones and at our meeting in October Sue Carbett gave an enlightening talk about her grandmother who was the first Essex County Chairman of the WI. On 14th November we had a most enjoyable meeting with a wonderful display of the many crafts our members have produced.

We are looking forward to having a stall at Nayland Christmas Fayre on 30th November selling cakes and edible goodies and on 12th December we shall welcome back Nayland Handbell Ringers.

Looking forward to 2025 on 9th January Paul Gallifant will give an illustrated talk on 'The Dedham Vale through the Seasons'; on 13th February Mike Rumsey's talk will be entitled 'They were not all bad' about Irish ancestors; we will have our WI branch birthday celebration on 13th March and on 10th April the subject of a talk by Roy Treloar will be 'The Good Old Days'.

We welcome new members and guests who may be interested in our talks and activities. We meet on the second Thursday of the month at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Our notice board in the High Street gives details of our activities.



THE FRIENDS OF CALEY GREEN

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To update on the resident swans... the cob swan with the damaged wing is doing fine with his pen; as mentioned last issue we sought swan expert advice and as he is still waterproofing, feeding, and with its mate the advice was to leave him and continue monitoring.

The Green has been used far less by river-craft recently, no doubt due to the colder weather; but that didn't stop two ladies, in their swimming costumes going for a dip - they didn't stay long, perhaps due to the hazardous amount of silt. The Green has been popular with anglers and at times they jostle to find a space to cast off.

The water level in the river has been a little low recently, however, over recent winters the levels have become high. So much so that in places on the Green the banks have been breached slightly - as in this photo. It will be interesting to see what happens this year with river maintenance (control of silt and reeds) no longer carried out.



NAYLAND SURGERY NEWS

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Nayland Surgery is open: 8am-6pm Monday-Friday
Nayland Dispensary opening times: Monday-Thursday 9am-12.30 & 1.30-5pm and Friday 9am-3pm.

CHRISTMAS & BANK HOLIDAYS

The surgery will be **closed** on Christmas Day and Boxing Day and will re-open at 8am on 27th December. It will also be **closed** on New Year's Day and will re-open at 8am on 2nd January 2025.

DISPENSARY AT CHRISTMAS

As you all know this is a very busy time in the Dispensary. Please help by placing your prescription request in **AT LEAST 3 days** before your medication is due, **but did you know...** you can request your medication **up to 10 days before** it is due. If you are able to do this, **please do so...** it will certainly help. Thank you.

Please note we cannot take any prescription requests over the telephone.

Movers and Shakers:

We have a new Practice Nurse in the surgery, Maddy Arkwright joined us on 6th November. She will be with us on a Monday and Thursday. We welcome her as a great addition to our team.

Vaccinations -Did You Know?:

Our surgery provides Flu, Pneumococcal (PPV), RSV and Shingles vaccinations to all that are eligible. If you are unsure if you are entitled to any of these, please contact reception on 01206 570371 or pop into the surgery and we can book you in if you are eligible.

Nayland Surgery Fundraising Update:

I would personally like to thank **ALL** of our patients that have helped fundraise for my daughter's visit to Australia for the 2025 International Scout Jamboree. We are still raising funds and the surgery is delighted to carry on supporting her fundraising efforts by allowing her to sell beautiful Linden Lady handmade fudge at the site reception... £3 per bag or 2 x £5. There is also a donation pot on reception and any contributions would be very gratefully received. Massive thanks goes to Caroline @ Linden Lady for all her yummy donations.

Nayland surgery would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year



NAYLAND AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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Sadly we had to make a decision to cancel our planned coach trip to Polhill Garden centre on the 13th November, as there was insufficient interest to cover the cost of the coach hire.

We will be having a stall at the Community Council's **Christmas Fayre** on Saturday **30th November**, 10.30 am to 1 pm in the Village Hall. As usual, donations for our raffle would be very much appreciated and can be brought along on the day or left with a committee member.

The committee are beginning to plan the calendar of events for next year, starting with the date for the **Spring Show** which will be on Saturday the **22th March**, so bear this in mind when you are planting your bulbs this autumn.

Spring Show Classes:

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| 1. Pot of spring bulbs, corms or tubers (<i>not Daffodil/Narcissus</i>) | 10. Vase with 3 stems of Hyacinths |
| 2. Pot of 5 Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs any colour or variety | 11. Vase of mixed flowers and/or flowering shrubs |
| 3. Pot miniature Daffodil/Narcissus bulbs | 12. Vase of one kind of flowering shrub or tree |
| 4. Pot of Polyanthus or Primula (Primroses) | 13. Vase of 3 Tulips (any variety/varieties) |
| 5. Flowering houseplant | 14. Vase with 1 bloom Camellia |
| 6. Non-flowering houseplant | 15. Vase of 6 assorted Daffodil/Narcissus |
| 7. 3 blooms (any one variety) floating in a dish of water | 16. Vase of 6 Miniature Daffodil/Narcissus |
| 8. Flower arrangement: 'A Host of Daffodils' | 17. 3 specimen Daffodil/Narcissus blooms (any one variety) |
| 9. Flower arrangement: 'Spring Fever' | 18. Rhubarb: 3 stalks |

Here are some more dates for your diaries:-

- Saturday 22nd March Spring Flower Show
- Tuesday 15th April AGM and Quiz
- Saturday 10th May Morning Market
- Friday 11th July Summer Garden Party
- Saturday 2nd August Summer Flower Show

Further details will be in the Community Times nearer the time.

In the meantime **we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**



BOOK CLUB

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Our first book was 'Clytemnestra' by Costanza Casati. Set in Ancient Greece, this novel retells the story of Helen of Troy's sister Clytemnestra, wife of Agamemnon. She is portrayed as a strong warrior, mother and queen despite living in a patriarchal society. After enduring extreme injustices and personal tragedies she bides her time and takes drastic action to get her revenge.

Our second book was 'Welcome to the Hyunam-Dong Bookshop' by Hwang Bo-Reum. Set in Seoul, the story is about Yeongju who did everything that was expected of her. She went to university, worked hard, married a respectable man. Then it all fell apart and she left her old job, and her husband, and followed her dreams to open a book shop.

Our current book is 'Half Hidden' by Emma Blair.



NAYLAND MEADOW LTD

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PATH IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Work on the final length of footpath along the riverbank that completes the loop around Nayland Meadow was completed recently. We hope the grass planted in the path will continue growing rapidly so we can consider reopening it as soon as possible.

The official footpath closure licence terminates at the end of November; we are hopeful that the grass seed will continue growing so the path can be in use before then. A little patience is needed in the short-term for long-term gain.

The slope between the new path and the wildflower meadow has been sown with a wildflower mix.

The reeds around the pond are dying back for winter.

The culvert from the pond to the river will be cut back and some vegetation removed to facilitate a better flow of water.





NAYLAND COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

Team Leader: Adam Lunn
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Unfortunately, Tracy Le Grys has now moved house, and as such, has had to stop responding from the Nayland group. We wish her well with the next chapter of her life and thank her for the dedication she's given our community over the last 9 years of service.

Adam Lunn has been appointed as the new Team Leader. Adam brings with him over 11 years of frontline responding in the emergency services, as well as running medical teams at sporting events and festivals. His career now sees him advising government departments on incident response. Adam lives in Wissington, where he moved to in 2021 with his partner and family.

The group recently received a very generous grant from the Bures Music Festival. The grant means we can afford to replace our two oldest defibrillators, ensuring we are using the most up-to-date and modern lifesaving equipment.

We now have an official NHS Just Giving fundraising page, which replaces our Go Fund Me page. All donations made here are set aside for the use by Nayland Community First Responders. www.justgiving.com/page/naylandcfr

September figures: As a group we volunteered 227 Hrs 20 mins and attended 9 calls.



CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER:

To purchase tickets for our Christmas fundraiser, please visit our Eventbrite ticket page via the QR code or email adam.lunn@eastamb.nhs.uk. The reading of *Dickens' Christmas Carol* will be held at Nayland Village Hall on December 19th and tickets are £8. See advert on page 14.

We will be holding a raffle on the night; so far prizes have been donated by Stoke By Nayland Resort and Rushbanks Campsite. Please contact Adam if you would like to donate a prize.

TRACY LE GRYS

Nayland Community First Responders would like to take this opportunity to thank Tracy for her leadership and dedicated service to our community over the last 9 years.

