



Walberswick Village News

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Please ensure that you send your letters in response to the non-statutory consultation of **LionLink** before **3 November**. Advice from the Parish Council can be found at tinyurl.com/bdz4wc7u and from WALL (Walberswick against LionLink) at wall-update.org

Cancer Research Christmas Fayre



Walberswick's annual fundraiser for Cancer Research UK will be on Saturday, 2 December from 10am until 12 noon in the Village Hall. Please join us for refreshments and a natter with friends.

Our Christmas Fayre stalls include cakes, wreaths, gifts, decorations, Christmas cards, and new this year - Handmade Christmas. We also have fabulous items in the auction and raffle, as well as the popular bottle tombola.

We would be extremely grateful for any donations for the stalls as well as homemade biscuits for the teas. Please see insert for details. You can also make online donations at our Giving page at tinyurl.com/wwchristmasfayre. Instagram users can follow us for a preview at @walberswickchristmasfayre.

If you would like to see the Cancer Research Christmas card selection before the event, please contact me and I will pop round.

On the day we will be able to take card payments, but we would very much prefer cash.

Guy Parry at parry.guy@gmail.com or 07775 512995

First annual tournament of the Walberswick Table Tennis Club, aka WaPP

In October, 20 people gathered for the inaugural competition of the Table Tennis Club. Nine pairs battled it out in a round robin ping pong competition, which was great fun with much competitive rivalry. After a gripping final, Ben Sutton and Lavinia Penrhys-Evans were our champs with close runners up Raj Sheth and Peter Watson. We followed it up with Sophie's winning curry at the Anchor for a post match debrief. **Elaine Heeler**



The end of the organised Bonfire Night fireworks display

Inevitably, the changing times have meant the end of the village's Bonfire Night fireworks display, with the last display being held in 2019. Covid wiped out the next two years and last year escalating costs and lack of first aid support meant the event was cancelled. Walberswick is competing with large events in the area and we cannot attract companies to run our relatively modest display or to provide first aid cover without which our insurance is invalid. The cost of an organised display has become prohibitive with professionals saying it is not worth their while to put on a display for less than £4k. Even if these hurdles could be overcome, a new site would need to be found as the Cliff Field location is no longer available due to the Countryside Stewardship Agreement between Walberswick Common Lands Charity and Natural England.

While we are saddened by the demise of another village tradition, we would all like to give a massive thank you to Jon Winyard and his team, who have worked so hard over the years and overcome so many obstacles to make Bonfire Night such a fabulous and enjoyable event. It has brought much delight to so many and will always be fondly remembered. **Editor**

The Voluntary Help Centre needs drivers for Walberswick

The Voluntary Help Centre in Southwold needs volunteers to help meet journey requests from Walberswick. You do not have to commit to a regular schedule and, if you wish to help out, you can decide when and how often you will be available. You will also receive 45p per mile per journey undertaken. If you can help, pop in for a chat at the Stella Peskett Millennium Hall or phone them on 01502 724549. Open 9am-1pm Monday to Friday. **Editor**

The Anchor

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Walberswick Parish Council



Christmas Tree on The Green

Following the Parish Meeting in September, the Parish Council discussed the matter again at its October meeting and agreed to the proposal arising from the Parish Meeting, namely to not plant a permanent Christmas Tree at the present time, but instead to leave the organising of the Walberswick Christmas Tree to an independent working group (as already happens for the fete, etc.) and to see how it goes. A small group of volunteers came forward from the Parish meeting, but more are urgently needed, so if you are interested in helping with any aspect of the tree, please email the Parish Clerk at walberswickclerk@gmail.com and we will put you in touch with the group.

Sizewell C consultation - 7pm, Monday 6 November in the Village Hall

The Sizewell C project team will be holding a public consultation meeting at 7pm on Monday 6 November in the Village Hall (doors open at 6.30pm). This is a great opportunity to ask all those questions of the Sizewell C team to which you would like answers and also a chance to show again the depth of feeling in Walberswick about this project, so please take the time to attend. It will be chaired by the Parish Council and will consist of a short presentation by the Sizewell team, followed by opening the floor to questions from members of the public.

LionLink – Parish Council response approved

At its meeting on 16 October, the Parish Council approved its formal response on behalf of the village to the LionLink non-statutory consultation. The final response can be seen at tinyurl.com/u7t2n746.

