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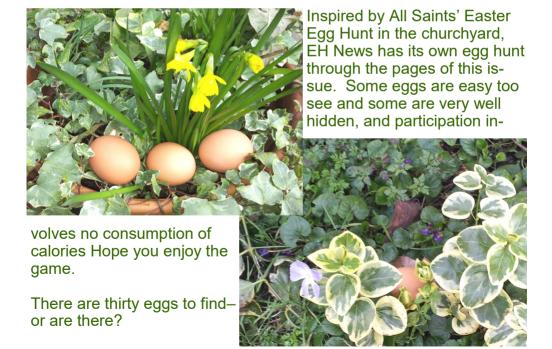
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Copy date for the next edition is Friday, 17th. May for publication on 1st. June.

Earlier submission is welcome: later submission will be excluded! Please send electronic copy to karen.plumridge@btinternet.com or hard copy to 2 Clinton Close.

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COVER PICTURE-EASTER EGG HUNT



PARISH COUNCIL

Play in the Park is so popular around the City that PC was only allocated one session for the school Easter break, although two were requested. The important date to remember is **Thursday 11th. April** and the time **10am-12 noon.** There will be three more sessions during the summer break, all on Tuesdays: 6th. Aug 1.30-3.30pm, 13th. Aug. 10am-12 noon and 27th. Aug 1.30-3.30pm. Play in the Park provides activities for children up to 11 years old. Children under six years of age must be accompanied by an adult carer.

Dog mess left on the ground continues to cause much general aggravation amongst residents. The threat of a fixed penalty fine does not seem to influence the behaviour of the most stubbornly antisocial of dog owners. You can report the culprit dogs and their owners to the dog wardens on the City Council's website at www.chelmsford.gov.uk/environment/dogs/report-dog-fouling/

With warmer weather on the way, will all dog owners please dispose of their bags of dog poo in the dog bins provided and <u>not</u> in the litter bins. Dogs bins have lids to keep the smell in and the flies out. None of the litter bins in the parish have lids, and it seems particularly perverse that bags of poo are being deposited in the bins in the children's play areas, where dogs are not supposed to enter!

PC is currently investigating how best to compensate for the loss of a dog waste bin previously provided and managed by a resident in the Highfields area. In the meantime, Highfields residents are reminded that there is a dog bin quite close at the junction of Highfields Mead with Bicknacre Road.

The date for the **Annual Village Tidy** has been fixed at Saturday 27th. April. This is slightly earlier than the usual May date and reflects the criticism that the grass has grown up around the litter by the time we usually get around to tidying. Please meet at the Village Hall car park at 9am to collect pickers, gloves, sacks and hi-vis vests, but feel free to bring your own if you have them. Thank you to all those residents who regularly pick up litter whilst walking around the

village and lanes: your efforts are much appreciated.

At the Meeting in December, PC set its budget for the 2019/20 financial year, and precepted £34.835 from the charging authority. This was an increase of 3% on the 2018/19 financial year, but, due to a change in the tax base, the council tax for a D Band property will rise by 2.593%. Budgeting is not an exact science and sometimes unforeseens can throw the budget off track, so far this year we have spent less than expected on mowing due to the drought but more on repairs to street furniture, due to vandalism, and councillor training due to new members joining the Council. The Budget is appended to the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th. December 2018 and can be found under Publications on PC's website.

If you use Park & Ride you might be interested in participating in the Chelmsford Park and Ride Consultation January 2019. Essex County Council is reviewing the ticketing options, fares offered and days of opening for the Chelmsford Park and Ride Services. The consultation gives you the opportunity to let them know your views about the





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proposals, which are:

- 1. Closure of Chelmer Valley Park and Ride on Saturdays
- 2. A discounted ticket offer
- 3. Raise the child ticket age from 16 to 18 years of age
- 4. Remove the on-site ticket machines

Paper copies of the questionnaire will be available from the Sandon and Chelmer Valley Park and Ride sites, or by emailing <u>passenger.transport @essex.gov.uk</u>. Alternatively, you can go direct to the web page at https://consultations.essex.gov.uk/rci/chelmsfordparkandride/ to complete an online survey.

Every year, PC is required to hold a meeting for all electors, which we call the Electors' Meeting although its official title is the Annual Parish Meeting (a name which we tend not to use because people can confuse it with the church and the PC). The date for the next **Annual Electors' Meeting** is **Wednesday 1st. May,** at **7.30pm** in the first floor meeting room in the Village Hall This is an opportunity for groups and individuals from the parish to get together and network, and in the past has brought to light ways in which they can help each

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other, or have questions answered.