Due to relocating, Tracy will be leaving our scheme, where she is currently a responder and Team Leader, balancing her time attending medical emergencies while also organising all the administration that goes into running a successful group.

Tracy will continue to volunteer as a Community First Responder for the East of England Ambulance Service in her new village.

Adam Lunn said: "Tracy will be deeply missed by all our local volunteers. She has been instrumental in the growth of our scheme over recent years and is a key figure in the local community. Her long service and dedication serve as an inspiration, and we wish her well in this new chapter of her life."



SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY

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Nayland with Wissington Crime Review 6/9/24 – 17/11/24 :

As the nights draw in, criminals have longer periods of darkness to operate in. This unfortunately means burglaries are more likely to occur and these crimes can happen much earlier than in other parts of the year and can sometimes include homes. Early November saw a garage broken into in the Wissington area where a petrol mower and garden strimmer were stolen. Then, mid evening on the 11th November two properties in Nayland on Harper's Estate have been entered, both via the back door and items stolen from within one of them. On the same date a vehicle was broken into near Bear Street and a handbag and contents stolen from within. With these incidents in mind, here are some tips for general crime prevention in relation to your garden and house perimeter :

- On your front door, have a door chain or door bar and viewer (spy hole)
- Front boundaries should be less than 1m high (Your neighbours and passers-by clearly should be able to see the front of your property).
- Rear boundaries should be 1.8m high with locked gates (to prevent easy rear access - also remove climbing aids).
- Remove tools/bricks from the garden that could be used to force entry.
- Always lock garages, sheds and outbuildings.
- Have dusk to dawn lighting at the front and back.
- Always lock your doors with the key and keep your windows secure, even when you're at home. •
- Install an alarm/CCTV.
- Leave lights on timers.
- Register your valuables at www.immobilise.com and mark your property with UV pen (I have these available at my monthly events) • Avoid keeping cash at home
- Hide car keys. You can now buy TV light simulators as well, which flash lights as if there is a television on in your house, I would recommend one of those, they are around £10-15. Also the video doorbell that police now recommend is called a Defender Video Doorbell from defendersecurityproducts.co.uk and is £100, it has no subscription fee.

In addition to the crimes above there has only been one other crime reported within the crime review date range, which was a domestic assault report. Police have also dealt with a handful of incidents involving adults and children which resulted in safeguarding referrals. There have not been any reports of anti-social behaviour. If you spot any suspicious vehicles or persons out and about make note of registrations and descriptions and call police if you feel they are up to no good, especially given recent burglaries in the area.



COLOURED PENCIL ART GROUP

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We are a small, informal art group, using coloured pencils, which can produce wonderful effects and results. We meet once a month, on a Monday evening and we are relocating, from January 2025, to Nayland.

We would love to have some new people come along - to join in, give it a go - or just to see what we do.

There is no formal tuition but we will gladly provide help, advice and tips and materials can be supplied for your first sessions.

Our next dates are : Mondays, 20 Jan, 17 Feb, 17 Mar 2025 at 6.30-8.30pm in the Village Hall.



ST JAMES' CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING TEAM

Jeannette Finch 262993 Rose Cottage, Fen Street

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN ST JAMES

Donations towards flowers for Christmas, and throughout the year, can be given to Jeannette Finch, Rose Cottage, 5 Fen Street.

Many compliments have been expressed about the beautiful flowers in the church, particularly so during the weddings held during the summer in St James. The village is most grateful to the team of dedicated and talented flower arrangers who keep the church decorated throughout the year.

If anyone with an interest in flower arranging would like to join our little team or like to know more, please contact Jeannette on 262993.



ST JAMES' CHURCH NAYLAND

Kathy Hunt, Church warden Tel: 262014 kath12hunt@gmail.com

Regular services continue to be maintained including the popular family service once a month. The coffee mornings are still popular; please note the last coffee morning before Christmas will be on 11th December and they will resume in St James on 15th January.

The Community Pantry, situated in the West Porch, is well used.

We are always grateful for any help to keep the Church looking cared for so if there is anyone out there who would like to help please get in touch with me.

The churchyard autumn working party took place a week later than planned, on 26th October, due to the wet weather. We are most grateful to all who helped; it's now looking tidy for winter.

On 31st October we held a Light Stop in the church when it was lit only with candle-light and provided somewhere peaceful to wander round after the excitement of Halloween Trick or Treat. This went very well.

Remembrance Day Services and Armistice Day activities were held as usual. We are now getting ready for the Christmas Carol concerts by Littlegarth and Nayland Primary and our 9 lessons and carols on the 22nd December.

There remains a vacancy for a Parochial Church Council minute secretary which is not an onerous role; it involves producing and distributing the Agenda and Minutes of meetings which are held every 4 to 6 weeks.

All the members of St James PCC wish everyone a very **happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.**





NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON CONSERVATION SOCIETY

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The Society's speaker meetings held in October and November respectively, were well attended and our members and guests were both amused and informed by Nigel Amies speaking on the topic of the 'Home Guard' and David Pryor's talk on the construction of the 'Anglo-Saxon Longship'.

Our Autumn litter pick, held in conjunction with the Parish Council, was reasonably supported although bearing in mind the size of our village, only nine volunteers was a little disappointing. The owners of the Mill Street Delicatessen have offered to provide a free coffee to volunteers at our Spring Litter Pick so we hope to see more faces next time!

When the Society learnt that the Community Council had arranged for the clearance of the permissive path leading from the southern boundary of Court Knoll to the Allotment Field, the committee decided to take similar action in connection with the permissive path adjoining the woodland at the Horkesley Lock Pool on the south side of the field adjacent to Court Knoll. This has made the path negotiable for the first time in many months and we express our thanks to Dan Bowman for doing an excellent job. The photos show the path before and after.

We have been advised by Jo Caruth, the lead archaeologist to the Court Knoll Project, that the final report should be ready for review before the Christmas holiday period. As soon as it is completed we shall arrange a public meeting at the Village Hall and invite Jo to give a talk on its content. It will be a great relief to bring this longstanding project to a conclusion although we suspect there will still be many unanswered questions.



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The Village Players are busy preparing for '**Rapunzel: the panto**', directed by Mike Poole. Performances will be on December 4th @ 6.30pm, 6th 7.30pm and 7th @ 2:30pm & 7.30pm. Tickets are now available via villageplayers.co.uk; more details on page 14. Tickets are selling fast with both the early bird performance on Wednesday 4 December and Saturday matinee expected to sell out.

After a brief respite we will be holding auditions for our Spring production which will be Ken Ludwig's '**Moriarty**' - a new Sherlock Holmes adventure (although this is to be confirmed) directed by Mary Moriarty (no relation!) who also brought Ken Ludwig's *The Game's Afoot* and *Moon over Buffalo* to Nayland's Village Hall stage. Holmes and Watson are back on the case! Their investigation leads them into a mystery filled with spies and intrigue. World peace is at stake and they must join forces with Irene Adler and others to take down the villainous Professor Moriarty. An adventure which has danger - and laughter around every corner. Performances will be on 2nd, 4th and 5th April.

The play is scripted for 5 actors 3 of whom play multiple characters, but this could be adjusted. Auditions will be held on Sunday 12th January 5pm and Wednesday 15th January 7.30pm at Nayland Church Hall. All welcome. For further information call Mary on 01206 262808.

If you would like find out more about what we do or to join the Players, contact us on www.villageplayers.co.uk or by details above.





NAYLAND HANDBELL & CHURCH BELL RINGERS

Church Bells Tower Captain: Chris Hunt 262014 - Handbells Hazel Gardiner 262582

Early in October we had a visit by Rachael Sloane a journalist for the Suffolk and Norfolk Life Magazine and formerly a presenter for Radio Suffolk. She wanted to learn something about handbells and ringing and was encouraged to handle a bell and ring herself. We look forward to reading her article.

Carols played on handbells are popular at Christmas evoking an almost magical sound. The team have invitations to play both locally and a little further afield, well loved and familiar carols plus other Christmas music, which we hope our audiences will enjoy.

Handbell meetings resume in January; do come along to the Church Hall on Tuesday afternoons 1:30-3pm. A warm welcome is assured.

Wishing all CT readers a joyful and peaceful Christmas.



Now, the 'big' bells in the tower.....

