



# MARGARETTING NEWS

## July 2017

### BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY CHURCH SERVICES

**ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH**  
MARGARETTING

**ST. GILES'S CHURCH**  
MOUNTNESSING

**ST. MARY'S CHURCH**  
BUTTSBURY

**2nd July**

11.15am Parish Communion

9:30am Morning Prayer

8:30am Holy Communion

9th July - No service

9:30am Parish Communion

11:15am Matins

**16th July**

11.15am Parish Communion

9.30am Parish Communion

3.30pm Evensong with Communion

23rd July - No service

9.30am Parish Communion

3.30pm Evensong

30th July - No service

**30th July**

No Service

**BENEFICE SERVICE**

**9.30am Common Worship - Holy Communion**

Everyone is very welcome to join us for any or all of our services  
For all enquiries contact Revd Patrick Sherring - telephone number 01277 352563

### ST MARGARET'S CHURCH NEWS

This month we say goodbye to Revd Celia who is leaving to take up her new post in another diocese. July 2<sup>nd</sup> will be Revd Celia's last Sunday in St Margaret's church. It seems only yesterday that Revd Celia began her work with us during the week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> April 2015. The past two years have definitely flown by. Among the many things

we will miss will be Revd Celia's 'thoughts for the day' and seeing her walking Storm, her border terrier. The pupils of Margaretting school will miss Storm too. Storm, wearing his own school uniform, had become a much loved and welcomed visitor. We wish Revd Celia every success and personal fulfilment in her service to God in her new role.

### FAMILY FUN DAY AND HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Saturday 8th July  
Margaretting Village Hall  
1pm to 4pm

Do come along and support this village event. It promises to be a fun packed afternoon for all the family with lots of stalls, arts and crafts, games, country and street dancing, bouncy castle, RAF flypast, dog show, BBQ and bar, music, tea and cakes, Punch and Judy, classic cars, Zoo4you animals and much more.

Don't forget your show entries must be in by 11am on the day. The door will be closed at 11am as judging needs to start promptly at 11:15am. Any questions telephone Lorna on 01277 355754

### ST MARGARET'S CHURCH SUPPORT GROUP

The work in the churchyard continues. Volunteers are tackling the self rooted shrubs, brambles, ivy and some of the long grass obscuring the older graves. Their help was particularly appreciated last month when we were looking for one of our two commonwealth war graves which had become completely hidden in the grass. However, it was good to see our churchyard becoming a haven for wildlife! The bees are still active. We now have two colonies of wild bees taking advantage of the wild flowers and tree blossom nearby.

### MARGARETTING ALLOTMENTS

Is anybody in Margaretting interested in taking on an allotment? The parish council currently has four vacant allotments to choose from. The rent is not expensive. At £7.50 per year it is probably one of the lowest in the county. You may be reading this and asking yourself "why would I want to take on an allotment"? Two reasons to ponder for having an allotment .....  
"Working an allotment gives you plenty of fresh air and healthy exercise."  
"It's good for your peace of mind as well as your body."

For more details contact Margaretting Parish Council.  
Telephone 01277 350887 Email: parishcouncil.margaretting@virgin.net

### CUDDLY TOYS AND TEDDY BEARS

Margaretting Friends are collecting teddy bears and cuddly toys for Operation Christmas Child and other fund raising projects. Second hand soft toys in good condition are welcome. Please give Lynn a call on 01277 355575.

## MARGARETTING PARISH COUNCIL - JUNE MEETING

Please note: The full and official parish council minutes can be viewed on the Margarett Community website. A copy of the minutes is also placed on the notice board outside the parish office at the village hall. The office telephone number is 01277 350887. This telephone is checked weekly on a Tuesday for messages. Alternatively, you can contact the parish council via email. Email address: [parishcouncil.margarett@virgin.net](mailto:parishcouncil.margarett@virgin.net)

**A parish councillor will be on duty in the parish office on SATURDAY 15th July - 10:30am to 12noon.**

### DEMOCRATIC TIME

Seven members of the public present. The issues raised and discussed were:

#### (i) Eastern Angles

Jennie and Michael Scott had been invited to the meeting to discuss the handover arrangements for the Eastern Angles' annual visits to the village hall. Jennie and Michael, who have been organising these visits for many years, will be stepping aside next year. Members of the parish council agreed to take on the arrangements. The parish council recognised that Eastern Angles are worthy of support - they always provide first class performances. The parish council acknowledged Eastern Angles visits will continue to be a village hall project. All funds raised will go to the village hall.

