

MUTFORD NEWS

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MUTFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - UPDATE

Mutford Parish Council has formally submitted the Mutford Neighbourhood Plan to East Suffolk Council.

An independent examiner will check that the Plan meets the basic conditions. If the Plan passes these tests, East Suffolk Council will arrange for a public referendum so that everyone who lives in Mutford can decide whether they want to support it.

Mutford News will continue to keep you updated but if you want to receive emails about the progress of the Mutford Plan direct from East Suffolk Council, please send your contact details to

planningpolicy@eastsuffolk.gov.uk

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Waveney District Council and Suffolk Coastal merged on 1st April, forming East Suffolk Council. The first election for District Councillors to sit on East Suffolk Council will take place on **Thursday 2nd May.**

7am – 10pm. Mutford Village Hall

Mutford is now part of a newly expanded ward that includes Carlton Colville and Gisleham; the ward will have 2 District Councillors.

For more info on voting, call 01502 523320 or email elections@eastsuffolk.gov.uk

7 nominations were received by East Suffolk Council for the 7 seats on the Parish Council, thus an uncontested election.

MUTFORD PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council usually meets at 7pm on the first Monday in the month at Mutford Village Hall, Mill Road. NR34 7UE
Next full meeting: Monday 13th May

Also - the **Annual Parish Meeting** will take place on **Wednesday 22nd May.** 7.30pm

For more details, contact John Armstrong (Parish Clerk) Tel: 476418

Email: jamutfordpc@btinternet.com

ST ANDREW'S TALK & WALK

Saturday 13th April

St Andrew's Mutford Talk & Walk

A Historical perspective, its' position in the landscape and wild-life walk.

2pm: Tour of the building with historical notes. (Tim Twineham)

2.20pm: Wildlife walk - the historical ecology of the landscape, Walk is approx. 1.5 miles, starting in Churchyard, passing through Mutford Big Wood & return along Dairy Lane & the footpath to the Church. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome. (Walk led by Martin Warnes – and others)

3.30pm: Tea and Cakes at the Church

Note: The talk & walk are free - but donations to the Church Tower fund would (as always) be welcome.'

Mutford Parochial Church Council

EASTER EGG HUNT

Mutford Village Hall and field

Saturday 20th April 2-4.30pm

(£3 entry for Egg hunt - starts at 2.30pm)

Colour an Easter Bunny + Family competitions + refreshments

For more details contact Jean 01502 476707



PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Applications within parish of Mutford

Info. correct as of 5th April 2019

Full details of all East Suffolk Council (ESC)

planning applications:

<http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/publicaccess/>

CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- Retrospective Application - Retention of connecting extension in corner of existing Stables. New construction on west end of stables for straw and part laying shed. Ayers Acres Chapel Road Mutford
ESC status: Awaiting decision

APEALS

- Demolish existing double garage and remove outbuilding to allow erection of No. 1 Self Build Chalet Bungalow and detached garage. Rivendell, Church Road. Mutford Beccles Suffolk NR34 7UZ
ESC status: Appeal in progress
- Outline Application (All Matters Reserved) - Construction of a single new dwelling with detached garage and the formation of a new vehicular access. Manor Farm House Church Road Mutford NR34 7UZ
ESC status: Appeal in progress

RECENT DECISIONS

- Construction of a single self-build detached dwelling. The Pastures, The Street. North Cove
WDC status: Appeal dismissed.
- Construction of domestic storage building. Beulah Hall Dairy Lane Mutford Beccles Suffolk NR34 7QJ
WDC status: Permitted
- Proposed mixed use of dayroom (retrospective) to include occupation by Mrs A Rooney due to health issues/ personal circumstances. Windy Acres Mutfordwood Lane Mutford Lowestoft Suffolk NR33 8HD.
WDC status: Refused

Hedgehog Awareness Week

5th - 11th May

www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk/hedgehog-awareness-week-2019/

More volunteers needed

Thank you to the lady who responded to our request last month for help in distributing the Mutford News to homes in Holly Lane.

It would be great if other people could volunteer to provide cover for holidays or sickness for other parts of the village,

Please contact Jenny (01502 476518) or email MutfordNews@gmail.com for more info. Thank you!

Springtime for a local sheep farmer

"Lambing is a busy time but the highlight of a sheep farmer's year. The tup (male) was hired in from Cambridgeshire for my pedigree Southdowns and ran with them for two oestrus cycles from Firework Night. Lambing should commence on All Fools Day [1st April].

March is an anxious time, giving supplementary protein feed for the developing lambs and helping the odd ewe off its' back (with twins they get so big, that if they roll onto their backs they can't right themselves and need assistance). Sometimes twin lambs can put too much pressure on the ewe's system and one or both lambs will die, so I have to keep a very watchful eye on all the expectant mums.

I lamb indoors, simply because it suits me. The ewes need to be checked every 4 hours; the lambing shed beats the option of going out into a muddy field in the middle of the night. Most lambs are delivered unaided but sometimes it can go wrong; if it takes too long, soap and hot water and an assistant with small hands may be required.

The sound of a new born lamb bleating always cheers me: if it's bleating it's breathing and all that remains is to make sure it finds the teat and gets a belly full of the first milk. I leave them in pens with their mothers for 2 days to ensure bonding, before tagging their ears with a unique number, castrating the males, and docking the tails.

