



Village News

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GROUP WALKS

Sorry there will be no Group Walk in October but do watch out for more details in our next issue for our November Group Walk to be led by Daphne & John Joyce which will take place on 24th November 2024 in Poringland.




Shelton and Hardwick Cafe Morning

Hardwick Village Hall
Thursday Oct 3rd
10-12



*Everyone welcome, the kettle's on
and there will be cake.*

 *Bring and buy table to raise funds
for the village hall. All surplus
autumn produce gratefully
received.*

Hempnall Art Club

**ART
EXHIBITION**
October 26th & 27th
10.30am to 4-00pm

**Art works for sale by club members
and invited local artists**

Hempnall Village Hall
Bungay Road
Hempnall. NR15 2NG

Home made Cakes
Tea and coffee

Supporting a local charity

Free entry



Thank You!

Colleen Hayter and family would like to thank all the people who came to their dad's aid when he had a fall in Hempnall on Sunday 1st September.

There are so many kind people in Hempnall and we didn't manage to speak to everyone on the day.

~Colleen and family~

PLEASE NOTE!

Bedingham Parish Meeting has been postponed to October 22nd. It will be a bit dark and chilly by then so it will be held in Woodton Village Hall at 7:00pm. The Agenda etc. will be circulated in due course.

If you aren't on the mailing list, please ping an email to bedinghamparish@gmail.com to be added.

Hempnall WI

At our September meeting we were entertained by the mezzo soprano Joan Hocking singing songs from films, theatre and opera. She was so fantastic that she has been asked to come again in the near future. On the first Wednesday of October we will learn about teaching in local prisons from Juyna Lewis. If you are interested in learning more about our meetings, either come along to the Mill Centre, at 7.30pm on 2nd October or contact Cindy Brookes, telephone 499358, email cindylbrookes@icloud.com.

Beccles Indoor Bowls Club

OPEN DAY

Sunday 13 October 2024

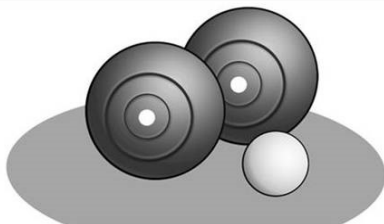
2.00pm - 6.00pm

Then: 6 follow-up Sunday sessions,

10.00am - Midday on:

20 & 27 October

3, 10, 17 & 24 November



What we can offer:

- Coaching
- Free introductory use of equipment
- Fully Licensed Bar
- Social Bowling
- Mens, Ladies, Mixed and open bowls leagues
- Friendly team matches home & away
- Club competitions
- County & National competitions

Enjoy a healthy, active sport and make new friends.

Come along and have a go on an International standard playing surface at one of the top clubs in East Anglia. The Club has over 300 members. All ages and abilities (from 6 years old) are welcome. Please bring clean, soft shoes (i.e. trainers).

Ken Markland Way, Off Common Lane, Beccles NR34 9RH
Tel: 01502 713549 email: becclesindoorbc@gmail.com

- Door to door dial-a-ride service
- Weekly members outings throughout the year
- Group hires for not-for-profit organisations

Borderhoppa Outings for October 2024

Mon 7th	Cherry Lane Garden Centre – Fare £8.00
Mon 14th	Lunch at The Chip Inn, Long Stratton – Fare £8.00
Thu 17th	Brunch at Wortham Tea Shop – Fare £8.00
Mon 21st	Foundry Plant Centre, Tasburgh – Fare £8.00
Mon 28th	The Range & Lunch at The Copper Beech - Fare £18.00
Thu 31st	Latham's & Lunch at Poppylands 1940s Tea Room, Horsey – Fare £20

To book or for more information please call 01379 854800
or visit our website www.borderhoppa.org

Topcroft Parish Council

MEETING DATE 2024

All meetings are held in Topcroft's Sports Pavilion, Topcroft Street, NR35 2BL

- Monday 11th November 2024 7.30 pm

The agenda is displayed three days before the meeting on the village noticeboards and TPC's website: <https://topcroftpc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk>. Planning meetings are arranged as and when required and extra meetings may be scheduled if necessary.

