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9am-midday Newton Flotman Village Hall

June 15th at Village Café
10am-midday Newton Flotman Church Room
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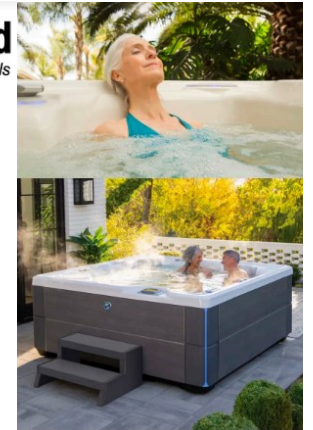
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As I write this the Northern Lights, or what we also call Aurora Borealis, were visible to many across the UK on Friday night May 10th, 2024. And the internet was awash with photos of bright pink, purples, and greens splashed across the night sky.

I was terribly disappointed that I had missed a chance to see it with the naked eye. Like me, if you've never had the chance to see them, you have missed out on one of the most beautiful creations that God gives us. I hope that we could have the opportunity to see them some time in the future.

As we may know, the Northern Lights are caused by energy coming from the Sun interacting with our atmosphere. At least, that is how science explains it. And that is true, but we have to remember that God is in control, and it is His power that controls the Sun and created the nature.

All around us, no matter the season, God's creation is on display. From the beautiful green trees in the spring and summer, to the multitude of colours we see in the fall, we see His hands at work.

And again, in the new life in the animals in spring and watching them mature through the seasons, His work is everywhere.

A dark summer sky provides us with an opportunity to look up to the stars and see the millions of possible worlds that exist and could also support life. Do we really believe that our loving God only put life on one planet in this whole immense universe? I have always believed there is life out there and someday we will be able to communicate with it.

Christians believe we need to appreciate all that God gave us. We need to nurture it and care for it as He commanded Adam in the Garden of Eden in the Bible. This world and all the beauty (which includes the Northern lights) is our gift from Him. He created it there for us to enjoy. Don't forget to look up once in a while and experience what God gave us.

With every blessing and prayer,
Rev'd Austin Uzoigwe,

Holy Communion at Home

Are you unable to get to church but would like to receive Holy Communion at home? There is a tradition in the Church of England that Holy Communion is taken to those at home who are unable to get to church because of illness or other circumstances.

Home Communion normally takes place once every four to six weeks and can be a one off or for a longer period of time. If you would like to receive Holy Communion at home or find out more, please contact me on 07722413589, and I will be happy to have a chat or arrange a visit.

Rev'd Austin Uzoigwe



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Church Contact Details

For home visits, Communion at home, or to enquire about Christian faith, please contact:

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Rev'd Austin Uzoigwe (Team Vicar)
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Lesley Cox (Reader) tel: 471334

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Susan Peters Corbett 01508 470539 - St Peter's Swainsthorpe

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www.churchofengland.org/our-faith/church-legacy Thank you!

Worship Events in June

St Mary's, Newton Flotman

Sunday	2nd	11:00	Morning Worship - Lesley Cox
Sunday	9th	11:00	Holly Communion - Dawn Davidson
Sunday	16th	11:00	Morning Worship - Kirsten Remer
Sunday	23rd	11:00	Morning Worship - Lesley Cox
Sunday	30th	10:30	Benefice Service for all parishes at Tasburgh - Austin Uzoigwe & Dawn Davidson

St Peter's, Swainsthorpe

Sunday	2nd	9:30	Swainsthorpe Special - Lesley Cox
Sunday	9th	9:30	Holy Communion - Dawn Davidson
Sunday	16th	9:30	Swainsthorpe Special - Philip Simmons
Sunday	23rd	9:30	Swainsthorpe Special - Lesley Cox
Sunday	30th	10:30	Benefice Service for all parishes at Tasburgh - Austin Uzoigwe & Dawn Davidson

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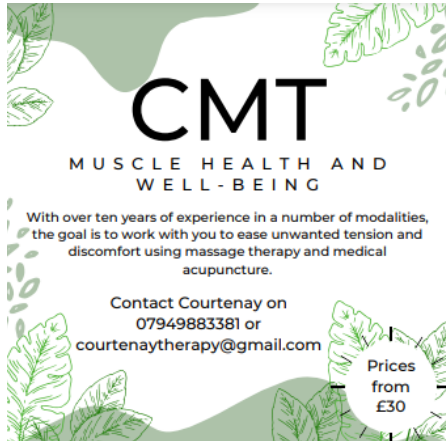
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Thank you to all who made donations for Christian Aid week and who helped with, and came along to, Village Cafe for the Bric a Brac Sale! News on what was raised next month.



