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Can we help?

Sometimes things in life can just get too much to cope with on your own... **Psalm 34:18:** *The Lord is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.* If you would like some support or know of any one who would, please contact: Ann Shaw **Tel: 322 192** or Sue Browne **Tel: 07778 198 118** If you have been bereaved or know of anyone who has, please contact Vee Druitt **Tel: 322 000** or Ruth Higginson **Tel: 322 598**

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SERVICES AND EVENTS - NOVEMBER 2022

Sunday, 6th November

9.30am Rise N' Shine - Dedham* 11.00am Worship Together - Ardleigh 4.00pm Remembering Our Loved Ones -Dedham*

Sunday, 13th November 8.00am Eucharist, BCP - Ardleigh 10.45am Remembrance Service at War Memorial - Ardleigh 10.45am Remembrance Service at War Memorial - Dedham

Sunday, 20th November

9.30am Matins, BCP - Dedham* 11.00am Eucharist - Ardleigh

Sunday 27th November

8.00am Eucharist, BCP - Ardleigh 9.30am Morning Praise - Dedham* 5.00pm Revive@5 - Dedham*

Morning Prayer - Every Tuesday, 10.30am at Dedham Church

Online Prayer - Monday Morning at 7am and Friday Evening at 6pm

* = Services which are live streamed.

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Save the Date: Saturday 28th January 2023.

A special concert in Dedham Church to raise funds for the organ project. More details next month. Ardleigh Friendship Group – every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month: 10am to 12 noon in Ardleigh Church - outside when weather allows.

ACTS Living Stones Prayer Group – every 2nd and 4th Monday of the month, 6.25pm at Ardleigh Church.

Little Steps Pre-School Group – every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month: 1.30-3.30pm in Ardleigh Church.

Men's Breakfast - Saturday, 5th November , 9am venue tba. For bacon butties, tea, coffee and chat.

Monday Lunch Club – Monday 7th November 12.30pm, Essex Tea Rooms. Phone 322192 to reserve a place indicating it is for the Lunch Club.

Walk and Talk- Thursday 10th November, 10am - Meet at Dedham Arts Centre at 10am for a walk, or 11am for a chat.

FROM THE DEDHAM REGISTERS

September Baptisms 25thAlbert Ferrari-Wells - Parents names: Matt and Jess Ferrari-Wells

September Weddings

- 2nd Alice Haddock and Liam Hendry
- 8th Helen Smith and Robert Pilgrim
- 10th Emily Plummer and James Nott
- 16th Vicky Fensome and Brian Mayer
- 17th Felicity Wilbraham and Jack Wright
- 30th Leanne and John Green a blessing

September Funerals 6th Del Bower 11th Olivia Skinner (Interment of Ashes) 21st Carole Duffield 29th Jeffrey Allgrove (Memorial Service and Interment of Ashes)

RURAL MISSIONER

GREETINGS FROM THE VICARAGE IN DEDHAM!

My wife Louise and I moved here with our three young boys at the start of September. Needless to say, life has been busy since we arrived!

I thought I'd take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as I begin my new role as a Harwich Rural Missioner. I grew up on the other side of the world in Melbourne, Australia. Although I had been raised in a church-going home, I turned my back on Christian things when I was ten and chose to live like my friends around me for the next few years. I went through a rough patch in my mid-teens and, amidst the darkness and depression that I felt at that time, I began to reconsider the lesus whom I had given up on. What I discovered was someone who loved me unconditionally; someone who loved me so much that He had given up His life to save mine - and I have never been the same since.

After graduating from Melbourne University with a degree in Commerce, I moved to London to begin a career in finance and to explore the world. I spent the next twelve years in various finance roles (including a year in New York City). As well as making the most of all that London life had to offer (from sports, to learning languages, even trying my hand at some Scottish dancing!), I got involved in my church in London, where Louise and I met (and later married).

We spent two happy years in Cambridge training for ministry followed by three more years as a curate (or trainee minister) in Wootton, Bedfordshire. We now have three active boys, the eldest of whom has just started at the local primary school here in Dedham. On days off, we love to go on family walks in the countryside and enjoy a nice pub lunch. Louise loves photography, so is often to be seen snapping away with her camera. I still play the sport of my youth in Australia (basketball) and was thrilled to find a local club to join here.

We are excited about what lies ahead in each of the parishes we have been called to serve and we are looking forward to welcoming a colleague in the near future.

We hope to meet many of you in due course and wish you every blessing.