*~ **Members of the public are welcome to attend the meetings** ~
For further details contact the Clerk email: topcroftpc@gmail.com*

"A Get Together with your Computer"

Would you like to join us for a friendly gathering at The Loft in Hempnall Village Hall on Monday 7th October at 1.30pm? We hope to have a Tutor available to help us with Basic IT skills.

Refreshments will be served during the session. Please contact Yvonne Davy by email ydavy01@yahoo.co.uk if you are interested.

What's On @ The Mill, Hempnall

Bar open every Friday from 6pm

1st Friday in the month – Killer Darts from 730pm

Saturday 5th October from 5pm – Churros & Chorizo – Spanish Street Food plus Live Music from Graham McGrotty from 7pm

11th October from 6pm - Food Truck Friday – East Coast Pizza

18th October from 6pm Food Truck Friday –The Wild Thing

Saturday 26th October from 5pm – Halloween Disco with The Brunch Bar & Sugar Rush Hut

Saturday 2nd November – Bar Open after Hempnall Firework Display

Saturday 7th December from 5pm – Surfing Sombrero – California Burritos

To receive details of our upcoming events via email, please let us know at hempnallmillbar@gmail.com

FOOD TRUCKS AT THE MILL HEMPNALL

CHURROS AND CHORIZO
SPANISH STREET FOOD
SAT 5TH OCTOBER - FROM 5PM

COME JOIN US FOR FOOD AND A
DRINK FROM THE BAR IN OUR BEER
GARDEN



HEMPNALL TRUST GRANTS

IT'S OKAY TO
ASK FOR HELP



**Are you struggling with the cost of living
or have an unexpected expense?**

The Hempnall Trust provides grants for residents experiencing need, hardship, or distress. If you've lived in the Hempnall for a year, or more, then you could be eligible for one of our grants, with no means testing involved.

If you would like further information, please contact 07504 699 534 or hempnalltrust@gmail.com

All correspondence is handled in complete confidence and with the upmost discretion.

The Hempnall Trust

The Hempnall Trust is a charity that was set up to help residents who are in need, hardship or distress and to support the community of Hempnall.



We can provide financial grants to those who need them. The Trust owns the Mill & Bar both of which are used to support the local community through lunch clubs, events & room hire in a listed building.

If you would like to find out more about any area of the Hempnall Trust please look at our website www.hempnalltrust.org.uk or email hempnalltrust@gmail.com

Events hosted by The Mill are updated on the Facebook page www.facebook.com/themillbarhempnall & there is a regular What's On email.

If you would like to be added to the distribution list of events, please email hempnallmillbar@gmail.com

We are always on the lookout for new volunteers to help run events or to help out with the Bar.

All Profits go back into the Trust to benefit Hempnall residents.



MILL COFFEE STOP

Do you want to escape your Monday morning chores and have an enjoyable time with friends?

Everyone is welcome for coffee, cakes and more at Hempnall Mill Centre on Monday 7th October,

9.30-12.00

All profits for the Mill Centre



Sundays 4-5pm

The Mill

13th, 20th, 27th October

**All-age community church:
Songs, games, message**

Facebook@LifeSpring
Hempnall

All warmly welcome

**COMMUNITY CAFÉ.
SEETHING VILLAGE HALL
WEDNESDAY 2 till 4pm.**

OCTOBER 16TH

**IN AID OF PRISCILLA BACON LODGE
HOSPICE.**

Offers of Prizes for raffle or tombola would be so welcome and/or come and join us on the day or make a donation to the fund.

Thank you

Why not pop in any time between two and four to enjoy tea/coffee and cake for just a £2-00 donation, you would be so welcome. Hopefully a chance to make new friends or catch up with old ones

Prizes can be left with Margaret at 17 Mill Lane, Seething, with Keith at Post Office/Shop.

Any offers of help or cakes would be welcome!

Please contact JULIE 07984309452

julieelwin@hotmail.co.uk

WHIZZ BANG WHOOSH CRACKLE WHISTLE & POP

THE FRIENDS OF...
THE MINNALT PRIMARY SCHOOL

FIREWORKS

SATURDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

HEMPNALL PLAYING FIELD

GATES OPEN 5PM FIREWORKS BEGIN 7PM

PRE BOOK TICKETS ONLY!