Village Cafe
Saturday
Church Room 10-12

Welcome to Ethan and Nick who are helping out at Village Cafe and other events for their Duke of Edinburgh Award. They have already proven most excellent makers of tea, coffee and squash, so please come and say hello to them on Saturday mornings, 10am - midday, in Newton Flotman church room.

NFaST is hosting Village Cafe on 8th June - with D-Day celebrations happening that week. Come along to share some village memories and look at the new collection of photos from Nigel Morgan.

As you may read elsewhere as part of the Great Green Week 'Swap' campaign, Crafting for a Cause are hosting a crafting materials and skills 'swap' on 15th June at Village Café (and also the Cherry Tree Café on Wednesday 12th June, 9am-12 midday).

Watch this 'space' for news of Summer Space during August at the church. We hope that those who attended the Summer Space last year (and our successful Christmas and Easter Spaces), plus anyone else wishing to join in for the first time, will come along for crafts, refreshments and company.

Kirsten Remer

Crafting for a Cause

Crafting for a Cause meets on the first Wednesday of the month, 2pm to 4pm in Newton Flotman church room. Those attending bring and share skills which are put to use to raise money for all sorts of good causes. Our current cause is Priscilla Bacon Hospice in Norwich. The next meeting will be 1st June.



This month we will also be attending Cherry Tree Café on Wednesday 12th June, 9am-midday, and Village Café, 10am – midday for a Craft Swap (see advert on the back cover) as part of The Great Big Green Week. If you have any craft items (children's craft bits or for a crafting hobby) that you no longer need, please bring them along.

If you would like to be involved, contact Vicky (01508 471506) or Hilary (07806 762296) for more information. All are welcome.

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Partnership Deadline

The next edition of Partnership will be for July 2024. Deadline will be 14th June 2024. Contributions by email to caroline@uv6.com or call **07855 838553**. The editor reserves the right to edit copy and print as space permits.

Mobile Library for May

The mobile library will be visiting Newton Flotman and Swainsthorpe on Wednesday 19th June Please note times below. The mobile library is a valuable community resource especially for those without their own transport - use it or lose it!

Village	Stop Name	Arrival Time	Departure Time	Postcode
SWAINSTHORPE	THE CHURCH	09:50	10:05	NR14 8PN
NEWTON FLOTMAN	GROVE DALE	12:00	12:20	NR15 1QG
NEWTON FLOTMAN	JOY AVE	12:45	13:05	NR15 1RD
NEWTON FLOTMAN	SCHOOL ROAD	14:20	15:30	NR15 1PR

TUESDAY 18th June

BAR OPEN 7PM, FILM STARTS 7:30PM



Wicked Little Letters

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Friday 7th June - Social Club evening with Brunch Bar

Friday 14th June - Social Club evening with TBC

Sunday 16th June - Euros England vs Serbia - bar open 7pm for 8pm start

Thurs 20th June - Euros England vs Denmark - bar open 4pm for 5pm start

Friday 21st June - Social Club evening with Durban Grill

Tues 25th June - Euros England vs Slovenia - bar open 7pm for 8pm start

Friday 28th June - Social Club evening with Brunch Bar

Youth Club - NF Village Centre

For 8 -16 year olds

Wednesdays 6-8 pm

Stay & Play - NF Village Centre

For parents/carers and preschool children

Tuesdays, 9:30am to 11am - Newton Flotman Village Centre

Cherry Tree Café

Wednesdays, 9am to 12 midday - Newton Flotman Village Centre
(With Craft Swap on 12th June)

