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Village Hall Open Day 27 June VH Management Committee

Our village hall has undergone changes during lockdown and is now operating as a charity under the management of the Parish Council, the sole trustees. A new management committee has been formed with old and new faces responsible for overseeing the strategic direction of the hall. The committee has lots of exciting ideas and plans for the longer term prosperity of the hall and is working hard to develop a strategic business and financial plan as well as a programme of events.

To mark the re-opening of the village hall as a charity, the management committee is holding an **open day on Sunday 27 June between 11am and 5pm**. The event is open to the community and we encourage people to attend, have a look around and make suggestions for the use of the hall. The event will be COVID compliant and we hope to promote the hall to the wider community and get some ideas.

We have invited all our partners including local clubs, groups and societies to attend and to be part of this open day by having a stand or representative to showcase what Hatfield Peverel has to offer. It's an opportunity to get information about these groups, clubs or societies. The committee would welcome your attendance at this event to have the opportunity to chat to you about how we can further support the community and the hall in the future.

There will be a performance from Hotsteps at midday and music during the afternoon. Light refreshments will be available throughout the day.

We hope you can attend on the 27 June. If you would like to be part of open day, please respond to parish clerk Sarah Gaeta: **Tel:** 01245 382865, or **email:** parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.com

See page 15: announcement in Review of August 1982 about the opening of the new village hall.

Front cover: Welcome to PC James Draper of the Community Policing Team Braintree who visited Hatfield Peverel at the beginning of June on a community event to introduce himself, members from Braintree Council and others. Visitors met PC Draper, who is our community police officer.

Smile, be happy, be safe...

It is better - isn't it? We can meet more people in our gardens and the weather is great again (better mow the ever growing lawn and pull out a few of the many weeds). And we can have more people indoors (wish we'd done that bit of decorating, and the windows need a clean) for a bite to eat (beans on toast?). We could go to the seaside although there are quite a lot of people, about to go down with sunstroke..

Tell you what - come into my garden and see Ken's wild meadow (its a strip that's a bit steep and he's decided that it is what I really want), somewhere for the dandelions, nettles, brambles and other plants with good, strong roots, can have an easy life undisturbed..

I may even open for afternoon visitors for a small consideration - and perhaps a cup of tea!

Hatfield Peverel Parish has a rich and varied history

Are you interested in identifying Heritage assets in the village that are not currently listed?

The NDP group is looking to start a Non-Designated or Local Heritage List. This identifies and records assets, including buildings, barns etc, that are significant to the local community. The significance can be architectural, artistic, or historical. Some will be chosen by a panel for an official list to be held by Braintree District Council/Historic England.

Do you own or know of a property within the Parish you think should have some protection for the future that is not already listed?

The group is firstly scoping the exercise as it will require considerable manpower.

Would you be interested in helping with the task of identifying and recording these special places? You are likely to be needed to do research, take photographs, form part of a selection panel etc.

It will be a work in progress for some time but could strengthen any Heritage Policy accepted



The newly refurbished hall in the Scout and Guide Headquarters

Scouts and Guides are looking forward to the reopening of their refurbished hall - activities for everyone at the moment are held outside. Come 21 June we may be free. Scouts report is on page 9 and the Guides on page 15. Hall hire: when back to normal you will be able to book the hall for your events.

for the NDP and be a worthwhile resource for residents in the future.

Please express your interest to the group by emailing hatfieldpeverelplan@gmail.com or in writing via the Parish office.

More information available at the Village Hall Open Day, Sunday 27 June 11am - 5pm.

Farewell to David Bebb, welcome to our new District Councillor

Charley Dervish, District Councillor

As we welcome our new District Councillor Darren White following his successful election win, I would like to take this opportunity to thank David Bebb for the dedication and hard work he put in to serving the Ward of Hatfield Peverel and Terling.

David was a dedicated member, also serving as a Cabinet member, and worked tirelessly for many years to make a difference to the local community.

I also thank David for showing me the ropes when I was first elected and for his support. I wish David and Hilary well in their new home.

'Remember that children, marriages, and flower gardens reflect the kind of care they get' – H Jackson Brown Jr.

Allotment and growing news – Drew Price HPAA new-site manager and letting officer www.hpaa.org.uk Email: chairman@hpaa.org.uk

Yes! Finally, some dry and warm weather. And more and more people are 'digging in' down at the allotments. The old timers who have seen it all say that the cold wet weather has positioned us a month behind. The wet followed by the heat has now allowed us to catch up a bit and of course the weeds have skipped forward on all of that. That's what weeds do.

The pandemic is still with us, and the effects will remain for some time. However, allotments are still recommended for exercise, food sources, fruit, flowers, fresh air, and mental health. For most of us they have been sanity savers and a great release. Probably in the same way gardens have been a release for homeowners without allotments.

So, in moving forward, we all must continue to 'Follow the rules!' And continue to take care of ourselves and each other. At the allotment, we do what we can within the rules to help and care for one another – as you would in any community of neighbours.