BOOKING DETAILS COMING SOON

**BBQ
LICENSED BAR
MULLED WINE
SWEET TREATS**

PLEASE NO SPARKLERS!

LONG STRATTON MEDICAL PARTNERSHIP

Swan Lane Surgery, Swan Lane, Tharston, Norwich, Norfolk, NR15 2UY

Tel: 01508 530781

We approach another winter. Ensure you take care of your health. Those eligible for immunisations like the Influenza (Flu) and RSV would have heard from the practice and have appointments. Please contact the practice if you haven't heard and are eligible. The practice is only delivering the Covid vaccination to care home and housebound patients.

This month, I focus on communication between the hospital, the practice and patients. Many departments do copy the letter to the GP to you, the patient. This is essential, as it is a summary of the consultation in hospital and it allows you to go over it again in your own time. For us in the practice, it is extremely helpful especially if medication changes have been recommended. This can either be addition of a new medication, cessation of a medication or a dose reduction or increase in medication. If you do not hear from the practice within 2 – 3 weeks of your hospital appointment, please contact the practice through Reception or Dispensary.

In most cases the practice receives the letter in time, but occasionally there can be a delay in the appropriate clinician acting on the information either at the hospital or at the practice, due to various reasons like staff illness, shortage of staff and annual leave. The practice wants to ensure efficient and safe care and is working constantly on trying to improve services. One of the ways would be for you to contact us after a reasonable period which is usually 2 – 3 weeks after a hospital appointment. Please do not run out of your new or adjusted medication before contacting us.

Let us work together to look after your health and to help us practice in a satisfying and productive way.

Have a happy and healthy start to Winter 2024.

~Dr Mini Nelson~



Mobile Library Timetable

Village	Stop Name	Arriva	Departure	Postcode
Hempnall	Old Market Way (Bainard Rise)	14:10	14:30	NR15 2LZ
Hempnall Green	Three Horseshoes	14:35	14:55	MR15 2NN
Topcroft	The Old Chapel	15:00	15:15	NR35 2BL
Topcroft	Church Road	15:20	15:35	NR35 2BH
Hempnall	Road Green Farm	15:40	15:55	NR15 2NQ
Hempnall	Millfields	16:00	16:15	NR15 2NE
Hempnall	Roland Drive	16:20	16:35	NR15 2RB
Fritton	Village Green (post box and bench)	16:40	17:05	NR15 2QS

• 5 October 2024

• 25 November 2024

• 23 December 2024

Please note this information is subject to change or amendment both on a permanent and temporary basis. For all enquires about this route please call 01603 222303

FOOD BANK

Items for our Food Bank are still needed; we are very grateful to all who continue to contribute during this difficult time.

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS:

PASTA

TINNED FISH

TINNED VEGETABLES

NON URGENT ITEMS:

INSTANT NOODLES (NOT POTS)

TINNED POTATOES

MICROWAVE PUDDINGS/CAKES

Donating Food:

Items for the food bank can be left at the back of St Margaret's Church, Hempnall, at the Group Office, Hempnall or in the porch at St Peter's Church, Brooke.

Donating Money: Regular giving is a great way to support the Food Bank

For further details please check out this website: <https://waveney.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>



SATURDAY

16TH

NOVEMBER

2024

A Christmas Craft Fair will be held in Hempnall Village Hall on Saturday 16th November

2024

from 10am - 1pm

in aid of St. Margaret's Church Hempnall.

Why not come and find that special Christmas gift or card?

Coffee, tea & cakes, raffle.

Offers of help, Raffle prizes and cakes or biscuits would be much appreciated.

Please contact Yvonne Davy
or Jill Turner 01508 499344
email ydavy01@yahoo.co.uk



Christmas Bazaar

The Pavilion Topcroft

Saturday 30th November

11am - 3pm

Would you like to have a space to sell your Crafts such as Pottery, Jewellery, Beauty Products, Textiles or anything interesting? If you would like to help in any way, raffle prizes, homemade cakes or help on the day it would be much appreciated. Spaces £10 and if you could provide your own table that would be helpful.