It is a shame that we do not have a full band to ring at Nayland. We keep our hand in by helping out at nearby churches, as indeed they help us when they can. At the recent Remembrance Service the large tenor bell was tolled before the ceremony at the War memorial. The bell that does work however is the clock bell and a number of people have said how good it was to hear.

Please, if you are a ringer, or would like to learn, do get in touch you will be very welcome.



NAYLAND BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Leader: Gillian Manser 01206 751094
gmmanser1@gmail.com

Facebook:
Nayland Baby & Toddler Group



The Nayland Baby and Toddler Group are grateful to the Community Council for the grant which has enabled us to stay open this autumn.

The photo shows our presence at Woodland

Corner's Inflatables Day in September. We hardly made any money but had fun eating our ice creams in the sunshine!!

Dates of our sessions before the Christmas break will be November 22nd and 29th and 6th December. In the new year dates will be January 24th & 30th; February 7th.

Our entrance fee is £4 per family with tea/coffee, biscuits, healthy toddler snacks and drinks all included in the entry price along with lots of toys, activities and plenty of space for physical play and to use up some energy.

We would love you and your little ones to come and join us on Friday mornings at 9.30am until 11.15am.



Family@Nayland

Helen Schalin
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07717 766683

Our family services continue to run on the third Sunday of every month at 10am at St James' Church Nayland. In October we talked about Light in preparation for our Light Stop on 31st October (see photo on page 29). We read that Jesus told us we are the light of the world. We thought about what makes us feel 'dark': hearing the BBC news that morning, first day at school, losing a loved one. Then we thought about what brings us light in those situations: someone there to help, telling a grown up, playing. So our kindness brings light to others - that's how we can be lights in the world. Come and see the poster we made displayed in the church!

Next services: 15th December and 19th January at 10am. Christingle will be on Christmas Eve at 4pm.



WHERE ARE THE 2 PUBLIC ACCESS DEFIBRILLATORS IN NAYLAND?

- **Nayland Fire Station**, Bear Street, Nayland CO6 4HY on the outside wall by the entrance.
- **Nayland Village Hall**, Church Lane, Nayland CO6 4JH on the outside wall to the right of the main entrance.

Please familiarise yourself with these locations and let your friends, family and neighbours know. Minutes Matter.



Woodland Corner

Administrator: Nicola Peachey 263054
e-mail: woodlandcorner@outlook.com

Manager: Cheryl Leeks 263054
http://woodlandcornernayland.blogspot.com

Registered Charity
No. 1035330

We have made lots of Autumn themed crafts plus Firework, Remembrance Day, Children in Need themed activities and we are looking forward to Nursery Rhyme week. We have enjoyed seeing the changes to the leaves on the trees especially at our Forest School sessions and we have recently purchased a new shed to house our Forest School equipment and seasonal resources. We would like to thank Ladybirds Pre-School for their kind donation; we purchased a new balance bike and a tricycle. The extended schools children are loving the new goal on the Astro pitch.

We are looking forward to starting our Christmas celebrations at the Nayland Family Fayre on 30th November running our popular tombola stall. We are walking the children to the church coffee morning on 4th December to sing some Christmas songs. This year we are making angels to take part in the Angel Festival at Leavenheath church.

Our Christmas party this year will be on 19th December when the Pre-School will have a party and receive a present from a special guest!

The pre-school children will continue to enjoy Multisports (now on a Friday) and Forest School sessions on Thursdays.

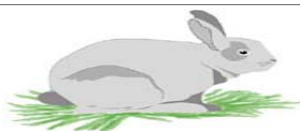
Fundraising events this term:

Woodland Corner sold homemade biscuits, toffee/chocolate apples and hot chocolate at the Nayland Bonfire & Fireworks. This is always such a lovely community event and we feel lucky to be included.

Our Christmas tombola will be on 30th November 2024 at Nayland Christmas Fayre in the village hall – please come and support us.

Woodland Corner is a registered charity, you can support us when shopping on line – go to www.Easyfundraising.org.uk and select Woodland Corner as your chosen charity and we will receive a small donation when you shop. We also collect used inkjet cartridges (except laser/toner cartridges), please leave them on our wall opposite the Vicarage.

Please get in touch if you would like to arrange a visit to our wonderful setting or require further information.



NAYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs Hird Robins@nayland.suffolk.sch.uk

Environmental week at Nayland Primary School

Last week at school we had an environmental week. It started with a visit from Suffolk County Council who delivered workshops to all the classes. We learnt about waste management, littering, recycling and food waste.

During the waste management session, we found out so many useful things such as which bins we should be using for different products and what happens when you put things in the wrong bin (contamination and incineration!)

We found out how littering can affect animals and damage the environment and things that we can all do to prevent this from happening.

We learnt about the types of materials that can be recycled from home and which need to be taken to recycling centres.

As part of the food waste session, we found out how important it is not to create food waste in the first place and then what we can do if we have unavoidable waste. It was particularly interesting to think about the journey of a banana from source to table and why we should not waste these products.

For the rest of the week, we focused our learning on different aspects of our carbon footprint and how we can help to improve it. We have also set up an Eco Council so that we can strive to look after the environment more effectively.

by Eagle Class (Year 6)



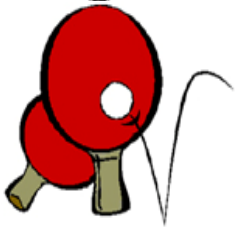


TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Jane Barbrook 263619 janebarbrook@hotmail.com
Tony Mann 262492 ad.mann@homecall.co.uk

The Table Tennis Group meet every Monday in the Village Hall, between 2pm and 4pm and we have a good number of regular members playing. Please contact Tony or Jane for more information or call in on a Monday afternoon for a chat. No previous experience necessary and all are welcome.



NAYLAND ART GROUP

Kathryn Niven 07867 878443 nivenkathryn@gmail.com

We have had a busy and productive time at Nayland Art Group this Autumn and have explored a number of techniques. We had a 'back to basics' tutorial, painting a landscape in watercolours using only three paint colours. Another week, we recreated a boating scene using paint and collage. We also used a selection of Autumn leaves, berries and seeds as inspiration to draw and paint in different styles and media.

By the time this goes to print, we will have been back to the local Blue Owl pottery studio to paint Christmas decorations. We continue to meet until 18th December and after Christmas will resume sessions from 8th January

We meet in the church hall on Wednesday afternoons during term time and we are always happy to welcome any new members so do get in touch if you are interested in joining us.



VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No 304 928 www.naylandandwiston.net > Village Hall

Chairman: Iain Wright 263646 naylandvillagehall@gmail.com Secretary: Christine Thompson 262825



OCTOBER MEETING

MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The calendar for October was read out. The floor inspection has been carried out. No further action will be taken.
- A company who can clean the chairs will be sought.
- The boiler has been serviced and oil tank replenished.
- The monthly fire check for October was carried out; there were no problems found.

MAINTENANCE

- The next Garden Working party is on Saturday 26th October.

BOOKINGS

- Babergh DC will be asked about the hall's alcohol licence.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- The current balance is £26,167, Endowment Fund is £16,302

CORRESPONDENCE

- Four email complaints have been received about excess noise from one hirer. The VHMC are extremely concerned that the neighbours on the Newlands Lane side of the hall have been disturbed by noise from one hirer and will insist that all hirers abide by the hall's terms and conditions.

ROOF REPLACEMENT

- The VHMC is continuing with submissions to the Lottery Fund and Babergh Council for funding the roof replacement. A lawyer is working on the legal aspects required by the lottery and is making good progress. Four firms have been asked to tender for the work within a month & hopefully work can begin next summer.

NOVEMBER MEETING

MATTERS ARISING & HOUSEKEEPING BOOK

- The calendar for November was read out.
- The monthly fire check for November will be carried out

- The chairs will be cleaned; damaged chairs will be removed.
- The annual Health & Safety check of the hall has been carried out. It was agreed to have the lift serviced.
- The next quarterly inspection of the hall will be carried out.
- The annual external inspection of the hall will be carried out.
- A & B Glazing have been asked to service the fire doors on the field side of the hall. However, as they did not manufacture them, another supplier will have to be found

TREASURER'S REPORT

- The current balance is £24,569.

BOOKINGS

- The hall is being very well used and early booking is advised.
- The hall's alcohol licence (£70) has been paid to Babergh DC.

