# Hadstock Magazine



View of Hadstock from St Botolph's tower

MAY 2024 11 issues for £15.00 OR Single Issue £2.00 SUSTAINABLE HADSTOCK LAUNCHES THIS MONTH!

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#### Beginnings - Editors Page

#### Dear Readers,

Phew! What a Mag this month so much copy to squeeze in the 24 small pages! First Revd Jeremy Trew recruiting Clergy: -one for Hadstock and Ashdon to share. The Defibrillator training and more to come, which although quite serious was also quite entertaining. Then lots of sheep and new lambs, and more new lambs and a new painting of new lambs. And the Bat. There are requests for help the Fete. Things to donate to the Fete: - the Auction at the Fete, Cake for the Fete. and tickets for the after the Fete Supper. Then Citizens Advice have a lot of new advice (and don't mention the Fete.) The Parish Council has news about a possible piece of climbing equipment -a wall (Let them know what you think) and then Kemi Badenoch our MP, came to visit Hadstock and spoke to Chair of the Parish Council, Keith Nuttall and John Lockton a councillor, over a cup of tea and a biscuit in the Village Hall. Kemi liked the Village Hall and they were impressed with her. The main thing this month is the start - Launch – of 'Sustainable Hadstock' an examination of what we can all do to make Hadstock sustainable for the future -ours and our children's, and then to do it, by reducing our household carbon footprints and improving the biodiversity of the environment in the Parish. All good stuff! And wasn't it a beautiful day today? The sun was shining and warm and the birds were singing and there were so many flowers out. Daisies, Bluebells, Forget me-nots, Honesty and lots of Hawthorn blossom.

With best wishes for the 'Merry Month of May'.

#### Sue

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#### Parish Church of St Botolph's



#### MAY 2024

Jeremy writes... By the time you read this progress will be well underway towards recruiting clergy to fill the current vacancies in the Team. With the gradual departure of Caroline, then John, then Alex, we have had to work hard to maintain the life of our Church communities. My thanks to all who have done so and given so much effort and grace.

These appointments will end an extended period of recruitment across the Deanery. Since I arrived just three years ago every beneficed clergy post in the Deanery has changed. That is an enormous amount of change. I have also attended a considerable number of induction services for new clergy. At those services (and also at ordinations) the liturgy reminds us of a task we hold, "to proclaim afresh the Gospel in each generation." This phrase is not just directed at the clergy present, but at the whole church. This is what it is to be a traditional Christian; One who helps recast their Church community to best respond to the needs of the wider community in their current time and place. That can take many forms, and I am glad of the diversity of tradition and belief we share across our Team. It enriches us in so many ways that we are not all the same.

Rev Ella will be spending the remainder of her curacy focusing on working with the Parishes of the Chesterfords, Littlebury, and Wendens Ambo. Those Parishes have agreed to suspend recruitment until January 2025 to allow Ella to do this, and for her to be eligible to apply for the post of Team Vicar with them should that seem right. This means that we are focusing our efforts on recruiting for the two House for Duty posts, based in Ashdon and Debden. Such posts can prove problematic to recruit to, but we have the strength of being a Team, and some wonderfully supportive Church communities. Please pray for those looking for such posts. We hope to be shortlisting this month, with interviews a couple of weeks after this. Again, my heartfelt thanks to all who have gone the extra mile supporting our Church communities in these times of vacancy and change. Yours, Jeremy

Jeremy Trew is Team Rector for Saffron Walden and Villages Team Area Dean for Saffron Walden, part of the Diocese of Chelmsford

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You can read more of Jeremy's Trew's letters on the St Mary's website <u>www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org</u> where there are other interesting items too

#### DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING

Last Friday, 19<sup>th</sup>April, Hadstock resident Ari gave an excellent informative teaching session on how to use the defibrillator, and how to help someone if they are choking ,or unconscious.

There was a good response from the village with 23 parishioners attending, and many trying their new learnt skills.

We are very grateful to Ari for his time and excellent delivery of these important life lessons for us all.

If you were unable to attend, there will be another opportunity to learn these skills later this summer.

Not only will you learn how to potentially save a life, but also find out how someone could save yours , Councillor Denise Wells

Thank you Ari, and Denise for organising this. Sue Ed

#### SERVICES AT ST BOTOLPH'S

MAY 2024



Sunday 5th May 10.30am

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>May

Sunday19th May

Christening Service Led by Paula Griffiths No Service in St Botolph's Service Cancelled as Home Team away No Service in St Botolph's

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>May

Morning Prayer takes place in the church each <u>Tuesday</u> at 8.30 am.

