

# The Glaven Valley Newsletter



**APRIL 2021**

# THE GLAVEN VALLEY NEWSLETTER

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**UPDATING** - I would like to keep this list up to date, so please could you let me know of any changes or additions. (Even if you're not the secretary of an organization, if you are reading this and know of any changes, please do contact me: email [editorgvn@gmail.com](mailto:editorgvn@gmail.com))

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**\*\*CHECK OUT FOR EXTRA ITEMS\*\***

**The Editor does not necessarily agree with  
views expressed by correspondents.**

# Treasurer's Report

Thank you to all of those readers who are continuing to make donations during these times.

Donations can continue to be made either by:

- Send cash or cheque to the Treasurer, Stonebridge House, Bridgefoot Lane, Wiveton, Holt NR25 7TP (cheques payable to Glaven Valley Newsletter)
- By making an online transfer or setting up a standing order to us (Sort Code 30-94-34 Account 00897099)
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*Many thanks for your support  
Martin Tyler  
Treasurer, Glaven Valley Newsletter*

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## Shirehall Plain Antiques Centre

Unfortunately, we are closed due to the lockdown, but are excited to reopen soon!

Find us at:

2c/2d Shirehall Plain, Holt, NR25 6HT

Open Monday to Saturday

10am to 5pm, and

Sundays - 11am til 3pm

from *Easter to Christmas only*

And visit our Facebook page at:

[facebook.com/ShirehallPlainAntiquesCentreHolt](https://www.facebook.com/ShirehallPlainAntiquesCentreHolt)

Or contact Mandy Allen at 07876 254173

if you're looking for something in particular, and we'll send you photographs of specific items.

## Blakeney Antiques & Collectors Fair

Blakeney Village Hall,  
Langham Road, Blakeney.

Every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month,  
10am to 4pm.

A small and friendly fair with 24 individual dealers offering a wide range of antiques and collectibles.

Free parking and cafe on site.

Currently closed due to the lockdown.

For further information  
please visit our Facebook page  
[facebook.com/BlakeneyFair](https://www.facebook.com/BlakeneyFair)  
or call Mandy Allen - 07876254173.

## Glaven District Caring

Reg. Charity No: 270185

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Still providing a service during these troubled times

Bathing Service - Mondays

Foot Clinic - Fridays - Appointments available

Hot Daily Meal Service - delivered to your door

Monday to Friday

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Contact us on 01263 740762

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## ***Monthly Advertising***

Advertising rates for the 'white pages'  
per issue are as follows:

### ***Local Charities & Not-for-profit Organisations (Charity Rate)***

Up to ¼ page FREE  
½ page £16.50  
A4/full page £27.50

### ***Local Businesses & Non-Local Charities***

one eighth page £16.50  
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This advertising is very reasonably priced  
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## Blakeney

### Coastal Rowing Association of Blakeney

At the time of writing, March 29<sup>th</sup> is the date that all members of your local rowing club have firmly in mind. This is the date on which, as it currently stands, participation in rowing can resume. One of the club's beautiful skiffs will, by that date, be in place on the Carnser Boat Park whilst the other will remain at Barton Turf, on the Broads, until a time when the waters become too crowded with all manner of craft. So, the great choice of whether to row at Blakeney or on the Broads will remain in place for a while longer. Plans are afoot for an extended expedition to explore the waterways leading from Cox's Boatyard, Barton. Such an event will be very welcome after so long away from rowing.

As a result of this year's restrictions, forthcoming competitive events will take on a different structure. This will be mainly in the form of five-mile, timed rows undertaken by individual rowing clubs in their own areas. Times will then be collated centrally. This format will cover the Castle to Crane row, 7<sup>th</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> May, the Ocean to City Race, 4<sup>th</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup> June, and the Welsh Sea Rowing Races on 9<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> July. Such ventures were successfully organised last year. The above schedule will give an even greater interest to the forthcoming season.

Importantly, it will be great to see safely organised social rows taking place once again with people being able to see each other away from Zoom meetings whilst enjoying the activity.

There has been much rowing related activity away from the water. During the lockdown, a working party of members has completely revamped the IT systems relating to the club: communication and booking facilities have been greatly streamlined and improved. Many thanks to all committee members who were closely involved in this process. Rob

Dunster, the club bosun, worked particularly hard at co-ordinating the whole project and a huge debt of gratitude is owed to him.

If you are interested in joining or supporting Blakeney Rowing Club, or perhaps you wish to try a new sport in the future, then phone club captain Humphrey on 07542371469 for further information. Find out how you can be a part of the important community activity of rowing. All types of experience will be welcome. Join in, meet some interesting people and think ahead to fun times on the water.

*Best wishes and stay safe.*

*Barry Howes*

### **Glaven Caring - NOW DELIVERING HOT LUNCHES TO CLIENTS IN LOCAL VILLAGES**

The Glaven Centre in Blakeney is now offering two-course hot meals delivered to their clients' homes, from Monday to Friday each week. We deliver daily at lunchtime to older people in Binham, Blakeney, Cley, Field Dalling, Glandford, Langham, Letheringsett, Morston, Salthouse, Saxlingham, Little Thornage, Wiveton, High Kelling and to Holt.

Nourishing and appetising home-cooked meals are prepared at the Centre by Jill, our experienced and qualified cook.

Arrangements are flexible and lunches can be provided every weekday, or just on specific days, as required. Keith Barnes, our manager, telephones on a Monday morning to discuss the week's menu and agrees with each client the days on which meals will be required. It can be every day, or just on one or two days of the week.

If you would enjoy a good lunch during the week, or if you are caring for someone and would like a break from cooking some days, please give Keith a call at The Glaven Centre on 01263 740762, to discuss the details or any special requests.

**PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION ON TO ANYONE IN YOUR VILLAGE, ADD TO YOUR NEWSLETTERS OR PRINT A COPY FOR VILLAGE NOTICE BOARDS.**



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to your home**

**Monday to Friday**

**To older people in all the  
Glaven Valley villages,  
Holt and High Kelling**

**Bathing Service – Mondays  
Foot Clinic – Fridays,  
appointments available**

**The Glaven Centre,  
Thistleton Court, Blakeney  
Contact us on 01263 740762**



**Residents Car Park Permits** – 2021/22

Those of you eligible for the Carnser Residents Permits (a permanent resident on the electoral roll for Blakeney & only property owned) and the Coronation Car Park Residents Permits (a permanent resident on the electoral roll for Blakeney, only property owned, has to be a High Street address, which has no parking of its own), are advised that they are ready for distribution now. The current permits expire on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, and it is your responsibility to ensure that you display a current permit at all times.

In order to determine genuine permanent residents, you must produce a copy of your most recent Council Tax Bill from North Norfolk District Council. The information provided on this, will determine whether or not you are eligible for a free permit.

*Due to COVID, the Parish Office is currently closed to the public, however, you can still drop the required information through the letterbox or in an email, i.e., name, address and copy of Council Tax bill, and vehicle registration details. All Council Tax bills, will be shredded/deleted unless you ask for them to be returned. Please ensure that you leave your contact email, or phone number, just in case further information is required.*

**PC Jason Pegden – 07967 820518 & Email:**  
[SNTWells@norfolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:SNTWells@norfolk.pnn.police.uk)

has asked us to share these details with you, and he will pick up messages as and when he is on duty. Please do remember to use 999 in an emergency and that the Police 101 number is still in operation.

For any **Covid related breaches**, please report via the **Norfolk Constabulary website** page, under the tab headed, 'Report It', and not directly to Jason.