#### (ii) Parsonage Lane Rail Crossing

The parish council has withdrawn its objections to the closure of this crossing. Its concerns about access for the larger vehicles, dustcart and emergency services have been addressed by Network Rail. The parish council, whilst withdrawing its objections to the closure of this crossing, recognised the closure will cause disruption and inconvenience to those residents living on the other side of the railway line. The crossing gates will remain in place and securely locked. The gates will be unlocked as and when access is required. The utility and emergency services as well as the owners of the properties affected will be given a security key.

#### (iii) Maldon Road

The road in the vicinity of El Rita continues to flood after a heavy downfall. It was noted this flooding has been reported many times to Essex County Highways and to date nothing has been done to sort out the problem. The parish council will once again report the problem to Essex County Highways.

#### (iv) Margarett Brook

The meeting with the Environment Agency to discuss clearing debris from

the brook will take place on Wednesday, 14th June. Representatives from Brookside Cottages and the Red Lion have been invited to attend.

#### (v) Loose dogs

Several residents have expressed concerns about a dog which frequently escapes from its garden. There have been reports that this dog has been seen attacking other dogs. Residents have reported these attacks to the dog warden. The parish council agreed to write to Chelmer Housing Partnership to report the residents' concerns.

#### **MARGARETTING TYE**

Red Telephone Box. BT has confirmed the value of the kiosk and that it is responsible for the inside light.

#### **MALDON ROAD PLAYING FIELD**

Access. It was noted that under the terms of the parish council's lease any request for access to the small fenced off parcel of land to the rear of 1 to 8 Bank End Cottages will have to be referred to the freeholder, Chelmsford City Council.

Swings. There is a problem with the new safety surface. The new surface has started to become loose in places. The resurfacing company which carried out the work last January will be asked to rectify the problem.

Boundary fences. The dead tree, ivy and brambles have been cleared from the Maldon Road boundary.

#### **MALDON ROAD ALLOTMENTS**

This year's rents have been collected. Four allotments are available for rent. If Margarett residents are not interested the parish council will contact In-gatestone parish council to see if its residents are interested in renting an allotment in Margarett. **See front page.**

#### **VILLAGE POND AND TREES**

The split tree in Main Road has been removed. Volunteers are needed to help tidy up the pond. **See next page**

#### **2016/2017 ANNUAL AUDIT**

Approval was given to audit statement.

#### **GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

Approval was given for the chairman to sign the annual governance statement for the external audit return.

This statement confirms proper procedures are in place and that these are followed by the parish council.

#### **ACCOUNTS**

Expenditure agreed this month:  
£1,403 - AON (annual insurance)  
£474 - C.Kochan (wages/expenses)  
£439- MDL (grass cutting)  
£97 - RoSPA (playground inspection)  
£43 - BT (broadband and telephone)

#### **REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE**

The following items were identified. War memorial. The bollards need attention.

Cross Roads Notice Board. The notice board is in need of attention too.

Local contractors interested in quoting for the work are invited to contact the parish council

#### **EMERGENCY PLANNING**

The parish council's existing emergency plan in the event of a major incident or accident occurring in or near the village was reviewed. The use of the village hall is central to these plans. Emergency key holders, volunteers with specific skills are identified in the plan. **See next page**

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### (i) Flag Master

Maurice Wright is retiring from his role as Margarett Flag Master. Thanks were expressed for all the years Maurice has fulfilled this role. Cllr Andy Wallace volunteered to take over from Maurice and his offer was unanimously accepted and agreed by the parish council.

##### (ii) Enforcement of Yellow Lines

There have been complaints about car owners parking on the yellow lines and on the pavement in Maldon Road leaving no room on the pavement for buggies and mobility scooters. South Essex Partnership is responsible for enforcing the parking regulations and issuing penalty fines. Residents can report a parking offence via Chelmsford City Council's website: [www.chelmsford.gov.uk/parking-and-travel/parking-restrictions/report-a-parking-offence/](http://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/parking-and-travel/parking-restrictions/report-a-parking-offence/)

### PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

The parish council has one vacancy.

See below for details.

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were received for comment:

17/00766/LBC & 17/00711/FUL - *Bearmans Farmhouse, Writtle Road*: Internal & external alterations to two barns to create separate dwellings.

Two storey front extension to barn A. Conversion of two barns to two and four bedroom dwellings with new access and associated parking. Proposed two storey extension and carport to barn A.