All proceeds to St Margret's Church, Topcroft

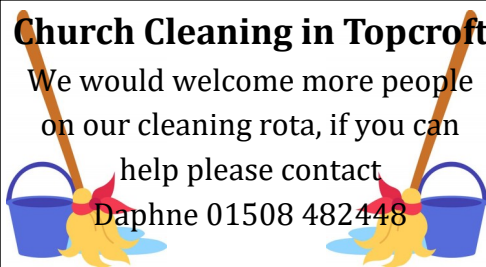
Please contact Jackie 482 267
or jacqueline.leggett@btinternet.co.uk

Church Cleaning in Topcroft

We would welcome more people on our cleaning rota, if you can

help please contact

Daphne 01508 482448



What's on in October and November...

October 2024

Wednesday 2nd October 2024

Hempnall WI Meeting

7:30pm

The Mill Centre, NR15 2LP [p.4]

Thursday 3rd October 2024

Shelton and Hardwick

Café Morning

10:00am-12:00pm

Hardwick Village Hall, NR15 2AB
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Friday 4th October 2024

Killer Darts

from 7:30pm

Hempnall Mill Bar, NR15 2LP [p.6]

Saturday 5th October 2024

Churros & Chorizo-Spanish

Street Food plus Live Music from

Graham McGrotty

from 7:00pm

Hempnall Mill Bar, NR15 2LP [p.6]

Monday 7th October 2024

"A Get Together with your Computer"

1:30pm

The Loft in Hempnall Village Hall,
NR15 2NG [p.5]

Mill Coffee Stop

9:30am-12:00pm

The Hempnall Mill Centre,
NR15 2LP [p.7]

Friday 11th October 2024

Food Truck Friday

East Coast Pizza

6:00pm

The Mill Hempnall, NR15 2LP [p.6]

Saturday 12th October 2024

Bedingham PCC Autumn Fayre

1:00pm-3:00pm

Woodton Village Hall, NR35 2LS
[p.13]

Sunday 13th October 2024

Beccles Indoor Bowls Club

Open Day

2:00pm - 6:00pm

Beccles Indoor Bowls Club,
NR34 9RH [p.4]

LifeSpring October

4:00pm-5:00pm

The Hempnall Mill, NR15 2LP [p.8]

Wednesday 16th October 2024

Seething Community Café

2:00pm-4:00pm

Seething Village Hall, NR15 1EJ
[p.8]

Friday 18th October 2024

Food Truck Friday

The Wild Thing

6:00pm

The Mill Hempnall, NR15 2LP [p.6]

Sunday 20th October 2024

LifeSpring October

4:00pm-5:00pm

The Hempnall Mill, NR15 2LP [p.8]

Tuesday 22nd October 2024

Bedingham Parish Meeting

7:00pm

Woodton Village Hall, NR35 2NG
[p.4]

Saturday 26th &

Sunday 27th October 2024

Hempnall Art Club Art Exhibition

10:30am-4:00pm

Hempnall Village Hall, NR15 2NG
[p.3]

Saturday 26th October 2024

Halloween Disco with The

Brunch Bar & Sugar Rush Hut

from 5:30pm

Hempnall Mill Bar, NR15 2LP [p.6]

Sunday 27th October 2024
LifeSpring October
4:00pm-5:00pm
The Hempnall Mill, NR15 2LP [p.8]

November 2024

Friday 1st November 2024
Killer Darts
from 7:30pm
Hempnall Mill Bar, NR15 2LP [p.6]

Saturday 2nd November 2024
Fireworks Display
From 7:00pm
Hempnall Playing Fields, NR15 2NG
[p.8]
Bar Open after Hempnall
Firework Display
Hempnall Mill Bar, NR15 2LP [p.6]

Monday 11th November 2024
Topcroft Parish Council Meeting
7:30pm
Topcroft Sports Pavilion, NR35 2BL
[p.5]

Monday 11th to Monday 18th
November 2024
Operation Christmas Child
Shoebox Appeal
National Collection Week
(For more details see page 16)