Village Café - Newton Flotman Church Room

Saturdays 10am - midday

(NFaSt hosing on 8th June; Craft Swap on 15th June)

Film Night - Newton Flotman Village Centre

Tuesday 18th June - Wicked Little Letters

Tuesday 16th July - The Holdovers

Bar open from 7pm; Film starts at 7.30pm

Outreach Post Office - Newton Flotman Church Room

Wednesdays 9.30 - 11.30am

Crafting for a Cause

1st Weds of the month, 2 - 4pm, Newton Flotman Church Room

Village Walks

For more details contact Richard Beach 07963006091.

Meetings

Newton Flotman Parish Council

Tuesday 25th June, 7:30pm - Church Room

Swainsthorpe Parish Council

12th July 7.30pm - St Peter's Community Centre.

Book a space:

Community Centre St Peter's Swainsthorpe - Jackie Baker 01508 470415

Newton Flotman Village Centre - Vicky Ball 01508 471506

Newton Flotman Church Room - Caroline Wolfe 01508 471238

The Bells of St Peter's Swainsthorpe



As some will know we have been raising funds to restore the four 17th century bells of St Peter's to working condition. The bells were originally hung for full circle ringing but many years ago the wheels, ropes and pulleys fell into decay and it was only possible to chime one bell with a simple chiming clapper. Sadly, the tower is no longer strong enough to withstand the movement of the four bells in full circle ringing unless we install a

new hanging frame which would be both very expensive and not in keeping with the ancient church tower.


The PCC, therefore, decided that a more sympathetic restoration to allow the bells to be chimed, would be more appropriate. This will involve rehangng the bells for stationary chiming and installing chiming mechanisms. We would like to install both a manual, Ellacombe chiming system and an electronic chiming system, as this latter would allow the bells to be chimed automatically for events such as weddings. However, the cost of these works will be approximately £25,000 +VAT.

The FIGS group, the PCC and the church congregation have been raising funds for several years, so far raising £9,300. I am very pleased to report that yesterday we also received a grant from the BENEFACT TRUST for £1,750 which brings our total to just over £11,000.



We will continue raising funds for this project with social events and by seeking further grants in the hope to be able to commence work in 2024. Any donations from the community will be very welcome.

*Charles Carron Brown
Fabric Officer*

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So here are some things to think about:

Think before you drive. Could you walk . . . or cycle?? By the time you have paid to park, might it be cheaper and easier to catch the bus?

Plan your car use. Can you combine trips - maybe go to the supermarket on your way to visit friends rather than two separate trips?

What about car sharing? This is easily arranged if you are all traveling to the same place - we always try to car share on our way to the monthly village local walk. There are car share websites which look pretty distant and daunting. Perhaps we should have a village car share scheme?

Change your driving style. This can save you lots of fuel - very welcome with petrol at £1.50 per litre. Accelerate more gently and cruise at lower speeds. Full details of economic driving are on the RAC website. Keep your car well maintained - especially checking the tyre pressure.

So what about an electric car? A car that emits no greenhouse gas as it goes along sounds like a brilliant step forward...but there have been criticisms. So I have looked into this in a bit more detail and here are some thoughts:

It takes more greenhouse gas emissions to build an electric car. True, but as it emits none as it goes along, by the time it's done 10 - 20,000 miles it's winning on emissions.

Worries about range and charging. Again true - but improving all the time. More public chargers and faster charging.

Immoral and abusive supply chains for battery chemicals. This needs fixing. Some manufacturers are already ensuring their chemicals come from reputable mining companies. Battery chemicals will be recycled. Worries about the origins of battery chemicals does not seem to stop us buying mobile phones!

A fire risk. Car fires seem to be much **less** common in electric cars than in petrol or diesel.

Electric cars are heavy - leading to more tyre wear and brake wear - as well as damaging the roads. Tyre and brake wear can be reduced by careful driving - as above. National highways say most road damage is caused by heavy lorries - not cars.

As you can tell I think electric cars are the way forward - especially as they get better all the time. But I'm not rushing to buy one. Best to keep my existing car carefully driven until I really need to change - then go electric.