MAINTENANCE

- The sinks in the kitchen need replacing; commercial sinks are being researched. The electrics under the sinks will need to be moved and the flooring extended. Locks have submitted a quotation of £2,500 for the electrical work.
- Hadleigh Glass have been reminded of our request to service the front door.
- Thanks to the volunteers who turned out for the Garden Working party on 26th October.
- The Village Players have repaired the stage curtains

ROOF REPLACEMENT

- The VHMC submitted the final application for funding for the new roof to the National Lottery by the deadline 1st November.
- There will be 2 major fundraising events next year.

AOB

- Hire charges of other village halls will be researched and a consultation paper prepared for increasing the hire charges in March 2025.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: will be **Monday 8th December** @ 7.30pm in the hall committee room.

VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

The VHMC would like to remind villagers that when an event is held in the hall the hirers have the sole use of the car park.

COLLECTION OF KEYS

Please collect keys from Amy Christie, the caretaker, at 5 Meadow Cottages, Wiston Road, Nayland CO6 4FR. Phone 07581 036164.

NAYLAND WEATHER SUMMARY: September & October 2024 by David Lowe

September was a wet month – particularly the last week – with mean temperature a little over average. Rainfall was 77 mm (42.33) 3.3 mm short of the 2015 80.3 mm record. Totals of 15.0 mm on the 23rd, 7.6mm on 25th, 14.0 mm on 26th and 13.8 mm on 30th were significant. Highest rainfall rate was 56.8 mm per hr on 23rd. Lawns, which were looking brown at the end of August, were soon green again!

Once again, this above average rainfall was caused by slow-moving low pressure areas and fronts over the southern UK – rather than the norm, which is driving through fairly quickly, to the north.

Mean temperature was 15.6°C (14.92) with highest max 26.4°C (26.15) and lowest min. 3.1°C (4.99). Lowest max was 14.5°C (14.99). There were 17 days over 20°C (12.41) with 1 over 25°C (2.18). There were 3 days when the temp failed to reach 15°C (1.35) and 13 when 20°C was not achieved (17.47). There were 2 grass frosts, which are uncommon in September.

Bright sun hours were 239.5 (244.22) and solar energy was 7600 Ly (7677.94). Evapotranspiration was 63.5 mm, giving a net moisture gain with the 77mm rainfall total. Only once before during the 17 year record period has there been 3 days or more with 10mm or more of rain.

Average wind speed was 5.1 mph (3.06) equal highest with 3 days over 30 mph (1.06) again equal highest. There were none over 35 mph. Highest gust was 34 mph (31.18).

October finished up pretty much as an average October, though it certainly didn't look as if it was going to at the halfway stage. Persistently anticyclonic dry weather resumed then – with the weather thus following the pattern of 2024 to date – either very wet or very dry.

Mean temperature was 12.4°C (11.78) with a high of 20.09°C and low of 1.4°C (1.92). The lowest max was 11.2°C (10.67). There were no days with less than 10°C as a max (1.06) and 7 with less than 15°C (12.65). There was only 1 day of 20°C (2.23). There were 2 grass frosts and 1 ground frost.

Bright sun hours were 165.5 (166.43) solar energy was 4475 Ly (4644.12) and evapotranspiration 31.8 mm (36.55).

Rainfall was 70 mm (67.31) with highest daily rainfall of 19.8 mm (16.55). Highest rainfall rate was 65 mm/hr (80.84). There were 2 days of over 10 mm (1.88)

Mean wind speed was 3.5 mph (3.44) with highest daily average of 6.1 mph (7.38). There was only 1 day with a gust over 30 mph (1.23). Predominant direction was SW.



View down the Stour Valley from Shaddelow's Hill towards East Bergholt

DONATIONS: ROOF REPLACEMENT

If you would like to make a donation to the Village Hall roof replacement project. The Village Hall bank account is:

- Bank: Santander
- Account Name: Nayland Village Hall
- Sort Code: 09 01 51
- Account Number: 05239305.

Please mark your donations for the roof replacement.

BANNERS ON CALEY GREEN

In order for advertising banners or any promotional signage to be placed on Caley Green or along Horkesley Road permission must first be granted by the Parish Council.

- Permission should be obtained prior to the banner being displayed. An application must include a risk assessment together with proof of Insurance.
- Applications or enquiries should be made to Debbie Hattrell, Parish Clerk, pc@naylandwithwissington.suffolk.gov.uk or telephone 01376 425744

CLASSES & GROUPS IN THE VILLAGE HALL

- Mondays: 9.30am Acrylic Painting, 2pm Table Tennis
- Tuesdays: 9.15 Pilates, 10.45 Dance Fitness Club
- Wednesdays: 2pm Yoga
- Thursdays: 6pm Zumba Class
- Fridays: 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group (*term time*)
- Saturdays: 8am Yoga

Further details of these classes are available on the village hall bookings website via www.naylandandwiston.net.

The Village Hall Management Committee would very much appreciate new members

We meet once a month in the meeting room of the hall for a couple of hours on the first Monday of the month.

If you feel you can give a little of your time to keep this community facility prospering for the mutual benefit of the whole village, please contact any member of the VHMC.

CHANGES AT THE MILL

The Nayland Deli has become a hub of the village, a popular place to shop and meet for coffee, since it took over the mill in October 2022. It is the latest business there in a long list of occupants since the mill ceased functioning as a corn mill at the end of the 19th century. As well as industry and businesses of many kinds the mill has provided employment and services and even entertainment in the days before Nayland finally had a proper purpose-built village hall in 1969.

It is not known when milling started in Nayland but it was certainly before Domesday. In 1086 the entry for Nayland states: "At Eiland (Nayland) the same Robert, father of Suane, held in King Edwards time two carucates of land as a manor with Soche. Always six villans. Then twenty bordars now seventeen. Then six slaves now two.**Always one mill**" Whether this mill was on the site of the existing one is unknown.

A conveyance dated 1823 refers to the "newly erected or re-edified capital water cornmill" which gives no clue as to the age of the former mill but an earlier deed in 1613 concerned a property "**lying between the two mills** in Nayland. The second mill was across the street near the corner of Mill Street and Bear Street until it was demolished around 1850. This one was sometimes referred to as a fulling mill, a leather mill or a corn mill so it could have been in use as far back as the 15th century when Nayland was prosperous with its woollen cloth trade. It is almost impossible to imagine how industrial and busy Mill Street must have been in those days.

At the end of the 18th century the two Nayland mills were owned by the Stammers family who were prosperous millers owning mills all over Essex and Suffolk. In 1846 Jeremiah Stannard who owned Wissington mill took over the current mill but by the end of the 19th century corn milling had ceased and the mill stood empty.

From old photographs we can see the existing mill was a huge building which dominated the street with a gantry crossing the street to the millstream where barges came to collect the flour. The gantry and top storeys of the mill were taken down around 1920 and Bill Norfolk who was born in 1911 remembered watching the demolition. The mill had provided much employment and it was said a thousand sacks of flour were sent to London in a week.

After playing such an important part in the village the mill then took on a new life. In 1897 the mill was bought by a prosperous leather manufacturer from London called Carl Cette Bendixen. He and his family lived next door at Mill House but he died in 1915 and the plant and machinery were put up for auction. It seemed the mill had not proved to be suitable for the leather trade and



The mill circa 1900

the business had mainly taken place at the old silk factory in Fen Street. Mr Bendixen owned several properties in Nayland and a further auction was held in 1919. The lots included the mill premises, Mill House which was let to Dr Jane Walker, the Factory in Fen Street (site of the flats) and Lock Cottage.

In 1924 after the sale of the mill and its partial dismantling the building became the Nayland Electric Light and Power House, set up by William Hindes, an enterprising retired grocer. He had previously owned the gas works in Newlands Lane since 1903 until it closed. He saw the power of the water running through the old mill and decided to set up the electricity company which provided power for the village until 1938 when the East Anglian Electric Light Company took over.

It was during the time when the mill was the Power House that it became a social centre for the village. Whist drives and other social events were held there and residents danced on a specially installed maple wood floor on the first floor. When the Power House closed it was purchased by the first Mr Kerridge for £180 at an auction sale in 1938. His wife was keen to provide activities for young people in Nayland and organised dancing classes there.

