

# EASTON VILLAGE NEWS



The Maverick Festival 2025 at Easton Farm Park. See pages 11 & 12 inside.

**August 2025**

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**If you have anything to put in the Village News, please submit it to me by 14th of the month before.**

## Editor's Introduction

As I write this, it's raining quite steadily and I have to say it's a relief. Our garden looks like a prairie (well, a small one) and it's as if someone has taken away all the grass! I think it's always amazing how, once a good drop of rain falls, it all grows back again.

Highlights in this month's magazine include more about solar array development from Stop Deben Solar; Dave Ladbrook keeps us up to date with what the Parish Council is proposing for the village; Gerard Newnham outlines exciting plans for the Village Hall; Paul Spencer gives us a flavour of how good the Maverick Festival was; and the School rounds off the year with activities each class has participated in. Plus of course all our usual features and some events to note for the future.

On a very sad note, we learnt this week of the passing of Brian Boon, a larger than life member of our village with much enthusiasm for its history and life in general. We send our love and sympathy to Sue. I hope a full obituary will be available next month.

Enjoy the summer holiday.

Clare

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# **Easton & Letheringham Villages Unite : MP Patrick Spencer Addresses Solar Farm Concerns**

On Tuesday, July 8, 2025, Easton & Letheringham Village Hall was filled to capacity as residents gathered to voice their concerns about the proposed solar farm development. The meeting, attended by our local MP, Patrick Spencer, marked a significant moment in the ongoing discussion about the project's impact on our community. MP Spencer, responding to the growing unease among residents, hosted a lively and well-attended public meeting to discuss the controversial proposal. As documented on his official Facebook page, the event saw an outpouring of passionate opinions from villagers determined to protect Easton's rural character, environmental integrity, and community well-being. Photographs from the evening captured the packed hall, with standing room only, reflecting the strength of local sentiment.

During his address, MP Spencer outlined the key concerns raised by residents, including potential impacts on local wildlife, agricultural land, flooding and the visual landscape. He emphasised his commitment to representing Easton and Letheringham's interests, promising to escalate the communities' objections to relevant authorities and stakeholders.



Spencer also highlighted the need for a balanced approach, acknowledging the importance of renewable energy while stressing that developments must respect local priorities and landscapes.

The meeting provided a platform for residents to share their views directly with their MP. Many expressed frustration over the scale of the proposed solar farms, citing worries about its proximity to homes, potential noise, and the loss of green spaces cherished by the communities. Others questioned the transparency of the planning process, urging for greater consultation with villagers before any decisions are made.

The overwhelming turnout underscored Easton's and Letheringham's unity in addressing this issue. Residents left the meeting feeling heard but resolute, with many pledging to continue their campaign against the proposal. MP Spencer encouraged ongoing engagement, inviting villagers to submit written concerns to his office to strengthen the case presented to policy-makers.



As the debate continues, Easton and Letheringham remain steadfast in their commitment to preserving our villages' unique characters. The next steps will likely involve further discussions with the solar farm developers and local authorities, with MP Spencer acting as a conduit for our collective voice. Residents are encouraged to stay informed and participate in upcoming consultations to ensure Easton and Letheringham's future aligns with our shared values.

Let's keep the momentum going as we work together to shape a sustainable and certain future of Easton and Letheringham villages.

For those unable to attend, MP Spencer's Facebook page offers a visual summary of the event, capturing the energy and determination of our communities.

If you haven't already registered with the "Action Group" please either email us to receive your information pack at:-

**stopdebensolar@gmail.com**

**and/or visit**

**www.stopdebensolar.co.uk**



Use this QR code to register  
with the Action Group.



Where in Easton is this?  
(Answer page 30)



# EASTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Update

I hope, by now, that you have all received our village play area questionnaire. We are more than aware that the current facilities are below par and would like your ideas for ways to improve it. Once we know what you want, we will look to get the necessary funding together to get the play area refreshed so that it becomes more useable, enjoyable and sustainable so that it becomes a real asset for our community.

Alongside the questionnaire you should also have received a flyer advertising our **“Village Clear-Up” on Saturday 6th September**. I hope we can all agree that our village is beautiful and a great place to live. Having said that, it can, at times, look a little ragged in places. We are hoping to get as many community members as possible for a couple of hours to, amongst, other things, litter pick, clean some of the road signs, clear the weeds from the car park wall. If you don't feel able to join us for the more physical work, some of the parish council will be checking footpaths in the village to ensure they are still accessible. Please do let us know if you can make it or if you have any additional ideas of things we can do on the day. If this is successful, we intend to make these clear-ups regular events on the village calendar.

