

WICKHAM MARKET IP30 PARISH NEWS



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INFORMATION BOOKLET**
From
Wickham Market
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Council

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Finance & General Purpose Committee: Meets on the first Monday alternate months. Responsible for grants and managing financial reporting and budgets.

Environment & Leisure Committee: Meets on the second Monday alternate months and responsibilities include the Cemetery, Allotments and Markets.

Planning Committee: Meets as required and reviews and comments on all planning applications for the Parish.

Neighbourhood Plan Committee: Meets as required and has been responsible for producing the Neighbourhood Plan which is in its closing stages.

Staffing and Personnel Committee: Meets as required and advises the council on all employment matters.

Sizewell C Committee: Advises the Council on the impact of Sizewell C.

Climate Change Working Group: Responsible for the Climate Action Strategy and advising the Council on Climate Change actions.

Village Hall Working Group: Working with the Village Hall Trustees to manage the hall

WELCOME TO OUR FIFTH EDITION OF PARISH NEWS.

Autumn is with us so have a look at our ten top tips for saving money and keeping warm on page 4.

We are also highlighting our businesses and local organisations in a new four page pull-out in the centre pages, with listings to help you support our local economy.

We hope this mix of news, events and information helps you to get involved in something that you enjoy.

If you are interested in joining our team, the Parish Council still has two vacancies for members. If you have lived in the Parish for over a year, you could be eligible to join us. For more information, please email our Clerk at: clerk@wickhammarketpc.com

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Please note the Parish Council new web domain <https://wickhammarketpc.com/>

Parish Councillors and employees now all have official @wickhammarketpc.com email addresses.

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TEN TOP TIPS FOR AUTUMN

From The Climate Change Working Group.

1: Seasonal Veggies

Try and use the seasonal veggies and fruit that are now coming into season here. There is a farm shop near Benhall called Greenfarm Produce that has seasonal veg; you can buy it from their shed in the front garden and they grow it all right there. We also have the lovely fruit and veg stall on Saturday mornings here in our very own market, provided by Newbourne Vegetables.

2: Hallowe'en costumes

Check out local charity shops who usually have a stock; also try Kidz Kupboard based in Rendlesham or Skoobs based in Witnesham. Both are great places to set up accounts to sell your unwanted clothes in their shop (they sell; you get a percentage). There are also people selling second hand costumes online. These will be cheaper and will not add to the problem of buying new clothes, which is a huge climate issue.



3: Energy Provider

Now summer is drawing to a close, maybe you could spend a little time looking at your energy provider to see if you could save yourself some money. Maybe you could find a provider that only generates green energy. Also, it is a great idea to check that energy readings are correct, and not on an estimate, as estimated bills can sometimes be much higher.

4: Light Bulbs



As we will have to turn the lights on earlier in the Autumn, a great idea is to change your light bulbs for energy efficient ones. You should also turn off lights in rooms that are not being used. All plugs should be turned off when not in use; the Government estimate that you could save between £50 - £90 a year doing this.

5: Washing Machine

Run your washing machine on only full loads at 30 degrees to save money on your energy bills.

6: Showers

Swap your baths for a short shower to save money on your energy and water bills.



7: Kettles

Only fill your kettle with as much water as you need.

8: Save Fuel

Now might be the time for getting the bike out or walking to work, saving fuel on driving. Or, possibly you could group together with some of your colleagues and start a car pooling scheme.



9: Heating

Remember to draw your curtains of an evening to help hold heat inside, tucking them behind your radiators. Make sure that radiators are kept clear to allow the heat to circulate and try not to place furniture in front of them.

10: Home Heat Loss

Email us to arrange for us to come out and carry out a heat loss survey with our parish owned thermal imaging camera, This will help you to understand where heat is being lost from your home. Please email gemma.dg@wickhammarket-pc.com to arrange this.

We hope you find these tips useful.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS DIGEST

SIZEWELL C gave a presentation to the Parish Council which is published here: <https://wickhammarketpc.com/parish-council/sizewell-c/>

A SIZEWELL C COMMITTEE has been set up to manage the effects on Wickham Market including traffic calming measures. These will be advertised meetings where members of the public are welcome and minuted will be published.