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Extracts from the virtual meeting of **Blakeney Parish Council** which was held on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021**.

**Police & Councillor Reports**

*Wells Safer Neighbourhood Police Team* – PC Jason Pegden had submitted the following report in his absence; Since the last Parish Council meeting there have been 30 calls to the police, 14 of which were Covid related breaches. 1 x criminal damage and 1 x theft.

*District Councillor* – Currently on extended leave. The Chairman reminded the meeting, that anything normally picked up by our District Cllr was being directed to an appropriate member or officer at NNDC in the meantime.

**Planning Items** – PF = Full Planning Permission, PM =

Planning Permission – Reserved Matters, LA = Alteration to Listed Building.

**LA/21/0227 & PF/21/0226** – Proposal; Works associated with replacement side extension following demolition of existing side extension at, **Red House, The Quay, Blakeney**. No objection.

**PF/21/0255** – Proposal; Extension and replacement roof with raised ridge height and including dormers to north elevation and balcony to south elevation to form 9 additional staff bedrooms at, **The Blakeney Hotel, The Quay, Blakeney**. No objection.

**LA/21/0254** – Proposal; Internal and external works to 'The Granary' to facilitate the conversion of the roof space to additional guest suites and new entrance hall extension at, **The Blakeney Hotel, The Quay, Blakeney**. No objection.

**LA/21/0118** – Proposal; Works associated with replacement of window and entrance door at, **Jolly Boat Cottage, 46B High Street, Blakeney**. No objection.

**PF/21/0245** – Proposal; Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) to allow for changes to the layout of first floor and insertion of rooflight at, **Poppyland, Back Lane, Blakeney**. No objection.

**PF/21/0337** – Proposal; Change of use; detached building to front of dwelling to a holiday let at, **73 Morston Road, Blakeney**. **Resolved** – Object.

**LA/21/0362 & PF/21/0361** – Proposal; Internal and external works to facilitate first floor extension/first floor extension to provide library/group space at, **Blakeney C of E Va Primary School, Wiveton Road, Blakeney**. Support.

**PF/21/0348** – Proposal; Demolition of part dwelling; first floor extension and roof terrace over garage; first floor roof terrace with external alterations including insertion of rooflights at, **Galley Hill House, Langham Road, Blakeney**. **Resolved** – Object.

**PF/21/0390** – Proposal; First floor and single storey extension rear extensions, including balcony to first floor; external alterations to garage including single storey link to house at, **The Wells, 3 The Pastures, Blakeney**. Object

**PF/21/0253** – Proposal; Demolition of detached outbuilding (The Folly) and erection of 3 storey building to provide additional guest suite. Conversion of roof space to 'The Granary' with addition of dormers and rooflights to form two guest suites and erection of extension to east elevation to form entrance hall. Replacement windows in north elevation to part of second floor of the main hotel building at, **The Blakeney Hotel, The Quay, Blakeney**. No objection.

Agreed to resubmit the Parish Councils previous planning application no. **PF/17/0270** – Previous proposal; 200 space overflow car park for use up to 60 days per year at, **Former School Field, Langham Road, Blakeney**, with one amendment; that being that the revised submission has no limitation on the number of days.



**Accounts** totalling £9,234.12 were approved.

**Clerk/RFO Report** - Members were in receipt of the cashbook figures to date.

Members were advised of the restatement of the **2019-20 AGAR** (the official annual accounts of Blakeney Parish Council) to show the Prepayment of the Business Rates against the relevant years and the Income for the Trading Sites in the relevant years, by invoice date rather than the receipt date. These will be presented in due course as part of the End of Year 2020/21 report.

Act of **vandalism** reported to the Police; 18<sup>th</sup> February 2021. All 7 posts and attached chain fencing appear to have been deliberately removed from the bottom of Mariners Hill during the 'snow' period for sledging purposes. The police have issued a crime reference number for this.

**Thank you** email from local family received, for the repair to the children's play equipment, and wanting BPC to know how much it is appreciated by the local community.

**Public Events 2021** – We are daring to look forward to the summer, in the hope that we can plan events, (even if they have to be tweaked slightly) therefore fingers are firmly crossed so that The Funfair; joins us subject to the government legislation which permits these visits, being in place at the time, and the same for The Circus. The same also for the 'Party on The Pastures' as the committee have indicated that they would like to do something this year and plan to make a decision in May and the same also for the 'End of Season Bonfire & Fireworks Event'; ie, the committee also wish to hold the event and will revisit in May.

Blakeney Parish Council agreed to support and adopt the **Cley Dark Skies Policy** for Blakeney, whilst noting that we have questions over how this could be enforced. We will also engage with relevant identified property owners, many of which are in fact non-permanent residents, to make them aware.

We accept the proposed **Boundary Change** between Wiveton parish (CO8) and Blakeney parish (CO1).

A total of 9 applications were received for the three **Trading Sites** for the years 2022 to 2025 inclusive; 'Refreshments', 'Seafood' and 'Arts & Crafts'. All have now been allocated and will be announced once the 'cooling off' period has passed.

**Resumption of BPC Meetings** – As things stand our next Full Council meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021 via zoom commencing at 7pm.

**Covid Response Team and Fund** – If you know of someone that is in need of assistance in the village with either practical tasks or financial hardship, then please do get in touch. We are holding a grant on behalf of the small local response team which we obtained in order to help those in need, subject to certain criteria in the village. All enquiries will be in the strictest of confidence and in addition there are many other sources of help out there, which the team may be able to direct

you to. If in any doubt, please do ask.

**YOUR SERVING PARISH COUNCILLORS ARE:** -  
Rosemary Thew – (Chairman) – 740555 – Moonraker, Back Lane

Jenny Girling (Vice-Chairman) – 740792 – 11 Queens Close

Samantha Arlow – 741297 – 40 Langham Road

Jane Armstrong – 741355 – 39 New Road

Alban Donohoe – 741741 – Ivy House, Back Lane

Shirley Everett – 740819 – Southside, 87 Morston Road

Barry Girling – 740792 – 11 Queens Close

Edward Hackford – 740616 – Spring Cottage, Langham Road

Nigel Sutcliffe – 741714 – Dallinga, 71 Morston Road

Jess Tutt – 01328 830973 – 37 The Cornfield, Langham

Iain Wolfe [REDACTED]

*Those interested in planning matters, should keep an eye on the NNDC website at the moment as a first resort and respond direct to NNDC with any objections/comments/support but by all means copy the Parish Council in, but please do note the deadlines.*

## **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2021**

**This year an altogether different experience, in terms of venue, time and format!**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021 – 6pm via 'Zoom' the virtual meeting platform.**

**(Waiting room opens at 5:45pm)**

All electors on the current Register of Electors for the parish of Blakeney are invited to join us for this meeting.

\*Members of the public, (i.e., those who are not local government electors of Blakeney) are also entitled to attend, but have no right to speak or vote on any matter.

Attendees are also reminded that this is not a meeting of Blakeney Parish Council. Should a '\*vote be called for upon any item on the agenda, then the decision of said vote is not binding upon the Parish Council. It would however, be reported back to the Council.

The agenda will be published on the noticeboard and website in due course, however, there will be a brief update on **The Blakeney Neighbourhood Plan**, by Sam Curtis, the Chairman of the Group and a number of other 'usual' reports, i.e., Blakeney Neighbourhood Housing Society, St. Nicholas Church, Blakeney Parish Council etc.

This year you will have to make your own cuppa I'm afraid, and then simply join via the link which will be shown on the agenda.