Saturday 16th November 2024
Hempnall Church Christmas Fair
10:00am-1:00pm
Hempnall Village Hall, NR15 2NG
[p.11]

Sunday 24th November 2024
November Walk
(Time to be confirmed)
Poringland

Saturday 30th November 2024
Topcroft Christmas Bazaar
11:00am-3:00pm
The Pavilion, Topcroft, NR35 2BL
[p.11]



BEDINGHAM PCC
WILL BE HOLDING AN
AUTUMN FAYRE
ON SATURDAY
12TH OCTOBER 2024
IN WOODTON
VILLAGE HALL
FROM 1PM TO 3PM
Raffle's - Cakes - Books
Bric-A-Brac & Refreshments
Come and enjoy a chat and a
cuppa with the
Friends of Bedingham
Church.

CONTACT
JANE 01508518007 /
MARGARET 01508482421.

'No man is an Island'

Do you support Norwich City or Ipswich Town or do you support neither?

There are 11 people in a football team on the pitch and many more providing back-up. All working together to make the most of their combined variety of skills.

There are 15 people in a rugby team, two in a tennis doubles team and in all these teams it is the range of aptitudes and personalities that makes it work.

It is the blend of skills that makes the team work not only on the pitch or the court but also in most enterprises.

An orchestra is another kind of team and it is clearly apparent that the different instruments are individual in shape and have distinct functions which all work together to provide a harmonious result.

In everyday life it is this blend of personalities and talents that enriches us.

As your mother or possibly grandmother may have said:

'Two heads are better than one'.

We have a lot of teams that we operate in, though we may not call them that.

There are family teams, school teams, neighbourly teams and little teams of friendship groups, the people we meet occasionally for lunch, the ones we meet by chance walking the dog.

All of these enrich our lives and with them we share our knowledge and tap into their expertise. We ask them for opinions or perhaps get them unasked for, our different personalities rub off on each other and provide spice. Sometimes we compensate for each other but whatever we do leads to a broader understanding of the past, present or the future.

Often, a problem once spoken becomes simple and the way forward obvious almost without advice from another and at other times their commonsense can cut through to find a solution.

There is such a lot to be gained from working together. Birds will flock to feast on a crop of berries and bees have their specific roles.

How lucky we are to be so diverse and thus be able to learn from each other and fill in the gaps in our own knowledge and personalities.



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As John Donne wrote beautifully four hundred years ago about our inter-twining:

‘No man is an island,
Entire of itself;
Every man is a piece of the continent,
A part of the main
If a clod be washed away by the sea,
Europe is the less,
As well as if a promontory were:
As well as if a manor of thy friend’s
Or of thine own were.’



In the New Testament one of Paul’s letters puts it this way:

If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I have no need of you’, nor again the head to the feet, ‘I have no need of you.’ On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable.

First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians, Chapter 12, verses 17-22, 26

So let us rejoice in the fact that as we are all ‘perfectly imperfect’ we can benefit from the presence and membership of our ‘teams’.

Best wishes to all from the Hempnall Group

(Jill Turner and Liam Pilgrim as Co-Chairs of the Joint Council of the Hempnall Group)

Thank You - Something in September

Thanks to everyone who contributed so generously to the sale in Hempnall Church on Saturday. We enjoyed a day in the sun and made £650 for Hempnall Church.

We are very grateful for all the gifts of cakes, produce, plants and pots and to the many people who came along to support us. As ever we thank our splendid team of helpers.



Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal National Collection Week (11-18 November 2024)

Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 220 million shoebox gifts to children in more than 160 countries and territories. Over 11.3 million shoebox gifts were collected globally in 2023, with 237, 735 collected in the UK.

We will be supporting Operation Christmas Child again this year with their Christmas Shoebox campaign. You are invited to fill a shoebox with items to delight children across the world on Christmas morning, assuring them that they are not forgotten and giving them an experience of love.

Shoe boxes are available from the Group Office or you can fill your own box. Why not join with some friends to fill a box, or fill a box from your organisation or club. Perhaps you are unable to get out and about or just don't have the time to go shopping. Why not build a shoebox online! For details see the website: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/shoebox-online> which will give full instructions.