LionLink – the clock is ticking for your responses

The closing date for receipt of responses to the LionLink non-statutory consultation is Friday, 3 November. The Parish Council strongly urges everyone to write their own response to the consultation before that closing date. Please feel free to use any of the points made by the Parish Council in their response or not; it is entirely up to you. An article has been written, advising who to send your response to and how it should be formatted; this can be seen at tinyurl.com/bdz4wc7u.

Next Parish Council meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 13 November at 7pm in the Heritage Hut and is open to members of the public. Full details will be published on the village website, or for further information contact the Parish Clerk at walberswickclerk@gmail.com.



Walberswick Common Lands Charity



Further to the invitation in last month's Village News, the Coastal Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Conservation Volunteer Group will be working with us in Walberswick on 28 November to clear overgrown vegetation from the recently planted hedging and trees in Bennetts Copse. If you would like to join the group please sign up via the form at tinyurl.com/bdcwtd3k. The second session will be on 27 February and the focus will be the fringes of Cliff Field.

The RSPB project to encourage breeding waders onto the wet grassland viewable from the bird hide should have happened in October. Unfortunately the weather has turned making the meadows inaccessible. The window of opportunity is just October ... might be October 2024. **Vanessa Tucker, Environmental Stewardship Trustee**

November Kitchen and Garden

The Horticultural Show is a long way off but it is never too early to start preparing. Broad beans, onions, shallots and garlic are classes in the show and all can be planted now and then successional sown in the spring and early summer. If you do this, not only should you have a nice early harvest in the spring but will have done a practise run for the show.

If you are a garlic lover, try growing garlic greens. Break up a bulb into cloves and plant three or four in a pot with compost. Put on a sunny window sill and water lightly. In 10-14 days the greens will be ready to cut. Plant successional sown to get a continuous supply.

Marmalade is best made in January and February when Seville oranges are available. Start collecting jars now so you have plenty and can put aside a jar for the show. **The Horticultural Committee**

Christmas Concertina Cards

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Also available: Walberswick themed and Suffolk inspired concertina cards.

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Planning applications

At the time of publication, the following properties were awaiting a decision on their planning applications:

Crestholme, The Lee (trees) | **The Net Shed Studio**, Ferry Road | **14 Manor Close** | **Wayland Cottage**, The Street | **Longwood**, Church Field | **1 Adams Lane** | **Seacroft**, Millfield Road | **Byways**, Stocks Lane | **Box Bush**, Seven Acres Lane

The latest applications and Advisory Group Reports, can be found on the planning page on the Walberswick [website](#).

Operation Christmas Child Reminder

A reminder to please deliver your Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to Copper Beech House or to St Andrew's Church (where they can be put in the vestry on Wednesday and Sunday mornings) by Sunday, 12 November. For more information, contact **Christine Fisher** on 07876 453965.

Celebrating heritage, history and community

In September, for the first time Walberswick hosted two Heritage Days as part of England's largest community-led festival of history and culture. Unlocking the 2023 theme 'creativity unwrapped', St Andrew's Church organised a craft morning for children, encouraging them to create items inspired by our village environment using materials such as clay, beads, small coins, buttons, ceramic and tiles. Imaginative creations included rabbits, a butterfly, fish, a peacock, a brother and a car.

A week later, a specially devised Heritage Treasure map saw 30 adults and 24 children searching for treasure, following a trail of clues around the village and ending at the Heritage Hut, which hosted a display on the history of Walberswick. Emilie Dadswell created a colourful, interactive leaflet for the hunt, which was devised by Caroline Wright. Participants received a special Walberswick bookmark, designed by village artist, Helen Riches.

Our thanks to Sally Ann East and her team for organising the event at St Andrew's, and to the Heritage Hut team and all the volunteers involved in the treasure hunt. And special thanks to Emilie and Helen for their creative contributions. **Caroline Wright**



Diary Dates



WI Talk and AGM

Thursday, 2 November, 2.30pm in the Village Hall

Penny Robertson will be telling us everything we need to know about beekeeping. She will also be bringing along honey for sale at £5 per jar. Her talk will be followed by the AGM. All welcome. **Muriel Wortley**

Sizewell C consultation

Monday, 6 November, 7pm in the Village Hall

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A Painter's Year: an exhibition by Sarah Muir Poland