Phillip Young, Rural Missioner to the Harwich Deanery



REMEMBRANCE

Remembering Your Loved Ones



Special Service to remember those who have died.

Sunday 6th November at 4pm, St Mary's Church, Dedham.

Please contact the Parishes Office if you would like to have the name of your loved one read out: 01206 322136 or stmaryda@gmail.com If there is any other way we can be of help, please get in touch.

We hope to see you on 6th November With our warmest wishes and prayers

CHURCH TOWER TOURS



We need volunteers to help lead Tower Tours at Dedham Church.

Please speak to one of the churchwardens if you are interested. Also you can email the Parish Office on

stmaryda@gmail.com

Sunday 13th November Remembrance Sunday



10.45am, Act of Remembrance at Dedham and Ardleigh War Memorials



Poppy Day is fast approaching and if anyone requires any wreaths, crosses or other memorable materials please contact me as soon as possible. I should be grateful of any help with the collection and distribution of the poppies. This could include street collections or help with the sales table located in the High Street adjacent to the War Memorial. If you can help please contact me at 01206 321241 or email r.brown585@btinternet.com

Richard Brown PAO (Poppy Area Organisor)

FLOWER FESTIVAL

THE JOY OF CREATION

There is one word that sums up the 'Creation' Flower Festival, and that is "Joy". Set up for the festival began on Wednesday, with the main arranging taking place on Thursday, ready for Friday opening. There was a feeling of excitement, purpose and the sound of laughter in church alongside an evolving sense of accomplishment and pride from those taking part. 'Good for the soul' is what one flower arranger commented, and there was clearly an atmosphere of happiness in the church!

A joy of community spirit was brought by the number of different groups who agreed to take part. The Dedham Allotment Association, Dedham Horticultural Society and Dedham Primary school all played a significant role in the festival, and their enthusiasm and skill helped to bring the festival to life.



Content was so varied, and the lifesize model of an octopus made by the primary school certainly brought many smiles!

The Joy of live music was brought to visitors by Antony and Gabbie Watson who played some wonderfully soothing music while people wandered round on Saturday, and for the rest of the time visitors enjoyed the sound of recorded birdsong played through speakers in church.

The theme of creation wasn't just a matter of enjoying the flowers either, as people were actively involved in the act of creation via art workshops too. Beaming and proud individuals clearly showed that they had enjoyed all of their activities.



Special thanks go to Sue Bedford, Avril Biggins, James Geary, and Philippa Black for running the workshops and to Elizabeth Hopkins and Liz Nickerson for co-ordinating the sessions.

In addition to the workshops, visitors in church were encouraged to tap into their inner creativeness to make a feather which was added to the wings of an 'Angel of Hope' for Ukraine. Do pop into church to see it and enjoy a moment's quiet.

FLOWER FESTIVAL



'Angel of Hope' for Ukraine

Last, but definitely not least, you can't forget the joy of cake.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped in many varied ways. In particular thanks to:

- The Flower Team you have been amazing.
- Vee Druitt and Jill Strangward the festival honestly could not have happened without you.
- Teams involved in making and serving refreshments, and those welcoming and stewarding in church.

If you are interested in joining the Flower Team, please contact me on 07899 061840 or 321286.

Helen Sims



The Chancel - "Let there be light"

RALLY FOR HEROES

Between 10th and 20th August of this year, Paul Brebner and Tim Brent took part in Rally for Heroes (RfH) 2022 "The Final Run". The rally was originally planned for 2020 but was postponed due to covid 19, first to 2021 and then to this year.



Tim Brent and Paul Brebner

Rally for Heroes is a bi-annual event, established in 2010 by three serving personnel, which has taken a culmination of over 700 people and 360 vehicles over 18,000 miles, managing to raise a phenomenal £500,000 for military charities. This year's event, however, was the final run before RfH hangs up its boots. The Rally is run in honour of all those service personnel who paid the ultimate sacrifice and lost their lives during the Afghanistan conflict and we drove five miles for each one of them. The aim of the final Rally for Heroes was to raise over £100,000 for our charity partner SSAFA (formerly Soldiers,

Sailors, Airmen and Families Association).

Founded in 1885, SSAFA is the UK's oldest national tri-service military charity and provides lifelong support to serving men and women, veterans from the British Armed Forces and their families or dependants. SSAFA understand the unique demands of service life, whether it is on UK soil or overseas. Support is available for people at any stage in their military career; from the youngest recruit to the oldest veteran – no one's service is ever forgotten. They have more than 4,000 trained SSAFA volunteers who provide personalised, face-to-face support to those in their local area. Their invaluable work and support, much of which is carried out in the background, requires funding and is why RfH are honoured to support SSÁFA.