PC's custom of holding meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month is a rule that has to be broken from time to time. In this case the May Meeting will have to be brought forward to the third Thursday, 16th, in order to comply with a legal requirement to take place within a given period following the election, which is scheduled for 2nd. May. BUT even our local council elections are affected by Brexit: should we not leave the European Union at the end of March, we'll be participating in European elections in May and the date of our council elections will change to coincide with them.

As far as we can tell at the moment, the notices for the local elections will be published on 26th. March, and nominations will be accepted at Civic Centre until 4pm on 3rd. April. You can request a nomination pack at www.chelmsford.gov.uk/voting-and-elections/stand-for-election/.

If you think might be interested in becoming a parish councillor

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please come along to a PC Meeting: there is still time to attend the Meeting on 28th. March, to find out how PC works, before nominations need to be in. Residents are always welcome and can ask a question or raise an issue during Public Question Time, which takes place shortly after the opening of each Meeting.

Karen Plumridge, Clerk to the Parish Council

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CITY COUNCILLOR

Please note that due to the proximity of the City Council elections we have now entered the period of "purdah". This means that we must not publish an article from our City Councillor, but will be back to normal for the June issue of the News.





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COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Traffic problems in Chelmsford have been a problem for years and at last a series of projects are in progress. Firstly the Traffic Control Centre at County Hall which operates Monday to Friday will now be operational on Saturdays, this is something I instigated a year ago and I am pleased to see it now open for business. They will broadcast reports and updates on incidents and control key traffic lights around the city to help traffic flows.

Work is now underway on a series of improvement schemes at key locations on Parkway between the Army and Navy roundabout and the junction with Victoria Road.

- 1) Parkway westbound, a simplified road layout for those heading from the Army and Navy into the City.
- 2) Widening the 3 lanes at the Odeon roundabout and improvements to High Bridge Road.
- 3) New London Road/Parkway Junction Enhancements with longer green traffic signals to help traffic flow.

Hopefully once completed these actions will reduce journey times and improve road safety. The flyover of course remains an issue but there is now an Action Group to explore what can be done and then submit proposals to Government for funding - the MP is involved in this but I suspect it will take time!

The Council's budget proposals have now been published and include a £250 million capital programme for homes, schools and roads. Central Government funding will be phased out next year and this means the Council having to make difficult decisions in order to have a balanced budget. We have one of the highest business start ups in the country making Essex an entrepreneurial and go getting county. To support all of this we're having to raise Council Tax by 2.99% plus 1% for Social Care . I was pleased we have been able to provide £250k of funding to help solve the homelessness problem which incidentally is down from 107 to 67 county wide. We are also providing £500k to the police to help stop the county lines drug sup-

ply routes which has become such a worrying issue. Our budget will support excellent education and protect vulnerable and adults across the county. Its going to be challenging but we are determined our County remains in the forefront as one of the most dynamic places in the Country.

Ian Grundy



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HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY-VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS

Here's hoping that the new year has started positively for you all. How quickly the months fly by and we are on the spring news letter already!

It has been a relatively quiet time for HFC activity with only the usual many and varied tasks attached to running a hall. Most of these are dealt with by Mike Plumridge so a heartfelt 'thank you' to him is in order.

The mound trees have been coppiced by Neil Creighton before the birds get too active. Coppicing is important to control the tree size and to encourage undergrowth.

The extension car park remains closed as it is holding too much water at the tarmac entrance. This is to be dealt with by the providers and hopefully when the weather is more propitious it can be put to rights.

One major problem at the moment is the careless behaviour of a number of dog owners who leave the dog pooh on the field and the tennis court. This is disgusting. Bins are provided for the pooh which needs to go into the designated bin and **Not** the ordinary bin. The field is not a toilet. Dog faeces is unpleasant, but more importantly, it is dangerous to health especially children's eye sight. Please, please act responsibly and if you see others who do not know the rules please help them to understand the need for the correct behaviour.

Thank you to all the people who attend our Quarterly book sales and coffee mornings. The February one was, as always, a success. If you have never attended then keep an eye out for the signs and dates in the newsletter. We have an amazing number of good books at cheap prices. Not to mention good cakes and coffee.