Ideas for what to put inside are available at the Operation Christmas Child website: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox> along with full instructions.

If you are the crafty type there are also knitting, crochet and sewing patterns to download on the website here: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/resources/54>

Boxes must be returned to the Group Office by **Monday 18th November 2022**

The Group Office is open Monday-Thursday 9:00am-12:30pm

Telephone: 01508 498157

Email: hempnallgroup.office@btinternet.com

Church Cleaning in Hempnall

We would welcome more people on our cleaning rota, if you can help please contact

Jill Turner on 01508 499344



**You are warmly invited to Our
Commemoration Service**



Remembering our loved ones who have died

**At Hempnall Parish Church
On Sunday 3th November 2024 at 3pm**

Do let us know if you hope to come, there will be space
for all to be comfortably seated.

The Group Office, The Rectory, The Street,
Hempnall, Norwich, NR15 2AD

Tel: 01508 498157

(office hours: 9am-12.30pm Mon-Thurs)

Email: hempnallgroup.office@btinternet.com



**A Family
Christmas
Celebration
24th December
Hempnall Church**



Would you like to be involved in this year's
Christmas Eve Celebration? Nativity play,
Community Choir, Mini-band...

Get in touch: Hannah Gray 07801 355758.

Look out for more information in November Village News

Rehearsals start late November on Sunday late
afternoons.



All very welcome!



6th Oct 4-4.45pm

Hempnall Church

All-age community service

Songs Story Games

All welcome!



The Brooke Benefice and The Hempnall Group

Remembrance Day Services



Sunday 10th November 2024

10:00am Remembrance Service in Brooke Church

10:00am Remembrance Service in Seething Church

10:50am Act of Remembrance at Hempnall War Memorial

Followed by 11:15am Remembrance Service in
Hempnall Church

10:50am Act of Remembrance in Bedingham Churchyard

10:50am Remembrance Service in Fritton Church

10:50am Remembrance Service in Hardwick Church

10:50am Remembrance Service in Topcroft Church

10:50am Act of Remembrance in Woodton Church

12:30pm Act of Remembrance in Hardwick Airfield

CHURCH SERVICES OCTOBER 2024...

6th October Trinity 19 Proper 22 and Harvest Thanksgivings	10:30am	Harvest Thanksgiving	Seething Church
	10:30am	Celebrating with our animals	Bedingham Church
	10:30am	Harvest Thanksgiving	Morningthorpe Church
	10:30am	Harvest Thanksgiving	Topcroft Church
	4:00pm	Family Praise	Hempnall Church
	6:30pm	Harvest Thanksgiving <i>(Led by Bishop Graham of Norwich)</i>	Brooke Church
13th October Trinity 20 Proper 23 and Harvest Thanksgivings	10:30am	Harvest Thanksgiving	Kirstead Church
	10:30am	Holy Communion <i>(Led by Revd Michael Windridge, Rural Dean of Depwade Deanery)</i>	Hempnall Church
	4:00pm	Harvest Thanksgiving	Woodton Church
20th October Trinity 21 Proper 24 and Harvest Thanksgiving	10:30am	Holy Communion <i>(Revd Canon Richard Capper, Canon Emeritus; Bishop's Officer for Retired Clergy, Widows and Widowers)</i>	Brooke Church
	10:30am	Harvest Thanksgiving	Bedingham Church
27th October Last after Trinity Proper 25	10:30am	Morning Worship	Thwaite Church
	10:30am	Holy Communion <i>(Revd Canon Susanna Gunner, Diocesan 'Public Preacher'; Honorary Canon and an Honorary Chaplain to the King)</i>	Topcroft Church
	6:00pm	Evening Service	Via Zoom

Further details of all our church services and events can be found at the Hempnall Group Website <https://hempnallgroup.co.uk/> or the Brooke Benefice Website <https://brooke.churchnet.co/>

The Hempnall Group: news about clergy

1. *New posts*

We're pleased to share the news that we shall be able to advertise before long for two clergy posts, to serve across both the Hempnall Group of Parishes and the adjoining Brooke Benefice. Both of which have been in clergy vacancy since the spring.