This year's Rally, the fifth and final biannual event, was a 3000-mile challenge which saw us join over 50 other vehicles ranging from beach buggies & kit cars to high performance vehicles to drive a route that took in many countries stopping at the following iconic cities: Cologne, Prague, Bratislava, Budapest, Salzburg, Trento, Davos, Chamonix, and Chantilly. The route followed some of the most iconic driving roads and mountain passes. All the associated costs (hotels, channel crossings, countries road



taxes and fuel) were all borne by the car crews, so all the money donated went directly to SSAFA.

On completion of the Rally on the 20th August the RfH family and their supporters had smashed the original target and raised over £170k! Up to the start of the Rally (August 2022) all cars have been raising money for SSAFA at many Car & Air shows, taking people for rides in the cars, and numerous bucket rattling events at supermarkets.

Additionally, all teams/cars also have a charity online page where people can donate to this worthy cause. https:// ssafa.enthuse.com/pf/tim-brent

As well as having a great experience driving around Europe, both Paul and Tim are honoured to have taken part in such an iconic event and for such a worthy cause. And, as veterans, one that is close to both their hearts. At this time of year, when we remember all those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of their country, it is a timely reminder that some of those that remain still require our full support.

Tim Brent & Paul Brebner

ARDLEIGH SURGERY OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Ardleigh surgery doctors

Hope you all had a good September. We have completed our first flu clinics and our COVID vaccination clinic in Colne medical centre in Brightlingsea.

Surgery news

We will have a new telephone system installed on the 12/10/2022. Calls will be stacked upto 50 in line and then a message will tell you to call back. You will no longer get an engaged tone when you call the surgery however, we do not know how long the 50th caller will have to wait before the call is answered. We have emergency on the day appointments; to access this you will have to answer "yes" to the question; "Is this an emergency for you?" These appointments are offered sequentially so if you call at 09:10hrs you will be offered an appointment in the next hour. You cannot book one for 17:00hrs because we need to leave this open for those who call at 16:00hrs. You will be seen by the on-call GP so you may not be seen exactly at your appointment time.

We have achieved 5 stars on the NHS services website. Thank you all for taking time to leave a review. Unlike google review the NHS services website will check that you are a current patient at the surgery before accepting a review. Most of our negative google reviews are from people who have left the surgery or have been told to leave. On that note if you do have a complaint, please contact the surgery by telephone or email and we will endeavour to resolve it.

available by the 17th of November.

5th November 08:00 to 11:30hrs

Ardleigh. For patients over 50

More flu vaccination dates will be

COVID Vaccination and boosters:

The COVID vaccination programme is a nationally administered programme, as such the COVID booster vaccination will not be offered at the surgery at present. Patients will have to book at the COVID vaccination centres or with our COLTE partner surgeries.

The partners kindly ask you to:

Please be polite and civil to our receptionist, dispensers, and staff in general. They are doing an extremely difficult job and are all trying their very best in difficult times for the NHS.

Did you know that

Anyone can refer anyone to social services? You do not have the phone the GP to do the referral. Social services will contact us to get the relevant information from us once they received the referral. To refer a friend, relative or stranger if you have social concerns telephone 0345 603 7630. Textphone: 0345 758 5592, Monday to Thursday, 8:45am to 5pm and Friday, 8:45am to 4:30pm. For out of hours queries contact the Emergency Duty Service. Telephone: 0345 606 1212. You can also email the Adult Social Care team, and someone will get back to you. Email: socialcaredirect@essex.gov.uk

Appointments

We now have telephone and face to face appointments every day with each clinician. To book please call the surgery. There are routine appointments that can be booked up to 4 weeks in advance and same day that need to be booked on the day and lastly emergency appointments (described above). We also have extended access appointments every Saturday from 09:00 to 16:30hrs. These can be telephone or face to face. These appointments will be held at our partners surgeries in Colne, Tollgate, Rowhedge and Walton medical practices. They also provide telephone only appointments from 18:30 to 20:00hrs every day. All extended access appointments pre-bookable, up to two weeks in advance for the Nurses and one week for the GP's.