(We are currently full on both sites with a waiting list. If you have an interest, check with me about putting your name on it. Or please call for a look round. 07803 615062)

Here are some seasonal tips for gardeners everywhere:



- 1 Keep on top of weeding. Your plants should not have to compete for precious water, light, and nutrients. And your neighbours should not have to deal with your weed seeds.
- 2 Pick sweet peas as soon as they flower to encourage more blooms.
- 3 Harvest first early potatoes these are normally ready about 10 weeks after planting.
- 4 Place netting or fleece around ripening fruits to protect them from birds and squirrels.
- 5 Always water potted blueberry plants with rainwater, as the lime contained in tap water reduces the acidity of the soil over time.
- 6 If there has not been much rain, raise your lawn mower blades to reduce stress on the grass.
- 7 Make small 'wells' around plants so water can soak the soil to about 25cm (10in). Surface wetting wastes water, encourages weeds and leads to surface rooting making plants more vulnerable.
- 8 Keep bird baths topped up in hot weather.
- 9 Water plants daily or every second day in warm weather, ideally in the evening or early morning, and avoid splashing the foliage to help prevent leaf burn.
- 10 Check hedges and shrubs for nesting birds before trimming or pruning, to avoid disturbing them.

On behalf of the HPAA, we continue to wish you and yours a safe, healthy, and enjoyable summer!

Gardens to visit, Beeleigh Abbey

Three acres of riverside gardens in an historic setting dating from the 13th century.

Fridays 25 June; 9, 23, 30 July; 13, 20, 27 August Open 10.30am - 4.30pm, last admission 3.30pm

Admission adult £6, **children** 5 - 16 £2.50, **children** under 5 free.

Plant sales, refreshments, free parking

Website:visitmaldon.co.uk/beeleigh-abbey or telephone 07506 867122.



A wonderful response - over £50,000 raised

The eighth Helen Rollason Cancer Charity Ride for Helen, supported by over a thousand cyclists from around the county and beyond, was held on Saturday 16 May.

This firm favourite on the Essex cycling calendar welcomes riders of all ages and abilities, with a choice of cycling routes; 6 miles, 15 miles, 30 miles and 65 miles. Those enjoying the beautiful countryside routes included families with small children, seasoned road cyclists, a Unicyclist and penny farthings!

The charity would like to thank local businesses and countless dedicated volunteers, friends and family, staff and supporters who gave up their day to make Ride for Helen such a success. Thank you! Of the £50,000 raised for the charity, almost half the income was generated from sponsorship, and more flooding in! This event will fund 2,000 counselling appointments or 1,000 reflexology sessions for our clients.

And a big thank you to our patron Ian Twinley who has allowed us to use the beautiful grounds of Crix in the village as starting and finishing point every year.

Forthcoming Helen Rollason events

A Vintage Day Out – Sunday 27 June 2021, Cressing Temple Barns near Braintree

Roll back the years and dress to impress as we celebrate all things vintage from a bygone era! Join us for a family friendly day filled with live music, dancing, food, classic cars and vintage stalls.

Book your tickets today; www.helenrollason.org.uk

Ride for Helen Suffolk! New cycling event Sunday 5 September 2021

Cyclists will have the chance to sign up for either 65 or 35 mile routes through the picturesque Suffolk countryside. The ride will start and finish at Trinity Park, Ipswich, home of the Suffolk Show. Registration is now open:(adult tickets from £20 each and juniors from £10 each). Visit www.rideforhelen.co.uk or call 01245 380719.

Parish Council news

Sarah Gaeta, Clerk to the Parish Council, Parish Council office, Community Association Village Hall, Maldon Road, Hatfield Peverel, CM3 2HP

To make an appointment to see the Clerk in person

Please telephone 01245 382865 or email parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.com between the hours of 9am and 1pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

New Parish Councillor

The Parish Council was pleased to welcome a new member, Ian Howlett, at the May meeting. Contact details - see page 18

Duck pond, Strutt Memorial Recreation Ground

The Parish Council has been working on refurbishing the area surrounding the duck pond, to create a place for quiet reflection and a haven for wildlife. We are looking to install bird and bat boxes – are there any residents who would be able to make these for us? Please contact the Parish Clerk if you are able to help.

Village Hall

The Parish Council recently became Sole Trustee of the Village Hall. There is an Open Day planned for Sunday 27 June – further information can be found on page 2 in this edition of the Review.

Crime Concerns

You can call 101 for crime prevention advice or to report a crime that does not need an emergency response. It is really important to report crime to the Police so that they can build up a 'picture' of what is happening in the area.

The Parish Council is working in partnership with Essex Police to recruit two Special Constables. If you are interested in applying to be a voluntary Police Officer for the village, please see our website for further information and the answers to frequently asked questions: https://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com/special-constable-recruitment/

Planning

Planning decisions are made by Braintree District Council, following consultation with residents, Parish Council, and other agencies where necessary. For information on what planning applications have been received, granted and refused by Braintree District Council, please see the weekly planning lists which are updated daily and available to view here:

https://www.braintree.gov.uk/info/200225/search_and_track_planning_applications/592/weekly_lists

Details of all planning applications discussed by the Parish Council can be found on the monthly full Council meeting minutes (published on the website). Whilst this does not detail Braintree District Council's decisions, it will indicate what applications have been received during the preceding month.

The following applications were considered on 1 March 2021

21/00171/HH - Single-storey side extension at 4 Willow Crescent,. No comment.

21/00437/HH – Single-storey extension to rear with a single-storey infill between house and garage at 7 Yew Tree Close,. No comment.