If having seen the agenda, (nearer the time) you know that you wish to speak, then please contact the Clerk in advance by email: [clerk@blakeneyparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@blakeneyparishcouncil.org.uk) or by calling 01263 741106 as a list of names will be compiled having first checked the electoral register. Many thanks.



## A Bit of a Devil

A roast chicken is delicious, but it can be boring using up the leftovers, so tank a tip from your ancestors, and try devilling. I know that it sounds odd, but in earlier times there were many people who had no cooking facilities at all if they lived in towns. All those dashing young men in Georgian and Victorian novels lived in rooms with only a small grate to give them heat and a limited cooking source. It was possible to buy all sorts of cooked dishes from street sellers and shops just as it still is in Paris.

Devilled food was very popular and could be easily eaten with fingers and forks and its popularity spread to gentlemen's clubs and country house kitchens as an elegant way of using up any kind of poultry. This is a more modern version which better suits our cooking methods. It is a very grown-up dish with its spicy succulence and is perfect served very hot with green salad and crusty bread.

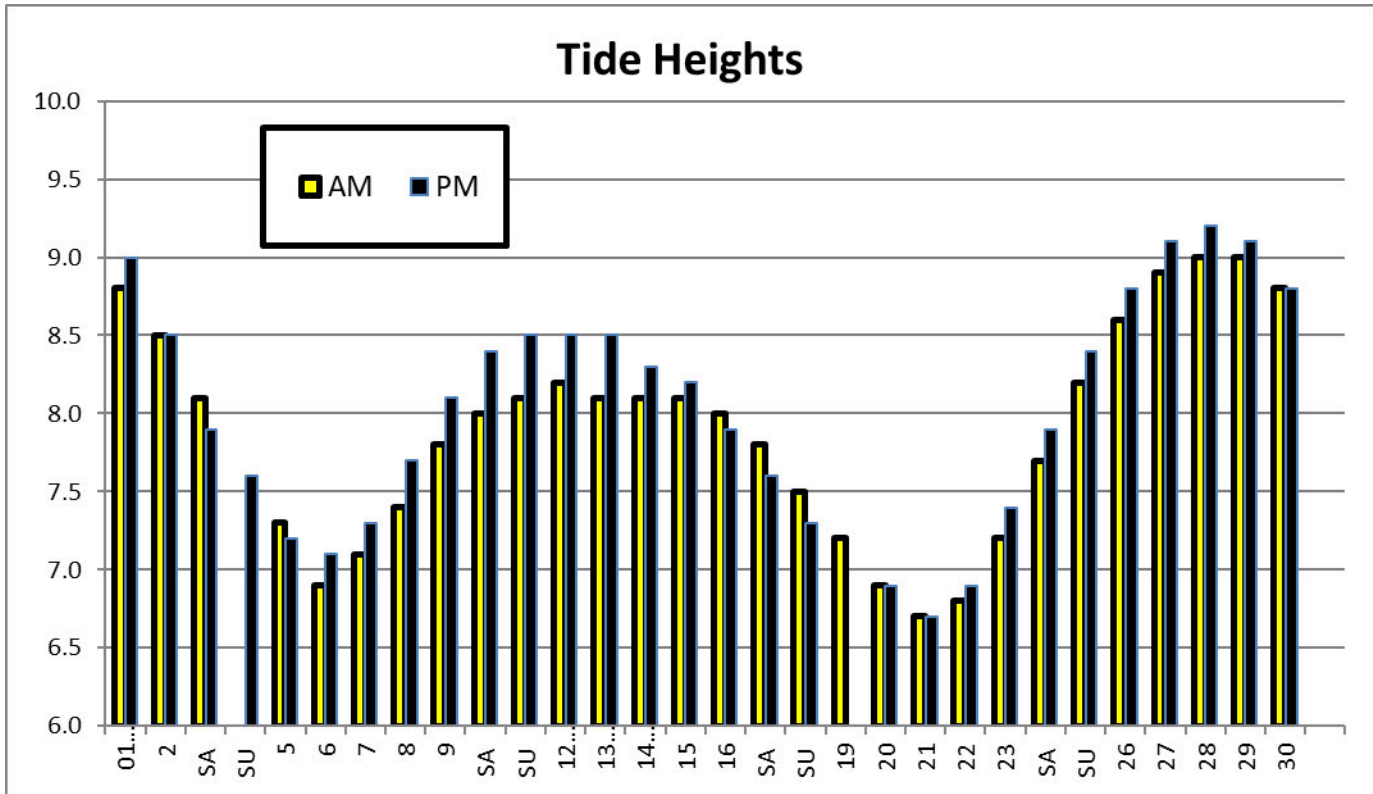
4 pieces of cooked chicken  
1 teaspoon mustard powder  
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
1 teaspoon chutney  
1 teaspoon tomato ketchup  
2 teaspoons vinegar  
½ teaspoon curry powder  
Pinch of cayenne pepper  
Pinch of sugar  
1 oz (25g) butter

Use large pieces of leg or breast milk, chicken wings or small drum sticks for this dish. Put into an ovenware dish. Mix all the other ingredients in a small thick pan and bring to the boil, stirring well. Pour over the chicken and cook at 350F/180C/Gas 4 for 10 minutes, turning once. Put the chicken pieces under the grill and grill them for 3 minutes each side.

Serve very hot.

Serves 4.

# April 2021 Tide Details



## Tide Times

	AM	PM		AM	PM
Thu 01 April	10:05	22:20			
Fri 02 April	10:45	23:06			
Sat 03 April	11:30	23:57			
Sun 04 April	00:00	12:22			
Mon 05 April	01:04	13:37	Mon 19 April	11:39	
Tue 06 April	02:52		Tue 20 April	00:25	12:34
Wed 07 April	04:20	16:22	Wed 21 April	01:35	13:50
Thu 08 April	05:30	17:22	Thu 22 April	03:13	15:34
Fri 09 April	06:24	18:12	Fri 23 April	04:31	16:43
Sat 10 April	07:06	18:55	Sat 24 April	05:27	17:34
Sun 11 April	07:42	19:33	Sun 25 April	06:14	18:20
Mon 12 April	08:10	20:08	Mon 26 April	06:57	19:05
Tue 13 April	08:35	20:41	Tue 27 April	07:39	19:50
Wed 14 April	09:00	21:13	Wed 28 April	08:20	20:35
Thu 15 April	09:28	21:44	Thu 29 April	09:01	21:20
Fri 16 April	09:56	22:16	Fri 30 April	09:42	22:06
Sat 17 April	10:25	22:51			
Sun 18 April	10:58	23:32			

**Remember BST starts in Sunday March 28 - times shown are BST**

**News from County Cllr Dr Marie Strong**  
**Marie.strong@norfolk.gov.uk- 07920 286 597**

Dear Readers

It has been a privilege and pleasure to be your county councillor for the past 12 years and having talked it over with Mike (spouse) I am intending to stand in the May election, this time as an independent candidate.

**6 May 2021 Elections:** These elections are for County Councillors, the Police & Crime Commissioner and any bi-elections.

**Postal Voting:** NNDC is taking great safety care at polling stations but additionally for extra care of your health and that of staff consider a postal vote at [postalvotes@north-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:postalvotes@north-norfolk.gov.uk) or 01263 513811. Deadline for postal votes 20 April, for proxy votes 27 April. If COVID illness will interfere with your ability to vote check the website or phone number shown above.