Compulsory Surgery Training Days:

The next compulsory Northeast Essex Surgery training afternoon will be on the 20th of October 2022. All surgeries will close on these afternoons for staff training from 12:30hrs onwards. On these days the surgery and dispensary will close from 12:00hrs. Please collect your prescriptions by 11:45hrs. After 12:00hrs medical services will be provided by the out of hours GP services and/or 111.

Please also note the following upcoming dates for compulsory surgery training.

- 30th November 2022
- 31st January 2023
- 23rd February 2023
- 29th March 2023

Flu vaccination dates are as follows:

years old.

GPs also do not book transport for outpatient appointments; this must be booked by the department that you have the appointment with. - 10/10/2022 Dr Cole and partners.

This news letter is available to read on the surgery website at www.ardleighsurgery.nhs.uk.

Editors Note: October dates removed as our publication date is 01/11/2022.

ARDLEIGH SCOUT GROUP

We have been very busy at Ardleigh Scout Group. The Scouts and Evolution Explorer Scouts (based in Ardleigh) have had a great summer as they attended the Poacher Jamboree in Lincoln. A total of $15\ 12\ -\ 17$ -year-olds travelled to Lincoln for 7 nights and 8 days to join approximately 8,000 other scouts from the UK as well as Canada, USA, France and The Netherlands to have the week of their lives.

As well as making friendships that will last a lifetime, there were over 150 activities on offer which included archery, shooting, climbing, abseiling and gliding as well as many craft activities from woggle making to glass engraving, so there really was something for everyone.

There was a great opportunity for any budding engineers as the RAF offered a day of building Stix Karts. The numbers were very limited so we were fortunate to have two explorers take part.

We also invested 4 new Explorer Scouts. They got to choose where they are invested. It was especially memorable as one wants to join the RAF; so all were invested whilst taking part in the activities and with the RAF present. We weren't blessed with the best weather – having had no rain at home we



had a couple of wet days and it was very windy, but thankfully the leaders knew how to strap down the tents so they didn't blow away!

We camp with all our sections, and the Beavers have just returned from their first sleepover in over 3 years. We joined the District for a pirate themed weekend at Thorrington Scout Camp. They got to make parrots, learn knots that pirates need, make slime and of course, make and light fires. It can be scary to strike a match when you are only 6 years old.

I'm sure the leaders would like a sleepover renamed, as they didn't get much sleep, but that's due to the excitement and some of the children had never slept away from home without their parents before.

The Cubs are getting ready for their camp in November, which will be indoors as Akela only likes camping in the warmer weather! As well as the camp, they have many exciting things

planned for this term ranging from learning about the human body and going on a hike to designing sports shirts and creating some performances.

I'm sure this shows not only some of the great things we do but some of the opportunities that you have as a Scout. Would you like to join us? We have spaces in our Cub pack (8-11yrs), Scout troop (11-14 yrs) and Explorer unit (14-17 yrs). We have a waiting list for Beavers (6-8 yrs) so please if you have someone who would be interested then please email us to join the list. Our aim is for them to be able to join when they are 6 if not a month beforehand.

Perhaps you would like to volunteer to help us with any of the sections or help with admin, fundraising or join our Executive committee. We can only continue to run the only youth provision for 6-18 year olds in the village with your help and support.

> Ardleigh Scout Group ardleighscoutgroup@outlook.com

EAST LANE DEDHAM 1940 -1950'S

I was born in Culver House East Lane in 1941 and lived there for 25 years. The lane was sealed, but conditions were poor. Starting on the left-hand side of the lane from the Castle Hill end is: -

1 Castle Cottages which was occupied by Freddie Mason, and his wife Louis. Fred was a conductor on the Eastern National Green Bus for years. The service ran from Dedham High Street, up Crown Street to the Heath, along Long Road West, left to Ardleigh and onto the Harwich Road via Johnny Boys Hill to the St Johns Bus Park, Colchester. The bus was stabled in a large garage at the bottom of Castle Hill. After retirement Fred spent some 24 years on Thursdays and Sundays, invigilating in the Studio at Munnings Museum.