Tree works at 45 Willow Crescent (21/00521)

The following applications were considered on 12 April

- 21/00156/HH Retention of single-storey detached log cabin at 39 New Road, Hatfield Peverel. No comment.
- 21/00781/HH Two-storey side extension at 17 Priory Farm Road. No comment.
- 21/00054/FUL Proposed bin enclosure at garage 2829 Swan Close. No comment
- 21/00903/DAC Application for approve of details as reserved by condition 4 of approved application





20/00920/FUL at Arundel House, The Street, No comment

21/00884/PLD - Proposed single-storey rear extension at 3 Birkdale Rise. No comment

21/00428/HH - Erection of single-storey shed to rear of garden at 2 Denham Cottages, Ulting Road. No comment

TPOs The following applications were noted and had previously been passed to the Tree Warden

51 Willow Crescent (21/00676); 1 The Pines (21/00793); 1 Elizabeth Way (21/00733), 7 The Pines (21/010786)

The following applications were considered on 5 May

21/00994/HH – Three storey rear extension, loft conversion and Velux rooflights at 3 Priory Mews, No comment. Councillor Weale abstained.

21/00844/HH – Removal of existing porch and erection of new extension at 1 Berewood Terrace, Nounsley Road.. No comment.

21/00899/FUL - Proposed construction of detached single-storey, two-bedroom bungalow at Ashgrove,

Maldon Road.. No comment

21/00895/FUL – Alterations to existing flats at Valid Point, Maldon Road.. No comment

21/01154/HH – First-floor side extension over existing garage at 1 Yew Tree Close,. No comment. Councillor Dervish abstained.

21/01033/HH – Single-storey rear extension/front dormer roof extension at 3 Glebefield Road. No comment 21/01156/HH – Single-storey rear extension at Red Robins, Nounsley Road. No comment. Councillor Gallifant abstained.

The following applications were noted and had previously been passed to the Tree Warden Tree works at Albemarle, Ulting Road (21/01105), 59 Willow Crescent (21/01282).

The Planning Committee of 11 May 2021 considered application 20/01906/REM (land north of Maldon Road) was noted. A written statement to support the Parish Council's consultation letter will be submitted.

Website - don't forget you can view Parish Council news on the website: http://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com Social Media - please follow the Parish Council on social media for news and updates

Facebook: @hatfieldpeverelpc

Twitter: @HatPevPC

Parish Council's Social Media policy can be viewed on its website:

https://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com/policies-and-procedures/social-media-policy/

The next meetings of the Parish Council will take place on 5 July and 2 August 2021. Both will be held at the Village Hall. Public participation is welcome, please see the agenda which is published on the Parish Council website and on the noticeboard outside of the office (Village Hall).

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Please see our website for further information:

https://e-voice.org.uk/hatfieldpeverelpc/privacy-notice/

https://e-voice.org.uk/hatfieldpeverelpc/policies-and-procedures/child-protection-and-safeguard/

Mad March drinking chocolate and Vins Sans Frontières

Peverel Wine Club – Vee Green, Secretary (01245 355723) www.peverelwineclub.co.uk or email peverelwineclub@hotmail.co.uk

Three meetings have taken place since we last reported in the Review, all enjoyable and well-supported on Zoom. March's meeting was entitled Mad March - to encourage this dottiness, participants were invited to wear a hat (preferably marked 10/6d) or rabbit ears and to present a wine with a bizarre label. Members rose to the to the challenge and sported a fine range of millinery and furry ears! The wine was Jean Bon Merlot IGP, Pays d'Oc, France, £6.99 from Majestic, which Jill rated 7 out of 10.

April's meeting (an excuse to use up Easter's chocolate eggs) saw 23 keen Zoomers eager to titillate their taste buds by exploring how combinations of wine with chocolate would work. Some were better on their own, others were enhanced! Experiment results concluded that 5 wines tasted better with chocolate, 8 worse and 1 triumphantly delicious on its own or with chocolate. Findings generally supported the theory that the sweeter the wine, the better it went with the chocolate, with an unusual number of ports, reciotos and muscatels being sampled. There was no real conclusion to be drawn as to whether white or red wines were a safer bet with chocolate, and as usual, personal preference was the ultimate decider!

In May, we repeated our Christmas experiment (when Peverel Pixies delivered sample bottles of the same wines to all participants so we all tasted the same thing at the same time). This May a team of highly-trained, dedicated paramedics from Vins Sans Frontières rushed emergency supplies of 6 wines to 25 patient patients, all awaiting this life-giving elixir of life! Wines were tasted blind in clinical trials: highest-scoring white was Nineteen Crimes Chardonnay from SE Australia (Asda, £7), and best-performing red Barossa Ink from Grant Burge, also Australian (Asda, £8.50).

We look forward to our June Zoom meeting of royal-themed wines in honour of the Queen's official 95th birthday that week, and even more to our July meeting, our first after lockdown, when members will meet in the flesh to celebrate le quatorze juillet in a member's garden with a French feast, Gallic wines and entertainments!

If you'd like to join us for a light-hearted, inexpensive evening out .(evening in at the moment), you would be very welcome. Please give Vee a ring beforehand on 01245 355723 to ensure there is enough food and drink for all. Catch up with happening at the Wine Club during lockdown by viewing our website at www.peverelwineclub.co.uk **Remember – stay well and cheerful, and keep drinking the wine!**

Nightingale update at Fingringhoe

The centre has welcomed 30 pairs of nightingales (usual number) this year. They-were late in coming but a few are still singing! Numbers of swallows and swifts are down, but there are plenty of wood pigeons (ditto our garden). And turtle doves have been welcome too.



Butterflies are enjoying the summer weather: green hair streak, speckled wood, the more common orange tip - and damsel flies.

Badger Watch is back!

On Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays you can book your slot - only four people at a time - for this late evening adventure. The cost is £12 per person, only by phone booking in advance on the centre's telephone number, see below.