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News from Newton Flotman Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting

The Parish Council hosted the Annual Parish Meeting on 30th April. Local groups were invited to attend and share updates of their achievements last year, any difficulties they have faced and their objectives for the forthcoming year. It was great to hear more from these groups and what they are doing in the village. The next meeting will be held in April 2025, look out for more information in Partnership and on the noticeboards next spring.

Youth Club Funding

The Parish Council are pleased to announce that funding has been secured towards the youth club at the Village Centre. This financial year the Parish Council have again pledged to fund 50% of the running costs of the youth club. Funding has been sought to make up the shortfall which has proved more difficult than previous years as the funds available are reducing but the demand for this money is increasing. This funding from Norfolk Community Foundation, **Love Norfolk Fund 2024 with support from the Birketts Fund**, means the club will be running Wednesday evenings though to April 2025.

D Day Celebrations

REMINDER! - June 6th marks the 80th anniversary of D Day when Allied forces mounted the largest amphibious invasion the world has ever witnessed. 4,000 ships and landing craft set down about 132,500 troops on five Normandy beaches in an action that would bring about the liberation of north-west Europe from Nazi occupation.

Newton Flotman is marking this occasion by lighting a beacon at 9.15pm on the playing field beside the Village Hall in celebration of the 'light of peace' that emerged out of the darkness of war. Come along and enjoy the celebrations from 7pm at the village centre.

Hornsea Three Offshore Windfarm Project

The Hornsea Three wind farm received development consent in December 2020. Hornsea Three, once complete, could provide clean power to over three million UK homes. It will make a significant contribution towards meeting the UK's net zero commitments and Orsted are committed to working closely with stakeholders and local communities as they take the project forward.

The Stakeholder & Community Relations Team for the onshore cable installation works has a key objective to deliver effective engagement to local stakeholders and communities in areas in which they construct and operate. As a key stakeholder, they would like to ensure villages such as Newton Flotman have visibility of their works.

A representative will be attending the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 25th June at the Village Centre from 7:30pm. They will give a short presentation on the project. Members of the public are welcome to come along and find out more. More information can also be found at [hornseaproject3.co.uk](https://tinyurl.com/HornseaThreeFAQs) and <https://tinyurl.com/HornseaThreeFAQs>

Meetings

The Parish Council meets every month (except August and December) on a

YOU ARE INVITED TO....

Andy & Jill's Summer Coffee Morning

TO SHARE TEA, COFFEE, HOME MADE CAKES,
CONVERSATION AND LAUGHTER FOR A
SOCIAL GET TOGETHER

looking forward to having another full house!!

St Peter's Church, Swainsthorpe

Saturday 29th June 2024

10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Refreshments will be free, but donations would be gratefully received and will go towards our Bell Fund.

Free Ads

Free Ads in Partnership

If you have something to sell or pass on for free, or perhaps you have a 'wanted', then please consider placing a free advertisement in Partnership. Send an email to caroline@uv6.com, or call/text **07855 838553**, stating your item(s), contact details and the price you want, and Partnership will do the rest. Reduce, reuse, repurpose, recycle!

TABLE LAMP (see picture) £15, &

THREE MAN TENT (see picture)

Eurohike 'Severn', £30, &

QUILTS One double goose down quilt 13.5 tog, £10.00; two single duck down quilts 4.5 + 9.0 equal 13.5 tog when put together, £15.00

Please contact Jill on 07941 957542





**NEWTON FLOTMAN OUTREACH
POST OFFICE
WEDNESDAY MORNINGS
9.30am – 11.30am**

Rev. Becki Bensusan – Soon To Be The New Rector in Long Stratton and Tharston



My name is Becki, I'm married to Lee. We have four children at the moment. Kim, Jonathan, Nicola and Maddy. As a family we like board games of many varieties and always like to be introduced to new ones. We also have three tuxedo cats, Bessie, Moses and Lettie.

