# ST MARY & ST PETER NEWSLETTER

October Issue

A free newsletter published by the church for every home in Boxted & Langham **Cover Picture:** Misty view from Church Farm. Reproduced with kind permission of Andrew Stacey .

elcome to the new-look Newsletter which you are now receiving in its revised printed (hardcopy) format.

We are so pleased to be able to resume physical distribution. During the recent disruption, we have kept the ship afloat with distribution in PDF by email and the kindness of neighbours in sharing the occasional home print-out, but we do appreciate that many (perhaps most) of our readers prefer to have a physical periodical. Thanks are due to Rev. Mandy Elmes for her continued support and engagement in this effort. We hope to be able to continue in this format into 2021 and beyond.

With our move back into a printed magazine put through your letterbox, we are now able to reach a greater number of households.

However, to achieve this we rely totally on the army of volunteer distributors whose willingness to brave rain, sleet, snow, fog and gale force winds makes it possible for readers to enjoy the benefits of the Newsletter. As you will see below, we have a shortfall in this area and urgently need to find recruits to handle delivery and a co-ordinator who can take delivery from the printer and drop off boxes of magazines to the distributors. The role need not be onerous—the frequency is once-a-month and not likely to increase.

So if you would like to be involved, please contact the editor on: 01206 683670 or email: lwbnewsletter@gmail.com. Leave a

message on the answering machine if I don't pick up the 'phone.

## DISTRIBUTORS URGENTLY REQUIRED—BOXTED

We are looking for **delivery volunteers** for Boxted, as well as a new **distribution coordinator** for Boxted due to the imminent retirement of Ann Barnard after many years of sterling service. Please contact the Editor for details. 01206 **683670 Email: lwbnewsletter@gmail.com**  **SUNDAY SERVICES** are on the Langham and Boxted Church Website for all to view under Streamed Services.

https://lb-churches.co.uk/streamedservices/

They will be uploaded on Sunday afternoons for as long as services are streamed. **DAILY HOPE** - a free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers.

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If there is no reply, please do not leave a message but **RING ANY OTHER NUMBER** *Please note that the second Wednesday contact number is now* **272774** (*not* **272504** *as appears on the leaflets*).

Deadline for submissions for the November edition: 15th October Contact the editor via email: lwbnewsletter@gmail.com

## Boxted Parish Council Report – September 2020

Boxted Parish Councillors are, in the main, comfortable with the new "virtual" meetings. We

have received advice that Councils should continue with online meetings through to next year unless the business can't be conducted this way,

so I suspect it will be our "new normal" for a while yet.

Members of the public are very much welcome to join us on these meetings, just email the derk on *boxtadparishouncil@gmail.com* for a link to click and you can join us on your computer, tablet or phone.

There is a regular slot at the start of each meeting for people to raise any issues which, if they can't be answered straight away, the Council can take them away and respond afterwards. The minutes of each meeting are published on the new Parish Council website (boxtedparishcouncil.org.uk).

The Council was made aware that Essex Highways intend to replace the steel girder bridge near Boxted Mill, known as Boxted Bridge, which was built in 1901 and sits in the Dedham Vale AONB. It was Council consensus

> that this would be bad for the village firstly, because it is the option very that Essex Highways advisors own recommended taking not forward. but more importantly, the bridge

represents part of our village heritage and it would be a real shame to completely replace it with something new. We have written to Essex Highways asking them to reconsider and have also written to our MP, Sir Bernard Jenkin, asking for his support We hope to get a better and more sympathetic outcome than the one being pursued.

On a better note, our play areas (trim trail, bmx track and play park) and our skate park are open to all, but people should be aware that the equipment isn't



cleaned, and people should wash/sanitise hands frequently and maintain social distancing.

The Hub café is still closed to the public but the take-away service and delivered "meals on wheels" service helping those people shielding in the village are still available. Just phone Bonny on 01206 272129 and she can sort a meal out for you and your family.

ootball and Cricket are back. Our teams are practicing and playing matches which is great to see. The changing facilities aren't available, and the Hub café is still closed so the teams are having to be much more selfreliant.

With the increased field usage, we have the unpleasant problem of our litter bins being overfilled which means that the rubbish ends up everywhere. It isn't great when food remains (chicken bones, fruit and pizza to name some I have found) are put in the bins because the gulls come and pick them out and they end up all over the field. If the bins are getting full, or you have food remains, please take your rubbish home with you.

ur Hub building has been rendered and we hope to get it painted in a Cornish white colour, before the winter sets in.

The Council was asked to consider requests from members of the public to make the Boxted Recreation Ground a 'dogs on lead' place because there have been occasions when boisterous over-friendly dogs have or scared children and/or even bitten other dogs. As a dog owner, it is the law that your dog must be under control when in public. If your dog is very friendly and likely to approach others, then you should have it lead. on a The Council request very considered the carefully and decided that, for now, signage would be installed reminding people of their dogowning responsibilities and giving the dog warden details in case of any further incidents.

On a good note for dogs, we hope to install a 5th dog waste bin close to the entrance of the field which might be more convenient for people. e have had to take emergency action regarding our two oil storage tanks, which both cracked recently. Our feeling is that the excess heat we have experienced this year not long after the tanks were filled has meant that the oil expanded, and the tanks have now seeped some fuel. They have been temporarily dealt with and new tanks will be installed soon.

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