You are welcome to join us during opening hours for refreshments in our lovely tea room overlooking the marshes.

For information contact Essex Wildlife Trust 01206 729678, email: fingringhoe@essexwt.org.uk

Opening hours 9am - 5pm..

Firefighting and cooking - better than lockdown!

Hatfield Peverel Scout group

The Scout groups are pleased to be back meeting in person after the extended 'virtual' activities keeping the youths engaged during lockdown.

So far the sections have been participating in activities such as fire lighting, outdoor cooking, tomahawk throwing, soft archery and off-site den building.

There are external activities planned such as an activity day at Skreens for the cubs and camps set up for the other groups at Thriftwood (Brentwood) later in the year.

We are celebrating training further members to become young leaders and we have five of our explorers who have signed up for the Duke of Edinburgh awards.

If your child is interested our waiting list is open. Please complete the application form on our website - https://hpscouts.org/



Please help to protect and preserve our hedgehogs....

I think everyone loves hedgehogs, we certainly do! But did you know that they are classed as an endangered species and are vulnerable to extinction? Consequently they are a protected species under the Wildlife and Countryside Act.

In the 1950s there were over 30 million in the UK, today there are less than 1 million. We were very sad to hear that two dead hedgehogs had recently been found on the recreation ground, near the village hall.

These harmless and delightful creatures are known as 'the gardener's friend' as they eat slugs and bugs, helping to keep our gardens free of pests. We are very fortunate to have regular hedgehog visits to our garden, and here are a few facts if you'd like to encourage them into yours.

Leave out a large saucer of clean, fresh water. Very important especially at this time of year.

Leave out some food. If you don't have any special hedgehog food, dog or cat food will do nicely, and they will also eat peanuts. Never feed them bread and milk, this is not suited to their digestive system.



Hedgehogs are nocturnal, make sure to leave overgrown areas in your garden for them to sleep during the day. Make a hole under your fence so they can travel from one garden to the next. They are great wanderers and can travel large distances in search of food.

News from St Andrews

As a worshipping community we are still under the Government and Diocesan rules for worship. However, we did manage a few services until re-opening on 18 April. Last year Easter Day did not happen; this year we were allowed to hold services outdoors and we did so for Easter and partly outside for our service commemorating the passing of the Duke of Edinburgh. Outdoor services allow the possibility of singing, so long as it is on Church land; an interesting caveat. What is the logic behind



this is; how does the virus know where church land is? No matter, by 18 April, along with many other churches in the diocese, we decided to resume public worship. We still cannot sing and social distancing has to be maintained but it really felt like coming home. More recently, following the practice of our Cathedral, we have been singing the last hymn outside, and how lucky we have been with the weather.

Hopefully the next phase of the road map to normality will happen on 21 June. I have a feeling it will not be a complete free for all and that, as a church, we will receive further instruction/advice from the church authorities. Let us hope, at the very least, we can sing again.

Our Church Hall is ready when we are given the go-ahead. It has been beautifully painted by Paul Nicholas and we took the opportunity to have the floor sanded and re-varnished.

We hope to have a coffee morning on Saturday 3 July. This is entirely dependent on what we are allowed to do by that date and also what it is appropriate to do. Many decisions may have to be made fairly close to the actual date, so please keep an eye on the church website.

I would like to thank Dorothy and Mark Keenan for their work on the Easter Trail and Easter Garden. Now we have passed the Great 50 Days (Easter to Pentecost) the tree with its myriads of LEDs will come down.

In conclusion, let us pray the vaccination programme will give people confidence to meet others and that we may be able to come together socially once more.

A special appeal for funds St Andrew's church

We propose to erect parkland-style railings along the line of the concrete curbing between the churchyard and parking area some 300ft (90m) as illustrated. Most of the parking area is not church land, we only have 'right of way' over it, and according to Canon law the Parochial Church Council has a duty to maintain a



boundary fence, which in effect these railings will become. The cost of the railings alone is some £8,000.00

A further proposal is to replace the gate at the entrance to the churchyard main drive. It is intended the new gate will match the existing one, using the wrought iron panels, hinges and catches from the old gate. We have had an offer of help regarding the gate. With church funds at an all time low, just like many other charities, we are asking the Parish people for help!

Thank you for reading this appeal; we look forward to your help with these projects. Our bank details are Hatfield Peverel PCC, sort code 20-19-95, account no. 70501565. (See also the article on All Saints fencing). All donations will be divided equally between the these projects unless otherwise indicated.

Many thanks, Churchwardens.

Memories of Belinda Hull (1939 - 2021)

arly days and Belinda's passion for horses began when L'she rode a Suffolk Punch on her uncles farm (she owned six horses over the years and many lovable dogs). Family and friends were important to Belinda. For many years she ran St Andrews Luncheon Club and soup and sandwich, rejoicing in the diversity of people who came. Every taste was listened to, and catered for if possible!

She loved cooking and food: her unique combinations – nut-roasts, Christmas puddings and quiches, were the best. Aldeburgh was a favourite place (her parents had a caravan there) for fish and chips eaten on the beach or sea wall, ice creams. More recently she started a home visiting group in Hatfield Peverel where friends called on those who liked a chat. She loved singing, was a contralto in St Andrews choir and latterly joined Witham Choral. She also organised concert trips to local and London venues.



Happy times at the luncheon club. Belinda, right, and two of her helpers

Belinda we miss you, you touched so many people in so many different ways and had a fundamentally optimistic view of human nature. You were a big part of our lives and will remain so. Thank you Diane.