The church is open every day between 9am and 4pm for private prayer.



New painting by Sonia Villiers

'Lou's Sheep and Lambs'

'Climate change is one of the greatest threats facing society, we all have a role to play in addressing the problem', Uttlesford Climate Crisis Strategy

#### Sustainable Hadstock has launched!

What can we all do to REDUCE our household carbon footprint and IMPROVE the Biodiversity across the environment of our Parish, for us and future generations?

- **SUSTAINABLE HADSTOCK** is a new residents' initiative that has secured grants and support from UDC Climate Group, the Parish Council, Hadstock Society, the Village Hall Committee and the Parochial Church Council.
- This initiative will help us all make positive changes to both our natural environment and our homes.
- Our fledgling Household Carbon Footprint group is starting to engage professional expertise to help explore energy consumption, insulation, solar panels, heat pumps, and grants for houses in Hadstock.
- Our Biodiversity group has started mapping and surveying the local natural habitats, supported by the local Essex Wildlife Trust and is keen for new members.
- BUT we need YOUR help and ideas in both groups to get our focus right.
- Over the coming weeks there will be more information about our exciting plans appearing on the village website, on Hadstock Info, in the village magazine & via a stall at the Fete (come and see us!). *continued on next page*

- We will conduct a short survey in June/July to capture all your views and ideas to guide this new initiative, and we particularly welcome the views of our younger residents.
- This project should be fun, sociable & educational, but equally importantly will help us all to do something for future generations AND save money on our energy bills!

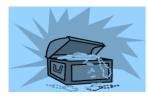
If you are interested in learning more, or getting involved in any way, please send an email with your contact details to Cllr John Lockton, <u>cllrjohnlockton@gmail.com</u>

... and talk to John or someone you know on our fledgling working group: Brendan Burchill, Russell Hollinshead, Richard Dolby, Jim and Mel Abbiss, Peter Jarritt, Ian Jennings, Rick Albrow, Alan and Denise Wells, Jonathan Hutchinson.

'Sustainability – a way of living that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs – it's about us, our children and our children's children'



#### Hadstock - News, - Events, - Happenings, Reports



Hadstock Village Hall 100 Club

Winners for April 2024 No.21 Martin Hannam £25.00 No.75 Bill Richards £25.00 Congratulations to you two!

#### CANASTA

The Canasta Group in Hadstock are back in action now! If you are interested in joining then please call Irene on 891 385 Players and Beginners welcome.

ASHDON PRIMARY SCHOOL - Ashdon, Essex CB10 2HB - School Office -01799 584219 - Website <u>www.ashdon.essex.sch.uk</u>. Ashdon Primary School is the catchment school for Hadstock Village with Essex County Council, currently, providing free transport for those children living in Hadstock to attend the school.

The school also has a before and after school childcare provision from 8am in the morning and until 5:30pm in the evening.

Visits to the school from Parents and prospective pupils are welcomed Ashdon School has a new Head Ms Reynecke..



#### The Hadstock Archive website

**Society** The archive and can be reached directly from your browser address bar by entering: hadstock.org.uk/hadstockarchive

There is a second way you can reach the archive and that is through the main Parish site: hadstock.org.uk. Simply click on the link 'Community Archive' which is on the home page. Richard Dolby, Hadstock Society

And don't forget the Childrens Writing Competition The winners will be announced at the fête and the deadline to receive the entries is 24th May. Entries can be emailed to: -<u>hadstocksociety21@gmail.com</u>\_MaggieHartley

#### EVENTS, ACTIVITIES and Fun in 2024

BIN COLLECTIONS – Weds1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> for <u>Black</u> & Brown bins Weds 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>th</sup>May for <u>Green</u> & Brown bins

<u>Green Skip:-11.45 to 12.45</u> First 15mins at Bilberry End then Village Green 45 mins 'The Green Skip' collection will be on the Saturday after the Black /Grey bin collection (so every 2 weeks). This month  $4^{th}$  and  $18^{th}$ May

#### Hadstock Parish Council

Next meeting in the village hall on <u>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> May</u> at 7.45pm note later time Contact the Parish Clerk Sara Beckett <u>hadstockparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk</u> for agenda details which are also sent out on Hadstock Info and put on the Village notice board by the old shop. Details of the agenda are also published on the Parish Council section of the village website which is:-www.hadstock.org.uk

Hadstock Society – community history and heritage. Secretary: Maggie Hartley at hadstocksociety21@gmail.com

Hadstock Village Hall see ad in this magazine for how to hire it. And the video on the Hadstock Village website – Village hall

Hadstock Silver Band meets again on Tuesdays at the Village Hall for practice Contact: Lesley Jenkinson 07766 54092 Can you hear them?

