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## Woolverstone News

October 29th 2017

*Dear All*

*I was walking down Glebe Lane the other day and, on reaching the northern corner of Glebe Wood, happened to turn round and scan the horizon towards Woolverstone. It was then I realised that what I could see was very close to the original setting of our estate village. The main road is set on a sweeping curve and to my left the buildings of Home Farm were clear and as my eyes moved to the right took in the estate cottages, Berners Hall, the Widows Homes and Village School - almost without interruption from modern buildings. It gave pause for thought. Try it yourself and - just for a moment - step back into the past. A little further down the lane and you will come to two white posts that mark our Roadside Nature Reserve. The rare plant found there is called Orpine. Learn more here: <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/assets/planning-waste-and-environment/suffolks-countryside-and-wildlife/RNRs/Woolverstone-RNR-46.pdf>*

### **Babergh District Council – New Joint Local Plan 2018 - 2036**

The Parish Council is working hard on their response to the new Joint Local Plan consultation document. We will post our response on the website on completion. However, it is also important that there are responses from individuals as well. Not all the questions are relevant to Woolverstone. However, some are:

- Q5. What is most important for your town or village?
- Q12. Do you agree with the proposed joint settlement hierarchy?
- Q13. Where should houses be built in Babergh's district?
- Q19. Should the Councils be prioritising the provisions of any particular types of housing?
- Q26. How should we decide on housing growth in rural areas?
- Q64. What do you consider the key infrastructure issues in your community?
- Q74. Where should Woolverstone's settlement boundary be?
- Q78. Do you consider identified development sites (Glebe Field - SS0255 - and field behind Berners Hall between Berners Hall and Widows Homes - SS0203) to be appropriate for allocation or inclusion within the settlement ?

Details of the plan can be found on the website at this link:

<https://baberghmidsuffolk.jdi-consult.net/localplan/>

You need to register your email address if you want to use the interactive pages for your online comments; the link to this is on the above page. When you open the "BMSDC Joint Local Plan Consultation Document (Interactive)" you will be asked to register an account. Once this is done you will see the document in a way you can interact with. Click on the pen icon  when you wish to write something. Click on the magnifying glass icon  when you want to see what has already been written. You do not have to answer all the questions!

All responses to the draft plan must be submitted before 5.00 pm on 10th November!

The Local Plan, when finalised by BDC, will plot development in Woolverstone and on the Peninsula over the next 18 years. We need to make sure we have made a detailed and careful response so our voice and views are clearly heard.

### **Some Dates for your Diary:**

#### **St Michael's Churchyard. Maintenance team. Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 10.00 -12.00**

Restoration and maintenance volunteers: keeping our churchyard and open spaces beautiful.

If you would like to join in with this venture, please come to the Churchyard prepared with tools, if you can: shears, edging tools, secateurs, rake, strimmer, wheel barrow. Anything that you might feel is useful in creating a true wildlife garden in "God's corner". There might also be some work undertaken at Horsepond's Green.

#### **Monthly Morning Market at St Michael's Church. Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Nov 9.00 – 12.30**

Don't miss the bacon butties! Or, the Woolverstone sausage! Delicious!! All made with meat from Stuart and Cheryl at East End Butchers, East Bergholt. You can pre-order meat for collection. There will be local fruit and veg from Tattingstone and specialist artisan breads from Anchor Bakery. Plus:

- ✓ Coffee, tea, bacon butties, Woolverstone sausages
- ✓ Crafts: jewellery, glass, wood, cards, furniture, knitting, crochet
- ✓ Food: cakes, sausage rolls, bread, fruit, veg, eggs, jams, chutneys, pastries, cheeses
- ✓ Anchor Bakery breads
- ✓ Plants, shrubs, trees and bird food
- ✓ Antiques and Art work
- ✓ Cards, quilting

Take a chance to catch up with friends and neighbours and buy some local produce in the most beautiful and peaceful surroundings.

#### **Remembrance Service. Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. Berners Hall War Memorial 10.55 am**

There will be a Remembrance Service held at Berners Hall and outside at the War Memorial on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November. The service starts at 10.55.

**"Myrtle and Mint" Christmas Workshop. Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov. Berners Hall 10 – 6.00 pm**

We are delighted and so lucky to have encouraged the talented florists from "Myrtle and Mint" to run a Christmas workshop at Berners Hall, Woolverstone. "Myrtle and Mint" opened in Ipswich in 2008. They have devoted themselves to creating beautiful flower arrangements. They have a passion for what they do and create simply stunning arrangements

The day will be divided into two sessions

1. Wreath Making 10am - 2pm £55 per person
2. Table Decoration 3pm - 6pm £35 per person

There are 15 places for each session. This cost includes all materials and refreshments. Organised by Friends of Woolverstone, village residents have the first opportunity to attend before wider advertisement takes place. The prices are very reasonable for the quality of the tuition being offered.

If you would like to sign up for one or both of these workshops please contact Jen Young ([j\\_s\\_young@icloud.com](mailto:j_s_young@icloud.com)) or Rowan Cousins ([cousinsrowan@aol.com](mailto:cousinsrowan@aol.com) / 780506)

**Pie and Punch Sunday 3rd Dec. Berners Hall 10-12.30.**

Punch and Pie is a traditional Woolverstone event to bring people in the village together before Christmas. Come along for some convivial conversation and a glass of warm Punch with a Mince Pie.

This year we would like to hear from people with a hobby or craft they might like to turn into a small business, or from small businesses that might like to test the market further by hiring a table at our event at £10.

Already we have "Curbie Cakes" - two young people who want to start a small business and Monica Taylor who makes jewellery. There will be wreaths and table decorations from "Myrtle and Mint". If you would like to book a table then please contact: Elspeth Iskander ([ciskander@aol.com](mailto:ciskander@aol.com) / 780751 ), Jen Young ([j\\_s\\_young@icloud.com](mailto:j_s_young@icloud.com) ) or Rowan Cousins ([cousinsrowan@aol.com](mailto:cousinsrowan@aol.com) / 780506 )

There will also be sausage rolls and mince pies for the freezer and luxury Mincemeat from Friends of Woolverstone.

## **Helping our Community**

### **Local History**

It would be great to collect and digitise more photographs and recollections from the past in Woolverstone. The history of the Widows Homes, Berners Hall, Woolverstone House, the Saw Mill at the Timbers, the Post Office in Number 24 Main Road, war time recollections to name but a few. Most recently, gathering recollections from the period at Woolverstone Hall of the London Nautical Training School 1947 -1952.

So, could we set up a Woolverstone history group? If you think you might like to be part of helping to set up this group, contribute photographs or memories or write up a topic, then please make contact with me or Jen Young. Let's see what we can do!

### **Parish Councillor**

We have a vacancy for one Parish Councillor. If you think you would be interested in being part of the PC and would like to know more, please get in touch (780009)

### **Community Speedwatch**

If you would like to be part of the team to help keep the traffic flow through the village to safe limits, please make contact with me. We've got the kit but need to get this project moving and regular. (780009)

*If you know your neighbour is not on the internet, or does not get this newsletter, please print of a copy and drop it through their letter box. If you know someone who would like to be on the mailing list please ask them to send me an email to the address below and I will add them to the group email list. Many thanks.*

Best wishes

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