



# Parish News

Great Waltham Ford End Howe Street Little Green North End

## May 2025

### Help Make the New Play Area Happen

The project to refurbish of the children's play area at Great Waltham Recreation Ground is underway, but your help is needed to make sure all the funds needed can be raised. The overall net cost of replacing the old play items with exciting new equipment will be £160,000. The refreshed play area will provide a range of colourful, inclusive, challenging and fun items for youngsters of all abilities, from toddlers up to children aged 12. They will be linked by all-weather paths giving all year-round access for children, and carers.



There will be 25 new items of equipment which range in price from £237 for an interactive play panel for toddlers to £48,000 for the largest item, a forest themed multiplay suitable for 40+ children at a time that will arch over the grass mound. Work to secure grants from institutional investors is in progress, but you can help too. If you own a local business and would like to sponsor a particular play item, either in full or part, it will either be branded with your company's name or logo, or the name/logo will be added to a sponsors' board at the entrance to the play area. If you are interested, please contact:

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### North End Spring Tidy-Up

On a bright Spring day, the usual bunch of hardy Northenders sallied forth to rid the lanes and ditches of the village of the litter deposited over the Winter. Surprisingly, there was far less litter than usual – 'Why?'



we asked ourselves. Is it because the population are getting more conscientious or has it more to do with Mill Road being flooded for some time in the winter? -

Probably the latter, we decided! However, we were very grateful for the cleaner lanes and hope they stay that way so the spring wildflowers, like these primroses growing on the verge, look their best. Many thanks to Colin and Lezley McRae for organising the event.

### 51st Annual Gt Waltham Art Show

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# OLD CODGERS CRICKET



**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September**

**GW Cricket Ground.**

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## Zinnia needs your help



Last month we offered congratulations to Zinnia Quilter, from our Great Waltham parish, who has been selected for the Under 15s England Girls' Ice Hockey Squad. She is considered to be one of the top prospect junior players within the English Ice Hockey Association's elite player programme and will be heading to Lithuania in May 2025 to represent her country. Her parents have set up a gofundme page to help raise some of the expenses

<https://gofund.me/d8c383ab>.

Your generosity has been wonderful, but she has still some way to go, so if you can help, it would be appreciated. We need to celebrate such achievement! Or are there any local businesses, who would like to sponsor her and get their logo placed on her Chelmsford jersey next season? If so contact [zararedmond04@aol.com](mailto:zararedmond04@aol.com) Zinnia is also aiming to have a bingo evening to help with funds – so watch out for the adverts.



## Available Allotment Plots

The Parish Council has available plots at the Brook Mead allotment site in Great Waltham (behind the shop).

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## Gracefields of England Services May 2025

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> 11.00am** Joint Gracefields Service  
Great Waltham

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> 11.00am** Communion Ford End

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> 9.30am** Communion Chignals

11.00am Communion Great Waltham

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> 11.00am** Rogation Service Gate Farm  
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## Services at Blackchapel, North End

**May 2025**

**All services at 3pm**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Family Service**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Family Service**

## Coffee Morning Blackchapel, North End



**Come and join your neighbours for a coffee and chat**

**Last Wednesday in the month**

**10.30 – 12.00**

## Little Waltham United Reformed Church

**May 2025**

**All services at 10.30a.m**

**Contact: Liz Hagon 01245 360874**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> - Alan Webb**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> - Charles de Lacy -235 Anniversary**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> - Martin Payne**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> - Binny Jaichander**

### Other Events

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May - Coffee and Cake at 10a.m. until 12 noon**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May - Coffee Morning at 10.00 until 11.00a.m.**





## UKRAINE EMERGENCY APPEAL

Thank you for taking the time to read this circular. You may already be aware of the work our organisation is doing with the Revival Centre in Chernihiv and other areas within Ukraine. Indeed some of you may already be supporting us, for which we sincerely thank you.

The situation in Ukraine is worsening. On our last visit a couple of weeks ago we sensed that some people are beginning to lose hope; their strength being severely tested by the constant bombardment day in and day out.

Now, more than ever, farmers are finding it harder to grow their crops of wheat and vegetables due to a combination of overhead bombing and their fields being mined. Food is becoming scarce and, when available, ever more expensive.

We are planning for our next trip to Ukraine at the end of May and our biggest priority will be food and medical aid. We want to take tinned and dried food with a long shelf life (up to 6 months) and we would be so grateful for any donations you can give - no matter how small

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## Walthambury WI

At our April meeting our speaker was Richard Wollaston. He gave a very interesting and informative talk about The National Gardens Scheme, showing us photographs of many of the beautiful gardens in our area which open to the public. The NGS raise a lot of money for local charities.

