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Longwater – William Frost Way	10.06am	Marlingford – Bell	1.15pm
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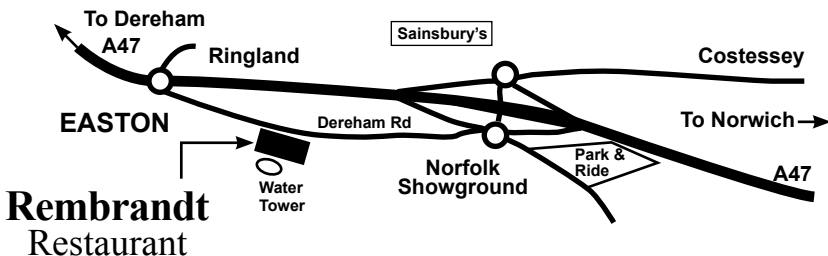
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# THE Grapevine

## Hello!

I'm Annette Hudson and I've taken over from Clare Howard as editor of your community news magazine – which is why your Grapevine may be looking a little different this month. I'm intending to carry on the great work Clare has been doing with lots of local info and events being featured each month. I'd also like to include some stories from you – the people who live and work in this community. I used to live in Colton myself and I know what a friendly lot they are there!

So don't be shy - maybe you have some memories or pictures of how things used to be in your village, stories about growing up in the area or maybe you want to tell me what you think about something currently going on that has made an impression on you.

I'm also a great quiz fan so look out for a few quizzes to exercise the brain cells! I'm hooked on

A lovely example of yarn bombing outside Easton post office!



Wordle at the moment - some of those are fiendish... SO! The deadline for getting items into next month's printed issue is **June 15**. Send your contributions to: **annettegh57@gmail.com by that date please**. See below for details about how to send the files. Well that's it - I look forward to hearing from you!

**Annette**

**If you are sending a story, you can send it as a text document or write it in an email to me. If you want to send one of your own pictures, it must be high resolution (300dpi) and can be supplied separately in black and white or colour as a jpeg or tif file. If you are taking pictures with your phone, please make sure it is set to medium or high resolution. Logos: These can be supplied as jpeg, tif, eps or pdf files.**

# YOUR VILLAGE HALL NEWS

## Marlingford

### ● Jubilee picnic cancelled

Marlingford Village Hall Committee has decided to cancel the Jubilee Picnic Tea, due to have been held on Sunday June 5th at 2.30 in the Village Hall.

We will be celebrating The Queen's 70 years later in the year, when we will be buying a new bench to mark the occasion, and having a tree planting event.

### ● Cricket match and barbecue

Marlingford Cricket Club is still holding a cricket match on June 5 starting at 1pm at their Mill Road ground where their bar will be open. There will be a BBQ after the match. All support would be most welcome.

*Mary Wyndham, on behalf of Marlingford Village Hall Committee.*

## Colton

### ● Hall for hire

The village hall has been newly refurbished and is ready for hire for your event with room for around 50 people.

Wet afternoon? Hire the hall's table tennis table, or maybe try carpet bowls. Contact secretary

**Vicky Green on 01603 881336**

### ● Need to sell some items?

There will be a **table-top sale** at Colton village hall on **Saturday, June 18th**. Sellers can book a table for £5 by calling **Vicky Green** on **01603 881336** or emailing **coltonvillagehall@gmail.com**

### ● Summer barbecue is back!

Put this date in your diary - **Saturday, July 16** and get yourself along to the Colton summer barbecue. There will be a prize raffle – bring your own drinks. Starts at 5pm.

### ● Thursday coffee morning

All are welcome to the coffee morning every Thursday in Colton village hall from 10am to 12pm. Drink and biscuits: 50p. Bacon roll: £1.50.

### ● Meet the neighbours

This village hall event which was held in April was a great success with residents of Colton popping in during the morning for a cuppa and the chance to meet other neighbours in the village. Those who attended kindly raised £100 for the Ukraine DEC appeal.

### ● Grateful donation

*The Grapevine* would like to thank Colton Village Hall Committee for their generous donation of £100 towards the cost of producing the printed editions of the magazine.

## Easton

### ● Easton Good Companions

On April 28th we had a very interesting talk by Dr. Jan Sheldon (pictured) on **St. Martin's Housing Trust** which is also our charity of the year. Jan came to give us a talk during lockdown which was attended by just a few of the stalwarts of the club but this time her visit was much better supported. We had a wonderful **Golden Wedding** party on May 12th for Ben and Ann Harrowven with the Martin Singers providing the entertainment. The buffet was fabulous and we all felt privileged to be able to share in their Golden Wedding Anniversary celebrations with their family. **Easton Good Companions** is open to over 50s and takes place every two weeks, Thursday from 2pm.



