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PARISH COUNCIL (Meeting 26 January, 1979)

Council decided to place an order with Stowmarket Maintenance Welding for the construction of the village sign. The proposed sign will be made of metal and wood and the final article is expected to stand on Chestnut Green.

The rent of the proposed play area in the Chestnuts will be £3 per annum. Council decided to purchase some swings as the initial part of a programme to equip the site.

It was decided that the Newsletter would retain its new format because of the financial savings which will be achieved, enough for instance to purchase the swings for the play area.

It was noted that there was now a vacancy for a Community Emergency Adviser. If anyone is interested please let me know.

The Area Surveyor was requested to repair the village name sign at the Bildeston end of the village.

The problem of parked cars outside the Pettward Hall reducing visibility for motorists was discussed and the Pettward Hall Committee representative agreed to raise the matter at the next Committee meeting.

Extensive parking on the B1115 next to Finborough Park rugby pitches was noted and it was agreed to ask the Rugby Club to take action to eliminate the hazard.

The Area Surveyor is to be asked to examine the possibility of extending the footway running between the School and Oak Close, to the Post Office so as to improve visibility for pedestrians crossing at this point.

A questionnaire on parish facilities was completed.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Darts Competition We have entered 3 teams for the "B" Group competition at Haughley on 3rd Feb. and hope to defend successfully the cup we won last year and go onto the County Finals on 24th February.

Meetings Thursday 15th February - Buxhall Crown - 8 pm
Tuesday 20th March - Brewers Arms, Rattlesden - 8 pm

Hugh Wake, Branch Hon.Sec.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Last month we had a very interesting talk by Mr. Fisher on Wine-making with helpful hints for those of our members who already make wine and encouragement to others to start.

We have decided to enter for the W.I. Suffolk Show Competition again this year; the theme is "A Celebration", 5 items and the staging to be judged. Last year we did very well for a first try and hope to improve on it this year.

The Spring Group Meeting will be held on 29th March at the Stowmarket High School.

Marigold Wake, President

PRIMARY SCHOOL (A hint from Samantha Brand, aged 7 years)

Birds need food in the Winter. If you make a bird table, put some bits of bread and some scraps on, then they won't get hungry; put out crumbs and some apple and lots of other things for the birds, and cut all of the things into little pieces; mix them all up in fat, then leave it to cool. When it has cooled down, give it to the birds.

ST. ANDREWS CHURCH

Sunday	18th Feb	11 am H.C. (M.P. at Harleston)
"	25th Feb	10 am Family Service (11 am H.C. at Onehouse)
Weds	28th Feb	(Ash Wednesday) 7 pm E.P. and H.C.
Sunday	4th Mar	11 am M.P. (H.C. at Harleston)
"	11th Mar	9 am H.C. (10.30 am Family Service, Onehouse)
"	18th Mar	11 am H.C. (M.P. at Harleston)

Vestry Meeting

The annual Vestry meeting for the election of churchwardens will be on Monday, 12th March at Pettiward Hall at 7.30 pm. All parishioners, of whatever denomination or none, are entitled to attend and vote since churchwardens are Parish Officers although they have to be communicant members of the Church of England. This meeting will be followed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting to receive reports of the past year, to approve the audited accounts of the church and to elect the Church Council for the coming year. Again, all parishioners are invited to attend but only those on the Church Electoral Roll are entitled to vote. The Church Electoral Roll will be revised in February; if you are over 17, baptised and call yourself C or E you should be on it; forms available from the Vicar, Church Officers or in the Church.

Hugh Wake, Vicar

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