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 13th May, 7pm for 7.30pm** at the Legion Hall. Sophie Ede will be speaking about 'Hearing Help Essex'. This is a non profit making organisation giving help, support and guidance for those with hearing loss. Hearing Help Essex exists to alleviate the isolation and loneliness that hearing loss can bring.

## BE A PART OF THE TWINNING "FAMILY" THIS SUMMER

On **24<sup>th</sup> July**, 40 French people from our twinned town of Ceyrat will arrive in Great Waltham to stay for a week with local residents.

**Could you host some French visitors?** We are looking for new members, old or young, families, couples or singles, to welcome our French guests into their homes for the week. Could you take a leap of faith and give it a go? If you think you could, contact me **immediately** while there are still visitors looking for a host.

And if you have a good time and want to continue, there will be the opportunity to go to Ceyrat in July 2026. The visit will be in late July after the schools break up.

We are a sociable, friendly group and we will welcome you with open arms. So come and join us. For more details of the visit, email [joanna.2.steel@btinternet.com](mailto:joanna.2.steel@btinternet.com). For general information, google Great Waltham Parish Council and click on our Great Waltham Twinning Association webpage.

Left - 2024 - Hike in Ceyrat hills

Below - 2023 - having a go at bowls at Falcon Bowling



## Great Waltham Horticultural Society



The Annual General meeting was held on April 9th at the Pavilion. 13 members attended and after the formal part of the AGM a lively discussion followed about the future of the Annual Show and the Hut. Many suggestions were put forward but sadly no-one came forward as a committee member to help the current small committee. All those on the committee have agreed to stand again for one more year which, depending on support may be the last year. If you would like to join our committee please contact Helen Willis, Chair on 07747 8472340

The Plant Sale is on May 10<sup>th</sup> at Great Waltham Memorial Hall and members can have first choice of plants between 10.00 and 10.30. See the advert on the back page. Walthambury WI will be selling some delicious cakes. If you would like to become a member you can join at the Plant Sale. £6 a year and for this you have

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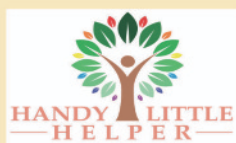
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On Wednesday 28 May we are visiting Assington Mill and Bob Cowling the owner will be giving us a guided tour. We are meeting in the Ford End car park at 1.0 pm to car share and we are expected at the Mill at 2.0 pm. It would be really good if we took cakes for refreshments after our tour.

We will be visiting a garden in Onslow Green on Wednesday 25th June and more details will be announced later. Happy gardening.



## Ford End Church Yard

Thank you to the band of happy gardeners (below) who helped tidy up Ford End Church Yard. Here are some having a well deserved break in the sunshine and enjoying Jennys home made banana cake. Thank you all the Churchyard looks amazing and a beautiful sight for all to see.



## Little Waltham Gardening Club










### REPORT ON SPRING SHOW

The Gardening Club hosted its annual Spring Show in early April. Despite the lack of rain and persistent drying winds, entries in the spring bulb sections were of a good quality. This was also the case with the other spring flowers. The photography classes were very popular and the skills seen in the craft section were breathtaking. The cookery classes were well supported and there was a healthy rivalry between the menfolk in the 'men only' class. Their flapjacks were delicious. The plant stall was a crowd puller and together with the raffle and homemade cakes and teas, an enjoyable, convivial afternoon was had by all.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 7th May, 7.30pm at Little Waltham Memorial Hall ( CM3 3LN). The topic of the meeting will be 'Right Plant, Right Place' and will be presented by Charlotte Power of Writtle College. There will be a plant stall, raffle and refreshments available. The Club begins its season of summer afternoon outings on Wednesday 14th May when we meet at 'Peacocks', Margaretting (CM4 9HY) at 2.00pm.. For more information please see [www.littlewalthamgardeningclub.co.uk](http://www.littlewalthamgardeningclub.co.uk) Or phone Maggie Williams ( 01245 360042)

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**Great Waltham C of E Primary School**



Our fantastic School Council and Eco Warriors recently took part in the Keep Britain Tidy 'Great Big School Clean' - they did an amazing job cleaning up our local area and we're so proud of their hard work and dedication to the environment. We also had a wonderful time at the Infant Music Festival at Christ Church in Chelmsford. Our Year 2 pupils joined students from other local schools to perform "The Litter Muncher", a fun and upbeat musical all about recycling. The children sang their hearts out and put on a fantastic show - well done to all involved!