Finally from me this month, the subject of planning. My fellow councillors and I have been approached by many of you over the past few months about the proposed solar farms in the area. Whilst we always want to listen to your views, we are not able to make any judgement until such time as a full planning application is received. I understand that one planning application has been submitted to East Suffolk Council but, as I write, we have not yet been asked to comment on this. Once, as statutory consultees, we are invited to respond we will, of course, seek your opinions before we send our formal response.

As always, if you have any questions about any of these items or, indeed, wish to raise anything else with the parish council please email Andrew, our Parish Clerk: [parishclerk@eastonpc.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@eastonpc.org.uk)

Dave Ladbrook

# EASTON & LETHERINGHAM VILLAGE HALL



We have had an increase in residents booking the Village Hall for parties and other functions which we are very pleased about as we are keen to ensure the hall is used by the whole community. For individuals to hire the hall it is only £10 - £15 per hour and for this you get the hall and wonderful kitchen facilities.

**The Heating System** is being updated in August and the hall will be out of action for 4 days whilst this is done. The benefits are.

- It will be more efficient (and as electricity is one of our biggest expenses this will hopefully keep our costs down).
- We will be able to control it remotely allowing the hall to be warm when you start your booking rather than the 1/2 hours it currently takes to warm up when it's very cold.

**Broadband and WIFI** will be going in in the next few weeks, principally to allow us to manage the heating, but it will now make it possible for card payments to be taken at the Sunday Cafe and other events. We have purchased a mobile card reader and are happy to make this available to you if you're hiring the hall (for more details please speak to Gerard).

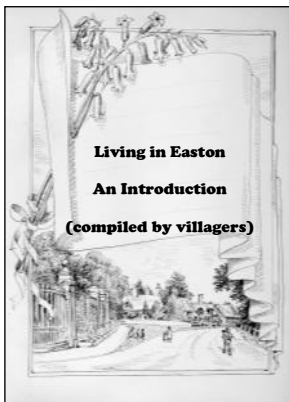
Thank you to all our users

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## Village Hall Hourly Charges

	OFF PEAK Hourly Rate	PEAK Hourly Rate	WEEKEND NIGHT Hourly Rate
	Mon – Fri Up to 1730	Mon – Thurs 1800 - 2300 Weekend up to 1730	Fri-Sat 1800 - 2300
<b>Individuals</b>	£10.00	£13.00	£15.00
<b>Fully Commercial</b>	£18.00	£21.00	£26.25
<b>Open paid Classes/ Activities</b>	£12.00	£14.00	£17.50
<b>Community</b>	Contribution	Contribution	Contribution



### New to Easton Village?

Please let me know if you are aware of anyone who moves into the village. We have always warmly welcomed newcomers and I am now very happily taking on this role. We can also provide the introductory booklet 'Living in Easton' which has lots of helpful information.

Peter Bennett King, 2 Black and White Cottages  
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# What's On in August



## Village Hall

### **Mondays:**

**Yoga** with Ellie 9.30—11 am  
Pre-booking  
E: [eleanorpenlo@gmail.com](mailto:eleanorpenlo@gmail.com)

### **Tuesdays:**

**50+ Keep Fit** Class 10-11am  
£8 per session (block payment per  
term of 6/7 weeks)  
Contact Clare Hassler on  
01728 621247/07769 716761  
for more information

### **Wednesdays:**

**Pilates** with Kelly  
Advanced 9.15 am  
Beginners/Intermediate 10.30 am  
Pre-booking  
E: [pilateswithkelly@hotmail.com](mailto:pilateswithkelly@hotmail.com)

### **Table Tennis**

6:30pm £5 per session  
Contact John on 746644

### **Thursdays:**

#### **Rabble Chorus**

8pm  
E: [Kirsty@rabblechorus.co.uk](mailto:Kirsty@rabblechorus.co.uk)

No Sunday Café

or

Fun and Games in August

**Mobile Library will stop outside The White Horse on Wednesday  
20th between 12.25 and 12.45.**

**Easton Village Hall**

# **Bob's Big Quiz Night**



**7pm Saturday 6th Sept**

**Teams of up to Six  
Food and Pay Bar  
£10/head**



This year's festival was a roaring success and a far cry from last year when everyone received a good drenching!