2 Castle Cottages - the adjoining house, Police Constable Cyril Wiggins lived with his wife Ross, and their 3 children. Yvonne, who eventually became an ambulance driver, married John Hunnable from Dedham. Alan, the middle child, joined the St John's Ambulance Brigade prior to joining the RAF. Subsequently he worked for what was later to become Anglian Water at Langham Waterworks. His claim to fame was as an International Short Form Pistol Shot. He later married Gloria Bills in 1962. The couple lived in Stratford St Mary and had no family. Philip the younger son, married Jennifer Lomax in 1970 and now lives in Capel St Mary. He worked as a painter and decorator and had regular clients in Dedham. After an



Batting - Graham Kitson, Wicket Keeper -Terence Wilby, onlooker - Peter Ling

evening cricket game on the road, a complaint was lodged to Police HQ by Ruth & Teddy Bond. That was the end of playing in the lane. Shortly after this, the family moved to a dedicated Police House in Crown Street adjacent to the Old Boys School. The Wiggins family always had boxer dogs, a tradition that lasted a lifetime with Alan.

Knights Manor built in the 16 century is a grade 1* listed building. The Bonds, who had no children and had an antique business on North Hill, Colchester, became generous friends to the Kitson family. They owned a Hillman car FLM 843. Afternoon tea consisted of tea & bourbon biscuits! Later there were to be trips to West Mersea Beach, sometimes accompanied by the Allgrove family from Grove Hill. The Bonds donated tennis rackets and these were well used by myself and Terry Wilby in the Culver House garden; the net was wire netting suspended from a sugar plum tree to the greengage tree on the south side. On the opposite side of the road, in the first house on the right-hand side lived the Wilby family. Gordon and his wife Violet Smith had 3 children. Terry born 1940, Colin in 1950 and Glynis in 1956. The family moved to Forge Street, with the advent of bathrooms.

Next came a pair of semi-detached houses. The Ling family lived in the first one, George and Sybil, children Clifford, Ena, Ray, Peter, Michael, and Shirley. They also moved to Forge Street. In the adjoining semi lived his father, David, an Chauffer to the Ogilvie Family of Lawford and his wife Jane; she was notable for her appearance, behatted, for the General Election car. The Kitson Family lived in Culver House. Graham known as Peter and Gladys, known as May, had 2 boys, Graham born 1941 and Donald born 1947. Peter was a gardener and May was a cook. Donald served his apprenticeship as a boat builder with Fred Smeeth in Dedham; before emigrating to Australia in 1969. Graham married Margaret Richmond, and they now live in Stratford St Mary.

Next to Culver House, in The Villa lived George Ling's brother, Cecil with his wife Hettie who had a daughter Irene. Cecil, otherwise known as Jack, worked for EDME. Some of their ingredients helped him brew barley wine; an extremely toxic substance for a neighbouring teenager, especially after the second glass - no homework as usual and straight to bed!

In Lyndon was Mrs Spurgeon; a widow who suffered badly with diabetes. She was organist at the Methodist Chapel in Long Road East.

On the next piece of land were some ruins of a former cottage. This was used as an allotment by "Blind Man" Sharp, who lived near to Workhouse Corner. He used a white cane, which he rattled down the walls of East Lane, giving him guidance to locate his allotment.

East Lane today, bears little comparison to the active life of the lane, in former times.

Graham Kitson.

DEDHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL



A big thank you to everyone who came and supported the Dedham Run on September 18th. It raises vitally important funds for the school and the

money raised this year will be going towards developing our outdoor learning environment. Thank you so much to the whole Dedham Run Committee for organising this fantastic community event.



Please know that your enthusiasm, hard work and support of the school is hugely



appreciated. Many congratulations to everyone who completed either the 3K





or the 10K race and a special well done to our trophy winners: Emma and George (fastest Y6 girl and boy); Holly and Toby (fastest Y5 girl and boy); and Liliah and Oliver who won the under nine fancy dress competition. We have had a wonderful start to the school year and we have a calendar full of school events to delight children and adults alike! We have lots of new staff and families who have joined the school community this year so a very warm welcome to each and every one of you. If you have a child who will be starting school in September 2023, or you are looking for a school place in other year groups, please do come along to one of our open days which are taking place this term. Please contact the school office on 01206 322242 for information about dates and times. Laura Valentine

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- Thursday 02 May 1867ROBBING ALLOTMENT GARDEN AT
DEDHAM.

George Sharpe labourer, of Dedham, was charged with stealing quantity of broccoli, value 1s, the property of John Phillips, growing in his garden, on the 20th April. — Mr. Jones appeared for the prisoner.

Complainant said he had an allotment, and last Thursday week he had some broccoli safe on it; on Saturday he missed six; he heard from a young man named Garwood that prisoner was seen to cut them. By Mr. Jones: had known the prisoner for twenty years, but he never knew him charged with stealing anything in his life.