Our next important event is the **Summer fete on Saturday July 6th**. Last year was a lovely village get together and fundraiser for HFC, the Church and our other smaller organisations in the village. It was

successful, both for the money raised, and the fun time people had together. It was made even better by the numbers of new volunteers we had to help with set up and clear way. We are hoping that even more of you might see this as a chance to get to know your neighbours better and do something for this great village. I will shortly be sending out a plea for help to all those on my list! Be warned. This help is even more important as our committee gets older.

It is our hope that we can encourage a few small village businesses to have a stand at the fete. We will be selective about these, wanting the products to be appropriate to the event and to assist in promoting small local endeavours. If interested then please get in touch with me.

The Annual General Meeting is on Wednesday 24th April in the upstairs meeting room at 7.30pm. It is a chance for villagers to contribute their ideas to the hall management committee. Please try to come as it makes such a difference to have thoughts from others. The HFC is a charity run by volunteers and it needs as many interested villagers as possible. If we do not have these we do not have a village hall.

There will be another Art Show later in the year but as yet we do not have a date. This is a fundraising event and will need all the helpers it can get so watch this space.



I hope that some of you will be interested in joining us with your practical support.

I can be contacted by phone or email.

Wendy Thomas Secretary to HFC © 01245 400797



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH-CANON CHRISTINE

Dear Friends,

I have just been watching the Brit Awards and it is interesting that many of the films nominated are about relationships and the fight against injustice in such relationships. The winning British film was the acclaimed film about Queen Anne – 'The Favourite,' but this was about a queen with much power used in a way we would not promote. Thank goodness this is no longer the way of monarchies.

At the time of writing it is close to Valentine's Day, and this third century saint was someone who fought the injustice of soldiers not being encouraged to marry because the Emperor Claudius 2nd did not want the Empire spending money on widow's

pensions –nothing much changes under the sun! Valentine kept marrying couples in secret and this together with his efforts to try and convert Claudius, resulted in his beheading on 14th February 269 AD. Valentine was about love and I suppose it is our love for other human beings that keeps us fighting for a better world.

There is also the whole, dare I say it, Brexit situation, which though we groan, is very important to the nation and the decisions made will have long lasting implications. The church talks about praying for matters of concern and some people may think this is of little value. However, it does keep the matter constantly in view, and while praying and thinking about it, and bringing in people because it is being prayed about, things happen despite any spiritual help that may be forthcoming. People still talk about divine intervention when the unexpected happens. God works through people and he needs to know when matters concern us very much. We do pray weekly about it at All Saints, alongside prayers for people and situations that are

brought to us. When you look back you can remember that prayers year after year, for wars and unhappy circumstances, have been said in the church down the centuries. The prayer cycle never stops and the candles are lit, to show the light and presence of God there, amidst the troubles.

If there is something on your mind we can all pray about it and for you. The power of a number of people doing this should not be underestimated. Prayer can be worldwide, passed on from church to church, country to country.

Hopefully soon after you get this newsletter we shall all be a bit wiser and perhaps thinking about holidays to come. Easter is on the horizon, late this year, with Easter Sunday being on 21st April so a chance of good weather. The village looks beautiful in the spring and it lifts all our sprits when we see the sunshine. We have some wed-



dings and baptisms happening at All Saints, these are wonderful to have in our church, and show it continuing to be used to mark rites of passage in our lives. Do look at the activities we have going on in the church in the coming months in the centre of the magazine, Mothering Sunday, Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday and our child friendly service on the second Sunday of each month when we make things. The church is for families and we love including the children.

So there is much to look forward too. Wherever you are, however you are, we have something for you in church, light a candle, say a prayer, sing a song, help the children with activities.

If you like discussion, or to just listen, we have a weekly group meeting in the Danbury room, at the back of Danbury Church. It begins at 6pm with a meal and then goes onto a video and discussion at 7.30pm finishing at 9pm. You can come along with no commitment