A few years later Mr Kerridge sold the mill to Ernie Douglas, landlord of the Queen's Head who used it for storage. During World War II when the mill was unoccupied there was a canteen upstairs which was sponsored by the YMCA. It was manned by several lady volunteers in the village who provided food and drinks for troops based in the local area.

A handwritten note on a 1950 sale catalogue for "Warehouse Premises" situated in The Street, Nayland, says the mill was sold for £680. The premises were stated to be "eminently suitable for storage or light factory purposes." The next owner was a Wivenhoe textile company, Gainsborough Products, who used it as a clothing factory providing local employment.

In 1978 the mill became home to an electrical business run by John Oakes on the lower floor and a popular self-service grocery shop upstairs. Later with new owners the shop moved downstairs and a well received café was incorporated into the shop but when the next owners retired the mill stood empty once again.

From 1999 the mill's new owners carried out major building works which included a new roof and an extra floor. The first floor became 2 flats and the top floor a penthouse while on the ground floor an antiques centre carried on for a time before becoming offices. An interiors business followed and then for a few years the popular Blue Owl ceramic painting, gifts and coffee enterprise provided a lot of enjoyment until it relocated to Great Horkeley. Another period of closure then led to the opening of the Nayland Deli in October 2022.

There can be no other building in Nayland which has served the village so well, giving employment, entertainment and essential services to the whole community. It almost became a cinema for a week in 1995 when it was given the outward appearance of one for the film called *The Affair* in which many residents took part.

Wendy Sparrow, Parish Recorder



The mill in 1999 during reconstruction

Robert Erith National Landscape Award 2024 WINNERS: NAYLAND LAND COMPANY



The Nayland Land Company have been named winners of the 2024 Robert Erith National Landscape Award.

The award is given out annually to the individual, group or organisation that has made an outstanding impact on the Dedham Vale National Landscape and Stour Valley.

It is named after Robert Erith BEM TD DL, the former Chairman of the Dedham Vale National Landscape and Stour Valley Partnership, a lifelong advocate for the special landscape.

Nayland Land Company was set up in March 2004 to hold ownership of a substantial field on the River Stour in Nayland which was purchased using public donations having been under threat from developers.

Since then, the Land Company has cared for the land, which sits adjacent to the river providing many benefits to the community in Nayland.

The past two decades have seen the creation of a new permissive footpath, which has become one of the most popular walking routes in the village and is in the final stages of installing a wheelchair accessible surface.

The land has become a haven for wildlife thanks to several initiatives to increase biodiversity, such as the creation of a new pond in which otters and water vole have been sighted, laying new hedgerows, installing bird and bat boxes, and building stag beetle pyramids, in addition to sheep which graze in the meadow.

The Land Company has also created opportunities for local volunteers to help with projects, planted native trees alongside

the riverbank, installed information boards to educate walkers on some of the features in the land, as well as seating for the public overlooking delightful views across the field to the Stour.

Nayland Land Company said: "We are hugely honoured to win the Robert Erith National Landscape Award for 2024. Nayland Meadow is for the community and it has certainly established itself as a favourite walk. There is much to see on and around the meadow for all. This award is recognition of much hard work by many dedicated people over 20 years. Without the support we have had this would not have been possible. A big "thank you all". The award will be a great encouragement for the future."

Robert Erith said: "I am delighted that Martin Wright and his colleagues at the Nayland Land Company have won the award this year. They have done a superb job in maintaining and enhancing the beautiful meadows along the Stour which will be kept free of development in perpetuity."

More information about the Robert Erith National Landscape award, and the list of past winners, can be found at www.dedhamvale-NL.org.uk/awards

Photo, from left: Cllr James Finch (Chair of the Dedham Vale National Landscape Partnership) - Emma Black (Dedham Vale Project) - David Slater - Martin Wright - Rob Dryden - Sara Erith - Robert Erith

COUNTRY MUSIC SUNDAYS 2024/5

At Nayland Village Hall, Church Lane CO6 4JH
Doors open 1.15pm, Music 2pm-6pm

Brian Mann

Invites you to join him
with special guests:

22 Dec Kevin Barry
5 Jan Bob Whiting
16 Feb Dave Anderson
30 Mar Best of Friends

Raffle, Tea & Coffee
Bring you own Drink & Nibbles
Admission £10

Everybody Welcome

Brian Mann 07999 311296
John Spooner 01206 262691



APPEAL FOR BELLRINGERS

Quintessentially a very special
English tradition; the delightful sound
of bells chiming in a country village...
but the art of bellringing is in decline
and once gone is unlikely to be revived.

So, if you are looking for a new hobby
in which you can make a valuable
contribution in keeping the art
of bellringing alive.....

Chris Hunt, the Nayland Church Tower
Captain would be delighted to hear from you.

A certain amount of training is required,
which Chris can arrange.
You do not have to be strong,
have musical ability or be a churchgoer.
You just need physical co-ordination
and a willingness to learn.

Contact Chris Hunt on 01206 262014



COMMUNITY PANTRY AT CHRISTMAS

It used to be said that it is better to give than to receive, but there will be people in our community for whom doing either would be a luxury. Christmas puts a strain on many purses, and with rising fuel and food prices it is going to be particularly difficult this year for many to afford the 'extras' and treats that others will be enjoying.

If when you are shopping you could add something to your basket for the Pantry that could make a difference to someone's Christmas it would be very welcome - mince pies, Christmas puddings, chocolates, nibbles, anything seasonal except alcoholic drinks which we are not allowed to accept.


Your generosity has been much appreciated in the past: please could you find it in your hearts to be as generous again this year.

Foodstuffs and toiletries always accepted at the pantry situated in the West porch of St James' Church. We cannot, however, accept clothing or bric-a-brac.

Any financial donations can be made to: Community Pantry & Hardship Fund, Sort Code 30 99 50, Account No 24195560

Many thanks to all those who support the pantry and hardship fund.

Babergh District Council
Waste and Recycling



Christmas & New Year Bin Collection Schedule 2024-25

Please ensure your bins are presented by 6.30am on the day of collection

| | Usual collection date | Amended collection date | Change |
|------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Recycling | Monday 23 December 2024 | No Change | None |
| | Tuesday 24 December 2024 | No Change | None |
| | Wednesday 25 December 2024 | Friday 27 December 2024 | 2 days later |
| | Thursday 26 December 2024 | Saturday 28 December 2024 | 2 days later |
| | Friday 27 December 2024 | Monday 30 December 2024 | 3 days later |
| Refuse | Monday 30 December 2024 | Tuesday 31 December 2024 | 1 day later |
| | Tuesday 31 December 2024 | Thursday 2 January 2025 | 2 days later |
| | Wednesday 1 January 2025 | Friday 3 January 2025 | 2 days later |
| | Thursday 2 January 2025 | Saturday 4 January 2025 | 2 days later |
| | Friday 3 January 2025 | Monday 6 January 2025 | 3 days later |
| Recycling | Monday 6 January 2025 | Tuesday 7 January 2025 | 1 day later |
| | Tuesday 7 January 2025 | Wednesday 8 January 2025 | 1 day later |
| | Wednesday 8 January 2025 | Thursday 9 January 2025 | 1 day later |
| | Thursday 9 January 2025 | Friday 10 January 2025 | 1 day later |
| | Friday 10 January 2025 | Saturday 11 January 2025 | 1 day later |

Refuse and recycling collections continue as normal up to Tuesday 24 December; they return to normal on Monday 13 January 2025. Garden waste collections take place as normal until Friday 20 December. No garden waste collections 23 December to 5 January 2024. They return to the normal schedule from Monday 6 January 2024.

Further information at: www.babergh.gov.uk/waste-services
Waste Services: 0300 1234 000 (option 4)

Winter Dog Poo

You know it's out there
You just don't know where



PLEASE BIN IT

REAL CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Babergh DC will recycle your real Christmas tree for free!

If you have a brown garden waste bin you can leave your real Christmas tree (with all decorations removed) beside your brown bin for collection during January.

Please note: Large trees (more than 7 ft tall, or a trunk thicker than 7cm) cannot be collected alongside brown bins. They can be taken to a recycling centre or a collection point.

Details of all of Babergh Christmas tree collection points will be available soon at: <https://www.babergh.gov.uk/waste-services/collection-days/christmas-collections/>

Although not yet confirmed, the usual collection points nearest to Nayland are as follows **BUT** please check the dates they will be collecting.