William Garwood, of Dedham, said last Saturday, between eleven and twelve o'clock, while on the allotment ground, he saw the prisoner go and cut some broccoli from one of the allotments; he tied the broccoli up in a handkerchief, and went away with them; he was digging in the allotment ground when he saw the prisoner cut the broccoli; he saw Phillips in the evening, when he asked him if he lost any broccoli, and he said he had; he told him that he had seen the prisoner go and cut his broccoli and carry them away; he was 80 yards from prisoner at the time he saw him; prisoner had no allotment there.

P.C. Murrells said on Thursday morning, the 21st inst., he was informed by prosecutor that he had lost some broccoli; he afterwards went to prisoner's house and asked him whether he had any broccoli; he replied, "no, but I had some yesterday, which I bought of Charles Lott, and I sold them to James Windell" on his (the officer's) going to Windell, he said he bought some broccoli of prisoner for 9d.; then took the bottoms off the broccoli in Windell's possession and compared them with those cut off Phillip's allotment, and they corresponded.

Mr. Jones, in defence, said prisoner purchased the broccoli of a person named Lott, and went and cut them off his allotment, and afterwards sold them to Windell; as the prisoner said he bought the broccoli of another person it was the duty of the prosecutor to have produced Lott, to negative his statement, but he had not done so the case must fail. He cited the decision in the case of the Queen v. Crowburst in support of the point raised.

The bench retired for consideration of the point, and on returning the Chairman said they were of opinion that the case fell to the ground in consequence of the witness Lott not being called to negative the prisoner's statement. He (the Chairman) did not see the case so clearly as his brother magistrates did, and now that he (prisoner) was brought before them could not help telling him that he knew he did steal these broccoli; there had been a great quantity of broccoli stolen, although they did not say that he stole them, or that there was any suspicion against him. He was discharged, and they advised him to be more cautious of his transactions in future

Editor: The allotments referred to in this article were not the current Allotments. The 1925 Ordnance Survey map shows allotments in the Parsons Field and the Essex Standard of 7th July 1894 refers to Parsons Field - "Parson's Field, however, falling vacant, Col. Agassiz kindly came forward and rented the field, which be laid out in allotments"

There were also allotments at Southfields and it may be these that are referred to in the Newspaper article.

GARDENING NOTES

NOVEMBER.

Yes, there's still gardening. As I write this in October, it's been a lovely (possibly unseasonably) sunny weekend, which came with a serious amount of hedge-cutting, time on the allotment and – following my own advice from last month – mowing the lawn. I'm exhausted... but not too exhausted to make some suggestions for how you might like to spend any time you can get in the garden this month. In fact, November is a good, final chance to trim evergreen hedging bef

Although this is by far the worst month of the year with cold, wet slippery leaves, rain and dark long nights, November has one advantage in also being the start of the bare-root season. It means trees and shrubs are dormant and often cheaper to buy, so if you don't have a hedge to cut then now is the time to plant one for five years down the line! If you do buy bare-root, try to plant



Autumn Sedum

them promptly. If the weather isn't ideal or you don't have a permanent space prepared when they arrive, then you can leave them in the bag in a cool place for a bit or heel them into a spare patch of soil.

When you are ready to plant out, soak the bare-root in a bucket of water for 30 minutes or so to rehydrate. Make sure the hole is big enough to let you spread out the plant's roots and that the soil is nice and loose – you want to do all you can to help the roots find water as the soil warms up in spring. Firm the bare-root in well and water, even if the soil (or weather) is wet. Mulch to keep the moisture in and reduce weeds. If you're not planting, it's probably because – like me – you have no room in the garden for anything else.

So spend your time now cutting back in the border, unless you're leaving stems for structure or over-wintering wildlife. I like the look of sedum Hylotelephium 'Herbstfreude' when it's frosted in the morning and it's sturdy enough not to turn to mush for most of winter. Leaving its stems also protects new growth at the base. As I move around cutting back, I'll also remove stakes and supports and the string that holds some of my more



Winter Sedum

unruly plants back.

While you're cutting back, give your bush roses a light prune; it will reduce their height and prevent them rocking themselves loose of the soil in high

GARDENING NOTES

winds. You could try using the prunings to make hardwood cuttings, a technique that's also suitable for shrubs like cornus, hydrangea, salix and forsythia, as well as climbers honeysuckle and jasmine, and fruit from gooseberries to black, red and white currants and figs.