Associated parking and landscaping to both properties. Proposed carport to the existing dwelling.

17/00679/FUL - *Molehill Cottage, Margaretting Tye*: First floor side extension and a single storey rear extension. Front porch roof to be lowered to make room for window along front elevation.

17/00921/FUL - *Park Lodge Bungalow, Writtle Road*: New replacement dwelling and cart lodge.

17/00913/FUL - *Yew Tree Cottage, Main Road*: Construction of garden shed.

17/01000/FUL - *1 & 2 Brook View Cottages, Margaretting Tye*: Two storey front extension to both properties. A two storey side extension to No.2, a single storey side extension to No.1 and rear infill extension to No.1

17/00944/FUL & 17/00945/LBC - *Margaretting Hall, Church Lane*: Retrospective application to refurbish games room, demolish and rebuild porch and covered walkway and greenhouse.

06/022280/MAT & 06/02289?FUL - *Aylwin, Maldon Road*: Material amendment to planning permission. (Rear extension, loft conversion including front dormer, detached rear garage) for a new dormer window within side elevation.

The following decisions were noted:

17/00648/FUL - *Ynamit - Maldon Road*: Ground floor rear extension  
Planning permission granted

17/00592/FUL - *The Briars, Pennys Lane*: Replacement of existing and detached garages with new bungalow and outbuilding with garage.  
Planning Permission Refused

17/00262/FUL - *Whitewebs Cottage, Main Road*: Single storey rear extension and two storey side extension.  
Planning permission granted

### DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 13th July at 7:30pm in the meeting room in the village hall.

## PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

If you are interested in becoming a parish councillor please get in touch with one of Margaretting's parish councillors. Their contact details are on the parish office notice board at the village hall.

## EMERGENCY PLANNING

In the light of the recent terrorist attacks and the forthcoming V Festival the Parish Council have undertaken a review of its Emergency Planning and found that we are lacking in medical expertise. If you are qualified in First Aid, a Nurse or Doctor and prepared to be added to our list of volunteers that can be called upon in an emergency please e-mail your name, address and telephone number to [harrybchalksfield@gmail.com](mailto:harrybchalksfield@gmail.com) or telephone Harry Blurton (Parish Council Emergency Planning) on 01277 840493.

Hopefully you will never be called upon.

## VILLAGE POND WORKING PARTY

Can you spare some time from 10am onwards on Saturday, 5th August? Volunteers are needed to help tidy up around the pond and clear out some of the weed.

## MARGARETTING OVER 60S CLUB

New members are welcome. We meet in the village hall on alternate Wednesdays at 2pm. The dates for our meetings in July are the 12th and 26th. For more information please telephone June or Don on 01277 356126.

## CAKES

Margaretting Friends will be serving refreshments - squash, tea, coffee and cakes in the Chelmer Room at the Family Fun Day on Saturday 8th July. Contribution of cakes (no nuts or fresh cream,) are welcome on the day. Any questions please telephone Sheila on 01277 840493.

## ACCESSORIES

Margaretting Friends are looking for hats, scarves and bag donations for their Family Fun Day stall. Please call April on 01277 354557 for collection.

## MARGARETTING FRIENDS

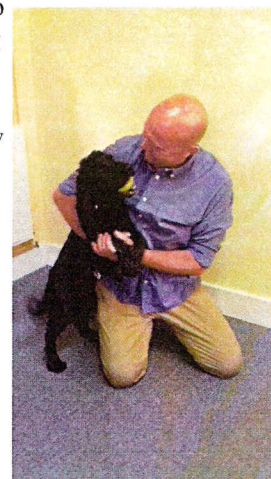
Last month's speaker Paul Nicholls, a retired police dog handler, gave a truly inspiring talk about police dogs, their handlers and what happens to these working dogs on retirement.

Ludo, a retired detection dog, accompanied Paul. Ludo, although no longer in active service, superbly demonstrated his sniffing prowess. This is a photo of Paul and Ludo with a reward tennis ball given to Ludo for being such a 'clever boy'! Paul spoke movingly about the launch of the K9 Memorial Fund, a new initiative to erect a sculpture in memory of the many brave and unsung canine heroes of the

police force. Paul is currently fundraising and looking for sponsors and donations to boost the K9 Fund. Chelmsford City Council has agreed the statue may be located locally in the grounds of Oaklands Park.

If you are interested in learning more about the K9 project visit the website [www.k9memorialuk.co.uk](http://www.k9memorialuk.co.uk)

Margaretting Friends meet every third Monday of the month at 7.30pm in the Chelmer Room at the village hall. For more information telephone Lynn on 01277 355575.





