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WELCOME

July already, with the summer ahead of us! What will your plans be? Some of you will be looking forward to the school holidays, maybe going away visiting new or familiar places, spending time with family and friends. Others planning a couple of months ahead, maybe starting at college, Uni, a new job or even moving house.

And, maybe, with hopefully sunny weather and longer days, you might finally get round to sorting out that shed or garage, giving that bedroom a fresh look, creating that rockery you always wanted ... or maybe not! Just decide to sit out in the garden with a refreshing long iced drink and admire the fruits of your past labours. Whatever you do, please enjoy.

With the school holidays coming towards the end of July, the village hall be open Mondays to Fridays 2-4pm offering cold drinks, ice cream and other refreshments so don't forget to pop in and say hello.

REMEMBER NEXT ISSUE IS A JOINT AUGUST/SEPTEMBER ONE, so if you have anything you want in the next issue, then please get it to us by 15th July.

Enjoy the summer!

Anne and the team

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July Events

Event	Date	Location/Time
Foxley Coffee Morning	Weds 2 nd July	Foxley Village Hall 10am
Knit and Natter	Thurs 10 th July	Bawdeswell Village Hall 2-4pm
Book Group	Thurs 10 th July	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7.30pm
Bawdeswell Village Cinema	Sat 12 th July	Bawdeswell Village Hall 6.30 for 7.30pm
Mobile Library	Tues 22 nd July	Bawdeswell Village Hall, 11.10, see page 27 for details
Bawdeswell Parish Council Meeting	Thurs 24 th July	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7pm
Soup and Pud	Thurs 31 st July	Bawdeswell Village Hall 12-2pm
Café Philosophique	Tues 5 th Aug	Bawdeswell Village Hall 7.30pm
Foxley Coffee Morning	Weds 6 th Aug	Foxley Village Hall 10am

Regular Events	Time/Date	Location
Zumba Fitness	Mon 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Mon 2 – 4pm	Foxley Village Hall
Hub Cafe	Tues 10 – 12pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Bridge Club	2 nd and 4 th Tues 7pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Move it or Lose it	Wed 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Move it or Lose it	Wed 11.30 – 12.30pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
FitSteps	Thurs 7 – 8pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Move it or Lose it	Fri 10 – 11am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Bridge Club	Fri 1.30pm	Bawdeswell Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Fri 2 – 4pm	Foxley Village Hall
Hatha Yoga	Sat 8.45 – 9.45am	Bawdeswell Village Hall
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OTHER LOCAL EVENTS

Event	Date	Location/Time
Reepham Gardening Club	Tues 15 th July	7.15pm Reepham Town Hall, see page 11 for details
Reepham WI Meeting	Thurs 17 th July	7.30pm St Michaels, Reepham, see page 11 for details
Norfolk Day Celebrations	Sat 26 th July	10 – 2pm Bircham Gardens, Reepham
The Case of the Three Eyed Elephant - Open Air Performance	Sun 27 th July	Bylaugh Hall, gates open 12.00, performance starts 2pm. See page 30 for details

Norfolk Day Celebrations

Saturday 26th July 10am – 2pm

Bircham Centre Walled Garden, Reepham

Reepham Lions are celebrating Norfolk Day with a garden fete, with support from the Bircham Centre, in the Bircham garden on Saturday 26th July. There will be free fun games and activities for children, and a tea, coffee and cakes stall for adults too.

It will be on from 10am until 2pm.

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EVENTS INFORMATION

REEPHAM GARDENING CLUB

Tuesday July 15th at 7:30pm

***'A talk/presentation on Bonsais'* Mick Hillocks Chairman of 'Norfolk Bonsai Association'**

Mike has been a bonsai practitioner for several decades and will bring along a selection of trees to display and also a tree to show how to do a summer prune on. He will give us a general talk about bonsais to try and dispel some of the myths.

Meetings held at Town Hall, Church St, Reepham NR10 4JW

New members and visitors always welcome. Members, £1.00 non-members £3.00 (inc. tea/coffee and cake).

For more information call Jeff Johnson on 01362 680066 or visit our website: www.Reephamgardenclub.org.uk or email jeffandcaroljohnson@yahoo.co.uk.