Choose vigorous shoots from this year's growth and cut the tip out (it'll only wilt) and then make 15-30cm lengths. Cut just below a bud at the bottom of each length, then dip the bottom in hormone rooting compound. Insert the cutting in a prepared trench in a spare bit of ground (make it an out of the way spot as they'll take a while to root) or into a deep plant pot so about a third is above the surface. Leave them until summer next year at least (probably longer) and make sure they don't dry out new growth indicates roots have formed and you can consider potting them on.



Root cuttings

If hardwood doesn't do it for you, try root cuttings between November and March while plants are dormant. Papaver (the perennial, oriental poppy), verbascum, Japanese anemones, and phlox are all good candidates. Choose young, slender roots about 5mm thick and cut into pieces: length isn't important. Verbascums and poppies do better if you plant them vertically, while anemones and phlox work better laid horizontally on the compost's surface. If you're inserting them vertically, make sure the top is uppermost or they won't grow.

Finally, I'll get some work done on my fruit trees and bushes to maximise crops next year. I'll apply grease to fruit tree trunks to prevent female winter months climbing up to lay their eggs and reduce the maggots that follow in the fruit. Autumn-fruiting raspberries can be cut back, I'll take out a third of older stems of my blackcurrant bushes, and prune gooseberries by removing stems from the centre. Runners from strawberry plants will also need cutting off from their parents but I can pot them up to grow on (look out for a few in our May plant sale).

So do try to get out in the garden this month. Even though it'll probably be wet, cold, rainy, and dark; try.

Elliott Frisby

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THE DUCHY BARN

The Duchy Barn Community Centre holds its community coffee mornings on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week from 10.30 am - 12 noon. The Barn is available to hire at very reasonable rates for small functions/celebrations/ group meetings etc. To make a booking or for further details contact Anne Rowledge on 01206 322394

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Dedham and the National Grids Proposal for the Location of the East Anglian GREEN Project.

We have all seen the STOP THE PYLONS signs that have appeared everywhere and it is very easy to assume that as the cables will go underground in the AONB Dedham will not be much affected. However this is not strictly true for these reasons:

Not all of the Parish of Dedham is in the AONB (for example Birchwood Road and the Dedham side of Hunter's Chase) so there will be massive 50m pylons in some locations.

Where the cables change from underground to overground National grid have said the pylons will need to be even bulkier. There will also need to be a Sealing End Compound which will be 30m x 80m.

SO WE WILL SEE THESE STRUCTURES BOTH FROM WITHIN THE AONB AND ON LEAVING AND ENTERING THE VILLAGE.

The Process of Underground Cabling raises serious concerns for the following reasons :

Trenches will be between 65 and 100m wide and up to 1.5 m deep. This will obviously have a considerable impact on vegetation.

There are a huge number of trees in Dedham. In places the swathe that has been marked out as potentially containing the trench is 1.5 km wide in places so we do not know for sure exactly where the trench will go. This is not a short-term project. So far the plan is based on desk top study and limited field observations. This produces a lot of questions that have yet to be answered by National Grid and a massive amount of uncertainty over:

- Increased heavy construction traffic in the area?
- Impact on house prices?
- Will the cables 'hum''?
- Will the cables produce excess heat?
- What happens to the soil that is removed?
- How safe are electro magnetic fields, pulses and discharges?

National Grid should be guided by a set of principles known as the Holford Rules that state that AONBs should be avoided. So why are they even thinking of going through the AONB?

Holford Rules also say that the straightest route should be taken. So why does the route in our area form a massive reverse L-shaped (forming two sides of a triangle instead of one)?

There are a few regional campaigns running against the whole scheme which residents are encouraged to support:

1. www.pylonseastanglia.co.uk

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2. Rosie Pearson, from the Essex Suffolk Norfolk Pylons is running an action group : https://www.facebook.com/ groups/718238339216424

She is running a say no campaign under : https://you.38degrees.org.uk/ petitions/say-no-to-180km-of-essexsuffolk-norfolk-pylons-and-build-astrategic-offshore-grid

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3. Bernard Jenkin and other east Anglian MPs are against an overland route and are promoting offshore which National grid are allegedly against on cost grounds. Bernard Jenkin is chair of the offshore electricity grid task force details below.

https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/council-anddemocracy/council-news/show/mpsfrom-norfolk-suffolk-and-essex-andcounty-councillors-unite-to-protect-thecountryside

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Dedham Parish Council are wholly in favour of increased renewable and sustainable energy. We believe however that offshore will have far less environmental impact than the current proposals and we will be supporting campaign groups in strongly encouraging that all cabling for the East Anglia Green Project should be SUBSEA and not onshore. The recent exercise by National Grid was a non statutory consultation to try and garner support from residents for the onshore scheme and there will be a statutory planning application at some stage in the future.