Bell Ringing practice night at St Botolph's on Thursdays. Contact: Gilbert Rowlandson 01223 892882 or Janice Snell 01223 892338 - Yes you can and the bells too

Linton Area Learning Alliance (LALA) meets on Tuesday mornings in the Village Hall in Linton. Autumn and Spring terms. Contact Sue Mudge 01223 892737

Linton and District Historical soc. Meets Tuesday evenings Linton Village Hall. Monthly. Contact Margaret Creek 01223 893915 or email: ldhscambs@gmail.com

Art Classes in Hadstock for adults on Tuesday mornings and Friday mornings and afternoons in termtime; Sundays once a month, and children's' after-school art during termtime on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Sonia 07890 509160

Hadstock Village Gets Together on Pub Nights on the last Friday each month 6.00-11.00pm at the Village Hall with a bar, crisps, nibbles. Card machine available Chance to meet up with your friends! Hey bakers! Please bake me a cake for the Village Hall Tearoom on Fete Day Saturday June 15th All home-made and delicious, every bite appreciated, thankyou so much! Bring your cake to the village hall after 11 am on the day please, or to my house the night before if that's better for you

Sonia





Further to Church Nature notes last month (Bat of the Month?)

- The brown long-eared bat which has a wingspan of 23-28 cm. known as 'Batty' and according to Tim Boyden 'has not been seen again!'

Pity really .... I could see him having quite a career in the Magazine.

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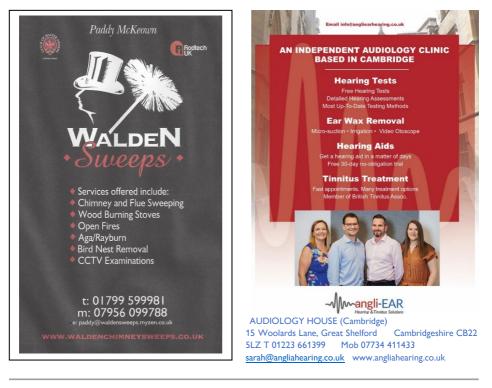
#### HADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL

Large Hall with garden, pergola and outside seating area.

For details, enquiries and booking: www.hadstock.org.uk

and follow link to Village Hall

Church Path, Bartlow Road, Hadstock CB21 4BH



#### Kemi Badenoch MP



holds regular advice surgeries offering help and support for local residents. If you would like to contact Kemi, you can email kemi.badenoch.mp@parliament.uk or call 0207 219 1943

Hadstock's Local District Councillor - Ashdon Ward:

Councillor John Moran of the Conservative Party Contact :- cllrmoran@uttlesford.gov.uk or tel. 07496006467 or you can write to him c/o Uttlesford District Council London Road, Saffron Walden, Essex CB11 4ER

#### Happy New (financial) Year!



A range of changes have recently come into force, so it is worth checking that you are aware of, and receiving, all the support that is available to you.

Welfare Benefits - changes since the beginning of April may mean you are eligible for benefits where you weren't previously. You can check quickly and easily, using an online benefit calculator such as the one on the UDC website:

https://www.uttlesford.gov.uk/article/5078/Online-Benefit-Calculators

Managed Migration - Tax credits are coming to an end & will be replaced by Universal Credit. Look out for your Universal Credit Migration Notice from DWP and don't ignore it! It is very important to claim by the deadline you are given, but DON'T claim before you receive your letter or you could be worse off. Call our advisers if you are unsure.

Funded Childcare - From April, you'll get 15 hours of funded childcare the term after your child turns 2 years old, if you're eligible. From September 2024 the scheme will be extended to include children aged 9 months and older.<u>https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/family/education/claiming-the-new-15-hours-of-free-childcare-for-2-year-olds/</u>

Pension Credit gives you extra money to help with your living costs if you're over State Pension age and on a low income and is <u>separate from your state pension</u>. You can claim online, over the phone or by post and will qualify for a higher amount if you're severely disabled or a carer. Go to <u>https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit-</u> <u>calculator</u> or just give our advisers a call.