**Project Gigabit: For those properties still struggling to obtain satisfactory broadband:** For me this is the most exciting news regarding broadband since I campaigned with you for 'Better Broadband for Norfolk'. Norfolk is listed amongst the first counties to benefit from this new tranche of funding for gigabit fibre deployment. The project will target properties that are not expected to benefit from suppliers own commercial investment in Gigabit capable infrastructure, thought to be around 35% of Norfolk properties. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-launches-new-5bn-project-gigabit>

**Libraries Re-opening**

Holt, Fakenham and Wells libraries are open commencing with a phased reopening starting with a click and collect style service. Safety measures in place at each location. Returned books quarantined minimum 72 hours. Further details inc opening hours [www.norfolk.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/libraries) or 01603 774777

**Young People & Mental Health:** Norfolk County Council's 'This is how... #wevegottthis' campaign for young people's mental health, promotes improving their mental health and wellbeing. For more details <http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/feelgood>

**Advice and Support for Bereaved Families:** I was undecided as to whether to offer the following information but then recalled the times I would have found it helpful so here goes:

To book a death registration appointment call Norfolk County Council Registration Offices on 0344 800 8020. Information on: [Deaths - Norfolk County Council](#). Links to specialist organisations [Bereavement support - Norfolk County Council](#)

As always, my admiration of those who are helping others, often without acknowledgement – so from me to you - thank you.

*Marie*

*County Cllr Dr Marie Strong*

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## Thoughts from the Rectory For April 2021

Dear all,

With Easter early this year, April Fools' Day happens to fall on Maundy Thursday. Which, on the face of it, looks like an uncomfortable clash. Maundy Thursday is a serious day in the middle of a very serious week! And April Fools' Day is traditionally a day for gags and pranks. Last year, for example, on 1st April, I unnerved a few people by suggesting that I was going to rig up a zip-wire from Blakeney Church tower across the road to the Rectory roof, to raise funds!

Laughter is now medically proven to be good for you, by the way. Evidently, research shows how laughing opens up the arteries and increases the blood flow, strengthening the heart and thus helping to prevent cardiovascular disease. So there we are: laughter really is "the best medicine".

Well, Maundy Thursday – when we celebrate Jesus' Last Supper with his friends before his death the next day – may not lend itself that easily to jokes. An odd day for April Fools? But there is another sort of foolishness about Maundy Thursday. At that supper, Jesus washed his disciples' feet. That was traditionally a job that servants did for their masters, not vice versa, and the disciples were shocked. But

he told his followers not to be concerned with status and success, but concentrate on serving others, including (and especially) the downtrodden. The first shall be last, and the last shall be first, and so on. Foolish, in the eyes of many.

So, in a strange way, maybe April 1st this year will be a convergence worth reflecting on.

And then, three days later, we'll be celebrating Easter Day – the victory of life over death. The resurrection of Christ represents hope, joy and new life. Even if we've had not much to laugh or smile about in the preceding days (or come to that, in the preceding months), we most certainly have at Easter. Let the celebrations begin!

*Happy Easter when it comes,  
Richard*

## Services – Live & Streaming

It's marvellous that we're now able to open up our churches for worship again (with restrictions). But we're still having to get everyone to **pre-book places** for most of our services for the moment, as we're having to limit numbers, as part of our safety planning. Please see our (revamped and refreshed!) website for details of how to book places at the different services in the churches around the benefice.

### Holy Week looks like this:

<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	7.00pm	Night Prayer	Glandford
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup></b>	7.00pm	Night Prayer	Glandford
<b>Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup></b>	7.00pm	Night Prayer	Glandford
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	7.00pm	Holy Communion	Wiveton
<b>Good Friday</b>	11.00am	Good Friday Service (7 Last Words) <i>[streamed]</i>	Blakeney
	2.00am	Sacred Space for Good Friday	Cley
<b>Easter Day</b>	6.15am	Sunrise Service	Wiveton
	9.30am	Holy Communion	Cley
	11.00am	Holy Communion <i>[streamed]</i>	Blakeney

For the rest of April, we're running a reduced schedule, as there are some services we can't yet safely provide.

### The schedule for April is as follows:

<b>SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Easter Day</b>	
6.15am	Sunrise Service	Wiveton
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Cley
11.00am	Holy Communion (CW) <i>[streamed]</i>	Blakeney
<b>Wed 7<sup>th</sup></b>	Holy Communion (CW) 10.00am	Cley
<b>SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Easter 2</b>	
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW) <i>[streamed]</i>	Blakeney
11.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Glandford
6.00pm	Service of Contemplation	Wiveton
<b>SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Easter 3</b>	
9.30am	Celtic Communion <i>[streamed]</i>	Blakeney
6.30pm	Evensong (BCP)	Wiveton
<b>Wed 21<sup>st</sup></b>	Holy Communion (CW) 10.00am	Cley
<b>SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Easter 4</b>	
8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Cley
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW) <i>[streamed]</i>	Blakeney
6.30pm	Evensong (BCP)	Glandford

We will be continuing to stream our main Sunday service from Blakeney Church on our YouTube channel (11.00 on Easter Day; 9.30 thereafter). This will be available live or at a later time.

The link for the "St Nicholas Church Blakeney" YouTube channel is:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC136-AnLk8jNoBAw3b9kV\\_g/videos?view=57](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC136-AnLk8jNoBAw3b9kV_g/videos?view=57)

and you then just scroll down to the relevant day's service.

You're all, of course, very welcome to join us whenever you can.

As ever, feel free to contact me on [revrichardlawry@gmail.com](mailto:revrichardlawry@gmail.com) or by phone on 740686. Or look at our benefice website for more information: [www.glavenvalleychurches.org.uk](http://www.glavenvalleychurches.org.uk)

# Cley

## Cley Village Hall

At the time of writing the hall is still closed, but things have been happening behind the scenes: we now have high-speed broadband installed, which I think will be welcome news to all organisations who - once they can return to the hall - will want to continue using zoom.

The playing fields: Last year decaying wood was discovered in one of the poles supporting the swing, so in case a repair turns out to not make sense we will replace the swing with a new one.

Budget permitting, we are also exploring adult exercise equipment. We will keep you posted!

*G.E.*

## Cley Parish Council's Chairman's Report March 2021

In April, we will be getting out the Traffic Management consultation document about parking in the High Street, village gates and possibly additional speed cameras. We're adding electric car charging points into the mix. We are putting in the grant application to install chargers at the Village Hall Car Park, and we want to know how many residents will use them.

The Deputy Director of Planning and the Planning Policy Manager both attended our council meeting to answer questions about planning decisions, with some of which recently we didn't agree. It seems their hands are tied by planning law; however, we are looking for the department to be proactive and responsive to the community's needs. One topic was the barn on the marsh where development, in this case unchecked by regulation, comes with risk to life. On a positive note, we need to keep our eyes out for the new local Design Guide which apparently will help us keep our area special.

Fancy growing your own fruit and vegetables in a healthy and sociable setting? Post Brexit and lockdown, Cley allotments are proving very popular. We now have a really good water supply so all you need to supply are the seeds and some welly! We're one of the few allotments around which doesn't have a waiting list. In fact, we still have a few left. Please get in touch with the Clerk if you are interested, 01263513269.

The ultrafast cable is being installed! At the moment the lines are going overhead and apparently Openreach are keen to finish the next phase, the civils (i.e., digging up the roads) before the busy tourist season. There is still time to sign up if

you want ultrafast internet; if you send me an email, I'll forward it to our contact at Openreach.

The Arcady appeal has been postponed as the parties are seeking mediation. We should have received a new Planning Application for the building by the time you read this which can be commented on in the usual way. The Hangs footpath inquiry will be in the next few months.

Thank you again for your contributions to the Newgate Green improvement project; this has been set in motion for this spring.

