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GREAT FINBOROUGH NEWSLETTER



**January/February 2025
ISSUE 555**

GREAT FINBOROUGH VILLAGE DIARY

13th Jan 7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	Pettiward Hall Upstairs
10th Feb 7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	Pettiward Hall Upstairs
13th Feb 7.30pm	Gardening Club Meet Willow Weaving Demo (page 6)	Pettiward Hall

FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

7.30pm Pettiward Hall Upstairs
13th January

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The Combs and Finborough Benefice

Buxhall, Combs, Gt and Lt Finborough, Harleston, Onehouse and Shelland Services in January 2025

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Sunday Services

Please contact the Reverend Sarah Jenkins at revdsarahjenkins@gmail.com if you would like details of how to join any of the Zoom services

5th January: Epiphany

9.00 am	Holy Communion	Little Finborough
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Harleston
9.30 am	Spiritual Communion	Zoom Service
11.00 am	All Age Worship	Combs Church Hall

12th January: The First Sunday of Epiphany, Baptism of Christ, Plough Sunday

9.30 am	Morning Worship	Shelland
9.30 am	Holy Communion, Plough Sunday	Buxhall
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Onehouse Trinity Hall
11.00 am	Morning Worship	Great Finborough

19th January: The Second Sunday of Epiphany, Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Harleston
11.00 am	Family Communion	Combs Church Hall
3.00 pm	Evensong	Little Finborough
6.00 pm	Compline	Zoom Service

26th January: The Third Sunday of Epiphany, Conversion of St Paul

9.30 am	Patronal Service Holy Communion	Shelland
9.30 am	Morning Worship	Buxhall
11.00 am	Morning Worship	Onehouse Trinity Hall
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Great Finborough

Weekday Services

9.30 am on Wednesday	Holy Communion	Trinity Hall
10.00 am on Saturday	Morning Prayer	Zoom Meeting

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Welcome to the January & February Newsletter:

Due to the December 50th edition and lots of village events, we have changed the publication of the newsletter from a December/January double edition to a January/February double edition.

December 1st hosted the official opening of the superb new bench around the 90 year old Chestnut Tree on the village green. Dutifully officiated by Pete Turner, it was good to see many people come along to join in. As well as the new bench, the village sign has had a face lift and a new brick base. All work was funded through fund raising and donations from local businesses. I asked last month if anyone knew the origins of the depiction on the sign; it was forged by local blacksmith Graham Chaplin. The man and woman represent estate workers from Finborough Hall/Estate, the wheat sheaf represents crops grown locally and the detail around the edge reflects carvings under the eaves at the Church.

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In the Spring we will level the area with top soil and reseed.



The Chestnut Horse hosted the annual Veterans' lunch, organised by Lee Morgan. It's amazing to see just how many ex-forces people live in our village and who support this great event.



In Parish news, due to personal reasons, our Parish Clerk Lacey had to resign her position. On behalf of all the Councillors, please accept our thanks for your dedication, advice and support over the last few months. We are pleased to say that we have appointed a new clerk, Jennie Blackburn who joins us with many years clerking experience, spanning a number of parishes over that time.

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Also, we have filled the remaining Council vacancy by co-opting local resident Jude Kemp. Jude's experience and background will be a great asset to the Council and we welcome her to the role.

Parking is becoming an issue in Middlefield Drive during school drop off and pick ups. Cars are being parked on the grass areas near the play park which, during the winter will become muddy and cause safety issues for those exiting the play park and parking across junctions and drives. Please be considerate when collecting and dropping off.

Speedwatch volunteers - if anyone is interested in helping with this, please get in touch. It requires only minimal online training and then around an hour per month. It really helps reduce speeding and improves safety in our village.

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Gardening Club

In our November meeting was a fascinating talk by Suffolk environmentalist Simon Hooton about Swifts and how we can play our part in trying to stop their decline. Simon took us through how to recognise Swifts, their life cycle, where they prefer to nest and their migratory journey from Suffolk to Western Africa and The Congo.

Sadly, Swifts are threatened by the loss of nesting sites and the decline in numbers of insects so Simon encouraged us to think about where we could site nesting boxes in the village and the impact we could make by encouraging pollinators in our gardens. The evening then finished with a lively question and answer session.

In December we fully entered into the Christmas spirit with a wreath making workshop using natural foliage that we can find in our gardens. The afternoon was greatly enjoyed by everyone who took part. Special thanks to Bex who allowed us to use her house when Pettward Hall (and most of the village!) was out of action due to a power cut.