REEPHAM WI

Thursday 17th July, 7.30 pm

Broadland District Council - The Scope of Household Waste

It's something we all produce, yet not everyone sees the challenges that come with managing it every single day. Broadland's goal is not just to deal with waste but to work together to reduce its impact on our environment and community. Every week, Broadland households generate a significant amount of waste—ranging from food scraps and packaging to garden clippings and unwanted household items. On average, each home in the district creates roughly 400-500 kg of waste per year. Multiply that by tens of thousands of homes, and the volume becomes enormous.

Teams collect this waste regularly, ensuring it's properly sorted and processed. But what many people don't see is what happens after collection—and how your choices at home make a real difference.

Location: St Michael's Church Hall, Reepham.

For more details or if anyone is interested in becoming a member of the WI, please contact Christine Smith, Reepham WI Secretary, at williamsmith110@btinternet.com.



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VILLAGE VIEWS

Were the Reeve's Tale in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales made into a film today, it would surely score an '18' rating. Not so the renditions in our monthly magazine, although there are whispers that a recent item was censored for its content. However, that aside, the kith and kin living in Bawdeswell and Foxley are stalwart and indeed active supporters of the Arts and Literature in all its various forms, locally, and both county and U.K. wide.

Recently we marvelled at an intrepid villager taking to the stage at 'The end of the Pier Show' in Cromer receiving well-earned plaudits. We heard of visits to Glyndebourne, the ABBA spectacular at the Olympic Stadium, a trip to see 'Oliver' in the West End. Some of us saw the Festival Choir performing to a capacity audience at Reepham, and who can forget the rousing performance by Fakenham Ukeleles at Foxley's VE Celebrations? Well done to our lady villager making her debut, you were ace! And what an asset to our village is James, our resident Choirmaster and Organist. His renditions at All Saints VE Sunday service were so moving.

At gatherings and coffee mornings residents have shared information on visits to the Turner exhibition at Norwich Castle, Swanton Morley Art Club held an exhibition at Bawdeswell Garden Centre recently, the village hall hosted its first live production from Creative Arts East followed up by a video screening of The Importance of Being Earnest and recent cinema showings of 'Paddington in Peru' and 'Conclave' have attracted sell-out performances.

The monthly Book Club and Cafe Philosophique meetings are well attended and are a tribute to Caroline and Peter providing a forum enabling us to debate and discuss a wide range of topics and broaden our reading. The Mobile Library offers a welcome alternative to both villages rather than a trip to the nearest town and the bookcase at the village hall enables everyone to read for 'free'.

For collectors of precious artefacts, jewellery and items, Foxley Village Hall hosted an Antique and Arts valuation day in May and several items, subsequently sold at auction, achieving excellent prices.

Further afield, The Sainsbury Centre, the Forum, Wells Maltings, Houghton Hall and other venues hold exhibitions featuring both local, national and international artists and sculpture. The National Trust and Sandringham host headline acts. Norwich and other towns offer concerts and music festivals to suit a wide range of musical tastes. Theatre features strongly throughout the county and locally open-air performances have been hosted at Bylaugh Hall.

We really are spoiled for choice when it comes to Creativity and the Arts and privileged to have so many talented people living locally. Thank you for sharing your talents and expertise with us to enrich our lives.

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VILLAGE NEWS

Bawdeswell Village Hall Update

The regular monthly Monday meeting took place at the beginning of June with a lot of planning ahead for both June and July. As usual it was very well attended by the stalwart band of volunteers who so freely give of their time to ensure that as far as possible everything continues to run smoothly. With so many different groups from all over the county now making the most of the facilities on offer and each one wanting something to suit and fit in with their specific requirements one could easily think it might be an impossible task. But, no, nothing seems to phase people and there is always a solution! This month, time was spent discussing the forthcoming family barbecue scheduled for the end of June with contingency plans put in place dependent on the weather. Decisions were made on what to offer food-wise, ensuring that vegetarian options were catered for and what would be on offer to drink. Should we, for example, be offering non-alcoholic beverages, something which appears to be gaining in popularity. If you are reading this and have a view, do write in or contact us.