14-19 November at Noho Studios, 67 Great Tichfield St, London

50 new paintings will be on view, including work from Sarah's trip to Rajasthan, plein air paintings and work from her studio. Opening times are 14 November 10am-6pm with a private viewing from 6pm-9pm (everyone invited but RSVP to Sarah), 15-18 November 10am-6pm, and 19 November 10am-1pm. If you can't make it and would like to see the catalogue, email Sarah on sarahpoland8@gmail.com. **Editor**

Cancer Research Christmas Fayre

Saturday, 2 December, 10am - 12 noon in the Village Hall

Join us for refreshments (included in the entry fee of £2.50 for adults and £1 for children) and browse our festive stalls. **Guy Parry**

Walberswick Local History Group Talk

Sunday, 3 December, 4pm in the Village Hall

Southwold Railway - Past, Present and Future: a talk by John Ridgway of the Southwold Railway Trust. Members only. To reserve places, please email ewright123@btinternet.com. **Pat Lancaster**

Horticultural Committee Christmas Evening

Saturday, 9 December, 7pm in the Village Hall

The Horticultural Committee invites you to an evening of Christmas cheer with mulled wine and mince pies, as well as the chance to make a table centre piece for Christmas. Tickets are £5 obtainable from the Tuck Shop (Co-Op). Numbers are limited. **Diana Wright**

Church Matters

St Andrew's Church Walberswick

Team Vicar

Revd Alan Perry

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adperry64@gmail.com

solebayteamministry.co.uk

November 2023 Services

Sunday, 5 November, 11.15am

Sung Eucharist

Joined by Blythburgh

Revd Judy Miller

Sunday, 12 November, 10.50am

Remembrance Sunday

At Blythburgh

Revd Margaret King

Sunday, 19 November 11.15am

Sung Eucharist

Revd Stephen Abbott

Sunday, 26 November, 11.15am

Family Service

Revd Judy Miller

Every Wednesday, 10am

Holy Communion

Coffee on first Wednesday

Commemorative Flowers

5 November - Denise Brentnall for her parents Peggy and Ernest Hughes

Community Services

Community Cafe: Wednesday,
1 November 2.30pm,
St Andrew's Church.

Mobile Library: Friday,
10 November 2.15pm-2.45pm,
Village Hall car park.

Norwich Bus: Thursday morning,
16 November. Please contact
Mandy Erlenbach on 07590
697575 to book a place.

Post Office: Tuesdays 1pm-3pm;
Thursdays 10am-12 noon,
Village Hall Annex.

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE

WALBERSWICK.SUFFOLK.GOV.UK

The next edition of the Village News will be published on 1 December 2023. The copy deadline is noon on 25 November 2023 and submissions should be sent to the editor at walberswicknews@gmail.com.

Walberswick Christmas Fayre

Saturday 2 December 2023, 10.00-12.00 in the Village Hall

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to the annual Walberswick Christmas Fayre in aid of Cancer Research UK. We would be very grateful for any donations and, as ever, we appreciate your generous support. Please contact the stallholders below. Many thanks, Guy Parry.



Stall	Suggested donations	Contact
RAFFLE	Prizes such as bottles, chocolates and Christmas items	Elaine Heeler & Vanessa Tucker Prizes to Guy please: 07775 512995
CAKES	Homemade cakes, biscuits, jams etc	Suzzie Godfrey: 07539 513753 Astrid King: 07968 306313
GIFTS	New/nearly new and quality gifts	Rita Woodcraft: 07796 475350 Carol Wardell: 01502 722955
BOTTLE TOMBOLA	Any bottled or canned drinks within the use by date	Gordon Beard: 07734 996114 Alvin Hunt: 07824 671752
AUCTION	New or unused items, gifts, art, premium wine and spirits etc	Phil & Esther Smith Donations to Guy please: 07775 512995
HANDMADE CHRISTMAS	Handcrafted Christmas decorations, stocking fillers and gifts	Maryanne Sheth: 07905 259049 Karen Maxwell: 07788 926186
TEAS	Homemade biscuits: please deliver to the village hall from 09.00 on the day	John Wardell, Rich Rhodes, Dave Harrison Any questions to Guy please: 07775 512995

Sue Ireland-Cutting and Sue Green will be offering beautiful handmade Christmas Wreaths and Table Arrangements. Christmas Cards and Decorations will also be available.

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