Don't forget our new website! Check out [www.cleypc.info](http://www.cleypc.info) for PC and village matters. If you Google CPC the old site comes up (which is decommissioned) but not the new, so you need to remember the new address! Cley Parish Council Facebook page is also a place to check for new events.

Our next Parish Council meeting is Tuesday, April 6th 2021 at 6.30pm via Zoom. The Agenda will be published on the Notice Board and on the website, and you are very welcome to join us - you can phone in if you prefer. Contact details will be on the Agenda. Otherwise, please comment on or ask general questions about Agenda items before the meeting by getting in touch with the clerk or myself. Minutes are posted as usual on the website.

*Dr Victoria Holliday, Chair*  
[avictoriaholliday@icloud.com](mailto:avictoriaholliday@icloud.com)  
07557054629

## **CLEY WI** **OUR HOPES AND PLANS FOR THE LIFTING** **OF LOCKDOWN**

With great optimism and positivity, Cley WI is making plans for getting together again as soon as possible after the lifting of Lockdown restrictions. At present the Road Map states that groups of up to 30 can meet **outdoors** from 17 May so, on the strength of that, we are in discussion with the NWT about gathering there on **3 June** for tea and cake. *We are still waiting to hear back from them and will update you all as soon as we do - fingers crossed!*

In July, by kind invitation of Brenda Pain, we will hold our Strawberry Tea in her lovely garden and then in August, to make up for all the months we have missed, we will hold an extra meeting, again in Brenda's garden, when she will give her talk entitled 'My Mother's Drawers' which was on the programme for last April and had to be postponed.

From September onwards, we hope to be back to meeting in Cley Village Hall as usual when the talks and activities arranged for the same period last year will take place this.

Of course, all these plans could be thrown into doubt if Covid infection rates start to rise again but we hope for the best and look forward very much to seeing everyone again and to the resumption of 'normal' life. As always, new members are

very welcome. For further information, please contact Sophie Archer, 01263 740225.

*Alison Cole  
on behalf of Cley WI Committee*

**2021 Dates for your Diary (provisional):**

<b>03-Jun</b>	Visit to NWT ** - <i>tea, cake &amp; catch up</i>	NWT
<b>01-Jul</b>	Strawberry Tea **	Blakeney
<b>05-Aug</b>	My Mother's Drawers - <i>hidden treasures!</i>	Blakeney
<b>02-Sep</b>	The Scullery Maid from Downstairs - <i>living history at Blickling Hall</i>	CVH
<b>07-Oct</b>	Paperbacks to First Editions - <i>a book lover's journey</i>	CVH
<b>04-Nov</b>	The Magic of Blakeney Point - <i>the wanderings of a naturalist</i>	CVH
<b>02-Dec</b>	Christmas Party & AGM **	CVH
** Members Only		

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Have you been doing a lockdown clear-out? We are looking for books in good condition for our August bookfair! We find best sellers are books on birds, gardening, wildlife, classics and modern novels - but all contributions will be gratefully received. We're also looking for books for our rarities corner – first editions, signed copies, rare books – we will give them a special place in the church and ensure they find a good home! Please get in touch with Hanne and Klausbernd at Rhu Sila, Church Lane, 01263740304. Thank you so much!

Please think about shopping online via easy fundraising to make money for the Friends. The retailer makes a donation on your behalf each time you buy something so it doesn't cost you a penny more and it does mount up! It really is straightforward to get started, just visit [www.easypfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofcleychurch](http://www.easypfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofcleychurch).

*Thank you very much indeed.  
Victoria Holliday, Chair, Friends of Cley Church*

# Wiveton

**St Mary's Wiveton  
EXCITING NEWS!!!**

The Friends of Wiveton Church are launching the WIVETON CHURCH 200 CLUB as part of their ongoing fundraising programme. Whether you are a resident of North Norfolk or a visitor and/or you love this jewel in the crown of Norfolk's heritage, this is an easy and fun way for you to support the church, help raise much-needed funds - initially to carry out the urgent repairs to the Chancel roof and subsequently for ongoing works to preserve the church for future generations - AND be in with a chance of winning every month!

For those who have not come across one before, a '200 Club' is a regular lottery which is usually run for some charitable purpose - in this case Wiveton Church. The Club is defined as a 'private lottery' under Section 4 of the Lotteries & Amusements Act 1976.

**Why should I join?**

To help raise money for this iconic church and because there is a good chance of winning one of the monthly cash prizes; a much better chance than on the National Lottery!

**What does it cost to join?**

Each number in the monthly draw costs £1 per month and there's no limit to how many numbers you can buy.

**How are Subs collected?**

Subscriptions will be collected by monthly bank standing order.

**Friends of Cley Church**



**Come and see our Easter decorations and  
Nature Trail at Cley Church  
28 March - 11 April**

**Holy Week**

Stations of the cross panels will be displayed in a beautifully decorated Cley church porch.

**Easter Sunday until 11 April**

Bring a decorated egg to hang on our Easter Tree in Cley Church porch. Receive a chocolate one when you do!

There will also be a nature trail for all the family: come and explore the plants, animals and mini-beasts you can find in the churchyard!

For more details, please check into our newly updated website <https://glavenvalleychurches.org.uk/friends-of-cley/>, or

### What are the Prizes?

Half the money in the monthly draw is paid out in cash prizes, the other half goes to the Church Fabric Fund. As an example, if we have 200 members the First prize will be £50 and the last (5th) prize £5.

### How do I join?

If you would like to join and help to raise money for the Church, please contact either Anthea de Loynes or Charles Killin, who will send you a Membership Application Form with Standing Order Mandate:

Anthea de Loynes, Chair of the  
Friends: [antheadeloynes@aol.com](mailto:antheadeloynes@aol.com),  
[07746 018310](tel:07746018310) or

Charles Killin, Treasurer:  
[charles.killin@fisherslaw.co.uk](mailto:charles.killin@fisherslaw.co.uk),  
[07824 323180](tel:07824323180)

We envisage the first draw taking place in June 2021, so don't delay - get in touch quickly to be in with a chance of winning!

Anthea de Loynes  
Chair of Friends of Wiveton Church

## Glandford

*There is no news from Glandford this month.*

## Letheringsett

*There is no news from Letheringsett this month.*

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*Dr Ben Cartwright*

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**Next Talk September 2021  
following Summer Break**

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# Eulogy for Charles John Butler

## 1938 - 2021

Charles was born at Cagnes-sur-Mer in the south of France, where his parents were both artists. When the war came his mother Ruth took Charles, aged 2, and his older brother Richard home first to Guernsey, where his brother Patrick was born, and then to safety in England. They were evacuated to a farm in Garsington, near Oxford, and Charles retained links with the King family there all his life, visiting regularly and remembering the village life vividly. Sadly, his mother died soon after the war and Charles and his two brothers went to live with their aunt Margaret in Guernsey. He was deeply attached to his aunt and their life in the Channel Islands and hated leaving it to be sent away to prep school in Staffordshire and then to Douai, a monastic school. But he made great friends at Douai and stayed in touch with them all his life, they meant so much to him. After school he went to Lausanne in Switzerland to the Hotel Management college and always regretted that he didn't complete the training there. He was missing his friends and decided to join them in London, studying to be an accountant at Davis Brothers in the city. During that time, he had many happy years playing rugby for Saracens and he always had a great fondness for sport. After a serious injury he landed up in Barts hospital and that's where he met Caroline, who was working as a nurse on his ward. They were married in Cley church in 1972 and moved there permanently, just before Peter was born, after a brief spell together in London and Oxfordshire.