If the actual planning application continues with this onshore scheme then Dedham PC will strongly object to the proposals. We would encourage residents to do the same once the planning process begins in earnest.

> Gill Neville Dedham Parish Council



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NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of Dedham Parish Council will take place on Monday 7th November 2022 at 6:30pm in the Duchy Barn. The Agenda for the Parish Council meeting always includes an open session -Have Your Say and visitors reports (CBC and County Councillors). Questions may not be answered at the meeting but may go on to the next agenda. A maximum of 3 minutes per person/group to make representations to the Parish Council, a total of 15 minutes. The agenda can be viewed on the homepage of the Parish Council website.

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We know that the Dedham Christmas market is a very popular event, and we would love to see it continue into the future. Unfortunately it has just become too big an event to be run by the schools parent group and in order to reinstate ithe market, members of the community have come forward to set up a new committee to organise a Christmas Market for 2023!

The Christmas Market was a big fundraiser for Dedham Primary School and we hope the Winter Fair will be supported to keep the funds going towards our school. There will be lots for everyone so do please come along and enjoy some festive cheer!

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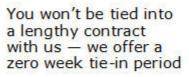
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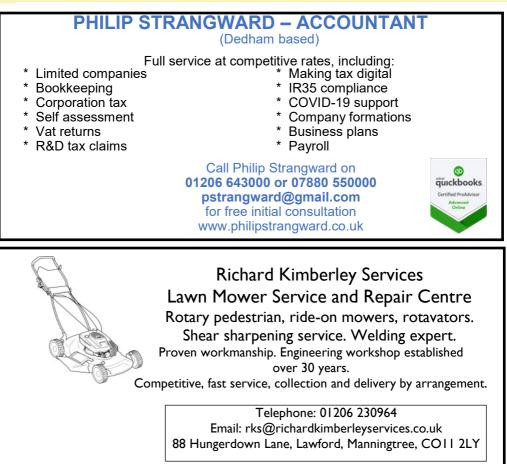
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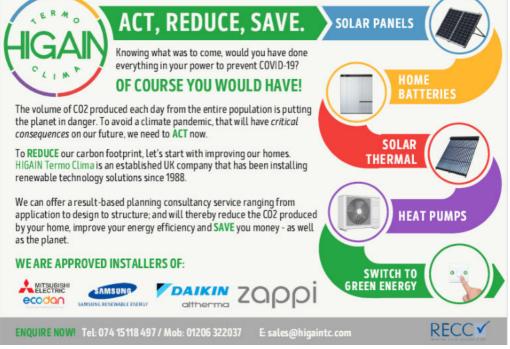


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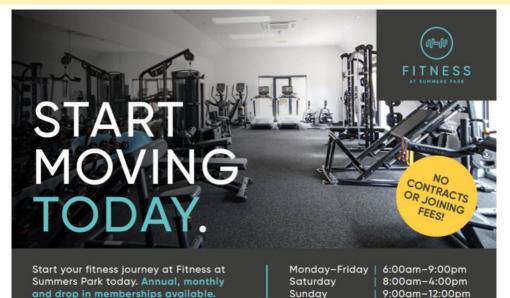


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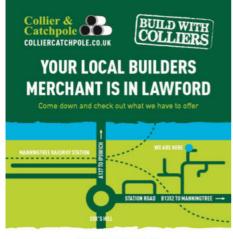


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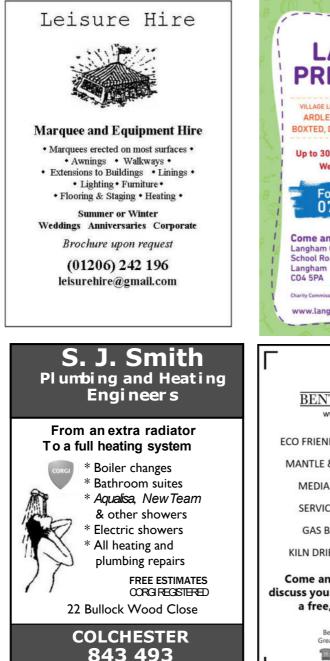
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