Hatfield Peverel Methodist and Reality Church

Our Services remained online until May due to the Covid restrictions and we are very appreciative of the work done by those involved to have these services available.

I lenda's recent service used the story of the vine and its branches mentioned in the Old and New Testaments. A vine needs support, nourishment and care to bear good fruit in the same way our Christian faith gives us love, joy and peace to put our faith in action.

Rev Barry's May service took us to the Old Testament of Joseph, alone in jail in a foreign country. But God had a plan – because of Joseph's ability to interpret dreams he became a senior advisor to the King of Egypt and was adopted into the ruling family. In the same way Jesus wants us to be part of his Christian family.

Our connection with St Andrew's School continued with our Youtube programmes. A recent session told the story of Mary and Martha using Reality Church puppets. The sisters were exited to have a visit from Jesus but Martha was concerned about the home looking good and having the best food cooked for the occasion. The schoolchildren were reminded that they should find time to think about what their priorities should be.

Good news - our Sunday Services have re-opened at Little Bears Nursery commencing at 9.15am, and it was great to see our friends and Church members in person for the first time on 23. May. Our Minister's wife, Ria, preached on the parable of the Sower and the Seeds. We could relate to the need to avoid stony or weedy ground to get the best probability of good plants in the same way that following the teaching of Jesus gives us all the best chance of having a fulfilling life. Children planted sunflower seedlings to take home and adults were given pepper plants to grow as a reminder of the service. A happy morning spent to recommence our Christian worship in the village. We would love to welcome you to our services which are held in a very relaxed Church setting (with current Covid rules still in place). We look forward to you joining us.

Stitch to Enrich. We are delighted to have restarted our therapeutic stitch group at the Duke of Wellington which focuses on the joy of stitching where you can find friendship and the space to share. We meet on first and third Thursdays of each month, 2 and 4pm. For information contact Jane on Stirch2enrich@gmail.com.

News from All Saints, Ulting

A fter all the uncertainty of the past year it is good to look forward to a brighter summer and the hope of better things to come. It was wonderful to be able to celebrate Easter at All Saints, even though the Service had to take place outside the Church this year. Easter has always been seen as a time for new beginnings. Let's hope that this year it represented the beginning of regular Services again at Ulting.

An Easter Trail was set up at All Saints during the week leading up to Easter Sunday and proved very popular. Ten simple drawings, which told the story of Easter, were set up



along the path leading to the Church with leaflets providing an explanation of the illustrations.

The trail led to a beautiful Easter garden which had been decorated at the back of the Church building, by the riverbank. This final part of the Easter Trail provided the focus for the outdoor Service on Easter Sunday when the congregation, all suitably and socially distanced, came together to celebrate this important Christian festival. The Church, the river and the Easter Garden provided a wonderful backdrop for this first Service after lockdown. My thanks to all those who set up the Easter Trail and constructed the Easter Garden.

It was appropriate that the Easter Trail led everyone back down to the Church after so many months when All Saints had been closed because of concerns of spreading Covid. It was also fitting that the first full Service on 19 April held inside the Church should be something special, a celebration of the life of Prince Philip. It took place on the day after his funeral and followed an Order of Service which had been prepared by the Church of England and the Royal Family. The hymns reflected the Duke's life and his sense of duty and the Service ended outside the Church with the congregation singing the National Anthem.

The following weekend saw the baptism of Georgina Mary Jones on 24 April, a great occasion for her dad and mum, Matthew and Abi who were married at All Saints Church.

Services are now back to their normal Sundays, the first, third and fifth of the month, at 9am with Holy Communion. Morning Prayer is held on the second Sunday of the month, also at 9am. All Services include hymns though the guidelines currently in place mean that it is still not possible to sing. However they will be played on the organ and the congregation can follow the words in the hymn books.

Current restrictions still require social distancing inside the Church and the congregation should wear facemasks. A hand sanitising station is set up at the entrance of the Church.

The Prayer Box in the porch at All Saints is available to everyone and has proved an important means of not only sharing problems but also passing on joyful and positive thoughts during the difficult months we have all experienced. Simply write your prayer on a Prayer Card and indicate whether you would like the prayer to be included with those to be read out during a Service on a Sunday morning or would prefer me to include it in my regular private prayers.

If anyone would like access to the Church for private prayer please contact me. I will also be at All Saints on Wednesday mornings for Morning Office from 9.00am.

Prayers and blessings, Reverend Derek

Hatfield Peverel Walkers

Graham Bushby, 07484 864712

We're now hopefully in the 'new normal' with up to 30 people allowed to join our monthly walks around the HP countryside. Our last organised walk was way back pre-Covid in March 2020 but our stalwarts have been out in their 'bubbles' observing changes the developers are doing to ruin/deviate the countryside walks around here. Our first planned walk was on 27 May to Paper Mill lock, across the fields with a pause for refreshments and chatter followed by return along the banks of the Chelmer. *Ken writes*:

It's good to be back

From Sunday 23 May the Met Office was forecasting for the coming Thursday a mid-morning temperature of 18C, light westerly wind below10mph. Could it really be an end to this dreadful May weather? But it was, and we had a superb walk, the first since February last year, from the village hall via Botters Farm to Paper Mill lock - for the tea room of course, the right priority - then along the tow path and back to the village via Cardfields and Nounsley Ford.

The next walk is on Thursday 24 June, probably meeting at our usual time and place 10am at the village hall where car parking is available. This date will be confirmed at the end of our first walk. If anyone would like any further information on the Hatfield Peverel Walkers please feel free to contact Graham Bushby on 07484 864712.