When all of this is completed, the ewe and her lambs can return to grass. Watching them play with each other is endless entertainment and a great sight."

Mufford Phone Box Needs Help

The public phone box near the Hairdressers was

decommissioned more than five years ago. It is now looking rather sad and unloved.

Volunteers are needed to help paint the box, and to join a roster to keep it tidy on a regular basis.

What would you like to use it for? A book exchange? To display notices/ this Newsletter?

For more info, contact John Armstrong 01502 476418 or email muffordnews@gmail.com



Beccles Antiques Street Market

Sunday 5th May 8am – 4pm

Over 90 stalls selling a variety and interesting collection of both antiques & collectables. Many of the local shops and restaurants & bars will be open.

MUTFORD & RUSHMERE VILLAGE HALL

To book for private parties/ events:
Go to Mufford.suffolk.cloud/village-hall
Or contact the Booking Secretary
01502 475251

Work is due to begin on an accessible toilet and baby changing facility in the Village Hall. A certain amount of disruption may be necessary.

Mufford and Rushmere W.I.

Meets at Mufford Village Hall on the first Thursday of each month at 7.30pm

Next meeting: Thursday 9th May

For more information, contact Sylvia Greenacre 01502 476883

Beccles Farmers' Market

Farmer's Market at the old heliport, Ellough.

Over 25 stalls

1st & 3rd Saturday every month

9am – 1pm

Next market: Saturday 13th April

Beccles Cycle for Life 2019

Annual charity cycle ride, organised by Rotary Club of Beccles

Sunday 12th May

5 different distances, from 8m to 50 miles

In aid of East Anglian Air Ambulance & Rotary Club of Beccles Charitable Trust

Cycle helmets will be compulsory
www.becclescycleforlife.org/

Southwold Women on Wheels

Charity Cycle Ride, **Sunday 28th July 2019**

The 3rd Southwold Women on Wheels cycle event will take place in July, with 4 events (not races!): a 20km, 40km and 60km Women's ride and a 12km family ride (which men can take part in),

The rides, organised by Southwold and District Club, aim to encourage women to cycle together in a non competitive way; the ride is marshalled, risk assessed and well supported. Last year over £1600 was raised for charity; this year the charity is Suffolk & Cambridge Blood Bikes.

The event will pass through Mufford and the organisers are looking for people to help on the day including marshalling.

Or you could sign up & take part.

For maps of the routes and more info:
www.wowsuffolk.org.uk/wow-southwold/

2019 Suffolk Walking Festival

Saturday 11th May - Sunday 2nd June 2019

Over 120 events last year
suffolkwalkingfestival.co.uk

SUFFOLK LIBRARIES MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library visits Mufford once a month, on Thursdays

Lindenette, Hulver Road 10.30 - 10.40am

Old Post Office 10.50 - 11.00am

Village Hall 11.10 – 11.20am

Next visits:

- Thursday 18th April

- Thursday 16th May

Further info call 01473 351249 or
Email: help@suffolklibraries.co.uk

RECYCLING CENTRE

('Council tip')

Nearest Council-run site is Hadenham Road, South Lowestoft Industrial Estate, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR33 7NF

(off Tower Road, via London Road-A12. Road opposite Screwfix)

From 1st April 2019, the summer opening hours for the recycling centre are:

9am – 5pm

Every day except Wednesday

There is no charge for household & garden waste. Large non-recyclable items (e.g. mattresses, sofas etc) & excess rubbish bin waste can be taken to the Recycling Centres & placed in the non-recyclable container for free.

There is a charge for soil, rubble, hardcore & plasterboard.

To report fly-tipping:

Go online:

www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/waste/fly-tipping/

Or call East Suffolk Council:

03330 162000 (NEW NUMBER!)

Remember..

Fly-tipping harms the environment and is an eye-sore. Please make sure your waste is taken away for disposal by a licensed operator.

If you believe the waste service offered is illegal, call Crimestoppers on 0800 555111

Pot-holes in road

To report pot holes in local roads:

Go online:

<https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/>

Or call Suffolk County Council:

0345 606 6171

Bottle banks

There are bottle banks, for glass bottles/ jars at several locations near Mutford including:

- Co-Op supermarket, Ashburnham Way, Carlton Colville. NR33 9EJ
- Morrisons, Tower Road Pakefield. NR33 7NG
- Morrisons & Tesco's Beccles



Waste Bin collection

Wednesday 10th April - BLUE & GREEN

Wednesday 17th March - BLACK

Wednesday 24th March - BLUE & GREEN

Wednesday 1st May - BLACK

Wednesday 8th May - BLUE & GREEN

For collection queries

Call: **03330 162000** (NEW NUMBER!)

Email customerservices@eastsuffolk.gov.uk

Police:

Call 101 for non-urgent matters.

Always call 999 in emergencies

To report something anonymously call

Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**

Flooding

To report blocked or overflowing drains, flooding on the highway, broken or missing manhole/drain cover

Go online:

www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/waste/fly-tipping/

Or call East Suffolk Council:

03330 162000

Or call Suffolk County Council:

0345 606 6067

Did you know...

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<http://mutford.suffolk.cloud/mutford-newsletter/>

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