The crowds basked under a scorching July sun made tolerable by the passing clouds and ice cold Aspalls cyder which luckily held out until the last notes of the final act, the Swedish sister trio Baskery, faded away.

With over fifty artists performing there really was something for every taste: from Zydeco with Texan Ruben Moreno and the Cajun Roosters to down home blues from British great Errol Linton.

Our artist at large, Chris Murphy, took his fiddle from stage to stage contributing to at least half a dozen different sets including during the Bob Dylan tribute which attracted a huge crowd featuring songs from over a dozen of the festival's artists and focusing on Dylan's sixties recordings.

Needless to say, an ensemble version of Like A Rolling Stone saw the stage jammed with musicians for a fitting finale.

The dog lovers got their moment in the sun too, with a nice prize for the best dressed canines courtesy of Rackhams.

Paul Spencer



Top: Crowd on the Green

Right: Chris Murphy

Bottom: Best Dressed  
Canines



## Easton Bowls Club

With the hot and dry weather it has sometimes felt too hot to play bowls at all but there have still been several matches through July. Now in August we are coming to the end of our season. As I write this Easton are sitting in second place in the Woodbridge league. Easton A is in second place in their section of the Fynn league with a match in hand. Easton B is top of their section of the Fynn League. We also got through to the semi-final of the Salter cup, although we lost to Dennington by a margin of two shots.

Home games in August:

03 Sunday	Kerr Cup	2:00
11 Monday	Monday Pairs	10:00
12 Tuesday	League v Leiston	6:30
14 Thursday	Friendly v Kirton	6:00
25 Monday	Monday Pairs	10:00
26 Tuesday	League v Sweffling	6:30
31 Sunday	Ransome	10:00

Why not join us one evening and come and cheer Easton on – you will be very welcome



# Easton Cricket Club



## Home Fixtures—August

Saturday 2nd (13.00)

2nd XI v Harwich & Dovercourt 1st XI

Sunday 3rd (13.30)

1st XI v Melton St Audry Sunday 1st XI

Saturday 9th (12.00)

1st XI v Braintree 1st XI

Sunday 10th (13.30)

Sunday 1st XI v Risby 1st XI

Saturday 16th (12.30)

2nd XI v Brightlingsea 1st XI

Sunday 17th (13.00)

Women's 1st XI v Worlington Women's 1st XI

Saturday 23rd (12.00)

1st XI v Halstead 1st XI

Sunday 24th (13.00)

Women's Softball 1st XI v Old Newtons Women's Softball 1st XI

Saturday 30th (12.30)

2nd XI v Haverhill 2nd XI

Sunday 31st (13.30)

Sunday 1st XI v Freston 1st XI

Spectators always welcome.

There are junior matches which take place during the week.

For more details visit [Easton.play-cricket.com](http://Easton.play-cricket.com)

# Easton and Letheringham Community Gardening Club



We had a very enjoyable evening for our early July meeting.

Steve Parkinson opened our eyes to the world of edible weeds and unusual salad vegetables. Our salads could become very interesting ... but you do need to know what you are harvesting as many weeds are poisonous.

We take a break in August but meet again on **Monday 1st September at 7.30pm** when Penny Richardson will join us for a talk entitled **GARDENING FOR BEES.**



Penny has been keeping bees for twenty-five years and manages twenty to forty hives during an average season.

She sells honey through several shops in the Suffolk Coastal region and has collected several swarms over the years in Easton.

Please join us for our meetings and spread the word as we would love your support.

All meetings are held in the **Village Hall 7.30-9 pm.**

## GARDEN VISIT

We are visiting the beautiful garden of **Ashe Hall in Campsea Ashe on Tuesday 19th August at 11am.**

Donations of £8 per person to go to Macmillan Cancer Support.

If you would like to join us please contact Claire Balcombe. See email address below.

There will be an opportunity to car share if needed so please let Claire know if you require a lift.