Our annual Christmas party was a great success and a wonderful opportunity to meet up socially and while sharing the food we all prepared. We were thoroughly entertained by Graham Hickman on the guitar, and we of course ended with our traditional pass the parcel.

Beginners Yoga Course at The Pettward Hall

Starting in February I will be running a 6 week Beginners Yoga Course on Thursday mornings at The Pettward Hall. This is for you if you are completely new to yoga, returning after a break from your mat, or wish to revisit the fundamentals of practice.

Yoga can help support both mental and physical health, including improving your strength and flexibility, enhancing your mood and reducing stress and anxiety. Attending an in person yoga class combines all these benefits with a sense of community, which can further enhance your wellbeing.

If you'd like to join us or find out more, please get in touch.

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December Parish Meeting Report highlights

In our December meeting as mentioned in the forward, Jude Kemp was co-opted onto the Council.

County Councillor Otton was questioned about the ongoing issue with water leaking near the junction to Buxhall. She assured she would follow up on this and report back.

A donation through District Councillor Matthissen was accepted towards a new village marquee. It was discussed how the village could benefit from its use.

A proposal from the Clerk was raised on the village web site to change providers and help create a more user friendly site than the current one.

It was suggested that the flood working group focused on smaller local projects initially that would benefit Great Finborough residents.

The Area Rights of Way Officer from Suffolk County Council had met with Stowmarket Golf Club to review the public footpath which runs across their course (not the path directly behind the school). He quoted: Having walked the route I am satisfied that the condition of the route is satisfactory for the time of year. The nature of any French drain is the material on top of it is designed to be permeable therefore a pea shingle type aggregate is not inappropriate here. In this case, it also represents a thin strip in terms of the overall width and the surface is reasonably compacted so I don't see that you need to do any further works.

The village Emergency Plan was discussed with contribution from an expert who advised on the best course of action for stage 1. Ultimately this plan will offer help and advise to all in the village in the event of areas like fire, flood, power and water outage etc.

Date of next ordinary meeting: Monday 14th January 2025 7.30pm

Gardening Club cont..

Our next regular meeting will be on 13 February at 7.30pm. This meeting will be a demonstration of Willow Weaving by Deborah Hart and there will be a chance to win a willow obelisk in the raffle. A reminder that subscriptions were due in September. They will remain at £15.00 per household and £2.50 for guests.

Finally, if you are interested in joining the garden club or would like to join us for any event you will be very welcome.

For further information contact: Cath Walker on 07843191101 or cathwalker85@gmail.com

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Buxhall & District Community Council

We will shortly be planning our 2025 programme, so please do let us know if you have any suggestions for future events.

SAVE THE DATE

Our first event of 2024

22nd February: Bangers Beans and Bingo

I've really struggled with my money and have already spent too much on Christmas. I also recently got caught out by a free trial on an app that rolled into a paid subscription. Even without this though, it feels like every month I end up in my overdraft. How can I keep track of my spending better?

Lots of people will be feeling this way right now, and it can be difficult to stay on top of things like online subscriptions. But there are steps you can take to be more in control of your money.

Firstly, draw up a budget. Remember to include all of your general spending, and any other bills you have to pay. Be realistic about what you'll need for essentials like food and travel. If your income fluctuates, use bank statements, benefit award letters and Universal Credit journals to plan your budget each month.

Your bank should be able to tell you what regular payments you have. If you find subscriptions you don't want, contact the company in question to cancel them. In future, before signing up to anything, make sure you know what you'll get, for how long and what it'll cost. If you do use any free trials, set a reminder a week before the free period ends so you've time to cancel it if you want to. Keep evidence of any subscription cancellations in case you need it in the future.

If you've been relying on your overdraft lots this year or turned to credit cards or Buy-Now-Pay-Later, it's understandable if this worries you. Always prioritise paying your rent, mortgage, plus energy bills and Council Tax first though, because not paying these has the most serious consequences. If you're having trouble managing your debts and paying bills, contact Citizens Advice for support.

Our website has an income checker where you can see if you're getting all you're entitled to, such as benefits or government grants. <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk> and then search: 'Check if you can increase your income'.

Everyone's circumstances are different, particularly when it comes to managing personal finances. We're here to help you find a way forward.

Citizens Advice Mid Suffolk can provide in depth advice on this issue and much more, including debt, finances, employment, benefits and family/relationships. You can contact them by phone on 01449 676060, visit in person at Milton House, 5 Milton Road South, Stowmarket IP14 1EZ or use the contact form at midsuffolkcab.org.uk/contact-us. Opening hours are Monday-Thursday 9.30am – 3.30pm and Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm.