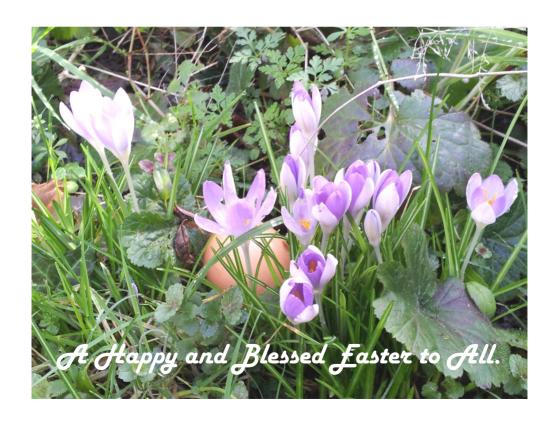


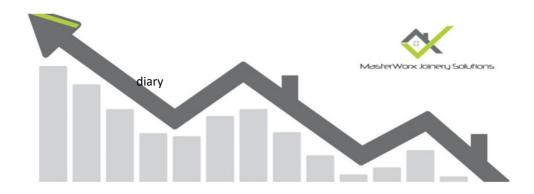
other than the chance to ask questions that you have always wanted to ask, or just be yourself, at either 6pm or 7.30pm. It is every Wednesday until and including, 3rd April except March 6th. Give me a ring or make contact if you are coming to the meal or just turn up at 7.30pm.

Have a Happy Easter and hope to see you on Easter Sunday and at our Easter Egg Hunt after the service. May God bless you and always keep you safe.

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- Sun 3 9am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) at All Saints' Church assisted by Rev. Terry Brown
 10.45 FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
- Tue 5 SHROVE TUESDAY (Pancake Day)2.25-55pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Village Hall car park
- Wed 6 Black Bin, Food Waste, Green Box, Card Sack coll.
 7.30pm ASH WEDNESDAY combined service with Sandon at St. Andrew's Church Sandon
- Sat 9 11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** in aid of "Stand by Me" at Bethel Ch
- Sun 10 10am CHILD-CENTRED MORNING WORSHIP at All Saints' Church
 10.45am FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
- Wed 13 Brown Bin, Food Waste, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons collection
 - 6-9pm or 7.30-9pm **ALPHA GROUP** at Danbury Room (behind Danbury Church). All welcome.
- Sun 17 10am **HOLY COMMUNION** assisted by Rev. Sandy Southee at All Saints' Church
 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 20 Black Bin, Food Waste, Green Box, Card Sack coll.
 2pm WI MEETING at the WI Hall. Speaker: Mr. Martyn Lockwood on Arsenic, the Inheritance Powder.
 6-9pm or 7.30-9pm ALPHA GROUP at Danbury Room (behind Danbury Church). All welcome.
- Sun 24 10am MORNING WORSHIP WITH HEALING followed by baptism at 11.30am

 10.45am FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church

- Tue 26 2.25-55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park
- Wed 27 Brown Bin, Food Waste, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons collection
 - 12.30for 1pm **SOUPER LUNCH** at the WI Hall.
 - 6-9pm or 7.30-9pm **ALPHA GROUP** at Danbury Room (behind Danbury Church). All welcome.
- Thu 28 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor Meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use the side door.
- Sun 31 10am **MOTHERING SUNDAY SERVICE** with posies for mothers, grandmothers & carers.

APRIL

- Tue 2 9.15am SCHOOL ASSEMBLY FOR MOTHER'S DAY parents welcome.
- Wed 3 Black Bin, Food Waste, Green Box, Card Sack coll.
 6-9pm or 7.30-9pm ALPHA GROUP at Danbury Room (behind Danbury Church). All welcome.
- 7 9am BCP COMMUNION assisted by Rev. Stephen Robertson at All Saints' Church
 10.45 FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
- Wed 10 Brown Bin, Food Waste, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons collection
- Thu 11 10am-12 noon **PLAY IN THE PARK** at the Village Hall & Hanna's Field
- Sat 13 6pm PIZZA SUPPER followed by showing of "RISEN" at Bethel Church. Call 400665 to ensure there is enough pizza for you!
- Sun 14 **PALM SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP** Childe-centred with donkey, but if you want to see him, come at the beginning by 9.15 as he will be gone before the end. He will lead us around the churchyard to begin the service.

10.45 FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church

- Tue 16 2.25-55pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Village Hall car park
- Wed 17 Black Bin, Food Waste, Green Box, Card Sack coll.
 2pm WI MEETING at the WI Hall. Speaker Emma Young on How to look after your feet.
- Thu 18 7pm **WORSHIP & FOOD** Bethel Church & All Saints' at the Forge on the Tye.
- Fri 19 10am **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
 12 noon **SERVICE OF READINGS & MEDITATION** for Good Friday at All Saints' Church.
- Sun 21 10am **EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE** with **HOLY COM- MUNION** assisted by the Archdeacon of Chelmsford, with activities for the children & Easter Egg hunt.
 - 10.45 **EASTER DAY FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 24 Brown Bin, Food Waste, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons collection
 - 7.30pm HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1st floor meeting room, Village Hall
 - 8pm HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY COMMITTEE MEET-ING 1st floor meeting room, Village Hall
- Thu 25 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the 1st floor Meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use the side door.
- Sat 27 9am **ANNUAL VILLAGE TIDY**. Meet at the Village Hall Car Park to collect pickers, gloves, sacks & Hi-vis vests. 10am BOOKSALE & COFFEE MORNING 1st floor meeting room & loft, the Village Hall
- Sun 28 10am MORNING WORSHIP WITH HEALING & 11.15 the APCM of the PCC at at All Saints' Church. All welcome.
 - 10.45 **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church