A DRAFT THREE YEAR PLAN for the Council has been developed. It can be reviewed through the website link below. This is intended to support the budget for next year and focus on the important actions to support the community so your comments would be very welcome. A formal consultation is planned. <https://wickhammarketpc.com/assets/Parish-Council-Documents-/WMPC-Council-Action-Plan.pdf>.

Summer is a quieter time for the Parish Council because of holidays, but there are a number of things planned for the autumn including:

- Repainting the bus shelter brickwork.
- Installing a notice board for the lower high street.
- Installing more litter and dog waste bins on regularly used walks and meeting places.
- Supporting Hedgehog Highways to allow more movement

SUMMER MARKET ON THE HILL

On Saturday August 19th, we had our summer market here in the heart of Wickham Market.



It was a very well organised event with a lot of fabulous feedback. Well done to our new Deputy Clerk Alison, under the watchful eye of Al, for organising such a smooth operation.



The Parish Council had a stall; In exchange for Cheez scones (or fruit and cashew cream scones) visitors could vote for the best image for the front cover of our Climate Action Strategy. Designs were submitted by Wickham Market Primary School and the winner was Jenson.



Well done to Jenson for your front cover design; it won by a good lead. Thank you to Mrs Johnson of Wickham Market Primary School for all entries.



Wickham Market Community Choir were also there, performing for an hour a selection of upbeat songs. This was very much enjoyed by the market goers and we created a little crowd! We had a lovely time singing our songs; it was a great boost and made all the weeks of practising worth it.

When the choir returns in October, we will be starting our Christmas songs for performing at the Christmas Market. We are also currently seeking funding to keep our Community Choir alive, and to make sure there are no barriers to our group. The singers can improve mental and physical health and alleviate loneliness. All are welcome to join us so keep an eye on social media for our return date in the Village Hall at 8pm on Wednesdays. Thank you, Pamela, for your guidance of the group. We love it and have such fun.



Gemma Dempsey-Gray



REMEMBERING WICKHAM MARKET'S PAST

Some of us, on travelling out of Wickham Market towards Ufford will not, I guess, realise what lies beyond the avenue of lime trees which lead to Wickham Market Cemetery.



On the war memorial on the corner of Chapel Lane are listed the names of 31 men who died in the first World War and nine men and four civilians who died in the second World War. Most of the servicemen were killed in action and were buried where, or near to where, they fell, in what are Commonwealth War Graves across Europe.

However, three men died back in England, and were returned to be buried here, in their home village, and Wickham Market has three Commonwealth War Graves in the cemetery.

In this, the first of three articles, Philip Tallent, of the Archive Centre explains more about the three men.

When I set out to research Arthur Edward Smith, I thought it would be very difficult, given his very common surname. However, many documents came to light, which enabled me to put together the following picture of his life.

PRIVATE ARTHUR EDWARD SMITH

Arthur was born in March 1883 in Dallinghoo, Charsfield or Letheringham, depending on which of his records you are referring to. In 1891, at the age of 8, he was living at Wickham Road, Charsfield, with his parents Robert and Hagar Smith and his sister Edith, who was 15 months old. His father, who was born in Dallinghoo, had his occupation shown as an Agricultural Labourer. His mother was born in Pettistree, and his sister Edith in Charsfield. On this Census form Arthur's place of birth was recorded as Dallinghoo.

On 1st January 1907 Arthur Smith married Alice Mary Taylor at Wickham Market and their son, named Ernest Charles Robert Smith, was born on 26th November 1907. In 1911, at the age of 28, Arthur was living on Foresters Hall Lane (which is now Dallinghoo Road), Wickham Market, with his wife Alice and Ernest (now aged 3). Arthur's occupation was given as a General Labourer, and his place of birth as Charsfield.

Arthur enlisted, at the age of 33, into the Norfolk Regiment, signing up at Wickham Market on 2nd December 1915, although he was later transferred to the East Yorkshire Regiment, with service number 28208. He gave his occupation as Labourer. On his medical record his place of birth is given as Letheringham. From 2nd December 1915 to 22nd September 1916 he was being trained (as part of the Norfolk Regiment). Then on 23rd September 1916 he sailed from Folkestone to Boulogne, France. On 5th October 1916 he joined the 12th Battalion of the East Yorkshire Regiment for duty.