- **Leavenheath:** Village Hall
 - **Boxford:** Boxford Spinney (entrance)
 - **Great Cornard:** Stevenson Centre, Stevenson Approach (off Broom Street)
 - **Hadleigh:** Stonehouse Road car park & Town Hall Market Place
 - **Sudbury:** Kingfisher Leisure Centre car park (by bottle banks)
- The household recycling centres are:
- **Sudbury:** Sandy Lane, Sudbury, CO10 7HG (off Bulmer Road, Ballingdon Hill - A131)
 - **Hadleigh:** Crockett Road, Hadleigh, IP7 6RD (off Lady Lane Industrial Estate)

More info on recycling at: <https://www.suffolkrecycling.org.uk/>



NAYLAND MEADOW WILDLIFE MONITORING

This year we have begun monitoring the wildlife present on the meadow using camera traps. These cameras are triggered by Infra-Red motion sensors and record single photographs or video clips depending on the setting used. They are capable of operating during both day and night-time conditions. As a trial we placed one camera along the river margin facing a fallen log, and another at the edge of the pond. The cameras were in position for a few weeks this spring. Even though each camera covered only a few square metres of ground and water, we have been surprised by the abundance and variety of wildlife recorded. Pride of place for "Log Cam" were three video clips of otter. Although the log had previously been identified as an otter sprainting site (a place where they regularly deposit droppings), it was gratifying to get visual proof of otters using the river. Otters regularly move up and down the Stour, but their secretive nature and largely nocturnal existence means that they are seldom seen. Predictably, all three otter records were during the night when the risk of disturbance is lowest. Otters are superbly adapted to an aquatic life, with webbed feet and a strong, rudder-like tail for swimming, a dense, waterproof fur, and prominent bristles around the mouth to help detect prey in water with poor visibility.



Another species we were pleased to see was water vole (above). Like otters, water voles receive strict legal protection under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. For water vole this means that it is an offence to damage or destroy a structure or place that voles use for shelter or protection, or disturb them in a place used for shelter or protection. Over recent decades water vole populations have been in very steep decline due to habitat loss and predation by the non-native American mink. Voles have no defence mechanism against the mink, which are small enough to enter water vole burrows and predate both adults and young. However, water voles are now making a comeback on many of our East Anglian rivers due to co-ordinated mink control by landowners and wildlife conservation organisations. More sympathetic river management has also helped, as this ensures there is adequate

shelter and an abundance of vegetation for voles to eat. Over the past year or two water voles have colonised the meadow side of the river and the connected pond as well as the section of the Stour bordering Caley Green. "Log Cam" also recorded moorhen, mallard, brown rat and house sparrow. The sparrows were observed collecting newly hatched river insects such as mayflies and caddis flies. Insects are an important component of the diet of sparrows in the summer, providing a nutrient rich food source for feeding the chicks whilst they are in the nest. Although both species can be found in wetland habitats, brown rats can easily be distinguished from water voles by their longer tail, more pointed snout and conspicuous ears (the ears of water vole are largely hidden within their fur). In the United Kingdom water voles almost exclusively occur in wetlands, though there are a few isolated populations, such as in Glasgow, where they live in purely terrestrial habitats.

"Pond Cam" also captured plenty of wildlife action. Water voles were repeatedly recorded swimming busily back and forth with a clockwork-like "doggy paddle" as they made trips to forage for vegetation in the interior of the pond. Moorhens and mallard, together with their young, were regular visitors too. Reed bunting was also captured by the camera. Reed buntings are a small sparrow-sized bird, with the males, in summer, having a black head, white collar and drooping moustache. In springtime, the males deliver their simple, repetitive song from reed stems or shrubs along the river. A surprise additional species caught on camera was water rail (photo below). This is a rarer relative of the moorhen, with spotted olive brown markings on the upper side, a blue-grey breast and long red bill. Water rails tend to be very secretive, skulking within reedbeds and river margins. This year we have been lucky to spot them in the Caley Green reedbed as well as the pond. Because they are so secretive, their presence is more usually made known by their calls, often described to be similar in sound to a piglet squealing.



GWEN BROADBENT

Our beautiful mum Gwen Broadbent sadly passed away on the 15th October aged 90. Even though mum turned 90 this year she was so independent and strong and we are all devastated that she is no longer with us.

Mum was a resident of Stoke by Nayland and then Nayland since the mid nineties and spent several happy years working as a housekeeper for the Englehearts before settling down in Parker's Way. Mum made lots of friends over the years, she was happy and content seeing her family and friends every day and liked nothing more than having a catch up and entertaining the neighbours in her beautiful bungalow.

Mum will be remembered by many for walking her dogs through the village over the years and all the stray cats that came



and never left. She was very kind and was always happy to help anyone in need. She was such a huge part of the Nayland community, and will be missed by the many people that knew her.

Gwen leaves behind her 7 daughters, 21 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren.

In Loving Memory of our Wonderful Mum.

Of all the special gifts in life however great or small, to have you as our Mum was the greatest gift of all.

May the winds of love blow softly and whisper in your ear, we love and miss you Mum and wish that you were here.

Deep in our hearts, your life is kept to love and cherish, not forget. No more tomorrows we can share but yesterdays are always there.

A silent thought, a secret tear keeps your memory ever near in our hearts forever mum until we meet again.

Your girls Tracy Terece & Sarah xx

FORTNIGHTLY REFUSE COLLECTION TO MOVE TO THREE-WEEKLY

Every authority in the land has to adopt this legislation which was introduced by the Government and will see the standardisation of waste collections nationwide.

The legislation, through the Environment Act 2021, aims to make items collected for recycling consistent across England and Wales and improve national recycling rates.

Under the new legislation all local authorities in England must collect the same recyclable waste streams for recycling or composting from households. From 2026 the recyclable waste streams include paper and card, plastic, glass, metal, food waste, and garden waste.

It is claimed this additional recycling, combined with new weekly food waste collections, would have a significant positive impact on recycling rates. Food waste bins will be used for leftovers, meat, fish bones, tea bags, eggshells, fruit and vegetable peelings.

Councils state they will be sympathetic to those with exceptional needs on a case-by-case basis, such as those with larger families, with medical needs or without available space for the new bins.

Each household will have up to 5 bins on their doorsteps:



TRAVELS WITH HERMIONE

Having recently sold our 1927 Humber model 14/40 Tourer motor car I am asked by friends "Do you miss it?" Owned by us for 20 years; used extensively I had latterly realised that my age had advanced and my physical powers declined so that I could no longer service the car at home or, if needed, on the road.

Jan and I have enjoyed so many experiences in it that we can look back on. The car, Hermione, including her appropriate decorations, took Jan to our church, Lion Walk URC Colchester for our wedding and we left in her together. We have since done weddings for various friends and villagers with the car. Plenty of confetti has been cleaned out afterwards. It has been good to see so many happy couples begin their married life.

We have attended about 10 of the annual rallies of the Humber Register often in distant parts of France, Scotland, Wales, Devon and the Lake District. Breakdowns have happened at times, so we have returned home on a breakdown truck. As a young man I joined, in 1954, the RAC as a Life Member for 25 guineas (remember this was pre-decimal a guinea = £1 and 1 shilling). I've certainly had my moneys worth. Life Membership is no longer available – I wonder why? Annual mileage was usually about 2000, but one year we covered over double that and we got the cup to prove it.

Entry to car shows and heritage museums is often available free of charge and as a consequence, have enjoyed visits to the Crick museum in Derbyshire, apart from the Tendring Show and Castle Park, Colchester.

We took part in a rally from Paris to Deauville. This was an international event of prestigious vehicles and we had to do a "presentation", in mime, at the Deauville Racecourse. We came away with a large cup and to this day do not know why we won it as it was presented at the closing dinner – in French.

We also attended Le Mans the day before the 24 hour race. We were one of about 50 vintage and classic cars that took the teams on a slow tour of the town of Le Mans and didn't

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

| | Week 1 | Week 2 | Week 3 | Week 4 | Week 5 | Week 6 |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Food | | | | | | |
| Recycling | | | | | | |
| Rubbish | | | | | | |
| Garden (optional) | | | | | | |

However, the move to collect black bins (general rubbish) from 2 weeks to 3 week collections is not legislation, it's a choice being adopted by Babergh.