*Tony Perry*



### ● Easton Pop-In

Every Tuesday morning 10am – 11.45am. Come and meet your friends for coffee, tea and biscuits.

*Brenda Daynes and Tony Perry*

## Do you miss having a printed copy of the Grapevine to read over a nice cuppa?

I've spoken to many residents in our community and they all say the same – when can we expect to have our regular printed copy again? Well, the pandemic forced *The Grapevine* online but now we really would like to produce printed copies more regularly again. The problem is cost. Paper prices have risen a lot since the start of the pandemic as have printing costs. We obviously have some advertising revenue but it won't cover the cost of regular printing. If we had a cover price, it would be 50p, which works out at £5 per year for the 10 editions – a bargain! So, if you would like to contribute to the cost of production for the printed magazine, you can do so by bank transfer using these details:

**Account name:**

**The Grapevine Magazine**

**Account number: 20420956**

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Thank you in advance – I'm off to put the kettle on...

*Annette (Editor)*

## Where to find your new recycling centres

The recycling centres at Ketteringham and Mile Cross closed at the end of last year. There are now two new centres open in Norwich for recycling.

### Norwich South Recycling Centre

The opening hours are:

**9am – 5pm** (April to Sept)

**9am – 4pm** (October to March).

Located off the junction of the **A140/A47** (not accessible from the B113 entrance).

### Norwich North Recycling Centre

The opening hours are:

**9am – 5pm** (April to Sept).

**9am – 4pm** (October to March).

The recycling centre, which is near to Norwich airport, is located off the roundabout on the **A140 Cromer Road / A1270 Broadland Northway (NDR) junction.**

The address is Morse Road, Horsham St Faith, Norwich NR10 3JX.





## Key features of the new centres

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- Larger reuse shop (N South – due to open spring 2022)
- One-way system for smooth traffic flow and reduced queues
- Plenty of parking for cars and bikes
- No steps on N North site as the bins are at a lower level
- Pay As You Throw service for disposal of DIY waste
- Trade waste service for small businesses
- The site will not close for essential waste collection and servicing operations

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Please do not take any waste, recycling or other materials to **Mile Cross or Ketteringham closed recycling centres**. CCTV is in operation at the sites and any waste disposal may be investigated as fly tipping, which could result in legal action.

## Cancellation of tablet blister pack collections

**By the time you receive this month's copy of *The Grapevine*, I will have withdrawn all the blister pack collection boxes and put a copy of this statement in their place.**

It is with great frustration that I have had to make the decision to stop the blister pack collections. This decision has been forced upon me as there is currently no suitably large enough facility to collect or process large volumes of blister packs.

Before launching the scheme, I agreed twice with the Superdrug Pharmacy in St. Stephens, Norwich that they were happy to take our recycling but, having taken in our first somewhat large collection, they

have now retracted from that on the grounds that they do not have the storage capacity in their store and cannot take what they consider to be 'commercial' amounts of recycling.

I have contacted Terracycle who processes the blister packs and they have advised me that they have recently cancelled their agreement with Superdrug stating that they do not currently have the facility to process the large volumes of blister packs they were receiving and are now only accepting recycling from designated commercial establishments.

Superdrug on the other hand has now started their own recycling



scheme but again cannot currently cope with large scale volumes and are only accepting small bags of blister packs from individuals. The collection boxes are now stored in our loft space until such time as a company is willing to undertake the task of processing the blister pack mountain – and a very large mountain it is!

I was blown away by the way you responded to the scheme and also from individuals outside our communities who had heard about us and wanted to join in or start

there own scheme. Having collected three very large sacks in the first five weeks, it makes you realise just how big the problem is.

In the mean time, as individuals you can still take your blister pack recycling into Superdrug on St. Stephen’s in Norwich which I realise is not the most convenient of locations and I thank you for your enthusiasm and support.

“We have been a victim of our own success” as they say.

