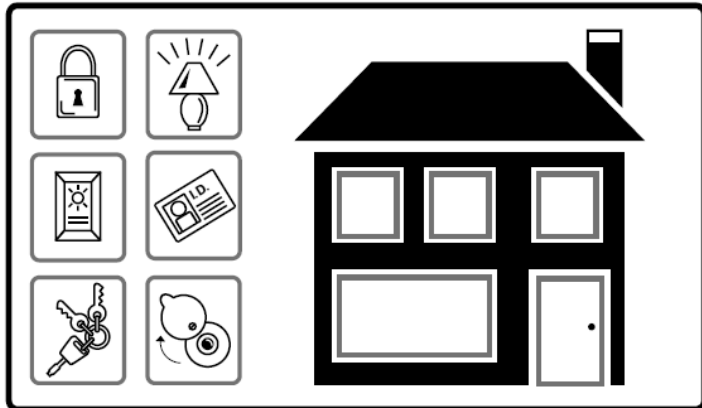


# KEEP YOUR HOME SECURE



- > Fit and use good quality locks on doors and windows
- > Install a burglar alarm
- > Don't open your door to unexpected callers – check their identity first using a door viewer or a door chain
- > Always keep keys in a safe place away from windows and doors
- > Lock away ladders, garden tools and other items that burglars could use
- > Make your home appear occupied when out or away by using timer switches or leave your lights on
- > Remember – if you can get into your home without your keys – so could a burglar

Safer Neighbourhood Team tel: 01473 615300

Email: felixstowe.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk



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# THE PARISH PUMP

## The occasional Newsletter of Trimley St Martin Parish Council

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### The LDF is dead!! or is it?

According to Eric Pickles it is — but according to Suffolk Coastal District Council not quite! One of the last casualties of this was Sherrie Greene, one of the three ward councillors for Trimleys & Kirton. Sherrie, by publicly speaking out and making her views known, in an attempt at looking after her constituents interests, was removed from her position on the SCDC Cabinet, her portfolios were taken away from her. This was not, allegedly, a Suffolk District Council decision, I am told, but a political decision by the controlling political party. Our thanks go to Sherrie for all her hard work in the past representing the villages interests, in one flawed LDF public consultation after another!

### Local Planning:

A Suffolk Coastal District Council Scrutiny Committee is looking at

the local planning processes, we made written representations and by the time you are reading this will have met with the Committee. Interestingly enough we have been told that any references to the LDF process is outside their brief!!!



**From the Chair**

### Neat & Tidy:

We have tried this Summer to keep the village looking neat and tidy, this involves approx fortnightly grass cutting of verges and large green open spaces. We do need to keep these as clear as possible for the mower.

We are concerned, that with sizeable cuts to local authority grants in the pipeline; that these will impact onto the present standard of local services we currently enjoy, however we will enter into discussion in order to minimize the impact on essential services wherever we can.

*John Barker*

**OCTOBER 2010**



## Clerk's Corner

It has been six months since our last newsletter and the wheels of local government roll on, even though we now have a new 'coalition government' running the country. Since the election, I guess the two main items that have affected us most locally is the abol-

ishment of the Regional Spatial Strategy which originally laid down the requirements for the numbers of housing 'needed' for the region, which has resulted in the temporary halting of the Local Development Framework process (which has been 8 years in the planning stages so far and I don't even want to think about the cost!!) but sadly the Building Schools for the Future programme. Whilst the new super school for Felixstowe isn't quite dead in the water, (although it's as near as on its last chance breath) it does seem that the buildings at Orwell and Deben will have to soldier on for some while longer yet. It's nearly 30 years (gulp!) since I last graced the corridors of Deben High and the classrooms had seen better days then!! Whilst its pleasing to read that Orwell High School have just received their best GCSE & A level results for some time, I do think that a new school would have been a great incentive and environment for children to want to do well and take pride in their surroundings.

Much has been made of the 'credit crunch' and recession that we are in, (but hopefully coming out of) and one way that people seem to have been trying to save money is on 'growing your own'!! There seems to have been a renaissance in growing your own vegetables and lets face it, they taste so much better just dug out of the ground than having flown half way round the world. If you fancy yourself as a bit of a Percy Thrower (*now, I am showing my age* ☺ !then I can tell you that there are allotments currently available for rent in Trimley St Mary, situated behind Great Street Farm/Three Mariners. They are £15 per year and if you are interested, contact Debbie Cooper on 285193.

Yet again, one of the village highlights of the year was the Trimley Carnival. Nearly 150 shields were put up this year by the Carnival Chairman John Sills and his small band of helpers and the day itself saw glorious weather and colourful floats. We are one of the few remaining villages/towns that still has a carnival, most have fallen by the wayside, largely due to the 'red tape' that it takes to organize such an event. And sadly, this could be the fate of our village carnival as due to cutbacks within the Police and Fire Service, input from these services will now have to be paid for, which includes setting out the cones and manning the procession route etc, costs which will amount to hundreds of pounds. It will be a

## TRIMLEY MEMORIAL HALL

Did you know that your local village hall plays host to a number of different activities during the week??

If you fancy the idea of taking up a new interest, then here are a few suggestions along with contact numbers which you may like to consider.