Our District Councillor, Isabelle Reece, voted against 3-week collection; see page 7 and email her with your comments at: Isabelle.reece@babergh.gov.uk



get out of second gear. We took the three drivers of one of the Aston Martin teams in our car.

Within Nayland we have regularly attended the annual church fete. We "welcomed" the audience of the Village Players Murdered to Death by lying in wait in Hermione, dressed as Bonnie and Clyde, complete with a stage machine gun. The Anglia in Bloom judges had a ride around the village as did Father Christmas and his elf on a number of occasions as they handed out chocolates to the children (photo above).

Over the years Jan and I have had so many happy and informative journeys in the car that there is no sadness in her departure. It is a relief that I am no longer responsible. The car has gone to a local enthusiast who is a member of our car club. He and his wife have already been out and about in her so we shall be kept up to date of their escapades.

We have been members of a very active car club locally and have rallied with them extensively in Northamptonshire, Norfolk and the Netherlands. We also attend regular meetings with speakers, not always car related but always interesting. We have made very many good friends at the club and will continue to be members, despite not having a pre-1940s car.

Foster and Jan Jones



FIVE PARISHES CHURCH SERVICES:

NAYLAND WITH WISSINGTON COMMUNITY TIMES

Nayland, Wiston, Leavenheath, Stoke by Nayland & Polstead

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CHURCH SERVICES: December

| | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Sunday 24th November</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Stoke |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Leavenheath |
| | 4.30pm | Evensong | Nayland |
| <u>Sunday 1st December</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Nayland |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | First Sunday | Leavenheath VH |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Polstead |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Prayer | Stoke |
| <u>Sunday 8th December</u> | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Leavenheath |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Nayland |
| | 11.00am | Holy Communion | Stoke |
| <u>Saturday 14th</u> | 6.30pm | Carol Service | Polstead |
| <u>Sunday 15th December</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion | Stoke |
| | 10.00am | Family Service | Nayland |
| | 5.30pm | Evening Prayer | Wiston |
| | 6.30pm | Carols by Candlelight | Leavenheath |
| <u>Wednesday 18th</u> | 7.00pm | Carols around the Tree | Nayland |
| <u>Saturday 21st</u> | 6.00pm | Carols on the Green | Stoke |
| <u>Sunday 22nd December</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Stoke |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Leavenheath |
| | 6.30pm | Nine Lessons & Carols | Nayland |
| <u>Tuesday 24th December</u> | 3.00pm | Crib Service | Stoke |
| | 4.00pm | Christingle | Leavenheath |
| | 4.00pm | Christingle | Nayland |
| | 6.30pm | Carols by Candlelight | Stoke |
| | 11.15pm | Midnight Mass | Stoke |
| <u>Wednesday 25th December</u> | 9.30am | Family Eucharist | Polstead |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Leavenheath |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Wiston |
| | 11.00am | Family Eucharist | Nayland |
| <u>Sunday 29th December</u> | 8am | No services in the Benefice | |
| | | Holy Communion | St Mary's Hadleigh |

Weekday & Saturday Services

The following services will be held in our churches **every** week unless indicated in the weekly pew sheet. Do join us in our weekday worship.

| | | | |
|-------------|--------|----|-------------|
| Mondays: | 8.30am | MP | Nayland |
| Tuesdays: | 8.30am | MP | Leavenheath |
| Wednesdays: | 9.00am | HC | Nayland |
| Thursdays: | 8.30am | MP | Wiston |
| Fridays: | 6.00pm | EP | Stoke |
| Saturdays: | 6.00pm | C | Polstead |

Key: MP Morning Prayer, HC Holy Communion, EP Evening Prayer, C Compline, BCP Book of Common Prayer

Daily church opening times: Nayland 10-4pm, Wiston 9-4pm, Stoke 9-4pm, Leavenheath 10-4pm, Polstead 9-4pm.

CHURCH SERVICES: January

| | | | |
|----------------------------|---------|--------------------|----------------|
| <u>Sunday 5th January</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Nayland |
| | 9.30am | Epiphany Carols | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | First Sunday | Leavenheath VH |
| | 11.15am | Epiphany Communion | Polstead |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Prayer | Stoke |
| <u>Sunday 12th January</u> | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Leavenheath |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Nayland |
| | 11.00am | Holy Communion | Stoke |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Prayer | Wiston |
| <u>Sunday 19th January</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Stoke |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Polstead |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Wiston |
| | 10.00am | Family Service | Nayland |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Praise | Leavenheath VH |
| <u>Sunday 26th January</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Stoke |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Leavenheath |
| | 4.30pm | Evensong | Nayland |
| <u>Sunday 2nd February</u> | 8.00am | Holy Communion BCP | Nayland |
| | 9.30am | Holy Communion | Wiston |
| | 9.30am | First Sunday | Leavenheath VH |
| | 11.15am | Holy Communion | Polstead |
| | 6.30pm | Evening Prayer | Stoke |

This rota is correct at time of going to print please also check timetable of services in your church porch, on the website or Facebook

Weekly Pew Sheets & Reading

If anyone would like to receive the weekly church pew sheets via email please let Sam know via admin@lspnw.org.uk

CHURCH CONTACT ALL DETAILS ON PAGE 47

If you require information about a baptism, marriage, funeral or anything pastoral please contact:

Rector: Revd Stéphane Javelle on 01206 263589 or rector@lspnw.org.uk (Friday is his usual day off)

Benefice Administrator: Sam Bridgeman on 07770 884682 or admin@lspnw.org.uk

Retired Clergy: Revd Val Armstrong on 01206 262814 mrsvarmstrong@hotmail.com

Churchwarden for St James': Kathy Hunt (262014) is the point of contact for Nayland church queries or Nicola Thorogood 262453 for St Mary's Wiston.

FROM THE REGISTERS



DEATHS

Gwen Broadbent
Hugh Bull
David Rowe

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John Branfield
Ken Willingale

Pastoral Letter

December is upon us again, and even as I write in mid-November, the relentless focus on Christmas has begun. Decorations are appearing in shops and public spaces whilst the Christmas advertising season gets longer and more intense every year. And I just want to shout Stop, please, Stop! No more Black Friday, no more x shopping days to Christmas. No more pressure to make the perfect Christmas which means by Christmas Day you are totally exhausted. There is a better way.

December is the season of Advent, of thoughtful reflection on the meaning and purpose of life, and death. A reminder that this life is finite and very short and what we do or don't do has profound and eternal significance. Time for a reset, just as the spiritual spring-clean of Lent prepares us for the joy and wonder of Easter, so Advent allows us to step back and see the noise and clamour of the advertisers, the politicians, pundits and influencers, for what it is. Empty promises and self-promoting illusions. The joy and hope of Christmas comes not from ever more expensive presents, more food than anyone is going to eat on the Christmas table or rushing round trying to get everything done. It comes from receiving the good news of God's love for us, in the gift of his only Son, born in a lowly stable.

This December there will be an Angel Festival in St. Matthew's, Leavenheath and I hope as many people as possible will be a part of it by making an angel, however simple or elaborate, to

go into our angel hosts, and to remember the message of the first Christmas angels.

'Do not be afraid, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord...

'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom he is pleased'.

Many people are fearful and anxious, there's no shortage of doom and gloom. But the gift of Christmas is the peace that the world cannot give and the love that changes everything. 'For God sent his Son, not to condemn the world but to save it.' And that begins in the human heart, as sages of many faiths and tradition have understood.

"If there is to be peace in the world, there must be peace in the nations. If there is to be peace in the nations, there must be peace in the cities. If there is to be peace in the cities, there must be peace between neighbours. If there is to be peace between neighbours, there must be peace in the home. If there is to be peace in the home, there must be peace in the heart." Lao Tzu, Chinese philosopher.

Christmas is a welcome feast in the dark days of winter; a joyful reminder that the Light has come into the world and the darkness will never overcome it. A message as relevant and life-changing now, as it was then.

I wish you peace, joy and love this Christmas.