*Judy Scrivener*

## Mobile library 2022 – June and July dates

### Marlingford – Route: CEN 317

**Wednesday: June 8; July 6;**

#### Stop no

#### Arrives

#### Departs

#### Postcode

18: Colton Road near Home Farm

2.10pm

2.25pm

NR9 5HS

20: Mill Road

2.30pm

2.45pm

NR9 5HU

### Colton –Route: CEN 319

**Wednesday June 15; Jul 13;**

38: Ex post Office

5pm

5.15pm

NR9 5DB

### Easton –Route: CEN 419

**Thursday June 9; July 7;**

6: Parkers Close

10.45am

11am

NR9 5EE

8: Marlingford Road

11.05am

11.25am

NR9 5AD

10: Marlingford Way

11.30am

11.50am

NR9 5HB

12: Kennedy Close

11.55am

12.10pm

NR9 5EY

14: St Peter’s Drive

12.15pm

12.45pm

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# Come and Celebrate Norfolk Day!

Wednesday July 27, 2pm to 4pm

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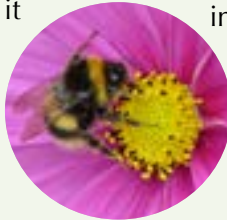
## News from Easton Women's Institute

### Laughter - it's catching!

We had a very different meeting in May when we learned all about Laughter Yoga. Some of us found laughing at nothing in particular quite hard but laughter is infectious and it did raise our spirits to watch other people. Our teacher, Kevin, made it almost impossible not to join in for at least some of the session!

### Presentation to Pamela

Also at this meeting, a presentation for service to Easton WI was made to **Pamela Hooker** who has been a member of Easton WI since the 1960s and during the intervening years has taken on a number of roles including President, Vice President, Secretary and most recently, minutes secretary for the monthly meetings. She is now going to enjoy just being a member and not being one of the officers! Thanks go to Pamela for all her hard work! It is very difficult to keep



any organisation going without people who are willing to fill the committee roles and Easton WI has almost certainly continued to exist because of the people who have given their time so willingly.

### The wonder of bees

On **Thursday, June 9th** at 7.30pm in Easton Village Hall, we shall be learning all about the wonder of bees when beekeepers Margot and Peter Markham come and share their love of the insects with us.

**Can all our members note that although it says in our programme this meeting is on 19th June that is a typing error and it really will be happening on June 9th!!**

### Intrigued?

In July, Christine Chapman will be coming to demonstrate 'Lamp work' If you are unsure what that is and would like to find out, we would be pleased to welcome visitors to join us for this meeting.

*Mary Blathwayt*

## Here's your chance to help our police force

### Can you spare some time to help?

Norfolk Police are asking local residents to complete a short survey about engagement to better understand how the public want to hear from them.

Earlier this month the force launched a **Public Engagement Survey**, which aims to make sure people can get the right information when they want it and in a way that's right for them.

**The survey is quick and easy to complete, taking no longer than 10 minutes to fill in and any information provided is anonymous.**

Chief Constable Paul Sanford said:

"We always strive to keep our communities updated on local policing issues and the work we do to keep them safe.

"Our priority is to deliver exceptional policing for Norfolk and keeping people informed about our work in their local community plays



a big part in achieving this.

"We communicate with the public in many ways, be that face-to-face in local meetings or online through our website and social media.

"However, what we want to know is if we're doing this in the right way which meets the needs of our communities.

"Keeping up to date with local policing issues can be important for many people and we'd really appreciate their time in helping us shape this better for the future."

● **To take part in the survey, visit [www.norfolk.police.uk](http://www.norfolk.police.uk) or click here: [smartsurvey.co.uk/s/LK2S0T/](https://smartsurvey.co.uk/s/LK2S0T/)**

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# Easton Parish Council – Annual Report

**From Cllr Ben Moyo,  
Vice-Chairman, May 2022**

## **Your Parish Councillors:**

**Chairman: Cllr Stuart Renders**

**Vice Chairman: Cllr Ben Moyo**

**Cllr Peter Milliken**

**Cllr Peter McCarter**

**Cllr David Lewis**

After a couple of unforeseen years, I'm glad to say a sense of normality has returned, although we have moved from the coronavirus pandemic to a cost-of-living crisis, so challenging times are still ahead.

I joined the Parish Council to lend my time and expertise to planning matters, however, I was just getting up and running but then in extraordinary circumstances numerous councillors left, resulting in four of us having a large workload and significant responsibility. Ultimately, I had two choices – walk away like others or do my bit for the benefit of parishioners to the best of my ability. For better or worse, I chose the latter and was soon in the deep end as Vice-Chairman and Acting Chairman of Easton Parish Council. From there, we have run an efficient operation so I'll now provide an update on our achievements in the last year.