There will also be a table at the Village Hall Open Day on 27 June where there will be a display showing local

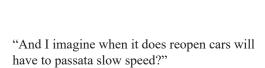
footpaths, bridleways and walks in the HP area available for further interest and discussion. A large copy of these routes is also on display permanently outside the Village Library.



There was an item in our newspaper the other day about a collision between two lorries on the A14 in Cambridgeshire producing a 23-mile long slick of tomato puree on the westbound carriageway and resulting in the closure of that section. Soon there were a few amusing comments from the Twitterati -



"I went pasta that. Took a while for the traffic to ketchup."



And others said it was a pity it hadn't happened at Spaghetti junction!

We haven't done any fact-checking on the details so don't take our word for it, but it's a lovely story, although perhaps not for two residents we know who have to make frequent journeys to Northampton.



Sidney House and The Laurels Surgeries

During the Covid-19 Pandemic and lockdown periods, Sidney House and The Laurels surgeries have continued to be very, very busy in delivering essential services to our patients from behind closed doors. All clinical appointments have been subject to telephone triage and patients for whom it has been essential to be examined are invited in for face to face appointments. Occasionally patients have been asked to collect blood forms, x-rays forms etc or even been booked into the Extended Access sites for medical care. As restrictions have relaxed we are now pleased to welcome patients back into the surgery (by appointment.)

Additional blood tests appointments now available

We are pleased to be able to offer additional blood test appointments at both Sidney House (on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings) and at the Laurels (on Monday and Wednesday mornings).

Waiting room blood pressure monitor

Those patients who need routine regular blood pressure monitoring, it is now common practice in nearly all GP surgeries to utilise a waiting room monitor. These machines are regularly serviced and calibrated for accuracy. We would like to promote increased use of our waiting room blood pressure monitor at the Laurels Surgery. Access is by appointment only to ensure thorough cleaning between patients. Should a patient get a higher BP reading from the waiting room monitor, they will then be asked to see a clinician for follow up and investigations. This provides an additional layer of care for those who require it.

One of the most frequent and long-standing concerns raised by some patients is that there are not enough appointments at the Surgery. Each patient who uses the waiting room BP monitor for their routine checks, enables an appointment being made available for a patient who can only see a clinician for a face-to-face procedure, such as an injection or a dressing change. **Instructions for use of the BP monitor is wall mounted and adjacent to the equipment.**

Alexandra Jones, Operations Manager, Sidney House and The Laurels Surgery (F81149) Telephone 01245 380324; website http://www.sidneyhouseandthelaurels.nhs.uk

U3a - learn, laugh and live

The u3a is a national organisation with hundreds of clubs for those who are no longer in full time work. Each local club comprises a variety of activity groups which meet regularly*, run by the members themselves.

Maldon and District u3a has over 40 activity groups and approaching 400 members. Groups include topics such as maritime, bird watching, French conversation and ten-pin bowling. Each month there is a meeting for all members with a guest speaker, as well as an excellent and informative newsletter.

If you are interested in relaxed, friendly and interesting leisure activities with like minded and welcoming folk, then visit our website: www.maldonu3a.co.uk or email to: membership_maldonu3a@outlook.com You can also call 01621 854856 to speak to our Chairman.

*As the lockdown restrictions begin to ease, the outdoor activity groups are beginning to restart meeting up in person. The remaining groups (including those still using Zoom) are waiting for the time when it becomes safe to gather indoors again. Thank you Andy Simmonds for this information.

Girlguiding in Hatfield Peverel

There has been a strong history of Girlguiding in the village for many years; unfortunately we are currently experiencing a decline which is a shame. For all three age groups we cater for (Rainbows ages 5-7, Brownies 7-10 and Guides 10-14) there is a now weekly meeting in the Scout and Guide HQ on Church Road.



If you know of a young girl who is interested in joining please go the website where you can register your interest. We are also very happy to talk to any adults that may like to help out too. Maybe not as a full time leader, but if you have a skill that could be shared with the girls of Hatfield Peverel I'd love to hear from you. For enquiries to join please visit www.girlguiding.org.uk or phone Jo on 01245 380386.

Face to face meetings -

June has come and our units in the village are slowly returning to normality.

Guides have had a few meets and all of them are taking place outside, so plenty of fires and messy fun.



Rainbows are only going to meet indoors, face to face meetings are just beginning and as we have a large unit they have been split into 2 groups and taking it in turns to meet.

Brownies have been busy and had a varied program using Zoom and will return to actual meetings soon.

In other news I would like to share with you the semiretirement of Barbara Walker from our Guide unit. Anyone who has been connected with Guiding in the village or the HQ in the last 30 + years will know Barbara! (see photo Barbara on the left with guider Sara Watts). Her boundless knowledge and tireless dedication to the unit will be sorely missed but fortunately she's not going anywhere and we may still pick her brains now and then.

On behalf of Guiding in the village I would like to give Barbara (and her family, as they get dragged in too!) my sincerest thanks for all she has done. Cheers.

Saturday, September 4th 1982 at 2pm - new Village Hall opening

The management structure of our village hall is changing (see page 2). Plans for the first hall were drawn up and passed in the mid '70s, and after nine years of effort and hard work by many villagers the opening ceremony took place in September 1982. We found the August issue celebrating this exciting event and thought you might like to see it! Our village hall is coming up to nearly 40 years old!