And then, of course, how much to charge! The consensus was 'affordable' for a family so hopefully we will hit the mark! Then of course there is the car parking to be sorted, the advertising, the siting of the musical entertainment and the barbecue, but never fear it all worked out with people allotted or volunteering for specific tasks. Thank you to Dave Shannon, OIC of the barbecue and his band of helpers, and to Anne for the advertising. As in previous years, the Village Hall offers a drop-in for children and families every afternoon during the school holidays from 2-4 for refreshments or to use the toilet facilities so a rota of Volunteers needed to be drawn up. Again people came forward offering their time. So if you are reading this and currently don't volunteer but would like to do so, why not come along to our next Volunteer meeting to be held at 10am at the Village Hall on 7th July you would be most welcome. The Hall will be open this year from 28th July to 29th August from 2-4, Mondays to Fridays but excluding the August Bank Holiday. Do pop in for a drink or ice cream.

Our Chair, Carolyn, informed us that we have nearly reached the target to pay for the solar panels and during the meeting we were informed that another £100 had been granted, so only another £400 to raise. What a fantastic achievement and thank you to everyone who has been involved.

This month, a special mention to Jo Porter, who tirelessly sorts out all the bookings for the Hall, negotiating each group's wants and needs, ensuring there are the requisite items available and volunteers available as well as drumming up more custom. Thank you Jo, your efforts and time spent do not go unnoticed.

Contacts:

Chair: Carolyn Good - 01362 688 944

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Thurs 3 rd July	National Memorial Arboretum & Land Train	7.45am	£48
Fri 4 th July	Horning River Cruise & East Ruston Gardens	8.45am	£50
Sat 5 th July	Hampton Court Flower Festival	7am	£70
Mon 7 th July	Pottering in the Peak District	7.30am	from £495
To Friday 11 th July			
Wed 9 th July	Wicked The Musical	8am	£75
	London Day Out – Embankment		£37
Thurs 10 th July	Newmarket Ladies Day	9.30am	from £70
Fri 11 th July	Ed Sheeran - Portman Road Coach Travel	2.30pm	£36
Sat 12 th July	Ely Cathedral Home & Garden Show	9.30am	£45
Sat 12 th July	Ed Sheeran - Portman Road Coach Travel	2.30pm	£36
Sun 13 th July	Ed Sheeran - Portman Road Coach Travel	2.30pm	£36
Wed 23 rd July	Sandringham Flower Show	8.15am	£46
Thurs 24 th July	Evita – London Palladium	8am	£98
Fri 25 th July	Oasis at Wembley	1.30pm	£55
Sun 27 th July	Highclere Castle (Downton Abbey)	7.00am	£82

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Fri 1 st Aug	Tom Jones - Newmarket Nights - Coach Travel	2.30pm	£37
Sat 2 nd Aug	Oasis at Wembley	1.30pm	£50
Sun 3 rd Aug	Oasis at Wembley	1.30pm	£50
Wed 6 th Aug	Buckingham Palace & Ryl Mews	7.30am	£88 (C £54)
Thurs 7 th Aug	Hunstanton, Norfolk Lavendar & Cream Tea	8.30am	£39
Fri 8 th August	Kynren, Durham & Beamish	7am	from £520
To Mon 11 th Aug			
Tues 12 th Aug	Melton Mowbray Market Day	7.45am	£35
Thurs 14 th Aug	Pet Shop Boys – Sandringham Coach travel	1.30pm	£36
Thurs 14 th Aug	London Zoo Day Out	8am	£68 (C <16 £45)
Fri 15 th Aug	Mariah Carey - Sandringham Coach travel	1.30pm	£36
Sat 16 th Aug	Stereophonics - Sandringham Coach travel	1.30pm	£36
Sun 17 th Aug	Michael Bubl� Sandringham Coach travel	1.30pm	£36
Thurs 21 st Aug	Canterbury Day Out	7.30am	£45

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Book Group

The Book Group meets in the Village Hall. We meet on the **second Thursday** of each month, starting at **7:30pm**. Each member pays an annual Group Subscription Fee of £25 to cover our room hire and library charges.

New members are welcome and are invited to attend for two meetings before deciding to join the group and pay their subscription.