At the end of Cllr Milliken's report

last year, he outlined what needed doing and I am pleased to say we have progressed on these objectives.

**Jubilee Playing Field:** Firstly, we have completed the rejuvenation of the Jubilee Playing Field including new fencing, signs, equipment, removal of ivy and refurbishment of the MUGA.

**Play areas:** Secondly, both the under-fives and main play areas in College Heights have been repaired and improved. This includes significant investment in new equipment such as large climbing pieces. We have also installed fencing around this area to make it a safer place to play.

We are looking at the options regarding the refurbishment or replacement of the original equipment at both parks as these are now looking dated and are developing safety issues after years of use.

St Peter's Drive has been done up with shipwreck-themed equipment and, after some initial issues, equipment has also been installed in Cardinal Close.

**Bus shelter:** One of our key aims was to revive the bus shelter opposite Marlingford Road. Both the exterior and interior murals look fantastic and we thank Mark from Harper Art Services for his excellent work.

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**Village sign:** We have also improved the area around the village sign, including the pump, bench and the amazing new sign itself with thanks to Ian Wickham.

**Covid Recovery Fund :** Special thanks to Revd Penny Goodman who has helped administer the Covid Recovery Fund. We gave more than £1500 to four local community groups and are looking to give a further round of funding to provide additional support to our treasured groups.

**Handyman:** After months of advertising, we now have someone who has already got stuck in repairing the bus shelter and fixing issues on the allotment site.

**Litter:** The campaign against litter has proved effective as it's got people thinking, talking and acting, in turn improving the appearance of our village.

**New Village Hall:** We have almost secured planning permission for the this and are excited to soon be progressing with the construction of the project. Traffic-calming measures will be brought in around the school as part of this development easing concerns many residents currently have about the safety of the area.

**Traffic calming:** A traffic island will be put in place on Dereham Road between the bus stops near the

Bawburgh Road junction and will hopefully be the first of more traffic calming measures in that area. The bus stop to the north of Dereham Road at this junction will also be replaced and brought forward in coordination with the Orbit Homes development.

**Planning:** We submitted responses to many planning applications – more details are on the South Norfolk District Council website.

**A47:** We made representations and attended a hearing with the Planning Inspectorate in support of the A47 Easton to North Tuddenham Development Consent Order which is crucial for the wellbeing and safety of residents of Easton both sides of the A47.

**Solar farm:** We supported an application for a photovoltaic development in Colton (of which associated infrastructure is in Easton) due to the extensive significant benefits this will provide.

**SEN school:** We supported the SEN school along Dereham Road as well as submitting several responses to householder applications.

**Safe crossing:** We have made comments on the Dereham Road footway/cycleway and the proposals for the safe crossing of the A47 at the Longwater Interchange, and continue to liaise with the relevant bodies over this crucial scheme.

**Billboard:** We objected to an application for an oversized billboard at the Southern Longwater Roundabout for appearance and safety issues.

**Farm shop proposal:** We made comments against the Royal Norfolk Agricultural Associations proposal for a 'farm shop' on the showground site opposite the Premier Inn citing concerns over highway issues, a lack of local need and the troubling precedent it would set.

**Diocese House:** We also made comments relating to the variation of conditions of a previous planning permission at Diocese House to safeguard the wellbeing of residents and protect the area. These were all in addition to the ongoing dialogue with Orbit Homes and Persimmon Homes regarding their respective developments.

**Key areas:** Lots of progress has been made and we have submitted formal responses alongside making comments on draft plans on key areas such as the allotments, open space and the layout of forthcoming phases. These developments are currently in limbo due to Natural England's Nutrient Neutrality restrictions which is impacting development in 74 local authorities across England.

### Going forward we will:

- Complete the improvements to the play areas on College Heights
- Continue to fight for traffic calming measures along Dereham Road and the Longwater Interchange
- Continue to work with Orbit Homes and Persimmon Homes as they build out their schemes
- Oversee build of the new village hall, hoping for this to be complete in approximately a years' time
- Review the Easton Neighbourhood Plan ensuring it is up-to-date and continues to provide the basis against which planning applications are assessed

I would also like to give very special thanks to Cllr Milliken for his continued hard work. The Parish Council would not run without his efforts. I would also like to thank our clerk Gina for coming in at a troubled time but fitting in so well and getting the job done.