**CRAFT WORKSHOP** - monthly meeting - 448454

**ART GROUP** - Monday afternoons - 211049

**TABLE TENNIS** - Monday Evenings - 275539

**EMBROIDERY CLUB** - Tuesday mornings (once a month) -  
279705

**QUILTING CLUB** - one Tuesday & Thursday, once a  
month - 279691

**TEA DANCES** - Wednesday Afternoon — 282494

**LINE DANCING** - Thursday Evening — 01473 603254

**TRIMLEY WIVES** - monthly meeting — 274154

**TRIMLEY SAINTS PLAYERS** - Friday evenings - 275575

**The Parish Council** normally meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall, Trimley High Road

There is an opportunity during the meeting, for you to come and dialogue with us on any matter concerning the village,

## TRIMLEY MEMORIAL HALL

The Hall is being constantly upgraded and refurbished, it provides a very smart venue for parties, wedding receptions & christenings etc with ample parking.

We Still have a vacancy for Wednesday evenings  
Enquiries to Hall Secretary see below for Tel No

To book the Hall please phone: Felixstowe 275575



### The Saints Players

Following the sell-out of their annual panto earlier this year, Saints are busy rehearsing for Jan 2011



### Goldilocks & The Three Bears

This has a hilarious modern script, and customers are advised to book early, as we usually sell out!

At Trimley Memorial Hall

Wed 12th — Sat 15th January 2011 plus Sat matinee

Please book early to avoid disappointment!

Box Office—Tel: Felixstowe 671119

We have recently been able to donate

£1000 to the East Anglia's Children Hospice Treehouse Appeal

real shame if we lose the carnival due to spiralling costs in putting it on, but only time will tell.

Talking of police, at the monthly police report at our recent parish meeting, there were a number of crimes reported which involved the stealing of items from vehicles, within our village. Recently, suspicious persons were seen trying the doors of parked vehicles on the off chance they would be un-locked. It is imperative that you do not keep valuable items on display in vehicles as these are a magnet for opportunist thieves.

If you wish to report anything to the council, please do not hesitate to contact me at the usual number or address (details on the back of this leaflet) or come along to our monthly parish meetings which take place on the first Tuesday of each month.

Tracey Hunter



## Remembrance Day

### Civic Gathering

11.00am Thursday 11 November at Reeve Lodge

The Chairmen and members of both the Trimley Parish Councils will observe two minutes silence and lay a poppy wreath at the Reeve Lodge Peace Sign to remember those that served their Country

All are welcome to attend



### KIRTON NEWS DELIVERY

I am writing to make you aware that after many years of providing you with a news delivery service, we have now decided the time has come for us to retire. We have agreed for Suffolk News Delivery to take over providing you with a regular and reliable delivery and we would like to take this opportunity to THANK YOU for your custom over the years and hope you will continue to support your new news delivery service.

Angela Cole (Kirton News)

## Trimley St Martin Church Tower

In March 2008, there were high winds and rain finally caused large sections of the rendering on the north face of Trimley St Martin Church Tower to fall away exposing the very old stone and mortar construction of the tower – incidentally, the majority of the stone is called septaria and was extracted from the River Stour river bed. The rendering that had been in place had proved to be too thick and heavy and not sufficiently well bonded to the inner stonework. Apart from making it safe, we then had to embark on the long restoration process which starts with employing a Church approved architect who specified the repairs required in great detail from which quotes were sought from three specialist builders. In parallel with this, we had to embark on a fund raising campaign as the Church does not have any reserves to deal with such costly repairs. This is a long and slow process involving local fund raising and a lot of applications to grant making bodies. We were finally in a position to give the go ahead for repairs around July 2009 and work started in September 2009. Due to the harsh winter conditions that we had, the job was not completed until February 2010 almost two years after the damage had first occurred.



Trimley Church and, I am sure, all the people who live in the Trimleys would like to extend our thanks to all those who gave generously to get this repair completed. The list is long and includes £2255 raised through a village appeal, £2876 raised by Church members through various fund raising events, and some legacies. The following were the major donors - Trimley St Mary Parish Council (£5000), the National Churches Trust (£5000), Viridor Waste Management via Suffolk Historic Churches Trust (£4000), Trinity College Trust Fund (£2000), the Ganzoni Trust Fund (£2000) and the Ecclesiastical Insurance Group (£2000). We are indebted to all the aforementioned as well as the following who all made

donations of £1000 or less – Garfield Weston Trust, SCC locality budget, AllChurches Fund, Lord Butler Trust Fund and Trimley St Martin Parish Council.

Mark Davis

### Retired? Unemployed? On a low income?

**If you live in the Suffolk Coastal area  
and are struggling to pay your rent or your Council Tax,  
you may be entitled to benefits to help you pay them.**

**Apply today - call 01394 444838**

**Email [benefits@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk](mailto:benefits@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk)**

**Apply online [www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/yourhome/benefits/housingbenefit/claimonline](http://www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/yourhome/benefits/housingbenefit/claimonline)**



Suffolk Coastal District Council  
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Melton Hill, Woodbridge  
IP12 1AU  
Open Monday to Thursday 8.45am to  
5.15pm, and Friday 8.45am - 4.45pm

### Please be a responsible dog owner

Whilst most dog owners are the responsible type and 'pick up' after their dogs, there are some that give everyone else a bad name! There is a real problem in some parts of the village with dog fouling, despite dog bins being in fairly close proximity. Worst affected areas are public footpaths and rights of way and both we and SCDC take this matter very seriously, with the District Council imposing fines of up to £1000 for culprits that are caught. If seen and identified, persistent offenders will be reported to SCDC.