***“The Year of Sitting Dangerously”* by Simon Barnes**

When I first started reading this book my thoughts were ‘my kind of book’ and immediately felt a rapport with the author around some of the thoughts he expressed, *‘sometimes I just sit and thinks and sometimes I just sits’* and in the dedication to his father *‘a bad birdwatcher’*. I liked his style and narrative, *‘I set off along the path in search of unfamiliar places- I sat on a chair at the bottom of my garden’* and loved some of his descriptive phrases *‘the nacreous sky of Norfolk’*, wonderful alliteration!

I also enjoyed that he would reference a literary quotation or refer to a painting or piece of music e.g. Ulysses, Van Gogh, Beethoven’s Ode to Joy, Monet, T.S.Eliot, Noel Coward, Harry Potter.

Also, every now and again he enjoys inserting a phrase like *‘a harrier a day keeps the psychiatrist at bay’* and *‘I had been ‘midged’* referencing the fact that for midges they need a blood- meal as it is essential to their egg laying process, rather gross but informative!

And appealing to many of us *‘empirical evidence that if you shout at a computer they don’t change their image’*.

He also showed through his writing what a very caring and supportive father he is and a loving husband.

However, after digesting around about half of the book, I had frankly had enough, it all seemed very same’y and became quite boring which to be fair it probably was, as how can you sit day after day observing the same view and find something new and exciting or provocative to write about?

At the same time as reading this, a friend of mine had given me Ronald Blythe’s *Next to Nature* which details the Suffolk countryside over the course of a year and I did wonder if in fact Simon Barnes had used this as a template for his book. Ronald Blythe wrote 40+ books during his lifetime, many of which meditated on his life, faith, on literature, art and history and our place in the landscape. If you are not familiar with his writings, maybe dip into one.

To sum up, enjoyable for a bit; liked his turn of phrase, he came across as a kind person but I will probably stick with Ronald Blythe!

At our meeting on **10th July** we will discuss ***“Bookworm: A Memoir of Childhood Reading”*** by **Lucy Mangan**

Enquiries: Carolyn 01362 688944

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Bawdeswell Festival Choir

The choir is an all-female group who meet at All Saints Church for an hour on a Wednesday evening and Saturday morning. They were fully launched as a regular concert performing choir earlier last year and gave a sellout performance back in June and again in September.

The music repertoire is broadly 'Bach to Broadway'. We strive to perform at the highest possible level. If you like the sound of what we do, have some singing experience, and can commit, we have vacancies in all departments.

Please contact the MD, **James Lilwall** on **01362 688499** or pjlilwall@hotmail.com for an initial conversation - you would be most welcome!



Bawdeswell Bowls Club

We are getting well into the bowls season with games coming quick and fast. There's at least, one game on the green each evening and sometimes two. The green is playing very well so here are the latest results.

Bawdeswell	40	Marham	55	Bawdeswell	49	Reepham Town	37
Bawdeswell	56	Bintree	48	Bawdeswell	53	Swanton Angel	30
Bawdeswell	81	Lyng	31	Bawdeswell	62	Whissonsett	45
Bawdeswell	51	N. Walsham	46	Bawdeswell	74	Reepham Nomads	35
Bawdeswell	53	Aldiss Park	41	Bawdeswell	56	Lakeside	44
Bawdeswell	55	Wootton Park	56	Bawdeswell	58	Shipdham	32

If anyone is interested in playing bowls contact **Paul** mob **07796964574** or email paul.digby5@hotmail.co.uk



Bridge Club

Sponsored by Bawdeswell Village Hall (Registered Charity No 800970)

The JayCee Bridge Club meets in the Village Hall on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month at 7pm and on Friday afternoons at 1.30pm. Whilst we aspire to play well, our range of bridge abilities means that it's really bridge for fun. No regular partners are needed. If you think you might like to start playing bridge then you are welcome to come along and watch to begin with.

Please contact Roger or Patsy for information, or to confirm a session is to take place. Contact: **Roger Fryatt 01362 688627** or **Patsy Catchpole 01362 688352**

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Bawdeswell Knit and Natter

There will only be one meeting in July on the 10th.