I would like to express gratitude to Cllr McCarter for his litter-picking activities as well as placement of the SAM2 devices despite incidences of abuse. Also, thanks to Daniel Hardwick for collating and publishing the traffic data generated by the SAM2 devices. And thanks to all the councillors for their input. I hope this coming year can be as successful as the last.



# Marlingford and Colton Parish Council

## Jubilee celebrations

The Parish council has been successful in securing a jubilee grant from South Norfolk Council.



See page 12 for Jubilee events.

## Annual Parish Council Meeting

The annual parish council meeting was held on May 17 at Marlingford Village Hall.

**John Morse** was voted in as Chairman for the year and **Paul Hammerton** as Vice- Chairman. Their contact details can be found at [marlingfordcolton.wixsite.com/mcpc/councillors](http://marlingfordcolton.wixsite.com/mcpc/councillors) or by contacting the Clerk (details follow).

## Amenity Areas

Work is ongoing to secure a new lease for the **Colton amenity area**. Regular grass cutting has recommenced at Colton amenity area and **Marlingford conservation area and play area**. This will continue into the early autumn. In the forthcoming months the



Colton amenity area

Parish Council will be looking at what is on offer at the areas and would be interested to hear residents' ideas about how these areas can be further enhanced.

**To share your ideas please contact the Clerk** (details follow).

## Adult health and social care training

The **Developing Skills** project, led by Norfolk and Suffolk County Councils, is pleased to offer employees within the adult health and social care sector a chance to complete some fully-funded training including Dementia, End of Life Care, Mental Health, Learning Disabilities, Autism and more. They will provide learners with a Career Progression Mentor to support and offer advice and guidance to inspire not only your career but also your learning. They will also help learners to understand how to take the next step in their career and to highlight career progression and development.

This project is part funded by the European Social Fund.

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# Parish Council Meetings and public inclusion

Parish Council Meetings are usually held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm (except August).

The next meetings will be held on

- **Tuesday June 14** at Colton Village Hall

- **Tuesday July 12** at Marlingford Village Hall

Councillors look forward to welcoming residents to the next meeting.

**Contact details for Clerk to Marlingford and Colton Parish Council**  
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## Marlingford Big Sale is a great success!

**This amazing event was held in Marlingford Village Hall on Saturday, 14th May.**

The hall was full of tables laden with a huge array of items which could be worn, displayed, used in the kitchen, garage or garden, given as presents for Christmas or birthdays including toys, games, crafts, embroidery and painting. Large items were arranged outside in the sunshine on the patio.



A wonderful team of volunteers ran the stalls and served tea, coffee and scones to those who came to find a 'must have' item and sit in the sun, catching up with old friends and neighbours. Thanks to Jane Knights who organised the event, all the helpers and the village hall. The £1,000 raised went to Marlingford Church Fabric Fund for which the church committee is most thankful.

***Felicity Maton***

## Is new technology leaving you, baffled? Don't let it!...

You're certainly not alone if you shy away from email, shopping or banking online – many people do but now there's help at hand to get you digitally connected!

Age UK Norfolk's '**Let's Get Digital**' project is a service for anyone over 50 who would like to learn how to use their device and get better connected.

The recent Coronavirus pandemic has seen many people separated from their loved ones for months on end. Those who were fortunate enough to have the knowledge were able to keep in touch on video through their phones, ipads or computers.

Indeed many families separated by long distances find this a lifeline for keeping in touch. Being able to order groceries online if you are unable to get out or even just looking up information on your local services will be a skill you will be pleased to have learned.

Through weekly sessions, you will be supported by one of Age UK Norfolk's incredible Digital Inclusion Champions to learn how to use your device.

For example, setting up WhatsApp and answering video calls from



family and friends, to more advanced support like online shopping and setting up email.

What our Digital Inclusion Champions teach will vary depending on your needs and if the learner does not have a device, one will be loaned to you by us for the duration.

So take the plunge and get connected - it's easier than you think and you'll be glad you did!

# WhatsApp post bot paste



For more information and to sign up for Age UK Norfolk's Let's Get Digital project, call: 01603 863811.

(e: [digitalinclusion@ageuknorfolk.org.uk](mailto:digitalinclusion@ageuknorfolk.org.uk))

If you're already digitally connected, would you like to be a Digital Champion volunteer which involves helping older people to learn how to use a tablet or iPad? If so, call 01603 785 210 or email [volunteering@ageuknorfolk.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@ageuknorfolk.org.uk)



## A short social media guide

**Facebook:** keep up-to-date family and friends; read what they have posted about what they are doing and scroll through their photographs.