Did you know we have a Village Facebook page?

Take a look at:
facebook.com/parishcouncilgreatfinborough



They can apply for the vouchers by visiting suffolkenergyassessment.co.uk. Applications are open now, and vouchers will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Council Budget Consultation

Suffolk County Council has launched a public consultation prior to decisions on the budget for the next financial year, 2025-26, which are due to be made in the next few months. This is an opportunity for residents and businesses to share their views on proposed Council Tax changes and spending priorities, as well as giving information on how the council manages its finances, the cost-saving measures already in place, and how the council might generate more money to support essential services. The council can increase its budget in two main ways: by receiving more funding from the government or by increasing Council Tax. The survey asks residents which council services they use and to indicate which council services they consider most important to them.

The consultation will close on Monday 16 December, and if you want to participate, visit **www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/2025_26_budget**. The results of the consultation will be included in a final report when the council sets its budget is set in February 2025.

Cost of Living help and advice:

<https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk/kb5/suffolk/infolink/family.page?family-channel=6>

Benefits advice and support:

<https://infolink.suffolk.gov.uk/kb5/suffolk/infolink/adult.page?adultchannel=0>

Flood preparation advice:

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/suffolk-fire-and-rescue-service/fire-and-rescue-safety-advice-in-the-community/preparing-for-flooding>

Flood recovery advice and support:

<http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/about/flood-recovery-information-for-suffolk>

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News from Councillor Penny Otton

Representing Thedwastre South

Loft Insulation Offer for Suffolk Residents

For the second year running, Suffolk's Public Sector Leaders are providing funding to help Suffolk residents make their homes warmer and save money on their energy bills by providing discounted loft insulation - The Suffolk Loft Insulation Offer enables homeowners in Suffolk to receive a 50% discount (up to £200) and free delivery on orders of 200mm or 370mm wide eco-friendly thermal insulation rolls from High Loft, the UK's leading eco loft insulation brand. The offer is open to anyone in Suffolk and will only close once the allocated funding has been spent: www.highloft.co.uk/pages/suffolk-council-200-loft-insulation-contribution and fill in the form to receive your discount code.

More Home Energy Efficiency Schemes

The council's new £3m fund for interest-free loans to residents wishing to undertake home energy efficiency is now active, and applications can now be made at www.lendology.org.uk/warm-home-suffolk-loan. Energy efficiency upgrades such as insulation, solar panels, batteries, glazing, or heat pumps are possible with loans from £2,000 to £15,000 to be repaid over a maximum of seven years at 0% interest.

A Suffolk Retrofit Assessment Voucher Scheme is also launching, funded by Suffolk Public Sector Leaders, whereby homeowners in Suffolk will be able to apply for a voucher that covers the cost of a professional retrofit assessment on their home property. Residents who own a home with an EPC band of below C can take up the offer of a voucher to claim an assessment from a PAS 2035 Retrofit Assessor who will identify the best measures for their home, for example insulation, draft proofing, ventilation repairs, low carbon heating or solar panels. The assessment report will also incorporate analysis of the cost vs benefit of implementing the suggested improvements. The assessment is free for those with properties smaller than 98m², with a maximum additional charge of £30 for larger properties bigger.

Homeowners can check to see if their property has an existing Energy Certificate with an EPC band and record of their property size at www.gov.uk/find-energy-certificate



BUXHALL WI

Our Christmas meeting started with 12 members giving a Buxhall WI version of the 12 days of Christmas. The words and costumes created lots of laughter! A poem and verse were read by one member and then we were entertained with the strumming of a guitar and lots of Christmas carols.

Refreshments were served and then we welcomed the Buxhall Bell Ringers and donated to their charity for the evening - The Air Ambulance. Every member were wished a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. If you are interested in joining the WI please pop along to a future meeting or contact Jill (details below)

Forthcoming guest speakers -

15th January 2025 : Backyard Safari - Kevin Sawford

19th February 2025: Neurons that fire together, wire together

- open your mind and train your brain - Tracey Ward

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May I take this opportunity to wish you a very happy new year! Let's pray that 2025 will be a better year for everyone, not just in this country, but throughout the world.