The National Living wage (NLW) and other minimum hourly rates of the NMW increased from 1 April 2024. Salaried workers are also impacted by this increase, so workers doing 35 hours per week must now be paid at least £20,821 a year. https://www.gov.uk/national-minimum-wage-rates

New rules around flexible working requests also came into force on 6 April 2024. <u>https://www.gov.uk/flexible-working</u>

If you have a disability or care needs there are non means tested benefits to help with the extra costs of disability or long-term health conditions. Our specialist disability benefits team can help with applications for PIP, Attendance Allowance and Disability Living Allowance (for children under 16).

#### Citizen's Advice continued

Low-income households may also be eligible for reductions in Council Tax, water rates and broadband tariffs as well as help with NHS costs, healthy start vouchers and free school meals. <u>https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/debt-and-money/cost-of-living/get-help-with-the-cost-of-living/</u>

You can find more information online at <u>www.citizensadvice.org.uk</u>. If you can't easily access the internet, or need a little extra help, call our friendly advisers on 01799 618840 or email <u>help@uttlesfordca.org.uk</u> and they will carry out a benefit check for you. Our advice is always free and confidential.

Uttlesford Citizens Advice Barnards Yard, Saffron Walden CB11 4EB 01799 618840 help@uttlesfordca.org.uk www.uttlesfordca.org.uk



Uttlesford Foodbank provides emergency food and care parcels to individuals and families during times of crisis. It operates out of a warehouse in Shire Hill Saffron



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Walden. They are always looking for donations of food or money and volunteers. Most of the Supermarkets in S.Walden and Haverhill have a food donations box If you need help look at

https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/get-help/how-to-get-help/or phone 07531 436335.Local contact Lynne Smith - 4 Moules Lane, Tel:07707 766197

Haverhill food bank at Reach Community Projects Wisdom Facilities Centre,42 Hollands Road, Haverhill CB9 8SA Opening times: Monday to Friday 9am - 4.30pm Tel:01440 712950 or Email: info@reachhaverhill.org.uk Website: reachhaverhill.org.uk – for more information

## Lambing 2024.

Lambing is nearly finished for this year and I'm very pleased not to have



had to go out to the field in the middle of the night! So far, there are 7 lambs - 1 boy and 6 girls. Their names are Polka, Patch and Poppy, Pippa and Pepper, Pedro and Panda.

Lou Symes -Thompson



#### Parish Council News

The Annual meeting of the Parish was held on Thursday 18 April 2024 in Hadstock Village Hall. At this meeting residents of the village had an opportunity to raise any issues or concerns relevant to the Parish, as well as an opportunity to ask questions of the Parish Council It was open to all electors to participate. There were reports on Council activity in the last year and an introduction to an initiative to promote 'Sustainable Hadstock '

#### New Play Equipment

Hadstock Parish Council is looking to improve its play equipment by installing a traverse climbing wall, which is suitable for everyone from four years upwards (including adults!) on the park. If you think it will benefit you, your friends or your family, please like the post that is on the Hadstock Village Group Facebook page or email hadstockparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk to simply say you would support the idea. We need to show demand in order to gain funding for it, so please share with friends too. You can watch this short video clip to see what we're referring to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hhFzL3JLANs

Our local MP, the Secretary of State for Business and Trade, Kemi Badenoch,

made a brief visit to Hadstock on Friday 26th April accompanied by district councillor John Moran and met with the PC Chair Keith Nuttall and Councillor John Lockton. We briefed her on a variety of issues that have been raised by residents - particularly the state of the roads, lack of repairs, plus speeding traffic, and also the details of the 'Sustainable Hadstock' initiative



#### LINTON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY TUESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> MAY 2024

#### **Foul Murders**

#### of

#### East Anglia

presented by Mike Wabe - Medieval World LINTON VILLAGE HALL COLES LANE - 7.30 p.m.

**Refreshments and Raffle** 

Visitors and new members always welcome

**Fowlmere Primary School** 

#### Art Exhibition 18-19 May

An exhibition of paintings, drawings, photography, ceramics, woodcraft, jewellery and cards by local artists

> Sat 18 May 10.00 -21.00 Sun19 May 10.00 -16.00 at FowImere School SG8 7SL

Art Workshops - Refreshments - Raffle for more information visit PTFA at <u>www.fowImere.cam.sch.uk</u>

Hadstock Artist - Sonia Villiers will be exhibiting here.

### Hadstock Village Pub Nights

## the next one is Friday 31<sup>st</sup> MAY 2024 in Hadstock Village Hall 6.00 to 11.00 p.m.

#### Tom's Pizza trailer will again be selling delicious Pizza's, cakes and coffee

Village Pub nights are so villagers and other locals can meet up in an informal atmosphere to keep in touch.