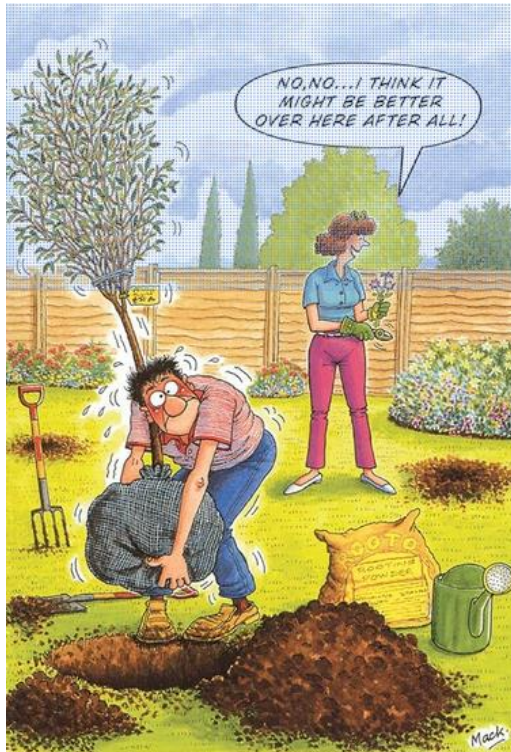
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**A GARDEN IS A GRAND TEACHER ... ABOVE ALL IT  
TEACHES ENTIRE TRUST.**

**GERTRUDE JEKYLL**

## **THE WILDLIFE GARDEN**

Focus on providing late season nectar sources for pollinators eg dahlias, buddleia and verbena bonariensis.

Leave some seed heads to develop to provide food for birds and small mammals over autumn and winter.

Maintain ponds and birdbaths.

Continue to leave out food and fresh water for hedgehogs who may be raising young.

## **GARDENING TIPS**

Prune spring flowering shrubs eg forsythia, weigela and philadelphus.

Lightly prune lavender after flowering. Avoid cutting into old wood.

Cut back faded foliage on perennials.

Take semi-ripe cuttings from tender perennials such as pelargonium, penstemon and salvia.

Deadhead spent blooms regularly to prevent plants going to seed too early.

Collect seed to sow next year (remember to label).

Enjoy the last hazy days of summer as we drift into the mellow fruitfulness of autumn.

Sarah Castle  
RHS Cert.Hort (Level 2)



# The Easton White Horse

## What's On in August

Monthly Quiz Night: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August

£10 per head, food included

Call to book



LIVE MUSIC EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON

August line-up:

3<sup>rd</sup> Cat Dreams (chill indie DJ)

10<sup>th</sup> Joel Fisk (acoustic guitar)

17<sup>th</sup> Laurence Kingston (country and folk)

24<sup>th</sup> Colin Reid DJ with Street Food by Vern and co

31<sup>st</sup> End of Summer Party with Sundowners DJs



Pop-up Terrace Kitchen every Friday and Saturday all summer 12-7

Serving burgers, salads and light pastas

(no bookings required)



Summer Roasts every Sunday 12-4

A lighter offering than our usual full roasts  
but just as delicious!



Tel: 746456

# A Sense of Place and Time

## Easton's Aerial Display Team

During the summer months, if you walk across Easton village green or sit on the green's well placed bench, you are likely to witness swifts swirling overhead.

Every May, swifts return here from their wintering grounds in Africa. The arrival of their evocative screeching call and high velocity aerobic flight truly pronounces the start of summer.

Swifts traditionally nest under gaps of roof tiles and tend to be nest site faithful. In Easton's case they return to the church and properties in an around the green each year.



If you want to encourage swifts, nest boxes in combination with sound systems to mimic natural

swift calls can provide additional sites to bolster existing colonies and can be invaluable if nesting sites are lost as a result of roof repairs.

Juveniles may return and investigate new places to nest but won't return to breed until aged three or four years old. A degree of persistence is required, with some householders about to give up playing the calls, only to rejoice in swifts taking up the offer after several years.

Suffolk Wildlife Trust's partnership with Suffolk Bird Group, SoSwifts can advise on the siting of boxes and supply sets of boxes with a call system for prominent community buildings and schools.

Whether you have a building suitable for a nest box, garden or not, everyone can help swifts by logging sightings on Swift Mapper or through Suffolk Biodiversity Information Service. You can also help by not using pesticides in your garden as swifts along with house martins and swallows are reliant on a plentiful supply of aerial insects.

To quote from an early line of Queen's Bohemian Rhapsody

*'Open your eyes, look up to the skies and see'*

For more information on helping swifts contact

[SOS Swifts | Suffolk Wildlife Trust](#)

Acetosella



If a man says he'll do it, he will.  
No need to keep asking him every six months...



