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## PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Because of the General Election on 3rd May, the Parish Council Elections will now take place on Thursday, 24th May. The situation regarding nomination of candidates is still somewhat confused but I understand there may be a further period in which to put forward nominations. Please contact the Returning Officer if you have not already lodged your nomination but still wish to do so.

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Estimates are to be obtained for the construction of a car park for the Pettiward Hall. It will be about a quarter acre in size and will have a temporary vehicular access from Valley Lane.

A three-bay swing has been obtained for the proposed children's play area at the Chestnuts. Consideration is to be given to the construction of further equipment using volunteers from the young of the village.

Parking outside the Pettiward Hall front entrance is to be deterred by the Pettiward Hall Committee so as to remove impediments to visibility at the Bl115-Valley Lane junction.

Two planning applications to develop Finborough Hall were considered. The first concerning conversion into 28 residential units (houses and flats) seemed to be impractical in view of the price of the Hall and the necessary conversion. The second application proposed an hotel and leisure centre with a large number of chalets to be erected near the existing EEB training school and for this application there did not appear to be sufficient detail about the use of the main Hall for the Council to form an opinion.

## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

In last month's Newsletter I reported that the W.I. would be holding a May Fair on 12th May. This has had to be changed to Saturday 19th May. We will have the Fair in the morning on the village green with stalls and sideshows; coffee will be served at the Old Forge. The Fair will be open from 10.30 to 12.30. In the evening the Bucklesham Players will present an "Ole Tyme Music Hall" in Pettiward Hall starting at 7.30 - tickets 50p with children under 13, 35p.

Marigold Wake, President

## ST.ANDREW'S CHURCH

Sunday 22 April (Easter 1) 9 am HC (Rev.M.Skliros), 11am Hymn singing at Harleston  
" 29 April (Easter 2) 10 am Family Service, 11 am MP/HC at Onehouse  
" 6 May (Easter 3) 11 am MP  
" 13 May (Easter 4) 9 am HC, 10.30 am Family Service & Baptism at Onehouse

The Vicar is away on holiday from Tuesday 17th to Tuesday 24th April - not as shown in the previous Newsletter.

Church Officers: There was no change in the elections to office at the Annual Meeting on 12 March except that Dr.Smith has joined his wife on the PCC. Mr.F.Proctor and Mr.R.Proctor continue as Churchwardens.

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Meetings: Thursday 19th April at Chestnut Horse  
Tuesday 15th May at Buxhall Crown

Fete: We hope to stage the Fete at Finborough Hall on 16 June.

## GREAT FINBOROUGH SCHOOL

Spring Fair: Thanks to all who helped raise £148.43 at the Spring Fair on 24 March. A donation of £25.00 has been made to the Church of England Children's Society.

Illegal collections: Unfortunately two boys have been going door to door asking for money for Great Finborough School. The School has received none of the money which has been collected in this illegal way. The children are never asked to collect money on behalf of the School.

## Activities:

On Saturday morning Helen and I went round giving black sacks out for when the dustbins get full and in the afternoon Helen and I went round posting newsletters. Yesterday we went to my aunty's and uncle's for dinner and tea, then we went home. (Julie Manning, aged 8 years)

In the holiday I went to my Nanny and Grandad and on Tuesday I went to Shellys; Shelly and I did some cooking and we went for a walk; we had dinner and tea and then I went home. On Thursday night my grandad got some ducklings; he got twelve of them and they were yellow; when he took the box top off they lifted their heads up and went "Tweet tweet, tweet tweet, tweet tweet, tweet tweet". (Gareth Bishop, aged 8 years)

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