I have been a curate at Pakefield Church since 2021 and have really enjoyed learning so many different aspects of ministry including community development and creative worship practices. I am really looking forward to getting to know you all. My hope is that we can work together in Long Stratton and Tharston for people of all ages to know the love of God that transforms lives.

With many prayers until we meet.
Becki B

Tuesday evening. Forthcoming meetings are being held on:

Tuesday 25th June, 7:30pm, Village Centre

Tuesday 16th July, 7:30pm, **Church Room**

August – no meeting

The public are very welcome to attend parish council meetings and there is always an opportunity for you to ask questions and to have your say. Minutes of all meetings are posted on the Parish Council website - <https://www.newtonflotmanpc.co.uk/agendas-and-minutes>

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Maria Hutson, Clerk to the Parish Council

Articles Wanted for Partnership

Please send your contributions to the editor by email at: caroline@uv6.com

Newton Flotman Youth Club

NF Village Centre - For 8-16 year olds

Wednesdays 6 - 8 pm



Here for young people
Here for communities
Here for you



CHERRY TREE CAFÉ
NEWTON FLOTMAN VILLAGE CENTRE
SUPPORTED BY NEWTON FLOTMAN CHARITIES AND WAVENEY FOODBANK

FANCY A COFFEE OR A CUPPA?

WEDNESDAYS

CHERRY TREE CAFÉ

9-12 NEWTON FLOTMAN VILLAGE CENTRE
COME AND HAVE A DRINK & SNACK ON US

ALL WELCOME!

WELL BEHAVED DOGS ON A LEAD ARE WELCOME TOO!



D Day 6th June 2024 Celebration in Newton Flotman

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To celebrate D-Day 80, we are going to provide fish and chips in the Village Hall from 7.00pm as it is also National Fish & Chip Day. Fish and chips were the only food that was not rationed during the two world wars, and, to celebrate that fact we are going to have a fish supper in the village hall before the beacon lighting event.



Gardening in June - Royal Horticultural Society

Summer arrives

June 21st is the longest day of the year, and the extra light and warmth encourages the garden to put on an exuberant burst of growth. But this extra light and warmth also means weeds will sprout up from seemingly nowhere. Keep on top of them by hoeing regularly in dry conditions.

Top gardening jobs this month

Position summer hanging baskets and containers outside

Choose vibrant bedding plants for a short-term show or herbs, shrubs and evergreens for a long-lasting display.

Be water-wise, especially in drought-affected areas

Watering is key to growing plants well. Connect water butts to your downpipes, and when they are full, decant into dipping troughs positioned around the garden. Use a watering can and water at the base of plants early in the morning or later in the evening.

Pinch out sideshoots on tomatoes

Removing the side-shoots is simple – every time you water, check the plant for any shoots sprouting just above each leaf, from the joint between the leaf and the stem.

Harvest lettuce, radish, other salads and early potatoes

Produce your own mixed salads by growing a range of leafy salads and vegetables that can be cut and will then sprout (come) again. Harvesting the young leaves when you need them prevents plants from maturing and ensures several harvests of small, tender, mild-flavoured leaves over a long period of time.

Hoe borders regularly to keep down weeds. Weeds can be controlled without resorting to weedkillers. Cultural or organic control measures rely on killing or restricting the weeds by physical action, from manual removal to smothering, burning and using weed barriers.

Plant out summer bedding

From elaborate public garden designs and street planters to the smallest front garden, bedding plants provide a temporary decorative seasonal display for beds, borders, containers and hanging baskets. Bedding can be grown from seed, bought as young seedlings (plug plants) or purchased as pot-grown specimens, often in multi-packs and cellular trays, ready for planting.

Stake tall or floppy plants

Perennials in borders often put on strong lush growth that makes them vulnerable to collapse, especially after heavy rain or strong winds. Staking them early in the season will help avoid disaster. In particular; tall plants and hybrids with large flowers require additional support.

Prune many spring-flowering shrubs

Deciduous shrubs that flower in late winter, spring and early summer need annual pruning to encourage strong, healthy shoots and improve flowering. Annual pruning also prolongs the life of these early-flowering shrubs.

For more information visit rhs.org.uk