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Wed	8	Brown Bin, Food Waste, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons collection
Sun	12	10am CHILD-CENTRED MORNING WORSHIP at All Saints' Church
		10.45 FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
Wed	15	Black Bin, Food Waste, Green Box, Card Sack coll.
		2pm WI ANNUAL MEETING at the WI Hall. WI Adviser, Jane Bird.
Thu	16	8pm ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING in the Village Hall1st floor Meeting room. Please use the side door.
Sat	18	9.30-11am LADIES BREAKFAST at Bethel Church
Sun	19	10am HOLY COMMUNION at All Saints' Church
		10.45 FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
Wed	22	Brown Bin, Food Waste, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons collection
Sun	26	10am MORNING WORSHIP with Baptism at All Saints' Ch
		10.45 FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
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Wed	29	Black Bin, Food Waste, Green Box, Card Sack coll.
		12.30 for 1pm SPRING LUNCH at the WI Hall

7.30pm **ANNUAL ELECTORS' MEETING** in the first floor Meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use the side door.

4 9.30-11am MEN'S BREAKFAST with video presentation

5 9am BCP COMMUNION assisted by Rev. Terry Brown at

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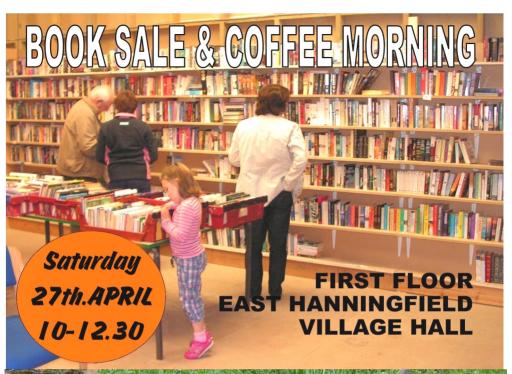
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30 7.30pm JOINT ASCENSION DAY SERVICE at St. An-





EAST HANNINGFIELD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Local Crime Update. There has been one incident reported to NhW since December issue of the Village News: a house burglary in Clinton Close, at 6.30pm on Monday 18th. February. The burglar was disturbed trying to make off with a wide screen TV, so probably had a vehicle parked nearby. Please get in touch with Neighbourhood Watch, phone 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 if you have any information. We know from police reports there has been a spate of incidents at West Hanningfield (properties in Church Road) and "crime travels" so be vigilant and take precautions. Despite the lighter evenings, always remember leave some lights on and make sure your home is secure before leaving.

Scams and Fraud Update. We continue to hear about ever more convincing and sophisticated scams...

-Investment Fraud:

The Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) is warning investors to be vigilant to the threat posed by investment scammers. Data from Action Fraud indicates over £197 million of reported losses In 2018 with victims were scammed out of over £29,000 on average last year as fraudsters employed increasingly sophisticat ed tactics to persuade victims to invest (Source: Action Fraud).

-TV Licencing scam:

Action Fraud say people are still being caught by fraudsters are who send the public fake TV licensing emails designed to steal recipient's personal and financial information. In December 2018 alone, 200 crime reports were made to Action Fraud in relation to TV Licensing emails, with victims reporting a total loss of £233,455. TV Licensing say they will never email customers, unprompted, to ask for bank details, personal information, or tell you that you may be entitled to a refund.

-Social Media (identity theft etc):

Research by Security Software Company McAfee shows that only 44% of people set their profiles to private. Yet, unless

you do this, images and information may be taken from your social media post and used by fraudsters to steal your personal details and your identity. Check your social media privacy and location settings to ensure that posts you want only your friends or family to see aren't viewable publicly.