For many of us, the Christmas season officially ends as we take down our trees and decorations and return to school or work and our daily lives. But for millions of Christians worldwide, the twelve days of Christmas come to an end with the celebration of Epiphany (also known as Three Kings' Day) on 6th January. The custom seems to have originated with Christians from Egypt in the third century, and is a time to celebrate the magi or wise men who had an "Epiphany" moment as they visited the Christ Child, offered him their gifts, and worshipped him as King. After they "saw the Light"... nothing was ever the same again!

There are many traditions associated with the feast of the Epiphany. One is called "Chalking the Door" which is a way to celebrate the occasion of the Epiphany and to ask God's blessing on our lives, our homes, and those who visit our homes throughout the new year. And it really does involve chalking your door! Other traditions include winter swimming and eating Three Kings' cake, as well as attending special church services. We will be celebrating Epiphany in some of our churches on Sunday 5th January (see service rota elsewhere in the magazine for details) and you would be most welcome to come and join us on this feast day.

With blessings to you all for a healthy and happy 2025!

With blessings
Revd Sarah

Fire Hydrants in the Village

A person commits an offence if they damage or obstruct a fire hydrant and is liable to prosecution (Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004 section 42). This includes parking where it obstructs a fire hydrant and prevents access for firefighting use. The photo below shows the location of the only fire hydrant on Church Road which serves several properties including the Church. May I request that all users of Church Road, especially those visiting the Church not park over the fire hydrant. By not blocking access to the fire hydrant we are talking about one car length. Blocking access to this fire hydrant puts lives and properties, including the church, at risk and can be solved by simply not parking over it.

Could cars parking please leave a space beyond the St Andrews Close exit and start parking from beyond the Grit Bin? Ideally, access to the dog bin and grit bin should also be left available, particularly in bad weather, as they can be difficult to access, due to the tree behind.



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News from your District Councillor - John Matthissen

Representing Onehouse, Great & Little Finborough, Combs, Harleston & Shelland

Innovation Centre

The three-storey, state-of-the-art centre will sit at the heart of Gateway 14 - the business, innovation and logistics park that forms part of Freeport East, adjacent to Junction 50 of the A14.

Planning permission has just been granted, meaning work can now begin on the delivery stage of the 35,000 sq ft building, which will include office space for high growth start-ups, collaboration and innovation spaces, training and meeting rooms, and a café.

Community Funding

Mid Suffolk's website now has a new community funding page, which aims to make it much easier for local community groups to understand and apply for grants and funding. So if you are in need of some funding for a project, it's worth going to the www.midsuffolk.gov.uk home page and clicking the 'Access community funding' button.

Waste Recycling over Xmas & New Year

There are a few alterations to the recycling schedule over Christmas, including the scheme to recycle Christmas Trees. The information can be found on Mid Suffolk's website, using the following link:
<https://www.midsuffolk.gov.uk/w/christmas-waste-collections>

Tackling Social Housing Stigma

Mid Suffolk council, along with their partners in Babergh council, signed up to a new campaign to stop social housing stigma. This was done in the form of a council workshop, which looked at the best methods to tackle social housing inequality and negative stereotypes associated with it across the district.

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The Chestnut Horse



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Winter Opening Times

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Friday and Saturday 12-close (Serving food 12-2 and 5-8)
Sunday 12-8 (Serving food 12-4)
Weekly Sunday Roasts - from 12pm

What's On!

31st December NYE Party!!

Food 12-2pm & 5-8pm

Jan/Feb 25

23rd January - Painting Night - SOLD OUT!

25th January - Burns Supper

14th & 15th February - Valentines Specials (booking essential)

Weekly on Wednesday - Texas Hold'm Poker Nights - register by 7pm

If you spot something in the village in need of attention, please get in touch. It could be overgrown footpaths, missing or hidden signs, broken or damaged play equipment in the playpark.

Contact the Parish Council:
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Pettward Hall

"Little Ernie"

The winners in the December draw were Cathy & Nick Croome and Sue Yeates. They each won £7.50.

Hire Charges

The committee decided at its recent meeting to increase hall hire charges by a modest 50p per hour from 1 January. This was felt to be necessary due to rising costs, particularly energy and wages. The new rates will be:-

Main Hall	May-September	£9.50 per hour
	October-April	£12.50 per hour
Meeting Room	May- September	£6.00 per hour
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Mary Preece

Quiz Time

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Find us on the Market place on 4th Thursday each month which is January 23rd 2025 9:30 to 11.30 am. We collect Coffee pods, clean pet food pouches, cheese wrappers and nets, pens, flattened crisp packets, make up packaging, toothbrushes and pringles tubes, also clean and flattened tetra packs - see our website for details.