In July 1916, before Arthur arrived, the 12th Battalion had been involved in the Battle of Albert and the Attack on Serre, which were part of the Battle of the Somme. On 13th November they were involved in the Battle of The Ancre in the Battle of the Somme.

Private Arthur Smith was wounded in action on 13th November 1916 and was transferred back to England. The medical record shows he sustained gun shot wounds to his hand (twice) and thigh. He died of septicaemia (blood poisoning) on 28th December 1916 at Cambridge Hospital, Aldershot.

His widow was awarded a gratuity of £3 3s 1d, and a pension of 18s 9d a week. Alice remarried in 1919 and lived with her new husband at Old Newton, near Stowmarket. The memorial scroll, British War medal and Victory medal were issued to Alice, but did not reach her until 1922, (probably because she had remarried and moved).

Arthur was buried at Wickham Market cemetery, at the far end (furthest from the road) and to the right, the gravestone stands on its own. The inscription on the stone shows the crest of the East Yorkshire regiment – an eight-pointed star at the centre of which is a circular laurel wreath enclosing a rose. Below the star is an ornately carved scroll inscribed EAST YORKSHIRE.

Above the crest are the words:

**28208 PRIVATE
A E SMITH
EAST YORKSHIRE REGIMENT
28TH DECEMBER 1916**



Philip Tallent



WICKHAM BELLRINGERS GO PEDALLING

The Wickham Market bellringers, along with fellow ringers from Bredfield, Campsea Ashe and Pettistree, took to the road on bikes accompanied by two classic cars and cycled and rang at six local churches as part of Suffolk Historic Churches Trust 'Ride & Stride' event on 9th September – but with a difference - we called it a 'Ride & Ring'.

We cycled 15 miles and rang at each of the six churches visited for 30 to 45 minutes – a total of 4 hours of ringing over the day.

It was a really hot day but fortunately all the churches had plenty of water to keep us hydrated. We had a refreshment stop for lunch at the Station House Café Campsea Ashe before continuing our journey and visiting and ringing at the other towers along the way. We finished at Easton and had a much-needed beer at the White Horse to round off the day. We even fitted in an unscheduled ring at Easton as a send-off for a departing bride and groom who were married there that afternoon.



Most of the Ringers had collected sponsorship for the Ride & Ring and raised lots of money for the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust.

If you fancy trying your hand at bellringing then please contact our Tower Captain, Ray Lewis on 07850 795795 to arrange a taster session. You'll find it a most enjoyable and rewarding experience and a chance to meet some great people.

Simon Harrington



The Suffolk Historic Churches Trust's sponsored Ride and Stride was on Saturday 9th September. We adapted it to a 'Ride and Ring'. Starting off at Wickham then on to Pettistree, Campsea Ashe, Marlesford, Hacheston, Parham and ending at Easton. Ringing at each of the towers along the way

WICKHAM MARKET PARISH COUNCIL

Your 4 page pull out for LOCAL Businesses and Services

BUSINESS DIRECTORY



ALL IN AUTO SERVICES

Vehicle service and maintenance
Riverside View Industrial estate
01728 746999
allinautoservices@btconnect.com

ANNA SHAND

Chiropodist/ Podiatrist
64 High Street 01728 745010

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TV Aerials, Satellite TV, WiFi, CCTV
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Hairdressers
73 High Street 01728 746616

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01728 747279 / 07747 831535

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nrrestorations@icloud.com

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LET'S KEEP IT LOCAL!