2 - 4 pm at the Village Hall. Come along and join us.

Refreshments will be available.

Enquiries: **Josie Beach 01362 688869.**



Bell Ringing at Foxley Church

If you would like to try bell-ringing, we ring occasionally at St Thomas, Foxley or St Mary's, North Elmham. There is no charge for learning to ring the bells and it is a safe, interesting and sociable activity as well as a gentle form of exercise.

Contact: **David Wheeler, Tower Captain on 07909 901015.**

Email: davidawheeler@sky.com



Bintree Bowls Club

The summer bowling season has arrived!

Roll ups continue every Tuesday afternoon from 2pm, all are welcome to come along and give bowls a try.

All Cawston, Age UK and Hempton league fixtures have been arranged for the 2025 season and can all be seen on our website:

bintreebowlsclub.co.uk under FIXTURES.

We have 33 members registered for the 2025 season and we are looking forward to a summer of outdoor bowls.

Nick Mears – Chairman. Tel 01362 688251 or you can track us on our website, bintreebowlsclub.co.uk.

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Short Mat Bowls

Foxley Village Hall Every Monday and Friday **2 - 4pm**

New members welcome.

To find out more, call **Frank** on **01362 688089** or **Carole** on **01362 688567**.



Cafe Philosophique

Finding good reasons for everyday beliefs

We meet in Bawdeswell Village Hall, every first Tuesday at 7:30. Everyone coming is asked to contribute to the cost of our room hire fee.

No meeting in July

Next meeting: **Tuesday 5 August – ‘Three Jolly Philosophers’**

Contact: **Peter: 01362 688944**



Foxley Village Hall Coffee Morning

Our next Coffee Morning will be on **Wednesday 2nd July at 10 am**. The following one will be on Wednesday 6th August.

If you need transport, please contact Jo 688981 or for any other enquiries please contact **Linda 688488** or **Gillian 688955**.



North Elmham Countrysiders Club

Meet at The Memorial Hall, Holt Road, North Elmham.

Every other Monday evening 7pm - 8.30pm (term time only). Open to ages 10-16 yrs.

We are part of the Norfolk Young Farmers clubs and are actively involved in all areas within the organisation. This includes competitions, sports days and social events. Other activities include team building sessions, farm visits, and outside activities.

Please note - sessions usually cost £4/child, annual subscription applies.

For more information, please email: north_elmham_cs@norfolkyfc.co.uk

Or find us on Facebook (North Elmham Countrysiders) or by calling the Norfolk County office: 01603 748931

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Lakeside Pilgrims Bowls Club

A great start to the outdoor season with fine weather and the green playing well.

We have superb facilities at Bawdeswell Village Hall and welcome new players for our three leagues, namely Whissonsett, EBA and Cawston.

If you would like to know more, please contact Sue Purse 07765 446907 or Sue.purse@gmail.com



Dereham Walkers are Welcome

Dereham Walkers are Welcome is a not-for-profit organisation.



Please come and join us for a walk in the local area.

We have two regular walks each month.

Our shortest, easiest walk of around two miles is on the second Tuesday of the month and a slightly longer one of around four miles is on the first Friday of the month.

Our next longer walk is on 23rd July when we will catch a train to Thuxton and then walk back. 25th August is the date for our annual Garden Party walk, meeting on the Neatherd.

For up-to-date information, please check our website

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email Ken Hawkins: ken-hawkins@tiscali.co.uk or call him on 07505 426750.



Wensum Valley Birdwatching Society

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OUTDOOR – Saturday 5th July – Foxley Wood for butterflies, weather dependent.

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Tuesday	Bawdeswell Church	9.00am - 12.00pm
Friday	Bawdeswell Church	9.00am - 12.00pm

PARISH COUNCILS

**THE BAWDESWELL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 5th JUNE 2025
AT 7pm**

**Present: D. Shannon (Vice Chair), C. Good, A. Hartley-Walder, M. Bailey, R. Hannent
and Mrs. J Boxall (Clerk) Members of the public – 6 & District Cllr G. Bambridge**

Bawdeswell Heath

Cllr Shannon confirmed that Bawdeswell Heath Trustees (BHT) had offered the Heath to Norfolk Wildlife Trust (NWT) on a 7-year rolling lease but NWT were looking for a 70-year minimum lease, BHT would now need to make a submission to the Charity Commission. It was understood NWT would pay any associated legal fees.