-Pension Scams:

Victims of pension scams lost an average of £91,000 each to fraudsters in 2017 and some people have lost much more. Victims reported receiving cold-calls, offers of free pension reviews and promises that they would get high rates of returnall of which are key warning signs of scams. A ban on pension cold calling came into force earlier this month. Firms who break the rules could face penalties of up to half a million pounds (Source: Action Fraud).

-Bank Transfer Scams (Some Good News):

Under the current system, anyone making an online bank payment to another person has to enter their name, their sort code and their account number. But as long as the sort code and the account number match up, the payment will go through. In other words, the name on the account is not checked by the bank, which is obviously nonsense!

Under a new "confirmation of payee system" to be introduced, a message will bounce back to you, saying " Did you mean to pay Joe Bloggs?" - giving the actual name of the account-holder. It should stop fraudsters being able to pose under false names. But the system is only due to become activated by July 2019. Until it does, always confirm the bank account details for the person (or company) you are sending money to are correct (by contacting directly by telephone or in person, not by email or text message) before making the transfer (source BBC Nov 2018).

If you experience a scam, report it on the website: <a href="https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/report-a-fraud/how-to-report-a-fraud/

Visit <u>www.cyberaware.gov.uk</u> for more information on how to stay secure online.

Car Key Hacking:

This has been reported before but the increased level of car theft made the news recently. Key hacking is also known as relay theft. Thieves use commercially available electronics (a receiver and relay transmitter system). A receiver device is placed near your home to receive signals coming from your car key fob. The device boosts the signal and sends it to a second device near the car, which then tricks your car into registering the key as nearby and unlocking the doors and allowing criminals to use the button ignition to drive off. Drivers with keyless systems can prevent their vehicles being stolen first check with garage that your car has latest software, if in any doubt store fob in protective case when not being used (so the signal can't be cloned), or asking your garage to switch off the passive entry feature on the fob (if this is a vehicle option), or use a steering wheel Krooklock type device (source RAC Feb 2019).

Essex Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner

You may recall in the last News that the Essex PFCC, Roger Hurst, asked for people to help inform his approach to setting a budget for Essex Police prior for the 2019 Precept by providing their views on policing priorities in an on-line survey. More than 71% of respondents to the survey said they would be prepared to invest more in policing to help improve the service provided and 73% of positive respondents said they would be prepared to pay at least £20 a year more. In the light of that and discussions with the Chief Constable B J Harrington, the PFCC is increasing the policing element of the Council Tax by £24 a year for the average household (the maximum permitted by government without a referendum), meaning the average Band D property will pay £192.96 for policing in a year, an increase of £2 per month. An additional 215 police officers will be recruited on top of the 150 recruited last year as well as 32 operational police staff and 18 police support staff. If you want to know more details go to the PFCC website: https://www.essex.pfcc.police.uk/news/pfcc-proposedbudget-to-improve-police-and-fire-rescue-services-in-essex-approved

-by-police-fire-and-crime-panel/

Crime in Essex increased overall by 11.2% between April 2017 and April 2018 compared to the previous year, although this was lower than the 15.3% national rise. Let's hope the increased funding helps!

Community Speed Watch:

You should see more frequent speed watch checks in the village this year as two new members joined the team at the end of 2018. The aim as always is to deter speeding through the village making it safer for everyone. We still have a few "30mph" self-adhesive A3 signs for brown wheelie bins. <u>Use the NhW email address below</u> If you would like one

NhW Team/Meetings: There are at present eight NhW team members who between us cover the village (we are still looking for a point-of-contact for Coulde Dennis estate and Abbey Fields). Involvement just means receiving/passing local crime alerts (mainly email), and a quarterly meeting.

About 120 residents receive our local emailed local crime alerts. Con-



tact NhW email address below if you would like to receive these. We do not keep recipient's details or share a person's email address with any other member or organisation, including other NhW organisations. The next (quarterly) NhW team meeting is 20th March, 8pm in the Bethel Church meeting room-contact NhW email address below if you would like more information or would like to come along.

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Bethel Church 2019. A year in view.

As 2019 unfolds we at Bethel Church are excited at the prospect of hosting a wide variety of upcoming events. Some of these are well established, while others provide new opportunities for village life.

Our Saturday Café bars have been running for many years, and these are now quarterly events. This year we will be giving proceeds to 4 charities. Each Café Bar will include a display with information about the chosen charity for that month.

On 9th March we will support 'Stand By Me'. This charity's strapline is, 'We rescue children, then we do whatever it takes to provide the care, love and attention they need to thrive'. One of their basic initiatives is to provide shoes for every child they are working with in Africa.