Charles had a very full working life, running different businesses such as The Bookshop in Holt, with his brothers-in-law Tim and Philip, and a cookshop with John. A herb and spices business followed, before the launch of Cartwright and Butler which produced jams, chutneys and pickles sold around the world. In 1995 Butler's Pantry was opened in Appleyard in Holt, a successful kitchenware shop and Ten years later Butlers Restaurant began, which Charles enjoyed very much, it always having been his dream to have a restaurant. He loved meeting different people and was a very familiar figure in Holt, after many years working there he had many friends and was greatly loved and respected.

Charles and Caroline were so fortunate to have three children and now four grandchildren. Not having many of his own relations around he formed very strong bonds and enduring love for Caroline's mother, Peggy, and for all her family. We have enjoyed many happy holidays. Charles adored France, taking us there many times and also particularly Cephalonia and the Lake District. Closer to home Cley beach, swimming and picnicking are moments to treasure. He had great fun sailing at Morston and had many hair-raising adventures with Caroline in their little dinghy. But his absolute happiest place to be was surrounded by family and friends enjoying good food, wine and company.

The community at St Peters Blakeney has been an important part of Charles' life over many years and their love and support have been invaluable. The family all feel so thankful and blessed that Charles was able to die peacefully at home, with great support from NHS carers, especially with things being so difficult in this time of lockdown. We have been

greatly moved by the loving messages, cards and flowers from people far and wide and are sorry that they can't all be here with us today, especially my brother Peter and his family.

Charles has had a very full and happy life and will be greatly missed

# Community News

## Celebrating International Women's Day at the National Trust

### Get to know Hannah Blades, Ranger at Horsey Windpump and Heigham Holmes

#### What's the best thing about your job?

Knowing that I am making a positive difference to the environment that we look after at Horsey and Heigham, and that I am potentially leaving a legacy for the generations to come.

#### Is there any wildlife you're especially interested in?

I think because I grew up in the broads, I have a soft spot for the wildlife that is strongly associated with them, Dragonflies are probably among my favourite insects.

#### What is your hope for the future of the National Trust?

That landscape scale conservation projects come to the forefront of what we do, as by doing so there is a greater potential to protect and improve the wild areas under our care.

#### Do you find that NT rangers are stereotypically men or is this a misconception?

I think that there is a common misconception that being a ranger is traditionally a man's job, but I think that things are changing and there are now quite a few female rangers within the National Trust.

#### Have you always been an 'outdoors' person?

Pretty much yeah, I volunteered with different conservation and animal charities when I was younger, and when I was at Aberdeen university, I was a member of the conservation society.

#### What is something you like to do on your days off that we may not expect?

Playing borderlands (not all-day mind), like gaming in general whether it be computer or board games! This year I plan to teach myself how to crochet.

#### What would you say to other women who are interested in getting in to an industry like yours?

Go for it, as long as you have the passion and commitment for the job then gender shouldn't matter!

**What is the best time of year to be a ranger?**

Late spring, early summer; all the plants are back in leaf and flower, cygnets and ducklings are on the broads, and it isn't too hot for carrying out practical work.

**What sort of person do you need to be?**

Determined (some would say a little stubborn), passionate and willing to learn.

**National Trust Images**

A grey seal pup snoozing in the Suaeda Vera (Shrubby Sea Blite) on the Yankee Ridge, Blakeney Point.



A Turnstone on Blakeney Point



A knot on Blakeney Point



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# Coastal Code

The Norfolk Coast Partnership provide information on how to enjoy the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) in a sustainable way. This Coastal Code has been developed by local organisations and people who wish to safeguard the area. With the gradual easing of Covid-19 restrictions over the coming months, we hope it is a handy reminder for all and tourism businesses are welcome to share this information as they wish.

## **Enjoy Respect Protect - Enjoy your visit and stay safe**

Prepare any relevant maps, guidebooks and other information to take with you

Take account of weather conditions and tide times [www.ukho.gov.uk/easytide](http://www.ukho.gov.uk/easytide)

Check for up-to-date advice and restrictions, e.g., limits on access in the breeding season

Let someone know where you're going and when you expect to return

Respect people and place

Read local updates/information and act on any advice given

Use public transport, walk or cycle

If using the car, please drive and park responsibly

Keep to paths/routes and leave gates as you find them

Use public waste bins or take litter home

Shop locally and use local services

Protect the area and its wildlife

Take care not to disturb wildlife

Keep away from cordoned areas

Ensure you don't harm, destroy or remove any wildlife/plants/rocks

Only light fires and/or BBQs in designated places

Extra guidance for dog-walkers:

Be aware of, and adhere to, restrictions limiting where dogs can go

Keep your dog close to you and under your control  
Use a lead when needed or requested

Prevent your dog from approaching cordoned areas  
Bag and bin your dog's poo

## **Times to take extra care:**

At breeding times and when over-wintering, animals and birds and their young are particularly vulnerable.

Check your visits don't disturb them:

Bird breeding season is the beginning of March to the end of August

Bird wintering season is the beginning of November to the end of March

Common seal breeding season is the beginning of June to the end of August

Grey seal breeding season is the beginning of November to the end of January

We hope you enjoy your visit.

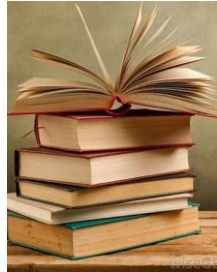
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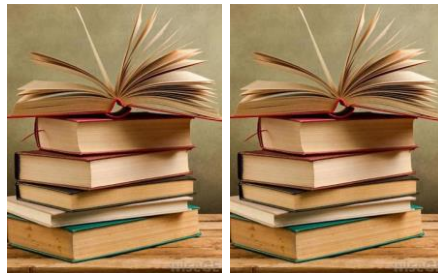


# **BOOKS WANTED FOR CLEY BOOK SALE** **AUGUST 28<sup>TH</sup> -30<sup>TH</sup>**

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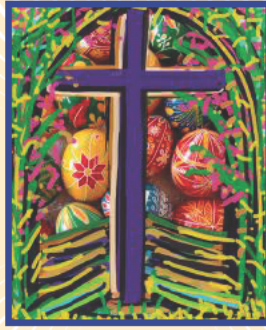


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at Cley Church  
28 March - 11 April



## **HOLY WEEK**



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until 11 April

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**FOR MORE DETAILS:**



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Blakeney and Cley-Next-the-Sea are small villages in North Norfolk, and at the heart of both is a Conservation Area. They are surrounded by the sea and open countryside much of which has AONB or SSSI status.

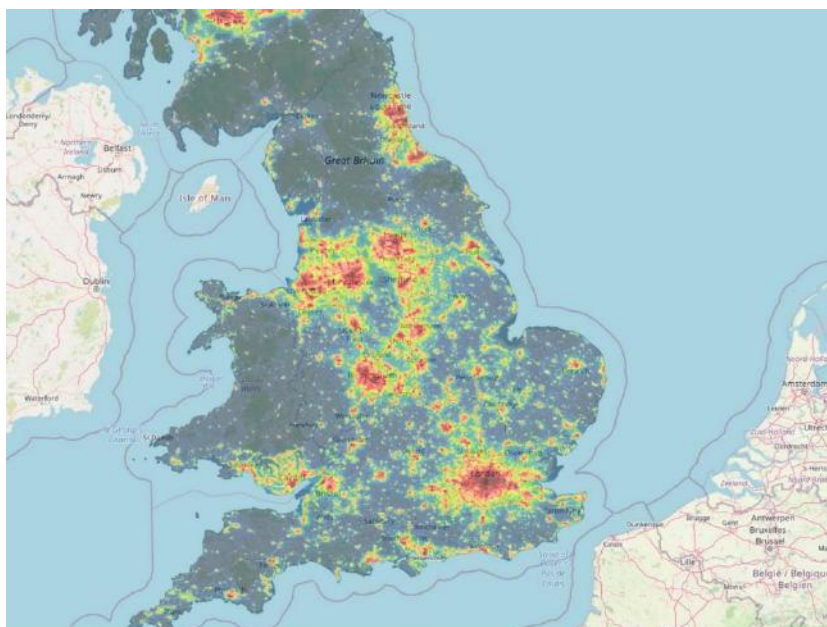


North Norfolk is the 15<sup>th</sup> darkest district in the country, and only just across the Glaven Valley is the Wiveton Downs Dark Sky Discovery Site, one of only a few in Norfolk, which provides special opportunities for people to enjoy the dark skies.

