Suffolk County Council Minerals and Waste Local Plan: Thank you to all residents who made comments regarding the proposed quarry at North Farm in Barnham. As you probably know the Parish Council has submitted representations against a quarry at Barnham being included within the plan. You can read the submissions on the Parish Council web site http://barnham.onesuffolk.net/planning/.

The proposed plan was examined at a hearing in June, chaired by a member of the Planning Inspectorate and attended by Parish Council Chairman, Ed Wyer, and our Suffolk County Councillor, Joanna Spicer. Just prior to the hearing, an amendment was submitted by Mick George Limited who are the official quarry management company acting on behalf of Elveden Estate. This amendment concerned a change to the approved routing for quarry vehicles. It is now proposed using the C633 (Station Road/Elveden Road) as the primary haul route. This routing had previously been rejected due to the unsuitability of C633 to carry large numbers of HGV lorries. If the Barnham quarry and this new proposed routing is included and approved in the plan, then there will be an increase in traffic on the C633 and A134. The revised routing will take approximately 100 extra movements per day (approximately one movement every seven minutes) along Station Road and Elveden Road to the traffic lights and then north to Thetford and south to Bury.

This will have a significant effect on the residences lining Station Road, Elveden Road and Bury Road. If you wish to know more about the plan please consult Suffolk County Council web site and look at the Minerals and Waste Local Plan: https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/consultations-petitions-and-elections/consultations/minerals-and-waste-local-plan-consultation/.

There will need to be further consultation as a result of the proposed revisions and the Parish Council will be preparing its response when the revised plan is published. The Parish Council will continue to include information on its Facebook page where you can post comments or queries or, if you prefer or don’t have access to the internet, you can contact one of the parish councillors or the Clerk: barnhampc@btinternet.com 01842 890355.

Revd Dr Karen Burton’s induction: The Revd Dr Karen Burton will be inducted as Team Rector of the Blackbourne Team of Churches consisting of eight parishes (Bardwell, Barnham, Euston, Fakenham, Honington with Sapiston, Ingham with Ampton & Gt & Lt Livermere, Ixworth with Ixworth Thorpe, Troston) on 2nd September at 7.30 in St Mary’s Church, Ixworth. Parking is available in the Village Hall Car Park opposite. Everyone is welcomed.
Barnham School news: Yet another busy term is coming to a close.

At a recent governors meeting Revd Dr Karen Burton was elected Vice-Chair of Governors with Matthew Hawthorne continuing as the Chair.

The governors are very pleased that Richard Heading has agreed again to be a governor. His particular interest is the Forest School which take place on East Farm. Forest School is an inspirational process that offers ALL learners regular opportunities to achieve and develop confidence and self-esteem through hands-on learning experiences in a woodland or natural environment with trees. The children now have a deep understanding of the countryside.

The Countryside week took place again at the end of June in Euston Park when all aspects of farming life were sampled and experienced. As happened last year, all the children attended and their progress was well documented in the Eastern Daily Press! The week was hosted by Euston Farms and JCB supplied a large marquee, a JCB digger and a coach load of apprentices from their factory in Uttoxeter who visited for a day demonstrating equipment and answering questions.

The week culminated in a BBQ cooked by Chris Reeks from La Hogue when they sampled not only burgers and sausages produced locally but pigeon and venison too! The BBQ was open to all the children and parents were invited too.

Sports Day was held on the field in Euston Park. Children were deposited there first thing in the morning by their parents and at lunch time they were joined by their parents and supporters and again there was a BBQ cooked by Chris Reeks! (They had to pay for the BBQ). It was a very hot day and the children had to shelter under gazebos. The school is grateful to Shadwell Stud for marking the lanes on the pitch.

On the last Saturday of term the School PTA organised a magnificent fete on the school field. It was a fitting end to the school term and raised over £2000. Well done to the new PTA Committee.

Revd Sue Nutt : Foundation Governor

From Pat Forman: I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank those of you who made my 80th birthday an extra special one. It was lovely to have you all close and it is something I will always remember. A big thank you for your cards and gifts. Believe me, turning 80 is a milestone, but being part of a friendly community such as this makes it all worthwhile. Thank you all once again. Pat

Recent fundraisers: The church is extremely grateful for the £500 raised this year by Ken Sale and Jan Corbett from their whistle drives and to Liz and Peter Holland for the £435 from their garden party and for other kind donations for the kitchen fund. Every little bit helps this project which we hope will benefit the whole village.

Oil Syndicate: The oil syndicate has been taken on by Jez Blackburn. If you would like to order some oil, please email: Jezblackburn@sky.com by 1st August.

WHAT’S ON

Concert by Blackbourne Singers: Fakenham Magna Saint Peter’s church is holding a free concert given by the Blackbourne Singers on 28th July at 3pm. A shared tea will follow the concert.

La gastronomia italiana: The tickets re going fast –do not miss out....Something more than just pizza or spag bol. Come along to Jubilee Cottage on 10th August at 5 pm (not 7.30 as previously advertised) to enjoy an Italian meal with a twist. Tickets £15 to include a glass of wine from Sue Nutt 07918670124 suenutt@hotmail.co.uk or Catriona Belsham irishcateseyes@yahoo.co.uk in aid of the Church Kitchen.