## 🌿 Village News Update 🌿

### **Hazel Class (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)**

**Skills Escalator Day:** Year 2 pupils visited One Sixth Form College, taking part in hands-on workshops including car maintenance, boxing, performing arts, and even trying out police equipment! The children were brilliant ambassadors and joined in wholeheartedly.

**Triangle of Life Gardening:** Pupils helped water and care for the vegetable beds, observing the first tomatoes starting to ripen.

### **Rowan Class (Year 3 & Year 4)**

**Field to Fork Project:** Children have been busy tending the raised beds, learning about the life cycle of plants and harvesting lettuce and radishes for healthy snacks.

**Music and Performance:** Rowan pupils have been rehearsing enthusiastically for our end-of-year production.

### **Oak Class (Year 5 & Year 6)**

**Kentwell Hall Tudor Trip:** Pupils experienced life in Tudor times, including sword school, posing in the pillory, and presenting research to the “Master of the House” in the Great Hall.

**Long Shop Project:** Year 6 worked with the London Sinfonia to compose original music inspired by the local ironworks and the Suffragette movement, culminating in a concert at the Long Shop Museum.

**Y6 Sailing Adventure:** The Year 6 cohort had an exciting day at Aldeburgh Yacht Club, learning to rig and sail Toppers and taking part in fun rowing races (and getting thoroughly wet in the “wobbly boat” challenge!).

**Farewell to Year 6:** We wish all our Year 6 leavers the very best as they move on to high school. You have been a wonderful part of our school community, and we will miss you.

## Whole School Highlights

**Mini Marathon:** Pupils in all year groups completed 13 laps of the school field in mixed-age house teams, demonstrating fantastic resilience and determination.

**Sports Day:** Families joined us for our annual evening Sports Day. Children competed in races, showcased teamwork, and celebrated with a barbecue. Congratulations to the winning house team!

**Peter Pan The Musical:** All pupils took to the stage for our spectacular production of *Peter Pan*. The show was a triumph, with fantastic singing, confident acting, and beautiful set designs created by the children themselves. Thank you to everyone who came along and cheered—it truly went down a storm!

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Thank you to all the staff, parents, volunteers, and community members who have made these opportunities possible. From field trips to theatre performances, it's been a fantastic term of learning, creativity, and adventure!



## August Quiz – “Holidays”



1. American singer whose first UK hit was “Holiday” in 1983
2. Bing Crosby classic that first appeared in the 1942 film “Holiday Inn”.
3. The first Butlins holiday camp was opened in this Lincolnshire seaside town in 1936.
4. Singer who portrayed Billie Holiday in 1972 film “Lady Sings the Blues”.
5. In the UK, the first Bank Holiday of the year falls on this date.
6. Sit com that was set in the fictional “Maplin’s” holiday camp.
7. Name under which Valerie Holiday, Sheila Ferguson and Fayette Pinkney perform.
8. The occupation of Wyatt Earp’s friend and deputy Doc Holliday.
9. Actress who won her only Oscar in the 1953 film “Roman Holiday”.
10. Businessman and entrepreneur who organised the first package holiday in 1841.
11. The French national holiday Bastille Day is celebrated in this month.
12. Country with which Lauren Holiday won the FIFA Women’s World Cup in 2015.
13. Holliday Granger played Robin in the series “Strike”, based on novels by this writer.
14. Name of the holiday retreat for the US President, located in Maryland.
15. Tynwald Day on July 5<sup>th</sup> is a public holiday celebrated on this island.
16. The holiday company, founded in 1951, that specialises in holidays for over 50’s.
17. Type of transport used by Cliff Richard in the film “Summer Holiday”.
18. Minimum number of Bank Holiday Mondays each year in the UK.
19. Band who had three UK number ones including the song “Dreadlock Holiday”.
20. Name given to a holiday involving activities that are very similar to one’s occupation.



# All Saints Church

## **Church Services (see table of services for full details)**

Our benefice service on 3<sup>rd</sup> August is at Campsea Ashe at 11.00 am.

On 10<sup>th</sup> August there is a benefice service at Brandeston at 10.00 am to celebrate what the young people have been doing at the Holiday Club. This is always a fun service – often with “audience participation”!

As there is no Sunday Café in August, there will be a Holy Communion service at Easton on 17<sup>th</sup> August at 11.00 am.

The benefice service on 7<sup>th</sup> September is at Easton at 11.00 am..