# Margaretting Village Hall

## What's on in July 2017

Please note bookings are weekly unless otherwise stated.

### Mondays

Pilates - 9.30 – 10.30am Main Hall; 7 – 8pm Main Hall  
Crafters 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7.30pm – Chelmer Room – all welcome  
Margaretting Friends 17<sup>th</sup> – 7.30pm – Chelmer Room – all welcome

### Tuesdays

Art Class – 10am -12 noon & 2-4pm - Chelmer Room (Not on 18<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup>)  
Yoga - 1.30pm – 3pm – Main Hall  
Fit 4 Action - 9.15 – 10.15am – Main Hall  
Barnraisers – 4<sup>th</sup> - 9.30am – 12.30pm – Meeting Room  
Combat Academy – 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> – 7-9pm – Main Hall – Self-defence

### Wednesdays

Over 60's Club – 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> – 2- 4pm - Main Hall  
Dance to Fitness – 9.30-10.30am - Main Hall (term ends on 19<sup>th</sup>)  
French class – 10am – 12noon – Meeting Room (term ends on 5<sup>th</sup>)  
Bingo – 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> - 7.30pm - Main Hall  
Karate – 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> - 8pm – Main Hall  
Jazz Band practice – 26<sup>th</sup> - 7pm Chelmer Room  
Archery meeting – 5<sup>th</sup> – 7.30pm – Chelmer Room

### Thursdays

Village Hall Meeting – 6<sup>th</sup> - 7.30pm- Meeting Room  
Art Class – 10am – 12 noon - Chelmer Room (term ends 13<sup>th</sup>)  
Pilates 9.30 – 10.30am - Main Hall  
Hot Pod Yoga – 6pm -8pm – Main Hall

### Fridays

Barnraisers – 9.30am – 12.30pm – Main Hall

### Saturdays

Hindu Dharma Society – 1<sup>st</sup> – 5pm – midnight – Main Hall  
Village Coffee Morning – 15<sup>th</sup> - 10am – 12 noon – Chelmer Room  
Car Boot Sale – 15<sup>th</sup> – Sellers 8.30am – 12 noon – Field  
Family Fun Day – 8<sup>th</sup> – 1-4pm – All rooms

### Sundays

Loose Threads Patchwork Group – 9<sup>th</sup> - 9.30am – 6pm – Main Hall

For further details or queries for private functions  
please contact the Booking Secretary on 07794 187741

### JULY RECYCLING DATES

Food waste - Every Tuesday  
**Black bin, green box and card sack**  
Tuesday 11th and 25th July  
**Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons**  
Tuesday 4th and 18th July

### MARGARETTING TYE

Food waste - Every Wednesday  
**Black bin, green box and card sack**  
Wednesday 12th and 26th July  
**Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons**  
Wednesday 5th and 19th June

### MARGARETTING FRIENDS

#### Village Coffee Morning

Saturday, 15th July - 10.00am to 12 noon  
in the Chelmer Room at the Village Hall  
Local Honey and produce available  
Bric a Brac and Books  
Remus Charity Stall

### VILLAGE HALL BOOT SALES

#### Saturday 15th July

**Bank Holiday Monday 28th August**  
Buyers from 9.30am until 12 noon  
Sellers from 8.30am  
To book a pitch, please contact Sheila on  
01277 840493

### JULY DIARY DATES

MARGARETTING SCHOOL  
SUMMER FAYRE  
Saturday, 1st July - 1pm to 4pm  
FAMILY FUN DAY  
MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL  
Saturday 8th July - 1pm to 4pm  
SUMMER BOOT SALE  
MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL  
Saturday, 15th July - 9.30am to 12 noon

**MOBILE LIBRARY** Fortnightly on Thursday afternoons, 6th and 20th July  
at 2.15-2.30pm in Maldon Road in the lay-by opposite the playing field.

**TRUST BUS** Margaretting to Ingatestone, Friday mornings leaving the Pond, Main Road at 9.55am,  
Orton Close at 10.00am and returning from Ingatestone at approximately 11.00am.

The Trust bus will run to Tesco on Fridays at 11.15am from Orton Close and returning from Tesco at 1pm.  
Please note, the Trust bus is for anyone who needs it, not just for pensioners. Because of insurance terms, passengers must be 'members' and are required to supply their name and address to the driver. Membership is free to passengers.

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