**Instagram:** photo and video sharing site where people can upload photos and videos and share them with their followers or a select group of friends.



**Twitter:** shorter version of Facebook as there is a limit to what you can post. 'Tweets', have a maximum of 140 characters which could be a letter, space, punctuation mark or number. You can choose who you would like to follow and see their Tweets.



**YouTube:** you can post or watch quality videos. From travel to comedy, there are videos covering a wide range of topics. Great when there's nothing much on the TV!



**TikTok:** very popular with young people and teenagers, it's a social network where people can make short videos or just watch everyone else's. Most videos last 15 seconds.



**Nextdoor:** make contact with people in your neighbourhood, exchange recommendations and read the latest local news.

**To find an older persons guide to social media sites visit:** [ageukmobility.co.uk](http://ageukmobility.co.uk)

## Discovering pilgrims, puppies and pine trees...

**A holiday after lockdown certainly gives a new perspective on life.**

I was invited to visit family in Switzerland for a few days. Delays in airline travel made the actual adventure more worthwhile. I was treated to excursions around the zig-zag roads going higher, along a route taken for centuries by those crossing the Alps: the ancient Romans, pilgrims going to Rome and even Napoleon (on a donkey!). Up there is the site of St. Bernard's monastery where travellers could ask for shelter. The St Bernard dog was bred by the monks, strong and a good size to push through the snow to bring help to those in trouble. We visited a 'maternity unit' for St. Bernards at feeding time: two mums and 12 puppies. Delightful – but you could only buy a toy pup.

We took picnics on a very steep mountain walk alongside a channel taking natural water gradually to areas where the



St Bernard puppies..



Felicity and her group on thir mountain walk.

enormous trees were not getting enough .... keeping the mountains clothed in trees and saving the planet!

I was told "walk slowly, and get there quicker". Of course, there's not as much oxygen at that height as here in sea-level Norfolk.

We enjoyed fresh white asparagus and wine from small vinyards when we stopped.

No ski-ing – resorts have hardly opened since lockdown – snow was melting but it was sunny and warm, and the views were stunning. I was full of admiration for bike riders who seemed to glide up the twisting roads.

I do feel revived and hope many of you will get a refreshing break.

Do write and tell the Grapevine about it – with photos.

***Felicity Maton***



# The Rambling Vine



The Queen and the Royal family on the balcony of Buckingham Palace after the coronation in 1953.

## Duty and kindness – a way to serve others

June sees us as a nation celebrate something that has never happened in this country and has barely happened in the world before. This of course is the Platinum Jubilee of the Queen. Now I know that not everybody is a fan of the royals and that is fine. But even if you are not a royalist, it's good to acknowledge that 70 years in a role is a long time. It's a long time to serve, it's a long time to devote yourself to a country. In thinking of this, I am reminded of what the Queen said when she spoke to the nation on her 21st Birthday on April 21st 1947: *"I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which*

*we all belong.*

*"But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me as I now invite you to do: I know that your support will be unfailingly given. God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it".*

Obviously, the world has changed since 1947 but there is still much to learn from what our Queen said on that occasion.

Serving others is not only a privilege but it is also something that is essential to our daily life. Jesus called us to care for the stranger and his parable of the Good Samaritan shows us a good outworking of this in a practical way.

By helping others, whether they



are strangers, friends or neighbours who live in other countries, not only are we living the way that Jesus calls us to do but we are also working to bring people together in a way that helps everyone. For when you help a stranger, they are no longer a stranger but a friend. So as I finish this month's article, I leave you with more words from Her Majesty the Queen that were broadcast to the nation in the Christmas Day speech 2020

following a year like no other due to COVID:

*“Jesus touched on this [light in the darkness]with the parable of the Good Samaritan. The man who is robbed and left at the roadside is saved by someone who did not share his religion or culture.*

*This wonderful story of kindness is still as relevant today”.*

I hope, whatever you are doing, you all have a fantastic extra bank holiday!

**Rev Laura Montgomery**

### Sunday services June 2022

5th	10am	Easton
12th	10am	Colton
19th	10am	Marlingford
26th	10am	Bawburgh

## Don't let the kids miss this in July!

Marlingford Movies Present, a summer holiday big screen presentation of -



# Frozen

When the newly crowned Queen Elsa accidentally uses her power to turn things into ice to curse her home in infinite winter, her sister, Anna, teams up with a mountain man, his playful reindeer, and a snowman to change the weather condition.

### Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022

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