Planning

Proposed change of use of land for the formation of 1no. Gypsy/Traveller pitch comprising 1 static caravan (mobile home), 1 touring caravan and erection of 1 dayroom, and use of land for equestrian purposes at Land off Reepham Road (Grid ref 604634 321649) Appeal ref APP/F2605/W/25/3364054

It was unanimously agreed to submit further comments in respect of road safety concerns as further HGV traffic is going to be prevalent on the B1145.

Local Plan

Several Councillors attended the Village Clusters round table meeting held on 3rd June 2025. The plan is still in the draft stages with informal discussions and there would be a formal consultation in July on potential development sites with a draft plan expected in October. As previously highlighted, there was concern over Bawdeswell remaining a Key Service Centre due to lack of infrastructure. It was acknowledged that housing will need infrastructure improvements including access to medical facilities and school places. Roads and access to development sites will need adjustment and employment opportunities, improved public transport to local villages, improved retail facilities are needed. Bawdeswell would look to be considered a Primary Village.

Six potential development sites, 2 for Foxley and the barracks at Swanton Morley (acknowledging that this will cause demand on infrastructure in Bawdeswell) were put forward.

Cllr Shannon put forward a draft commentary for consideration / comment, concentrating on access to and from the sites. It was agreed that all sites had some varying degree of access issue. Following discussion on the individual sites, it was agreed that Cllr Shannon would amend the commentary to reflect the discussion / agreement and that the amended document would be approved via email with a view to submitting to Breckland at the earliest opportunity. Please check the PC website under minutes where this document will be published once approved.

PARISH COUNCILS

Bawdeswell continued.....

Other Matters

The Norfolk County Council (Bawdeswell, Various Roads) (20mph Speed Limit) Consolidation and Variation Order 2025 and The Norfolk County Council (Bawdeswell, Various Roads) (30mph Speed Limit) Consolidation and Variation Order 2025. An email was received with a copy of the Notice for the above proposed 20mph Speed Limit and 30mph Speed Limit (outside the school) which appeared in the Eastern Daily Press on the 9th May 2025, together with a plan, Statement of Reasons, the proposed orders and the current orders that are proposed to be consolidated and varied.

Likely heavy traffic on the B1145 from the Solar Farm at Pettywell

No representation was made to local villages who may suffer from the impact of the solar farm development, it was acknowledged that there was already an increase in HGV traffic from the windfarm traffic. It was agreed to write to Norfolk County Council, with a copy to Breckland, the District Cllr and County Cllr raising concern / objection about the amount of traffic that will be on the B1145.

Finance

The balance of the Community account as at 31st May 2025 was confirmed as £26754.77, Business Money Manager (Earmarked reserves) was £38687.67.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on the 24th July 2025 at 7pm. These meetings will be held at the Village Hall. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend. The Council usually meet on the first Thursday of every month except for January & August. Please check the website or noticeboard for any changes.

If you have any concerns please contact the Parish Clerk Jo Boxall, White House, Pettywell, Reepham, NR10 4RN, Tel: 01603 879480, Email: bawdeswellpc@hotmail.com

Full draft minutes from this meeting and minutes from previous meetings, including financial / audit information and policies can be found on the Parish Council website <http://bawdeswell.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>

