

RE-STARTING

Boathouse Café: Open for takeaways only on Saturday 4 July, 11.00am-5.00pm

St Mary's Church: Open for private prayer from Sunday 28 June, 10.00am-4.00pm

Mobile Library: Restarting on Tuesday 21 July, 2.00-2.30pm on The Street opposite Red House Farm Lane

Coffee & Chat: If the weather is good, meet on the grass at the back of the Village Hall at 10.30am on Thursday 2 July. Please bring a chair and your own drink. Current Covid19 precautions will be observed. No charge – so come and meet the neighbours you've not seen for a few months.

VILLAGE HALL & RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE

New regulations have been put in place regarding the use of the hall and recreation ground which must be adhered to, to help keep us all safe.

Pop-Up-Pub, Recreation Ground, Saturday 1 August, 6.30-10.30pm

Government instructions allow us to run a pop-up-pub. We will comply with the current Covid19 precautions. The Recreation Ground will be clearly laid out so that people will be restricted to groups to allow for social distancing, with large areas circled around each table group that nobody else should enter without invitation. Credit cards preferred but cash will be accepted. Beer, wine and soft drinks available.

The tennis members have spent considerable time and effort in cleaning the court's surface, to stop foot slippage in damp weather.

The children's play area needs to be brushed before it is useable. If anyone can help please contact Rawdon (411459).

Yoga classes have started over the summer months on the Recreation Ground on Tuesday mornings run by Ellie. Open to beginners and people who have done yoga before. If you are interested in joining please call Rawdon (411459).

It is sad that someone has put some graffiti on the old shed, and a considerable amount of beer bottles had to be cleared away from the play area.

It is good to see more Swift nest sites being taken up. One of the boxes at the back of the Village Hall has again been taken up, along with the usual two on the front of Tailors House and a new box at the back, also a new one on the front of the Coach House. If you see Swifts in Bawdsey, or in any of the swift boxes in Boyton, Shottisham, Sutton, Bawdsey or Ramsholt churches, please let Andy (411626) or Rawdon (411459) know so they can be added to the national register.

If you would like your Bulletin emailed to you, or you have any future items, please email louiselennard127@btinternet.com. No email address will ever be circulated to third parties.

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UPDATE FROM SCOTTISH POWER

The reinstatement works for EA1 have been delayed at Bawdsey. This is partly due to the very wet winter, the wettest for 30 years, and now COVID-19. Reinstatement work has now resumed along the 37km onshore cable corridor and we have approximately 7km left to reinstate. At Bawdsey we have an additional ecological constraint which we need to work around. We don't anticipate fully resuming reinstatement work at the compound until the end of summer, meaning completion in early autumn 2020. We apologise for the inconvenience. The temporary traffic lights have returned to Shottisham Bridge with the resumption of the removal of stone from the haul road, accessed via Ramsholt. Shortly Scottish Power Renewables will be consulting on a proposed non-material change to the consented East Anglia THREE offshore windfarm. The proposals would affect the offshore windfarm rather than the onshore construction works. Adverts will be in local press.

HELLO FROM BAWDSEY RADAR

We hope you and yours are well and safe. After 3 months of temporary closure and in light of the latest Government guidance, we are working behind the scenes to plan and prepare for a safe reopening of the Transmitter Block for our volunteers and visitors. Whilst we don't have a re-opening date as yet, please do keep an eye on www.bawdseyradar.org.uk for updates/announcements. We look forward to meeting in person but until then, do follow us on Facebook/Twitter.

EAST SUFFOLK VOLUNTEER PASSPORT COURSE

This is a FREE short course to encourage people into volunteering. The Passport helps to build confidence, gain new skills and understand the variety of volunteer roles out there. It's also great to do if you are volunteering already and is a way to gain an accreditation for the difference you have made. Six topics cover key skills needed to volunteer. On completion you will receive an accredited Level 1 certificate and a Volunteer Passport ID badge. The badge is a way of recognising your achievements and commitment and can be worn when volunteering. There is no age limit and the scheme is open to anyone who volunteers or is thinking of volunteering in East Suffolk. Previous qualification or experience not necessary. The virtual course will be delivered by Faye Smith via Microsoft Teams in July. Contact Faye to find out more or book faye.smith@communityactionsuffolk.org.uk

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

From Tiffany Pollock, your new Parish Clerk: As you will be aware, I have been lucky to have been accepted as your new Parish Clerk. I want to thank Jenny and Councillors for their support in taking on this role. Although I am not a Bawdsey resident, I am familiar with Bawdsey and the surrounding area; I was raised in Alderton and attended Bawdsey School. I do hope that once the restrictions begin to lift further, I will be able to meet you, but in the meantime please feel free to give me a call on 01728 688816 or email me bawdsey-pc@hotmail.co.uk

Meetings: The Parish Council has now successfully held two public Zoom meetings and will be holding their next one on **Thursday 23 July at 7.00pm**. If you would like to join, please email the Clerk, bawdsey-pc@hotmail.co.uk for more details.