Revd Val



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Kevin Walsh, St James' Church, PCC Treasurer

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|------------------------------------|
| Autumn term ends: 20 December |
| Spring term begins: 7 January 2025 |
| Spring half term: 17 – 21 February |

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 - **To check on roadworks:** <https://one.network/>
 - **To check water issues:** <https://inyourarea.digdat.co.uk/>
 - **Track Rain/Lightening:** <https://www.radar-live.com/2018/04/rain-map.html>
- Useful local social media group sites:
- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/StokeByNaylandBoxfordLeavenheathNaylandBures/>
 - <https://nextdoor.co.uk/news/feed/>

| BUS TIMETABLES | | Service 84 & 784 | | Timeable from 1st September 2024 | | Saturday Service - No service on Sunday or Public Holidays | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|------|----------------------------------|------|--|------|
| Monday to Saturday | 84 | 784 | 84 | 784 | 84 | 784 | 84 |
| Sudbury Bus Station | 0657 | 0905 | 1005 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Great Cornard School | 0744 | 0954 | 1054 | 1154 | 1254 | 1354 | 1454 |
| Nayland Surgery | 0756 | 0938 | 1038 | 1138 | 1238 | 1338 | 1438 |
| Nayland A134 | 0806 | 0948 | 1048 | 1148 | 1248 | 1348 | 1448 |
| Cordelia Drive Myland | 0811 | 0954 | 1054 | 1154 | 1254 | 1354 | 1454 |
| Colchester Gen. Hosp. | 0825 | 1005 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 | 1505 |
| Colchester North Station | 0825 | 1005 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 | 1505 |
| Colchester High Street | 0825 | 1005 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 | 1505 |
| Norman Way Schools | 0825 | 1005 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 | 1505 |
| Monday to Saturday | 84 | 784 | 84 | 784 | 84 | 784 | 84 |
| Norman Way Schools | 0846 | 0915 | 1038 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Colchester Head Street | 0850 | 0919 | 1042 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Colchester North Station | 0850 | 0919 | 1042 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Turner Road, for Hospital | 0855 | 0928 | 1047 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Cordelia Drive Myland | 0732 | 0928 | 1047 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Nayland Surgery | 0744 | 0940 | 1056 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Nayland A134 | 0830 | 1030 | 1123 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Great Cornard School | 0840 | 1030 | 1123 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
| Sudbury Bus Station | 0840 | 1030 | 1123 | 1105 | 1205 | 1305 | 1405 |
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LOCAL INFORMATION

COMMUNITY WEBSITES

Websites manager
Mobile Library
Forget Me Not
Doctors Surgery

Parkers Way
Primary School
Home School Association
Nayland Playgroup
Woodland Corner
Primary School Classes
Baby & Toddler Group
Village Hall
Church Hall
Royal British Legion
Womens Institute
Village Cinema
Table Tennis Club
Coloured Pencil Art Group
Nayland Art Club
Horticultural Society
Conservation Society
Nayland Meadow Ltd
Village Players
Nayland Choir
First Responders
Friends of St. James' Church
Friends of Wiston Church
Friends of Caley Green
Chambers Buses
Roman Catholic Church
Police
Suffolk Constabulary Hadleigh
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District Councillor
Suffolk County Councillor
James Cartlidge MP

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2 Birch Street Tel: 265965 Opening hours are Tues-Fri 9-4 & Sat 9am-1pm
93 Bear Street CO6 4LA Tel: 01206 570371 (*out of hours NHS 111*)
Surgery hours: Mon-Fri 8am-6pm Dispensary: Mon-Thurs 9am-12.30 & 1.30-5pm, Fri 9am-3pm
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naylandhsa@outlook.com Sec: Yasmine Clarke
Manager: Cheryl Leeks 263054 <http://woodlandcornernayland.blogspot.com>
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VILLAGE DIARY

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| Weekly on | <p>Mondays: Table Tennis 2pm-4pm Village Hall <i>page 33</i></p> <p>Tuesday: Handbell Ringing: 1.30pm Church Hall <i>page 31</i></p> <p>Wednesdays: Coffee, Cake & Conversation 10am St James (<i>close 18th Dec, reopen 8th Jan</i>) <i>page 7 & 29</i></p> <p>Fridays: Art Group 2pm-4pm Church Hall (<i>closed 25th Dec– 15th Jan</i>) <i>page 33</i></p> <p>Baby & Toddler Group 9.30pm Village Hall (<i>term times</i>) <i>page 31</i></p> |
| November 30th | Community Council: Christmas Fayre 10.30am-1pm Village Hall <i>page 8 & 9</i> |
| December | |
| 1st | Christmas Trail Advent windows are revealed <i>page 9 & 11</i> |
| 4th, 6th & 7th | Village Payers': 'Rapunzel' Village Hall - 4th 6.30pm, 6th 7.30pm, 7th 2.30pm & 7.30pm <i>page 14 & 30</i> |
| 8th | Community Council: Christmas tree going up in High Street 9am <i>page 9</i> |
| 8th | Friends of Wiston Church: <i>The Marenzio Singers</i> 7.30pm St Mary's Wiston |
| 9th | Christmas Trail Christmas trees and wreaths are revealed <i>page 9 & 11</i> |
| 9th | Dedham Vale Society 'Charlie & the Dig' 8pm Village Hall <i>page 14</i> |
| 12th | Women's Institute: 'Nayland Handbell Ringers' 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 26 & 31</i> |
| 13th | Village Cinema: 'Wilding' open 6.30pm, screening 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 18 & 25</i> |
| 15th | Nayland Choir concert 'Winter Solstice in Song' 3.30 for 4pm Village Hall <i>page 14 & 25</i> |
| 18th | Carols Around the Christmas Tree with the Boxted Silver Band at 7pm High Street <i>page 12 & 40</i> |
| 19th | First Responders Fundraiser: Antony Roberts' A Christmas Carol 6.30 for 7pm Village Hall <i>page 14 & 28</i> |
| 21st | Winter Solstice Picnic 1pm on Caley Green <i>page 6</i> |
| 22nd | Candlelit Carol Service at St James' Church at 6.30pm <i>page 12 & 40</i> |
| 22nd | Country Music Sundays: 'Kevin Barry' 1.15pm for 2pm <i>page 36</i> |
| 24th | Father Christmas will be touring Nayland at 2pm <i>page 9 & 13</i> |
| January | |
| 5th | Community Council: taking down the village Christmas tree High Street 9am <i>page 9</i> |
| 5th | Country Music Sundays: 'Bob Whiting' 1.15pm for 2pm <i>page 36</i> |
| 6th | Community Council: meeting Church Hall 8pm (<i>Exec 7.30pm</i>) <i>page 9 & 47</i> |
| 6th | Village Hall Management Committee meeting 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 33 & 47</i> |
| 8th | Parish Council: meeting 7.30pm Village Hall or by Zoom <i>page 2 & 47</i> |
| 9th | Women's Institute: Paul Gallifant 'Dedham Vale through the Seasons' 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 26</i> |
| 12th | Village Players: Auditions 'Moriarty tbc' 5pm Church Hall <i>page 18 & 30</i> |
| 15th | Village Players: Auditions 'Moriarty tbc' 7.30pm Church Hall <i>page 18 & 30</i> |
| 17th | Village Cinema: 'film tbc' open 6.30pm, screening 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 25</i> |
| 20th | Coloured Pencil Art Group: 6.30pm Village Hall <i>page 29</i> |
| February | |
| 7th | Community Council: Fun Village Quiz <i>page 9 & 10</i> |
| 13th | Women's Institute: Mike Rumsey 'They were not all bad' 2.30pm Village Hall <i>page 26</i> |
| 16th | Country Music Sundays: 'Dave Anderson' 1.15pm for 2pm <i>page 36</i> |
| 17th | Coloured Pencil Art Group: 6.30pm Village Hall <i>page 29</i> |
| 21st | Village Cinema: 'film tbc' open 6.30pm, screening 7.30pm Village Hall <i>page 25</i> |
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| 3rd March | Community Council & Village Hall Management Committee AGMs Village Hall <i>page 9, 33 & 47</i> |
| 22nd March | HortSoc Spring Show Church Hall <i>page 27</i> |
| 2nd, 4th, 5th April | Village Payers': Spring production <i>page 18 & 30</i> |
| 9th April | Village Lunch <i>page 25</i> |
| 15th April | HortSoc Fun Quiz & AGM <i>page 27</i> |
| 5th May | Nayland Church Fete 1pm Village Hall |
| 10th May | Woodland Corner: Barn Dance |
| 8th June | Conservation Society: Nayland Open Gardens |

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