This new building has truly been built by the village - those hundreds of village people who put their money into the brick bond scheme and other fund-raising activities, the Parish Council's grant and loan which also came from the people of the village via the rates, then more recently the smaller band of people who have given those two precious commodities, time and effort, and finally the old hall itself is making its contribution without which the new hall would not be financially possible.

The opening ceremony has been fixed for September 4th 1982. This great day will celebrate the successful end of nine years of activity and the start of a hundred or more years of service by the new hall to a village which will be proud to own it.

Like to play table tennis? - come and see what we have to offer

The village hall is holding an Open Day from 11am on Sunday 27 June and we will have a table set up for anyone to have a game with one of our members. If you are interested, put on your plimsolls, come along and have a go.

We are a local, friendly club established in 1981 and have flourished in the village since then. We hope to restart competitive play when restrictions have been lifted and it is safe to meet indoors.

Table Tennis is a healthy, active and enjoyable sport, proven to enhance personal, physical and mental well-being. It is also relatively inexpensive to kit out and play.

We hope to field 5 teams in the Chelmsford League when/if the new season starts in September, subject to Government restrictions. We are always looking for additional, experienced players to reinforce our teams, and maybe increase to 6 teams.

Our home playing night is Tuesday and we have around 25 members of all ages and standards, both male and female. We play home league matches in the village hall in Maldon Road, with excellent, safe playing conditions and top class equipment. League match evenings are friendly and good fun, with three players from each team in a match playing three singles each. Our teams play in the Chelmsford League from Division 2 down to Division 8.

If you wish to play competitively or to re-start your playing career you would be most welcome, so please contact us as soon as you can. If you only want to play non-competitive, social table tennis, you should contact Alan Benfield on 07741 140732.

If you would like to join one of our league teams, please leave your details with Club Secretary Neil Freeman on 01245 382249 or myself Club Chairman Andy Simmonds on 01245 381020 or 07932 057 205.

Anyone for tennis/hockey?

An all-weather, astroturf pitch with shockpad, is now in use at Waltham Road, Boreham, just past the sharp bend; available to residents who wish to learn or practise ball games. Residents of Hatfield Peverel residents are welcome.

This is a multi-sport, non-commercial facility - no fees or charges. Ready for tennis and hockey, other games to follow. Balls/ sticks/racquets, can be provided to start with, ample parking on site.

Owner has clean, current, Enhanced Certificate from DBS.

Rules

- * Covid and similar apply
- * Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- * Appropriate footwear must be worn on playing surface
 no long studs or muddy boots
- * To prevent dirt etc from being walked onto the playing surface, footwear must be changed pitch-side.
- * No pets

Sessions are time-limited, by appointment only. To view and for bookings call 07460 095 185 and have fun.

Bowls Club opens for the start of a new season

Open Day for outside bowls was held on 4 June but with limited numbers of players until 21 June when everyone is hoping things will be back to normal. At present it is hoped two matches per week will take place. Indoor mats play on Mondays and Wednesdays

Please book beforehand if you want to play either inside or outdoors contact:

derek-wallis@tiscali.co.uk

If you would like to visit the club or take a turn at bowling yourself,

Derek can help you.

You are invited to tea...

A treat to look forward to

Cardfields, hiding amongst the trees, and our friend Elaine, have asked us all to afternoon tea on Tuesday 14 September 2021. I can't believe it was well over a year ago (celebrating the wonderful Christmas party) when we were last there.

Its early days but if you would like to book now, ring Elaine on 01245 380371. Times and details in the August Review.



Aluminium cans at the Scout & Guide HQ

A reminder - we collect aluminium cans and trays in the green recycling bin behind the Scout and Guide HQ in Church Road. Your contributions help to keep Essex Air Ambulance in the air

Please do not leave alloy cans at the bottle bank at the village hall or in Hadfelda Square. **Remember:** aluminium cans or silver foil trays and baking foil only. **No fruit tins or food cans please.**

The collection is for EHAAT, The Essex and Herts Air Ambulance. It is a charity providing a life saving service and relies solely on donations to survive. If you use alloy cans even occasionally, please save them up and bring them along when you have a sack full. The cans are collected regularly and thanks to you, the bin fills up every week and we have been able to provide the charity with thousands of pounds over the past 20 years.

Any questions call Andy on 07932 057205.

Keys to new airbase

Essex & Herts Air Ambulance (EHAAT) has taken possession of its new purpose-built airbase at North Weald Airfield. Work began February 2020: the new airbase was delivered on time despite challenges of COVID-19.

EHAAT would like to say 'Thank you to our amazing fund-raisers and donors for helping us to secure the future operation of the charity at North Weald for many years to come by supporting us and making this possible'. (*See our contribution above*.



In addition to housing one of EHAAT's two helicopters and two of its rapid response vehicles, the building has areas for training, mentoring, patient liaison and fundraising. There is space for cross training with other emergency services, which will benefit both EHAAT and the local pre-hospital care community. Part of the new airbase will be a dedicated interactive visitor centre which will allow the charity to welcome and engage with the local community.

The new building, which includes a hangar capable of housing two helicopters when necessary (aircraft maintenance), has underground heating beneath the helipad to keep it free of snow and ice during the winter months.