## **Licensing of Revd Ann as Rector**

We had a well-attended and uplifting service at Hacheston on 6<sup>th</sup> July when Archdeacon Rich Henderson licensed Ann to her new position. With Ann as Rector, our benefice cannot be changed in composition and will remain as seven parishes in one benefice for the foreseeable future.

## **New Churchwarden**

At our last PCC meeting, we were pleased to elect Peter Bennett-King as our new churchwarden. Thank you for volunteering Peter, we look forward to working with you.

## **Sunday Café**

Sunday Café is having its annual break in August. (Well done everyone, you deserve that rest!)

## **Church Holiday Club**

The very successful church holiday club which takes place at Brandeston Village Hall runs from 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> August. This year’s theme is “Navigators”. See separate notice or phone 01728 685807 or 723623 for more information and booking.

## **Discussion Group**


The Discussion Group is on holiday until September.

## Ride and Stride

The annual event to raise money for Suffolk Historic Churches Trust takes place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September from 9 until 5. See separate notice below. We will be looking for volunteers to sit in the church during that time to provide signing in and refreshments. And if anyone would like to be sponsored for riding and walking between some churches, I have the sponsorship forms.

Jane Woodbury-Eggs

**Suffolk Churches  
Ride and Stride**

 Suffolk  
Historic  
Churches  
Trust

**Saturday,  
13 September 2025  
9.00am - 5.00pm**

Local Organiser  
from whom sponsorship  
forms are available:

*Jane Woodbury-  
Eggs*  
01728-746667

Visit [shct.org.uk](http://shct.org.uk) for more information.  
You can also find us on Facebook and X.

Sponsorship money raised will be divided between Suffolk Historic Churches Trust  
and the church or chapel chosen by the participant.

Suffolk Historic Churches Trust

Registered Charity No: 267047

## Church Services for August

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trinity 7	11am	Benefice Holy Communion Service	Campsea Ashe
10 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 8	10am	Benefice Holiday Club Service	Brandeston
		6pm	Holy Communion	Parham
17 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 9	9.30am	Holy Communion	Marlesford
		11am		Easton
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Kettleburgh
24 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity 10	9.30am	Morning Worship	Brandeston
			Holy Communion	Campsea Ashe
		11am		
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Parham
31 <sup>st</sup>	Trinity 11	11am	Benefice Holy Communion	Brandeston

Monday Prayers are at 4pm at Campsea Ashe

Compline is said at Marlesford every Wednesday at 5pm

The next Benefice Service  
is on 7<sup>th</sup> September at 11am at Easton

# Holiday Club

Here again for 2025

at Brandeston Village Hall



# NAVIGATORS!

Primary-age children are invited to join us at this year's  
Holiday Club

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August

9.30am - 1.30pm

You are welcome to come for 1, 2 or 3 days

Bring your own picnic lunch on Tuesday and Wednesday

We'll provide a free family barbecue lunch on Thursday

£5 per day for first child

£3.00 per day for additional siblings

Please contact

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Jackie Clark 01728 723623

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# Neighbourhood Watch

## News for August

### 5 phone scams to know about right now

Vishing scams, otherwise known as phone scams, involve fraudsters calling you and attempting to get your personal details under false guises.

These scams can be particularly annoying and, in some cases, incredibly persuasive. In a recent survey, Ofcom found that two thirds of respondents had received suspicious calls on their mobile in the past three months and six in 10 had received them on their landline.

#### 1. Health adviser scam

A GP practice has warned on Facebook about a sneaky health scam that's circulating. The call begins with a fraudster pretending to be a 'senior health adviser' at your GP practice.

The scam caller goes on to ask you about your medical conditions before peddling medication for a price. Not only does the scammer gain information on your health, but they'll also take your card details for the 'medication'.

The number used in the scam has previously been linked to other scam calls offering joint care products and vitamins.

#### 2. WhatsApp job scam

A call that goes to a voice recording when you answer, and tells you about a non-existent job opportunity.

The recorded message also asks you to contact a number on WhatsApp to hear more about the position.

Contacting this number will lead to a job scam, which could see you roped into a fraudulent scheme that goes on for weeks or months.

### **3. Bank fraud department**

More than one spoofed mobile number is currently calling people impersonating well-known banks.

The caller claims to be from the bank's fraud department and goes on to tell you that your account has been compromised.

This then allows the scammer to coax you into revealing your personal and financial details while you're in a panic.