There will be our usual pub games. Crisps & snacks will be available to purchase, along with beer, wine and soft drinks.

Payment by CARD MACHINE, or cash.

On this occasion one FREE beer, wine or soft drink for any Hadstock residents attending for the <u>first</u> time!

Contact Derek Bushell for more information: -<u>derek71246@aol.com</u> or 07971 413355

#### THE HUNDRED PARISHES SOCIETY

#### www.hundredparishes.org.uk

As day length increases and the air becomes warmer, plants put out new shoots. Many insects emerge and birds pair



up, preparing to breed. Since the 1960's the average minimum winter temperatures have been rising. Snow fall is now a rarity, and frosty days are much less frequent. The current growing season is almost a month longer than 50 years ago. Primroses and bluebells are opening earlier. Researchers recorded that the first flowering of some 406 plant species has advanced by almost a month since 1986! This has a knock-on effect for the time of emergence of pollinating insects such as bees and butterflies; some are adapting to the warmer climate.

Hedgerow shrubs and trees are leafing and flowering earlier too, providing food for so many hungry caterpillars which are ideal food for nestlings. Hedgerows are a valuable wildlife habitat, often providing a living framework to the landscape and our rural heritage. Longestablished hedges grow in soil that is rich in stored carbon and older trees within the hedgerow also hold large stores of carbon.

A recent planning application to fell an ancient hedgerow oak close to Clavering led to a vigorous and successful campaign by residents to save



A tree-lined walk in Langley

it. This tree is now registered on the Ancient Tree Inventory, a record similar to the one for listed buildings. There are more trees in local hedgerows that could be recorded - details of how to do this can be found on

https://ati.woodlandtrust.org.uk/how-torecord.

Looks very similar to Arnold's Lane in Hadstock!

National Hedgerow Week organised by the Tree Council runs from <u>6th May to 12th May</u> and is timed to showcase hedgerows resplendent with fresh new growth and full of wildlife.

Please enjoy one or more of the many walks listed on the Society's website - and consider recording some of our wonderful old trees.

Tricia Moxey, Trustee



Blubells in Howe Wood Littlebury

See www.hundredparishes.org.uk

## FETE SUPPER 2024

June 15, 7.00pm in the Village Hall and garden. NEW CHEE AND NEW MENU Hot ham, new potatoes, salads and French bread. Vegetarian option stuffed pepper. Desert, cake or pudding. Adults £12.50, children 12 and under £6 Booking essential as numbers are limited. To reserve a place, email lynnn50@hotmail.com

Tickets confirmed once payment received.

Payment by bank transfer:

Account name – HADSTOCK FETE,

Account number 80797030,

Sort code 20-74-05

## FETE AUCTION JUNE 15th 3pm

Every year we rely on the generosity of people in Hadstock and beyond for the success of the Auction

- DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU CAN OFFER?
  - Lessons? Tickets? Expertise? Wine? Hamper? Trip?

Maybe access to something 'money can't buy'?

Please contact me <u>Sarahlockton@gmail.com</u> 07553 884303 or 01223 892987 Thank You!

## ONLY 6 WEEKS TO GO UNTIL THE FETE SATURDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2.00-5.00pm A fun day for all the family PLEASE CAN YOU HELP?

Many of you have already offered to help but we are still looking for volunteers to help set up and take down the fete. or can you spare an hour to help run a stall?

DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO DONATE TO THE FETE? such as BOOKS - BRIC-A-BRAC Household and garden items (no furniture or electrical items please) - TOYS AND TEDDIES -HIGH QUALITY LADIES CLOTHING - BOTTLES AND TOMBOLA ITEMS - BROKEN AND UNWANTED CHINA for the Crazy Kitchen.

All these things can be left in **Hadstock Hall barn** from Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June. The barn will be open between 6-7pm on weekday evenings and on Saturday mornings. If you're unable to deliver to the barn, or are able to help on the day, please ring Lou (07806 557654), Lynne (07707 766197) or Sarah (07553 884303

There will also be an AUCTION and a PLANT STALL at the Fete You can also follow us on Facebookhttps://www.facebook.com/hadstockvillagefete



**Painting by Sonia Villiers** 

Poster by Nick-Haisman Smith

Also Cakes, Plants, Books, Teddy Tombola, Nearly New Ladies Clothes, Bottle Tombola, Bouncy Castle, Face Painting, Crazy Kitchen, Welly Wanging, and a Hadstock Mozaic. "

Please get in touch if you'd like to get involved. Contact Lou at <u>louisa@camprop.co.uk</u> Or Lynne Smith, on 07707 766197