Hatfield Peverel Parish Council

Committees and advisory groups

Community Events (C), Environment (E), Community Park (CP), Traffic (T)

Finance/General purposes (FGP),

Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP),

Personnel (P), Sport and Recreation (SR)

Councillors (and their advisory groups)

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Maldon Film Club

Loose yourself in a good film

lthough we have to wait for further guidance to know when our 2021-22 season can get underway a list of nineteen films has been selected for screening. The list, in alphabetical order, can be found on our website www.maldonfilmclub. uk/ Note, this will not be the order in which they will be screened. This decision cannot be taken until a date is set for the start of the next season, hopefully Tuesday 7 September 2021.

The Club meets at Maldon Town Hall with films being shown fortnightly on Tuesday evenings (September to December) and Wednesdays from January until the end of the season in May. Membership is open to all and new members will be made very welcome.

For further details please check out our website www.maldonfilmclub.uk or phone John Salisbury on 01621 850250. Further details - including information about membership for the new season will follow shortly..

We haven't got internet!

Type are conscious that we're falling into the **V** almost unavoidable trap that nearly every organisation does these days - assuming that everyone can access the internet with PC, laptop, tablet or phone. Throughout the items in this Review many quote email or website addresses as points of contact - around half as many as for phone numbers.

So, a plea to our contributors, please also quote a phone number wherever possible. However, we understand that you may not always wish to do so. And to our readers, if you know of someone who isn't 'internet enabled', think about offering to help them. Conversely, if you are one of those who say 'but we haven't got internet' try asking a neighbour or friend if they can help you. And we'll try and remember our own advice.

What do you call someone who hasn't got a computer, tablet or smartphone?

How about...content?

Useful to	elephone	numbers
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Please contact the editors for additions/errors.

Age UK Essex	01245 346106	
Anglian Water, 24 hours	0800 919 155	
Braintree District Council	01376 552525	
Clean Team ring number above		
Witham Area Office in Witham Library		
- for walk-in enquiries only		

Churches

St Andrew's (C of E), vicar	01245 380958
Methodist Church, minister	01621 853423
Catholic Church, Witham, priest	01376 512219
All Saints Church, Ulting	01245 380627
Citizana Adriaa Dunaan Witham	0244 4004710

Citizens Advice Bureau Witham 0344 4994719

Monday to Friday 10am - 4pm

Doctors, health services

Hatfield Peverel doctors' surgery	01245 380324	
NHS - non-emergency helpline	111	
Pharmacy, Hadfelda Square	01245 380130	
Electricity - emergency	0800 7838838	
Essex County Council	0345 7430430	
Essex & Suffolk Water 24 hours	0845 7820999	
Gas - emergency	0800 111999	
Harlequin Children's Centre	$0300\ 2470014$	
Free support and services for children under 5		

Hospitals

Libraries (enquiry line)	0345 6037628
St Peters, Maldon	01621 725323
Broomfield (A&E);	01245 362000

Witham - use enquiry line above

Hatfield Peverel -

Tuesday - 2pm to 7pm

Wednesday - 9am to 1pm

Saturday - 9am to 5pm

Monday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday - Closed

Police Non-emergency calls 101

Use 101 also for the local officer Emergency calls 999

Police Stations, Braintree, Chelmsford

Opening hours, Monday - Saturday, 12.00 to 6pm

Post Office 01245 382787

See separate panel opposite for details

Railway Information

Greater Anglia 03456 007245 National Rail Enquiries (24 hrs) 03457 484950

Registrar of Births, Marriages & Deaths

Witham, by appointment only	03456 037632	
Braintree, by appointment only	03456 037632	
The Change Project	01245 258680	
Personnel well-being through	08453 727701	
positive change		
Samaritans (24 hours - toll free)	08457 909090	
Schools		
St Andrew's Junior School	01245 380131	
Hatfield Peverel Infant School	01245 380220	
Hatfield Peverel Day Nursery	01245 382450	
Tigertots Toddler Group	07866 518846	
Charlotte Greaves	07527 763038	
Social Services	0345 6037630	
Community Agent for Hatfield Peverel		
Jan Hawkins	07540 720605	
Office	01376 574330	
Village hall	01245 381481	

Let us know of useful services to add to this list

Hatfield Peverel Post Office

Situated in the Co-op in The Street Telephone 01245 382787

Times of opening

Monday 9am - 6pm (lunch 12.30 - 1.30) Tuesday 10am - 2pm

Wednesday 10am - 2pm Thursday 10am - 2pm

Friday 9am - 5.30pm (lunch 12.30 -1.30)

Saturday 10am - 12.30pm Sunday No Post Office

Please note - post is collected from the shop once a day

Monday and Friday 4.45pm

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 1.45pm Saturday 12 noon

Library opening times

Apologies for giving the wrong opening times for Hatfield Peverel Library in the April Review. Times are:

Tuesday 2pm - 7pm Wednesday 9am - 1pm Saturday 9am - 5pm

Monday, Thursday and Friday - closed.

Well-loved books have their doors on show Infants School Book Week

We had a lot of fun dressing up as book characters and having a whole school parade, decorating doors in the school as some well-loved books, writing book reviews, doing

sponsored reads and hearing lots of new stories.

We had some wonderful book reviews and each class held a prize draw for every entry. Winning children had a book of course! Well done to all children who sent them in. It is very special to hear someone's view of a book.

The 'decorate a door' competition was judged by Mr Keenan and won by Emerald class. Their book was 'George's marvellous medicine!' and on the right is George with his imaginative winning cover





Sponsored read

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who took part in the sponsored read. We managed to raise an amazing £1197.72! This money will be spent on updating our books in school to include phonetically decodable books.

The Infant School currently has spaces in Reception for September 2021. Please contact the school if you have any questions about this.