On 8th June we will be supporting 'Open Doors', a charity that seeks to encourage Christians around the world who are imprisoned or persecuted for their faith. Open Doors also provide support, food and job training for those who have become widows and orphans as a result of persecution.

12th October provides an opportunity for us to support Samaritan's Purse with the Shoe Box Appeal. Across the country boxes of gifts are put together for children in developing countries, who otherwise would receive no presents at Christmas. This year we hope to fill 40 boxes to send to the Appeal. Keep a look out for craft morning dates where we can knit and crochet gifts for the children. Closer to the time we will let you know how you can get involved packing the boxes.

14th December will be our final Café Bar of the year, and all profits will go to 'Above us Only Sky' the charity that provides army quality sleeping bags, along with practical support and intervention, to those who are sleeping on the streets of Greater London and Chelmsford. This charity has wonderful testimonies of how just providing some basic care opens the door to transforming broken lives.

We hope you agree that these are all worthy causes, and by coming along to buy a cup of coffee or a toasted sandwich, you can support these charities in their vital work, as well as enjoying a great Saturday

Brunch!

In addition to the Café Bars we have a number of other activities planned. At time of writing we are enjoying a 4 week course on 'Christianity Explored'. This provides a wonderful opportunity to find out exactly what Christianity is all about in a relaxed and informal atmosphere. Do get in touch if you are interested in attending a future course.

In April, in addition to our 10am Good Friday Service and 10.45am Easter Day service, we are showing the film 'Risen' on Saturday 13th April. It is suitable for all the family (children from about age 9) and it looks at the period of time after Jesus rose from the dead, and before he returned to Heaven. Get along to Bethel Church at 6pm for a Pizza supper, followed by the screening. All are welcome but if you could call Emma on 01245 400665 she can make sure there is enough pizza to go around!

4th May at 9.30 - 11 am is a Men's Breakfast, so do come along for a hearty meal and good conversation. The morning will include an inspiring video presentation.

18th May sees the next ladies breakfast. These are special occasions of enjoying healthy breakfast dishes and getting to know each other. As a key feature at the breakfasts, one of the Bethel ladies shares her story about how she became a Christian. Often moving, always real, these get-togethers provide plenty of food for thought.

So we hope that you may be able to join us at some of these activities. You will always be warmly welcomed at any event, including our regular Sunday Morning times of Family Worship. Starting at 10.45, and lasting about an hour and a half, the morning consists of a time of singing worship songs old and new, and hearing teaching from the Bible. The joy of hearing the wonderful truths of God's love and mercy towards us makes the Bible teaching central in our time together. God's Word is for all time – never out of date and always applicable to our life and circumstances. Don't forget that we also provide a crèche and Sunday School for any children that come along with their parents or guardians, making the Sunday morning service a happy experience for all ages.

Do get in touch if you have any queries about the events, or want to know more about why Christianity is so important to us. One of the Church pastors, Roydon Hearne or Peter Cockrell, would be more than happy to visit you if you would like someone to pray for you or to talk with you.

Hopefully we will see you soon at one of the upcoming events! For more information email or call.

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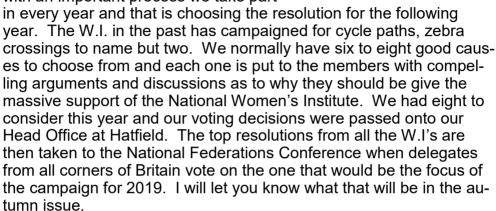




EAST HANNINGFIELD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Is it too late to wish everyone a Happy New Year? With best wishes of course.

In January we started the New Year with an important process we take part



East Hanningfield is still active with the 2017 resolution which was the use of plastics. I mentioned we have been in touch with Yorkshire Tea who the W.I. has supported for a very long time. They hope to have their new tea bags ready for use next year in the meantime we were given a new tea to try. It is Yorkshire Tea's biscuit tea. I have a report to send them as we did our trial at the January meeting. I have to say that it did not get a good thumbs up. If you smelt the hot tea then there was certainly an aroma of Digestive Biscuits. If the tea had milk in most said it was a flavour to get used to. Those who liked it said without milk it was very nice. We felt it was one of those flavours that was better not to think about too much at first as it conjured up the thought that you had dropped your biscuit in the tea cup.