Harvest Farmer’s Market: The number of stall are growing. We have some good stalls coming to the Farmers Market at Barnham Church on 14th September. If anyone from the village is interested in having a stall please do get in touch. Only edible produce (apples?) please. Sue Nutt 890409 or 07818 670124 suenutt@hotmail.co.uk

Fakenham Magna Church Produce Stall: The stall will next be available on 10th August 10.30-12.30. Jams, marmalade, chutneys, cakes etc
**THE FAMILY CARERS GROUP:** On Tuesday 20 August at 2pm, we have the next monthly singalong for those of you who are family carers to come and sing your hearts out together, if possible, with those for whom you care. We are using the large room at Ixworth Court. You do not have to be a brilliant singer; this will be a time for fun and relaxation, a cup of tea, probably cake and a chat. There is ample parking at Ixworth Court, Peddars Close, Ixworth (Peddars Close is off the Thetford Road and Ixworth Court on the left just past the Surgery). If you have any queries please contact either of us. There will be no charge just a small donation towards expenses. Do come - we should love to see you. Sue Nutt 01842 890409/07818670124 and Carol Springham 013592 230186/07891377896

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**REGULAR GROUPS**

**WI Coffee morning:** The next Coffee and Chat will be on Wednesday 7th August from 10.30 to 12:00 in Barnham Church, for tea/coffee and homemade refreshments. All ages are very welcome and we look forward to seeing you. If you need transport please ring Sue on 890409, or Olive on 890586.

**Over 60’s Club:** The next Over 60s Club will be held on Thursday 1 August at the village hall. We will be having lunch on 15 August. Also, please join us on Thursday 29 August at 2.15 pm when Tami from Wiltshire Farm Foods will be bringing some tasty meals. Be sure to inform us of any specific requirements so she can accommodate!

**Fakenham Magna Knit and Natter Group:** We meet in Sapiston Village Hall on Tuesday afternoons 2:30pm – 4:30pm. New members are welcome and for more information, please phone Jenny on 01359 268269 or Pat on 01359 269273. Lifts are available from Euston and Barnham.

**WI:** The next WI meeting will be on Monday 12th at 7.15 in the Village Hall. Our speaker will be Mandy Wild, a qualified colour consultant, who will be advising on the importance of choosing the right colour for your special outfit and accessories. If you are interested, please come and join us, £3.50 includes refreshments. Any enquiries please ring Pauline on 890548.

There are also a few seats left for the W.I. Outing to Holkam Hall, details as below. On Sunday 4th August, leaving Barnham Village Hall at 10 am. The group rate for entry to the Hall, the Field to Fork Experience and the walled garden is £12.80 for adults and £6.40 for children. There is also a Courtyard Cafe and gift shop, open 10 a.m. to 5pm. The cost of the coach will be £8, dependent on all seats being filled. We aim to be home by about 6.30pm. If anyone would like to join us please contact Pauline on 890548 as soon as possible.

**Barnham Parish Council** meets bi-monthly every second Tuesday of the month in the village hall – starting at 7.30pm. Members of the public are welcome. The agenda and minutes are posted on the notice board at the village hall and also on the parish council website. Please contact the clerk Mrs Caroline Dowson with any queries. Tel 01842 890355 / email barnhampc@btinternet.com. Barnham Parish Council website is: www.barnham.onesuffolk.net. There is also a facebook page, just search for “Barnham Parish Council”.

**Fakenham Magna Parish Council** meets bi-monthly. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th September, 2019 at Honington & Sapiston Village Hall, Committee Room, commencing at 7:30pm. Public and Press welcome to attend. For further information on dates and times please see the Notice Board or visit the website at www.fakenhammagna.onesuffolk.net

**Fakenham Church Field** is available to use by prior arrangement with Cllr. Ray Johnston, email him at fakenhammagnapc@live.co.uk.

**Barnham Village Hall:** The standard security deposit for hiring the Village Hall is £50. If alcohol is to be available at an event the security deposit stays is £150. As before, in either case the deposit is refundable subject to the Conditions of Hire. Enquiries to Mrs A Keast. Tel: 01842 890330
The Link: A big thank you to Alex who produces The Link. Thank you too to Rose Goddard and all those people who delivering it to everyone in Barnham, Euston and Fakenham Magna. We are grateful to contributions from the Parish Councils and the advertisers enabling it to be free to all households. The Link is produced by Barnham Church to enable everyone to know what is going on in our three parishes. We are all volunteers, we do our best but should there be concerns or even a complaint please contact me and not the busy Editor! suenutt@hotmail.co.uk 07818670124/890409

Forthcoming Events dates for your diary – more details to come
(please notify the Link of any events coming up so that we do not clash!
28th July: Free concert by Blackbourne Singers at 3pm.
4th August: WI trip to Holkham Hall.
10th August: ‘La gastronomia Italiana’ at Jubilee Cottage
10th August: Fakenham Magna Church produce stall 10:30 – 12:30.
1st September: Table-Top and Craft Sale in the Village Hall
2nd September: Revd Dr Karen Burton, instituted as Team Rector. 7:30pm, St Mary’s Church, Ixworth
15th September: Barnham Harvest Festival 3:30pm followed by tea
14th September: Farmers Market in the Churchyard
27th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning.
6th October: Table-Top and Craft Sale in the Village Hall
11th October: Autumn WI Quiz
3rd November: Table-Top and Craft Sale in the Village Hall
1st December: Table-Top and Craft Sale in the Village Hall
8th December: Christmas Fayre in Barnham Church

Barnham Village Hall is available for weddings, parties and functions. Enquiries to Mrs A Keast. Tel: 01842 890330

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The next Link will be in September so please note all entries for September must be in by 15th August. Please email all items to barnham.link@gmail.com. If you would like to receive the link by email, please contact Alex on the above email address.