Following recent consideration by the Bishops of Thetford and Norwich, by all our Parochial Church Councils and by our Joint Council, the plans are as follows:

- Each benefice – the Hempnall Group and the Brooke Benefice – will remain legally independent. (We won't be joining into one new, combined benefice). So we shall each retain our own governance structures as now.
- The two benefices will be linked through the appointment of two priests in common, each working across both benefices.
- One post will be full-time, with the appointee becoming Rector (or Priest-in-Charge) in both benefices.
- The other post will be part-time (to be what is called a 'House for Duty' appointment and equating to a half-time position), to serve as 'Team Minister' [exact title to be decided] in both benefices.
- Both posts will be advertised together.
- One postholder will live in the present Hempnall Rectory and the other in the current Brooke Vicarage, respective locations to be decided at time of appointment.
- Our two benefices will share between them the resources and the costs of the above package with its c.1.5 fte (*full-time equivalent*) clergy.
- The Ministry Team as a whole – including Licensed Lay Ministers (LLMs) and Authorised Worship Assistants (AWAs) – will be in common, working together as at present.

Importantly, this structure preserves the identity of each benefice while offering, through pooling resources, the advantages of having a clergy team.

Work is now underway to prepare the necessary 'profiles' and other documentation needed for advertisement etc and we shall be consulting PCCs on this in the coming weeks. Nationally, it's not easy to recruit clergy at the moment but we hope and pray that suitable candidates will come forward. We'll report further in due course.

2. Revd Michael Windridge - appointment as Rural Dean of Depwade Deanery (and licensed as Associate Priest in the Hempnall Group)

The Bishop of Norwich has recently announced the appointment of the Revd Michael Windridge as Rural Dean of Depwade Deanery and (to enable that appointment) Michael's licensing to the Hempnall Group (the title to be 'Associate Priest'). The commissioning / licensing service will be conducted by Bishop Ian of Thetford in **Hempnall Church on Monday 7th October at 7pm and all are warmly invited to attend.** There will be refreshments.

Many will recall that Michael was a Curate in the Hempnall Group in the 1990s and he has been a resident in one of our parishes for many years. In his role as Rural Dean he will be supporting ministry in benefices across a wide area (from Brooke to Mulbarton, including Long Stratton).

During our vacancy Michael and several other local clergy have kindly been assisting with provision of Holy Communion services, funerals, weddings, baptisms etc, while our lay ministry team lead a variety of other services. Those existing arrangements will continue while we seek to put in place the intended new package, as described above.

If anyone has any questions or comments, do please contact your local Churchwarden/ Designated Person or let us know.

With best wishes

~Liam Pilgrim and Jill Turner~

Co-Chairs of the Joint Council of the Hempnall Group of Parishes

Emmaus 'Walk for Life'

Starting in August, a small group from the Emmaus community at Ditchingham has been undertaking a long-distance *Walk of Kindness* from St David's in Wales back to Norfolk to highlight issues linked with homelessness. The walkers are using the route of the *Via Beata* pilgrimage. They'll be arriving at Ditchingham on October 10th – World Homeless Day – and shortly before that will be passing through the southern part of the Hempnall Group area.

Next month's *Village News* will contain a report about the walk and about Emmaus, which is the charity we're especially supporting this year. Meanwhile, to find out more, or to make a donation, see:

<https://emmaus.org.uk/norfolk-waveney/wok/>

Happy Birthday to....

Children

- * Evie who will be 11
- * Ivy who will be 5

Teenage

- * Samuel who will be 16
- * Thomas who will be 13
- * Rosanna who will be 13
- * Oscar who will be 18
- * Emily who will be 17



From the Registers....

Funerals

- † 18th September 2024, Patricia Warpole, aged 95 years. Service at Waveney Memorial Park & Crematorium.
- † 4th September 2024, Susan Elizabeth Jarrett, aged 73 years. Funeral and Burial at St Margaret's Church, Hempnall.

Baptisms

- ⦿ 1st September 2024, Bertie Aubrey Ellis Neave, Baptism at St Peter's Church, Brooke.
- ⦿ 1st September 2024, Libby Rosa Emms, Baptism at St Peter's Church, Brooke.



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