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Unit 1, Riverside View IP13 0TA
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SAXON VETS

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www.saxonvets.com

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www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk

SVRC DOG WASH

Riverside View industrial estate
07921 586339

TEA POT TEA ROOMS

Dine-in/Takeaway
70A High Street 01728 748079

THE BENGAL

Indian Restaurant/Takeaway
70 High Street 01728 747767
www.the-bengal.co.uk

THE FLAMING FRYER

Fish & Chips
75 High Street 01728 46361

THE NEW PEACH BOWER

Chinese Restaurant/Takeaway
56 High Street 01728 747901
www.thenewpeachbower.co.uk

VALLEY FARM EQUESTRIAN LEISURE

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<https://www.valleyfarm.co.uk/>

WICKHAM MARKET DENTAL CLINIC

2 Crown House 01728 746222
www.wickhammarketdentist.co.uk

WICKHAM MARKET PHARMACY

68 High Street 01728 746267

WICKHAM MARKET POST OFFICE

and Stores
36 High Street 01728 746201

If you have a business
located in Wickham Market
and would like to list your
details here
FOR FREE
Please let me know
clerk@wickhammarketpc.com

USEFUL INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

CITIZENS ADVICE EAST SUFFOLK:

14 Colonial House, Station Rd, Leiston
IP16 4JD
Open Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri 10 - 2 pm

Wickham Market drop in service:

Resource Centre (next to the Library)
Tuesday 1.30 - 3.30 pm.

www.leistoncab.org

www.citizensadvice.org.uk

01728 832193 or
0808 2787868 (Free)

Disability Advice Service

(East Suffolk): 01394 387070

Good Neighbour Scheme: (GNS)

Provides friendship and support with
shopping, posting letters, filling forms,
computers, dog walking, DIY, fitness,
transport, home from hospital service
etc. 07914 494108.

Wellbeing Tree Café at The Aspire

Centre. Relax, chat and make new
friends over a hot drink and cake.
Wednesdays 10.30 - 12.30.

Men's Shed: Old Archive Centre
behind the Village Hall. Social and
creative centre.

Mondays 2 pm
www.wmshed.org.uk 01728 747782

INTERESTS

Youth Football Club, Simon's Cross
Playing Field, IP13 0ST.
Steph: 07778 880735.

Football Club: 01728 747731

Sport and Social Club, behind the
Village Hall.
www.wickhammarketfc.co.uk

Tennis Club, Simon's Cross Playing
Field: 01728 746736

Bowls Club (playing Field):
01728 746715

Red Triangle Bowls Club:
01728 604491

GLEVERING HALL IP13 0EU

Badminton Club at 7:30

Thursday: Ladies / senior school students
Monday: Men / senior school students
07860 402288

WICKHAM MARKET LIBRARY

Chapel Lane, IP13 0SD. Open
Tuesday to Friday: 9.30 - 5.30
Saturday: 10 - 12.30 then 1 - 4.30
help@suffolklibraries.co.uk
01728 747216

Also at the Library:

Sewing Group:

Thursdays 1.30 - 4.30 pm.
01728 747987

Lego at the Library:

Monthly third Saturday 10.30 - 4pm.

Do you run a community service or
club in Wickham Market that could
be added here? Contact:
clerk@wickhammarketpc.com

VILLAGE HALL

Lettings: Alison

lettings.wmvillagehall@gmail.com

Also at the Village Hall

Bingo

Tuesdays 6pm

Tina Clack 01728 746846

Community Club: social activities and support for those new to the area, Friday mornings

Val Mann: val@penpal.me.uk

01728 747078

Gardening Club:

Monthly third Thursday 7:30 pm

wmgardenclub27@gmail.com

Toddler and Baby Group

Wednesdays during school term

9:00 - 11:30 (£2.50 per family)

stephanieworne@gmail.com

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Second Thursday each month at 7.30

Wickham Market Movies

Pete Holden 01728 747229

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Crown Lane, IP13 0SA

01728 561572

www.wickhammarketchurch.org

Open Pantry: Fresh food and household goods shared with anyone in need.

Thursdays 9 - 11 am.

Open Door: coffee, tea, biscuits and friendship.

Fridays 10am to noon

Bell Ringing: Monday Evenings from 7:30 - 9pm

BEEHIVE BUILDING

Crown Lane

Bumblebees: Toddlers Group Age 0-4

Suggested cost £1 per session.

Tuesdays 9 - 11.30 term time.