We have a full programme this year with some very good speakers. We are a diverse W.I. 'Arsenic, the Inheritance Powder '– 'How to look after your feet '– 'David Webb who was one of the yellow coats in Hi Di Hi ' to name a few. We shall be providing our now very fa-

mous lunches. The first in March is our Super Lunch. These have become so popular with our sister W.I's that we have to make sure our own members and anyone from the village are not left out

As you know we are ladies that lunch and we had a special outing for lunch at Russell's in Great Baddow in February. We enjoyed a lovely lunch with good company and our grateful thanks go to Pat for her sterling organisational skills. It was a very good outing.

We are again organising the Cake Stall at our Summer Village Fete and also doing refreshments at the Autumn Art Exhibition. Home made help for both events would be greatly appreciated.



Some of the cakes at last Summer's Fete

Our 18 month land battle has almost concluded so the committee are now focusing on the task of further improvements to our 1925 year old Hall. We are now looking for financial help in the form of grants to continue this important work. There is still a huge welcome at our doors if you are at a loose end every third Wednesday in the month you would be most welcome to come. Our meetings start at 2.00

p.m. and are listed in the Magazines Village Diary. We look forward to seeing you.







Dear fellow Villagers,

I'm wondering if anyone could help me source some materials. I'm looking for baby towels, and material that is 100% cotton and/or pac-a-macs or similar.

I have had some kind people already donate via East Hanningfield village facebook page and scoured charity chops and jumble sales.

I am asking for a charitable project I have taken on-making reusable/washable sanitary wear for girls and women in Afrika. I will be sending them over directly to schools and medical centres and hope to reach more remote women with help from the world health organisation. I will also be supplying underwear. These can make a massive difference to women's lives, allowing them to continue in education, carry on working and maintain dignity.

I do hope to so something for homeless people in Chelmsford later in the year, so may be back to 'tap you up' again [©]

Thank you very much.

Clare 207979 448849



EAST HANNINGFIELD PRE-SCHOOL

After Easter the Pre-school will be opening a Breakfast Club and also an After School Club for all children aged between 3-11 years old. See our poster overleaf for further details.

OPEN AFTERNOON ON THURSDAY 14TH MARCH FROM 3.15-6.30 PM

You are invited to come & visit us at the Village Hall to find more information about the Pre-school & Out of School Club

This term we have been taking part in the RSPB bird watch, identifying different birds and making hanging bird feeders. Out topic this half term has been pets which is always very popular.

We celebrated Chinese New Year in February with lots of different Chinese creations and Chinese food at snack time which some children attempted to eat with chopsticks. We celebrate Shrove Tuesday and then we will be finishing the term at Easter with our Easter bonnet competition and our Easter egg hunt.

We are currently taking names for our waiting list for the summer term and for September. If you would like to find out more about the Pre-school or our Out of School Club please come along on our Open Afternoon or visit our website

Sue 07732951613 ehps1@live.co.uk www.easthanningfieldpreschool.org.uk

Opening April 2019 Out of School Club

At East Hanningfield Pre School

We are pleased to announce that we are opening for longer hours from 23rd April 2019 to provide an Out of School Club.

We will be opening Monday to Friday throughout the school terms. See below for timings/costings.

The club is available for all children aged 3 to 11. Children will be provided with a balanced and healthy breakfast and/or dinner.

We are able to drop off and collect from **East Hanningfield C of E Primary School** to provide a smooth transition between the school and the club.

Pre-school aged children

Morning 7.30 to 9.00 = £7.00 (breakfast included)
Afternoon - 3.00 to 4.30pm =£7.00
Evening 3.00 to 6.30pm = £15.00 (cooked dinner included)

Primary school aged children

Morning 7.30 to 9.00 = £6.00 (breakfast included) Afternoon 3.00 to 4.30pm = £6.00 Evening 3.00 to 6.30pm = £14.00 (cooked dinner included)

For more information, to book or to arrange a visit, please contact Serene or Sue at East Hanningfield Pre School on 07732 951613 or email ehps1@live.co.uk





Hanna's Tots

Village Play Group

Hanna's Tots is a baby and toddler group for people with children from birth up to the age of five.

Open every Friday morning, 9.30 to 11.30am in East Hanningfield Village Hall.

Children can entertain themselves in a safe and fun environment with a selection of toys for all ages including a baby area and arts and crafts table.

We have strong links with East Hanningfield Pre School who provide easy integration to East Hanningfield School.

Hanna's Tots is voluntary run by a group of local mums and is £2.50 per family per session with refreshments included.

Children from outside the village are always welcome.

We hope to see you soon!

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