### **4. Mobile operator scam**

Fraudsters are continuing to impersonate large mobile operators to peddle fake discounts in exchange for your personal and payment information.

This scam begins with someone claiming to be from your mobile operator. They may also have some details about you that they could have collected from an unrelated data breach in the past. They'll use this to get more information on you in an attempt to access your account.

As they'll be trying to get into your account, you may receive a genuine text from your mobile operator with a one-time passcode (OTP). If you share this, they'll be able to get in.

Some people report that the scammer knows when their contract will end and offers them the chance to save money on an upgrade.

### **5. Loft insulation calls**

A scammer calling from a spoofed London landline number has reportedly been calling people offering loft insulation services.

Reports say that the caller claimed they were either a heating or energy adviser for the local area, and go on to ask you about how old your loft insulation is, whether you're a homeowner, and your age.

## 6 ways to avoid falling for a scam call

1. Always be cautious with unrecognised numbers and unexpected calls.
2. Never give away your financial information over the phone.
3. Register with the Telephone Preference Service (TPS) so legitimate companies can't make unsolicited sales calls, making scam calls easier to spot.
4. Scammers may be able to keep your phone line open even after you've hung up. So after hanging up, use a different phone to call the company back on a trusted number or wait for at least 10 to 15 minutes.
5. Call 159 if you receive a call claiming to be from your bank. When you call, you'll be put through to your bank's genuine customer service line.
6. Search phone numbers on Who Called Me to see if there are any scam reports for that number.

### Reporting scam calls

On an iPhone, you can report a scam number to your provider by texting the word 'call' followed by the phone number to 7726.

On an Android phone, text the word 'call' to 7726. You'll then receive a message asking you for the scam number.

*Courtesy of the Consumer Association*

**John Owen**

**Answer to 'Where in Easton  
is this?  
Village Sign on the green**

## Letter from Framlingham Library

What an exciting time at Framlingham Library! Our space buzzes with activity and connection every day of the week.

### Your Weekly Adventures:

**Mondays:** Mega Blocks at 9:30 AM for little architects and their families, followed by Make It Mondays craft and coffee from 10:30 AM.

**Tuesdays:** Board Games with refreshments (10:30 AM-12:00 PM) – strategic fun and new friendships await!

**Thursdays:** Thursday Conversations over coffee from 10:00 AM, plus Framlingham Foxes, stay and share home education group (2:00-3:00 PM) for 5-10 year olds exploring through books and play.

**Fridays:** Word Play for Preschoolers at 9:00 AM brings language alive through songs and stories.

**Saturdays:** LEGO adventures at 2:00 PM for builders of all ages.

**Sundays:** Children's Crafts from 11:30 AM—end the weekend creatively.

### Watch out for

- **"The Hat" Exhibition** Early August featuring 40+ stunning artworks, plus workshops for creating your own art, writing, music, and recipes inspired by this mystery artist!
- **"Knights Go Pop!"** On Sunday August 3rd celebrating our completed children's area and library renovation.
- **Summer Reading Quest** - Read books in fun ways, gain rewards each week for 2-11 year olds. Throughout the summer holiday

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1. Madonna
2. White Christmas
3. Skegness
4. Diana Ross
5. January 1<sup>st</sup>
6. Hi De Hi
7. The Three Degrees
8. Dentist
9. Audrey Hepburn
10. Thomas Cook
11. July (14<sup>th</sup>)
12. USA
13. JK Rowling (under the name Robert Galbraith)
14. Camp David
15. Isle of Man
16. SAGA
17. Double decker bus
18. 4 (Easter, 2 in May, 1 in August)
19. 10cc
20. Busman’s Holiday

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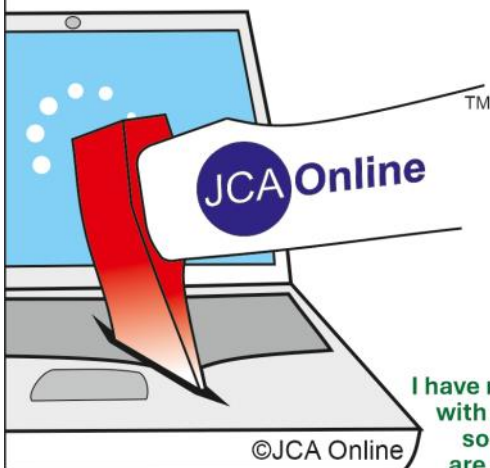
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