2nd Sunday each month (12th January) at Red Gables 2-4 pm plus REPAIR CAFÉ stowrepaircafe@gmail.com

I wonder if you watched "A Christmas Carol" over the festive season? In his sleep, Ebenezer Scrooge is shown the hopes he had as a young man, what he has become in the present and the choice that he needs to make about the future.

Could Charles Dickens ever have predicted what important questions those are for us today? Many of us enjoyed a CHILDHOOD PAST free from questions about environmental behaviour - we could use what we liked, whenever we liked, go where we wanted and enjoyed the constant succession of manufactured items from around the world. In the story, Scrooge was shown what his future would be like, and he didn't like what he saw! He reformed the way he lived for much happier outcomes. Like Scrooge, the FUTURE is in our hands! We can choose to go on as we are into an increasingly difficult existence, or we can decide to change our own future and live in a way that protects the earth and all the nature that we share it with. (Nature that we rely on for our own life!)

The keys to protecting earth are simple: Reduce - Reuse - Repair - Recycle - Rewild - Rethink. This group exists to help and encourage all who want to make those changes, to enjoy living more simply, knowing that we are looking after the future for the ones we love, It's a good feeling. We look forward to meeting you in 2025. Happy New Year.

Don't forget to check in on our website:
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Non-members wild birdseed order form for February 2025

The next order will be placed on **29 January 2025**. The birdseed collection will be on **5 February 2025 between 14.00 and 17.00 hrs. from Abbey Farm Cottage**. If you would like to place an order please let me have your requirements together with a cheque made payable to "Great Finborough Garden Club", or **by BAC's** "Gt Finborough Garden Club", sort 09-01-54, account no 20213287 please reference your name followed by B/S. Orders may be posted to or dropped off at The Little House, High Road, Gt Finborough, IP14 3AA, or if it's more convenient dropped off at 1 Valley Lane, Gt Finborough.

Thank you. Peter Turner 07789727974 or p.turner125@btinternet.com.

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Product	Weight	Price	Quantity	Cost
Wild Bird Mix	20 kg	£14.00		
W.B.M. Premium	20kg	£16.00		
W.B.M No Wheat	20kg	£19.00		
W.B.M NEW High Energy	12.75 kg	£17.50		
W.B.M. No Mess	12.75 kg	£17.50		
W.B.M Robin & Songbird	12.75 kg	£17.50		
Finch Mix	20 kg	£17.50		
Mixed Corn	20 kg	£12.50		
SUPER Poultry Mix	20kg	£14.00		
Peanuts (superior quality)	20 kg	£38.00		
Peanuts (half sack)	10 kg approx.	£20.00		
Black Sunflower Seed	15 kg	£18.00		
Sunflower Kernels	20 kg	£27.00		
Sunflower Kernels	10kg approx.	£15.00		
Nyjer Seed	25kg	£40.00		
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GREAT FINBOROUGH LITTER PICK JANUARY 2025

If you can spare an hour or two to keep our Village looking clean and tidy, please join the Parish Council on Saturday 25th January 10am - 12pm.



Litter pickers, high vis jackets and rubbish bags supplied.

Please bring appropriate gloves.

Meet at Car Park off Middlefield Drive

Leftover Turkey Curry Recipe

Ingredients

Sunflower oil	1 tbsp tomato purée
Onion - finely chopped	400g can passata or chopped tomatoes
3 garlic cloves crushed or finely grated	1 tbsp mango chutney
Thumb-sized piece of ginger peeled and finely grated	100ml double cream
1 red chilli deseeded and finely chopped	2 tbsp natural yogurt (optional)
1 tsp cumin seeds	About 600g leftover roast turkey cut into large chunks
1 tsp ground coriander	Chopped coriander
½ tsp paprika	Toasted flaked almonds, steamed rice and garlic naan breads, to serve
½ tsp ground turmeric	
½ tsp garam masala	

Method

Step 1

Heat the oil in a casserole dish or shallow pan over a medium heat, and fry the onions for 10-12 mins until golden. Stir in the garlic, ginger, chilli and all the spices, and cook for 2 mins more until the mixture resembles a paste. Stir in the tomato purée, passata or chopped tomatoes and mango chutney, and bring to a simmer. Cook for a further 10 mins.

Step 2

Stir in most of the cream and the yogurt, if using, and return the mixture to a simmer. Add the turkey and continue to simmer until the turkey is piping hot. Remove from the heat, drizzle over the remaining cream and stir through briefly. Scatter over some coriander and flaked almonds, and serve with the rice and naan breads on the side.