It's been a busy and exciting time at our school, and we're thrilled to see our pupils getting so involved in important community and environmental initiatives. A big thank you to everyone who contributed.



**BINGO FOR KIDS**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May**  
**5pm - £4 per child**

Kick start the weekend with all your friends and family as we invite you to play BINGO! This fun evening is designed especially for KIDS!

With 4 rounds of Bingo there are plenty of prizes to be won. Don't forget to grab your hot dog and unlimited squash.



 GWRoyalBritishLegion  The Village, Gt Waltham, CM3 1DE



# WE'RE BACK!



The scarecrows are returning to Ford End on Sunday 22nd June 2025.  
from 12.30 - 5pm. Prizes for the best displays, Worzel's Scarecrow Trail,  
refreshments in the churchyard and much, much more! Save the date!

## Brighten up your garden this summer



**GREAT WALTHAM  
HORTICULTURAL  
SOCIETY'S ANNUAL**

**PLANT SALE  
&**

**Walthambury WI**

**CAKE STALL**

**Saturday, May 10th**  
**10 am-10.30 (for members)**  
**10.30-12 noon**



**Great Waltham Village Hall**  
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Plant donations welcome  
(Please drop off plants at 9.0)  
Come and get your  
**ANNUAL FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW**  
**SCHEDULE**  
and renew your membership

### Great Waltham Parish Council

The Pavilion, Great Waltham Recreation Ground, South Street, Great Waltham, CM3 1DF.

Clerk, W J Adshead-Grant. Tel: 07880 717329.

E Mail: [clerk@greatwalthamparishcouncil.co.uk](mailto:clerk@greatwalthamparishcouncil.co.uk)

This is a summary of some of the items discussed at the March meeting of the Parish Council. For more details, see the full and approved minutes of all Council meetings on the parish website ([e-voice.org.uk/greatwalthamparish](http://e-voice.org.uk/greatwalthamparish)).

We heard from members of the public regarding the on- and off-road parking situation in Cherry Garden Road, Great Waltham, and in particular how pavement parking affects access to driveways and that driving across and parking on the greensward areas causes damage to the grass. We noted that the Parish Council has no powers over highway matters or those concerning the use of land owned by others (in this case Chelmsford City Council or Chelmer Housing Partnership (CHP)). However, we resolved to set up a working group under our Highways and Transport Committee with invited non-councillors to fully identify the issues and recommend any lobbying actions.

We have agreed our response to the latest National Grid targeted consultation regarding the use of pylons across the parish. We have expressed our disappointment that our comments made in response to the previous statutory consultation have been ignored, and that the latest proposals are no better (if not worse) than the previous ones. A copy of our response has been posted on the parish website. We also agreed to submit a response to the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government's Greater Essex devolution consultation, and again this is posted on the website.

Having been asked to discuss the possibility of facilitating the installation of a Great Waltham village sign, we did so even though no-one attended to back the idea. Because the Council currently has no budget for this work, without any additional public support, we agree to close this item.

Please note that from April our meetings will start a half-hour later at 7.30pm.

The next monthly meeting (combined with our AGM) will be on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May at The Pavilion, Great Waltham Recreation Ground, starting at 7.30pm. As always, all are welcome to attend our public meetings. Steve Gilbert Chair

### Ford End Senior Tea



The next tea will be on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

Starting at 2.30 now as lighter evenings

Hope to see you all and catch up for a good chat.

It will be at Woodstock, Church Lane, Ford End.

Anyone interested or has not been before please ring Sheila Bearman on 01245 237335 or 07977 077945

### Great Waltham Parish Community Care Group

The aim of the group is to provide short term and ongoing help to meet the needs of elderly local residents for whom there is no statutory provision. Predominately this will involve providing transport to local doctor and hospital appointments.

**If you require the services of the group, please call our co-ordinators who are**

Gill Mitchel 01245 362215

Wendy Proctor 01245 360483

John Lattimore, Chairman 01245 363818

Thank you for all of the contributions to this edition of the Great Waltham Parish News. Please send your contributions for the next issue, together with any enquiries or advertising requests, by email to: [gwp parishnews@gmail.com](mailto:gwp parishnews@gmail.com).

**The last date for inclusion in the June issue is May 15th**