Dark skies help the villages of Blakeney and Cley retain the rural character we all love and we want to play our part to preserve these. Over the years more light has been introduced into these villages as houses and businesses are renovated and enlarged with more windows, sky lights and outside lighting, which on occasion is overly bright, sometimes misdirected and not always carefully timed.

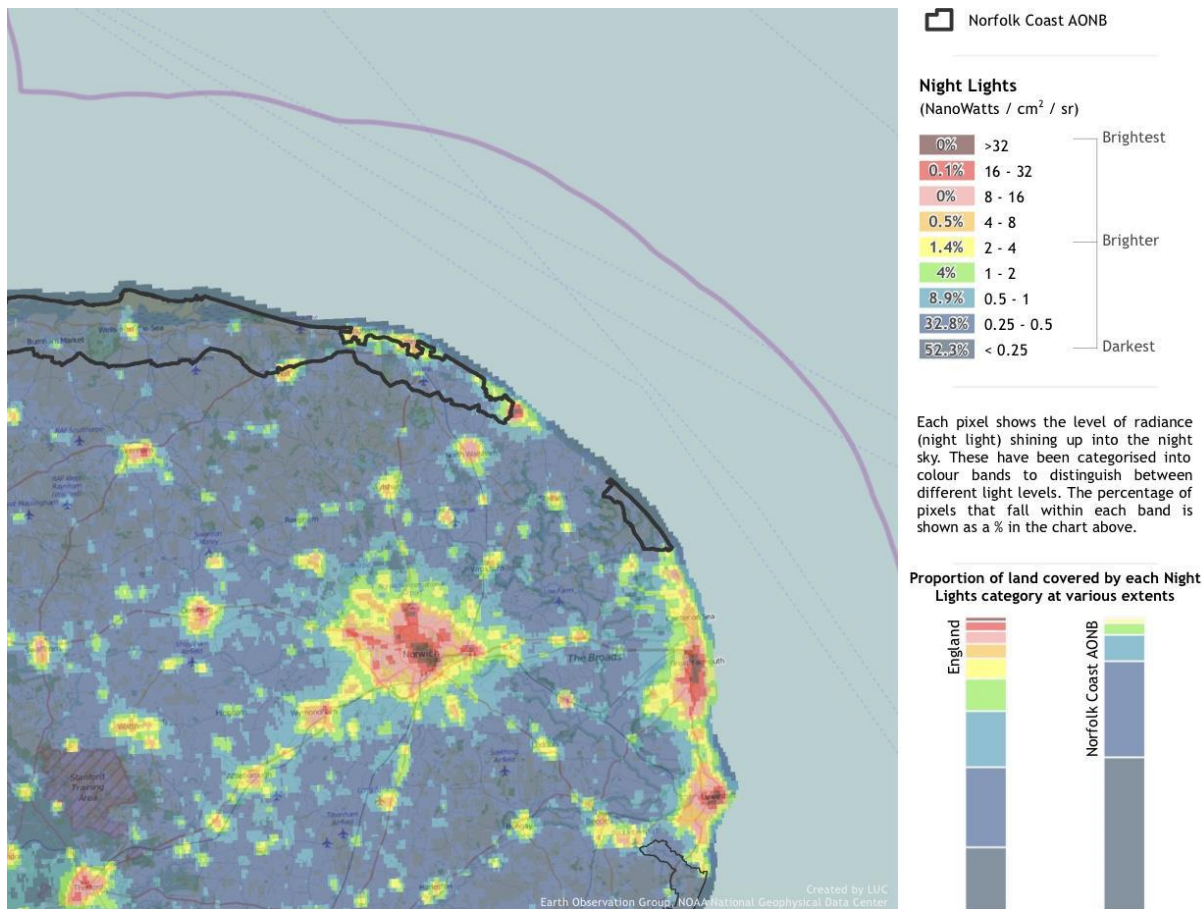
Norfolk Coast Partnership have, as part of their 20-year vision that the area will be essentially unspoilt and with dark skies that show the richness and detail of constellations. Let's work with them to achieve this.

Norfolk is the eighth darkest county in England:



*NightBlight map 2016 by the Campaign to Protect Rural England showing areas of more or less light pollution. The areas with the brightest light are shown in brown/red/pink; the darkest skies are blue/green; medium bright is yellow/orange.*

North Norfolk is the 15<sup>th</sup> darkest district out of the 326 districts in England:



North Norfolk AONB on CPRE's NightBlight map 2016.

## How can we keep it that way?

### We need light

Artificial light is essential but it is important to get the right light in the right place and it to be used at the right time. Otherwise, potentially it becomes light pollution and annoys our neighbours, is harmful to wildlife and undermines our enjoyment of the countryside and dark skies.

### But we need the right amount of light

Light pollution is artificial light which shines when neither wanted or needed:

- Skyglow, light glow from towns and cities;
- Glare or uncomfortable brightness of light source;
- Light intrusion or light spilling beyond the property where it is located.

### Too much light can harm plants and animals

Plants and animals depend on Earth's daily cycle of light and dark to govern life sustaining behaviours such as breeding, feeding, sleeping and protection from predators. Artificial light disrupts this.

Plants are sensitive to different intensities and wavelengths and day length. Some animals are attracted to e.g., birds and insects and some avoid light e.g., bats.



## How to avoid light pollution

When renovating or building a new property, lighting should be limited that necessary for security and consideration should be given to minimising light pollution from exterior lighting, large glazed areas and sky lights.

### 1. Only light what is necessary

- Position lights and choose their distribution to avoid spill into sky and onto neighbouring properties
- Shield your existing light fittings so light points downwards
- Reduce or avoid lighting near or above horizontal to reduce skyglow
- No not direct external lighting outside properties into others
- Avoid floor lights and bollards as they are particularly confusing to wildlife
- Avoid lighting trees which can disturb nocturnal wildlife

### 2. Use only the amount of light needed

- Minimise wattage of LEDs which are pure white which is more destructive to wildlife (see table below)
- Use reflectors or solar lights
- Minimise use of skylights and glazed areas in buildings
- Consider blinds etc to reduce light pollution from interior lighting

BRIGHTNESS IN LUMENS		220+	400+	700+	900+	1300+
	STANDARD	25W	40W	60W	75W	100W
	HALOGEN	18W	28W	42W	53W	70W
	CFL	6W	9W	12W	15W	20W
	LED	4W	6W	10W	13W	18W

*Comparison of brightness of different bulbs*

### 3. Use the right colour light

- Use warm white rather than cool white as the former is better for wildlife's and our own circadian rhythms