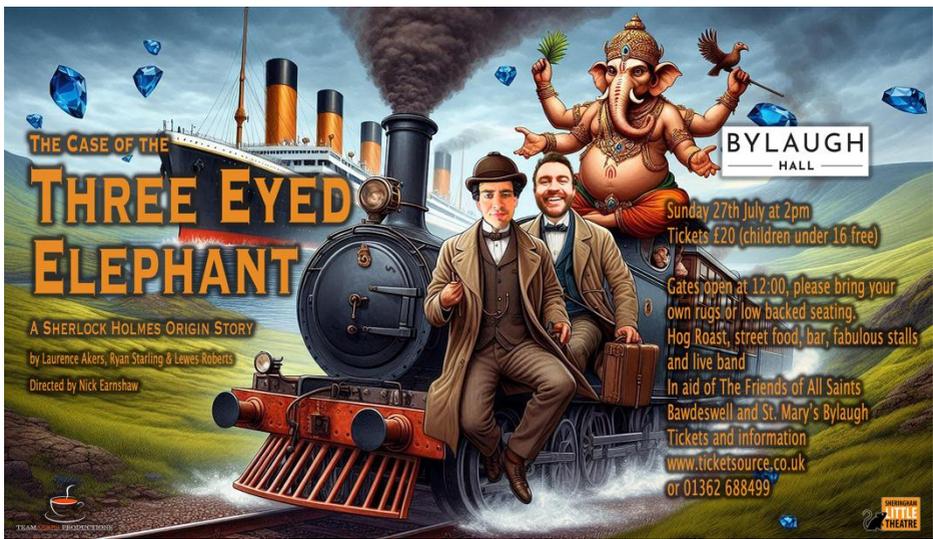
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CHURCH NEWS

Bawdeswell Church News



At long last the senior staff of the Diocese have agreed a name for the new Benefice of which Foxley and Bawdeswell have become part of:- **The Bawdeswell Group.**

To satisfy them it had to be a name that would make clear where it was. Well, everyone knows where Bawdeswell is, right bang in the middle of Norfolk with signposts pointing to it from North, East, South and West. It's also well known for its Garden Centre and Village Hall. So, the "Bawdeswell Group" it is. It comprises Foulsham, Foxley, Themelthorpe, Bawdeswell, Sparham, Lyng, Bylaugh, and Elsing.

Robin Taylor, Churchwarden

Church Roof Repairs. These are due to start this month.

We still need to raise £10k to cover all costs and would be very grateful if anyone could see their way into making a contribution.

All repair work has to be funded by the congregation and The Friends of the Church. If you are a tax payer, we can claim gift aid on donations and all transactions are confidential. I always have payment details with me wherever I go!

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CHURCH NEWS

Reverend Richard Reflects

July is one of those slightly odd months in the Church. None of the big Church celebrations tend to happen in July, the liturgical colour used tends to remain green throughout, and links with schools can give the impression of gearing up for a summer holiday. Yet, July often sees a few weddings in the diary. And there can be quite a number of school trips and events, and end of year assemblies to get involved with as the local vicar across a number of schools. Add to that the fetes and summer events that parishes arrange, and preparations for possible holiday clubs, and July ends up being quite busy. The lack of 'named' days in a Church diary is not a good indicator of busyness during the month!

However, in spite of a busy diary, I would like to think about the mission of the Church in this area during July. As the clergy-person appointed to the parishes of the Bawdeswell Group of Churches, I obviously need to think about where God is calling me to minister; what it is that God is doing here that I am called to join in with, and what new things might be able to happen. But God's mission is not just for people with clerical collars to get involved with: it is for all believers. And so, we will be thinking more about how the Church interacts with its community, and about its role in the area. We'll need to think about what is practical and manageable for us as a Church community, and about what the communities in which we serve might need. Many people don't realise that the way the Church is funded means parish churches aren't financed by the wider Church of England. What we can afford to do, as much as what we have the volunteer capacity for, relies on the generosity, skills and dedication of our congregations and supporters. So, this will also play a part in our thinking.

One of the things I am keen to do this month is hear from the communities of the Bawdeswell Group (Foulsham, Foxley, Lyng, Elsing, Bylaugh, Bawdeswell, Sparham, and Themelthorpe) about what they think; to get to know the communities outside the congregations. My role involves the cure of souls for all 8 villages, regardless of whether the souls in question attend worship. I pray for everyone. So, I have decided to have a session this month where anyone can come and ask me questions. The questions might be about faith, the Church, my role; they might be about my background. I will do my best to answer. I may not know the answer, or I may not be able to give an answer, but I will try. The Church of England aims to be a Christian presence in every community, and I want all of our communities to feel able to approach me when they need to.

Find us on Facebook at 'The Bawdeswell Group of Churches.'

Revd Richard Turk

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July 2025

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A reminder that you can join us on Zoom
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