Planning: After careful consideration, the Parish Council has approved plans for the development of the former Cranes site with conditions. Please see the minutes on the village website for further details. <http://www.bawdsey.onesuffolk.net/parish-council/meetings-minutes-and-reports/>

Face Coverings: The PC is offering face coverings for any resident wishing to avail of them on public transport or in shops. These are made of double cotton with opening at the bottom for a filter, included. Contact Jenny Webb on 410198.

Anti-social behaviour: If you witness anti-social behaviour, please ring 101 to report it. If it continues, such reports will build up a picture and the police are more likely to patrol the area. Or email <https://www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/report-something/report-crime>

Littering at the Quay: The PC is aware of this problem, especially after weekends, and is asking Norse to empty bins twice weekly and maybe provide additional bins.

Emergency Matters: We have been able to help a few villagers that have been shielding with the collection of prescriptions and shopping. Thanks to everyone who volunteered their time. Thankfully we have not had to call on anyone else so far to help with efforts. Now lockdown restrictions are being lifted please note we are still here to help if needed.

Speedwatch: Due to Covid-19 we have still suspended speed watch activities, but the SID sign has been working well for us. The message on the SID has been put back to 'thank you' and we have moved it along the straight pass Chestnuts to help with speeding along this part of Bawdsey. Please call 101 if you have any concerns with speeding vehicles through the village. The more people we can get to log reports the more likely something will be done.

DEBEN FERRY

The Deben Ferry is currently running a limited service. Please phone the Boatyard on 01394 282173 to check timings. Facemasks must be worn aboard the Ferry.

THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

Telephone 01394 411641 www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk

Our services have changed, however, we may, at short notice, have to revert to Orford being the designated site to see all patients face-to-face.

Dispensary: Orford and Alderton will both be open as per pre Covid opening hours. Patients can collect their prescriptions through exterior dispensary windows. We ask that patients queue honouring social distancing advice. Please do not call dispensary – prescriptions are still taking 5 working days.

Opening Hours: Pre Covid opening hours, but the doors will remain locked at all sites so please telephone the surgery for appointments, results or queries.

Alderton Surgery - Monday 08.00-14.30, Tuesday-Friday 08.00-18.30

Orford Surgery - Monday 08.00-18.30, Tuesday Closed, Wed-Friday 08.00–13.00

Aldeburgh - Monday-Friday 08.00 – 18.30

Hollesley - Closed. Repeat prescriptions requests will be collected from the site.

Appointments: All appointments will be by telephone unless a patient is asked to attend the surgery for a face-to-face appointment. Our clinical team will manage telephone, video and online consultations. A small group of clinical staff will see patients face-to-face where there is a need, thus reducing the risk of infection.

We can only accommodate essential blood appointments - these appointments, which normally take 5 minutes, now take 20 minutes due to Covid infection control. Patients with transport are asked to attend Landseer Road for bloods (book appointments online at www.esneft.nhs.uk/service/bloodtests or telephone 03331 032220). When attending a face-to-face appointment at the surgery please remain in your car or the car park until staff come to collect you and if you have a facemask please wear it. We encourage all patients to use our e-consult service which offers online consultations with our clinicians. The link to this service can be found on our website www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk/econsult

Reception: For infection control purposes we are making internal structure changes and we request that patients honour social distancing at all times.

Antibody Testing: Government recently announced the introduction of a test to detect the presence of the Covid19 antibody. It is not fully understood what a positive antibody test means in terms of immunity and future risk. At present tests are only available for the purpose of increasing understanding of who has (or has not) had an immune response. There is little clinical benefit in knowing this information as the evidence so far does not show that having had the virus once provides immunity to prevent a patient getting the virus again. Hence it is extremely important that we all continue with social distancing, hand washing, infection control procedures and so on. The test may be offered, if deemed appropriate, to those patients who are having a blood test for another clinical reason. The antibody test is not currently being offered to the general population.