### 4. Only light when necessary

- Use motion sensor lights instead of having a light on all night



- b. Ensure automatic security lights are not triggered by movement off your property
- c. Choose to light your businesses just part of the night (not dusk to dawn)
- d. Dim lighting at times of reduced need or increased wildlife sensitivity



## BLAKENEY AND CLEY NEXT THE SEA DARK SKIES POLICY

**In meeting Blakeney and Cley's needs for external lighting we will avoid causing a nuisance to others and upsetting the environment. This applies to existing lighting as well as that in renovations or new builds.**

### 1. The Parishes will apply the CPRE light pollution clause to planning applications

We will apply the CPRE light pollution clause - which is as follows - to all our comments on planning applications:

*'We request that any outdoor lights associated with this development should be*

- 1. Fully shielded*
- 2. Directed downwards*
- 3. Switched on only when needed (no dusk to dawn lamps)*
- 4. White low energy lamps e.g., LED and not orange or pink sodium sources'*

### 2. We will also ask these questions of planning applications

- a. Will any new developments or proposed changes to an existing site materially alter light levels in the environment and adversely affect the use or enjoyment of nearby building or open spaces?
- b. Does the proposed development include large horizontal expanses of glass?
- c. Is the development near a dark skies area or intrinsically dark landscape?
- d. Would new lighting have impact on road safety?
- e. Will a proposal have a significant impact on protected site or species?

### 3. We will ask our residents to make the Norfolk Coastal Partnership Dark Skies pledge



1. Get out there and enjoy the night skies
2. Light only what needs lighting
3. Use only the amount of light that is needed
4. Shield your existing light fittings (and direct them downwards)
5. Light only when you need it (install motion sensors)
6. Use reflectors or solar lights
7. Use blinds and blinds to minimise light pollution from interior lighting
8. Tell your friends and neighbours
9. Encourage or support improved or reduced street lighting (if not in Cley, in neighbouring villages)
10. Contribute to the planning process and encourage better design in new development

Blakeney and Cley Parish Council February 2021



## St Margaret's, Cley-next-the-Sea

### Nature Trail

"All things bright & beautiful, all creatures great and small,  
All things wise & wonderful, the Lord God made them all."

#### Which plants, animals and other flora/fauna can you find in and around the churchyard?

Tick the ones you see or write how many different species of each you could find on your visit. Please see the other side for some species notes. *Please don't touch, pick or disturb any plants, animals, insects or minibeasts.*

#### BATS

Pipistrelle bat



#### BEES

Buff-tailed bumblebee



#### BIRDS

Jackdaw



#### BUTTERFLIES

Peacock



#### FLOWERS

Oxeye daisy



#### LADYBIRDS

7-spot ladybird



#### LICHENS



#### MOSSES



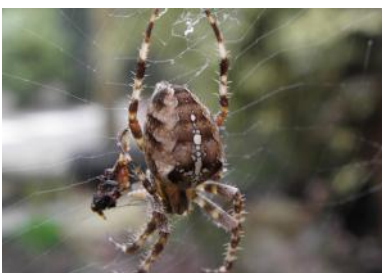
#### MOTHS

Cinnabar



#### SPIDERS

Garden spider



#### SQUIRRELS

Grey squirrel



#### TREES

Yew



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**The churchyard at Cley is rich with plants, lichens, birds, animals and insects. In addition to the species mentioned below, keep a look out for all sorts of minibeasts such as snails, ants, slugs, beetles and woodlice.**

**BATS** The church is home to three species of bat: Natterer's, Common Pipistrelle and Soprano Pipistrelle. You won't see them during the day and they hibernate in winter; but if you stand in front of the west porch at dusk April – October you can usually see them flying out to feed. They squeeze through gaps at the top of the door (you can often see little specks of bat poo at the bottom of the door: don't touch it!). A pipistrelle can eat 3,000 tiny insects in one night! Don't shine torches or you will scare them!



*West porch*

**BEES** Bees love and depend on the flowers in the churchyard. At some times of the year (eg when the purple flowered Knapweed appears June – September), you will be able to see hundreds of bees searching for pollen and nectar. There are around 250 species of bee in the UK.

**BIRDS** Birds you will see Jackdaws and Feral Pigeons (often on the roof or tower) most days. Other common birds include Wood Pigeon, Robin, Blackbird, Blue Tit, Chaffinch and Great Tits. Regular visitors in the sky include Buzzards, Red Kites and Kestrels; and during the summer look out for Swifts, Swallows and House Martins. In the early summer you might hear a Cuckoo nearby. In winter look out for geese flying overhead. At night you might be lucky to hear Tawny Owls calling (or even see one resting on a gravestone!).

**BUTTERFLIES** The churchyard provides good habitat for butterflies. Some you might see include; Peacock, Gatekeeper, Orange Tip, Large White, Small White, Wall, Meadow Brown, Red Admiral and Small Skipper. The best time to find butterflies is on warm, sunny and still days from mid-morning until late afternoon. They can often be startled by movements, so keep still as you watch.

**FLOWERS** Some of the many flowers which can be found at different times of the year include Oxeye Daisy, Dandelion, Greater Knapweed, Daisy, Bulbous Buttercup, Ragwort and Daffodils. About 100 different species of plants (including wildflowers) were found in the churchyard during a survey in 2016!

**LADYBIRDS** These are a type of beetle. There are about 40 species found across the British Isles. You will recognise the iconic red Ladybird with two or seven black spots; but they also come with other colours (brown, yellow, white) and even stripes. They are brightly coloured to warn predators that they don't taste very nice!

**LICHENS** Lichens are not plants but strange a mix of organisms in mutual co-operation: fungus growing with an alga. You can find lichens on gravestones, the church, paving, walls and trees. There are roughly 1,800 species of lichen in the UK! In the churchyard look for thin, flat crusts of colour on gravestones. They come in all sorts of shapes and beautiful colours.

**MOSESSES** Mosses grow in damp areas such as walls, trees, tree stumps, paths, marshes and lawns. They often make a good home for minibeasts such as slugs and woodlice! There are about a 1,000 species of moss (and liverworts, a related plant) in the UK. How many different types can you find in the churchyard?

**MOTHS** One of the moths we find in the churchyard is the beautiful Cinnabar moth; it flies in the sunshine and also at night. Also look out for the Silver Y which migrates to this country; it can be seen throughout the year on warm days, particularly in late summer; check the silver Y-shaped mark on its dark grey, brown and silver wings. There are some 2,500 species of moth found in the UK. They can be very beautiful and they and/or their caterpillars can be an important source of food for other wildlife such as birds, frogs, lizards, toads and bats.

**SPIDERS** There are over 650 species of spider in the UK. Some people don't like spiders, but they do a lot of good work eating "pests" such as mosquitoes, flies and aphids; and only a handful of species will bite! Garden Spiders are common (they are greyish-brown with a white cross on their backs) and spin spiral webs (they sit in the middle waiting for their prey to get caught!); but many spiders do not use webs to catch their prey.

**SQUIRRELS AND OTHER MAMMALS** Grey Squirrels often scamper in the trees near the church. At dawn you might glimpse a Muntjac deer in the churchyard. And nearby on Cley green you will find molehills; and if you look out from the green towards Wiveton you might be very lucky to spot a rare Chinese Water Deer!



*Yew berries*

### **TREES**

Yew trees are found in many churchyards: Cley is no exception! There have been many suggestions as to why they are common in churchyards. They represent death and resurrection; and their evergreen foliage could be used at festivals. Perhaps you can find some Beech trees; their leaves go a lovely golden/yellow colour in autumn. How many other types of tree can you find?



*Beech leaves*



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