Rainbows (age 4-7), **Brownies** (age

7-10), Linda Payne: 01728 604491

Guides (age 10+)

Jacquie Goodwin & Tracy Burch

RESOURCE CENTRE

Chapel Lane, IP13 0SD: 01728 747782

Resource Centre Gardening Group

2nd Wednesday monthly at 10am.

Barbara Harrington: sbharrington@outlook.com

or pop along on the day.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CLUB

01728 746915

AVOCET ACADEMY:

01728 746405

ARCHIVE CENTRE:

Philip Tallent 01728 746058

VALLEY FARM

Pony Club <https://www.valleyfarm.co.uk/content/pony-club>

Tots Pony Club <https://www.valleyfarm.co.uk/content/riding-tiny-tots>

Young Equestrians Club

<https://www.valleyfarm.co.uk/content/young-equestrians>

WHICH COUNCIL DOES WHAT?

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL: Highways, Recycling

<https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/> 0345 606 6067

Reporting any highways issue including: potholes, street lights, drains, hedges, gritting, pavements <https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/>

EAST SUFFOLK COUNCIL: Waste collection, Pay car parks, Planning

<https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/> 0333 016 2000

WICKHAM MARKET PARISH COUNCIL: Cemetery, Playing

Fields, Children's Play Area, Allotments, Markets.

<https://wickhammarketpc.com/>

clerk@wickhammarketpc.com

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON COUNCIL SERVICES:

<https://wickhammarketpc.com/useful-links/>



QUIET LANES SUFFOLK



After three years of involvement with Quiet Lanes wave 3, we have designated Spring Lane and Mill Lane as Quiet Lanes. They join over 300 miles of Quiet Lanes across 130 parishes.

Wave 4 (Chapel Lane) is due to be completed when posts are put in place by Palmers, sub-contractors to Suffolk Highways.



My thanks to David Chenery for his help in attaching signs to posts.

For further information visit the website

www.quietlanessuffolk.co.uk

Or the Facebook page

www.facebook.com/QuietLanesSuffolk.

Ivor French

THE GEORGE



Artist impression – Purcell Architects

COMMUNITY PUB UPDATE

It is ten years since the George Pub was almost destroyed by fire and eight years since a group of Wickham Market volunteers got together to try and save this historic Grade II listed building.

During that time, we have seen Brexit, Covid, five Prime Ministers and the war in Ukraine; there could never have been a tougher, more, inflationary time to take on the challenge but in May '23 we finally reached our fundraising target thanks to The National Lottery Heritage Fund, The Community Ownership Fund, other grant providers and the incredible support of our shareholders.



Eight-man team carry massive oak beam.

Current position

Externally there is little evidence of anything happening but behind the hoarding, work is ongoing to reveal more of the ancient structure. Later extensions to the rear of the building have been demolished and scaffold removed from inside the building. The subfloor has been excavated ready for a new lime-concrete base and charred timbers have been removed for cleaning and restoration. New oak has been delivered onsite to further restore the building's framework.

Scope of work and timescale

The ground floor will feature a bar, restaurant, modern kitchen, and rest room facilities, while upstairs there will be a purpose-built, serviced community space, fully accessible by lift or stairs. The whole construction will be to the latest and most energy efficient standards.

The George Community Pub is due to be fully operational in late Autumn '24; however, the activity space on the first floor will be open earlier, in late Spring, and made available at weekends as a community room and visitor centre.

Events

Hard hat tours supervised by experts from Seaman's Builders will show key features and methods used in the heritage renovation and construction. Should you be interested in joining a tour please email info.wmgeorge@gmail.com and request to be included on our tour list.

Our recently appointed community engagement co-ordinator, Christine Abraham, will be developing a programme of well-being activities to be funded by the pub when fully open. This is to ensure that everyone in the community, irrespective of their physical, mental, or financial situation will have an inclusive place in which to meet and socialise.

The importance of restoration

Saving The George is not only fantastic news for Wickham Market but a success story for Heritage nationwide. It will be a brand-new beginning for Wickham's last remaining pub, made possible by the National Lottery Heritage Fund and lottery players nationwide.

George Hering



Hidden staircase revealed after fire.

SCHOOL GARDEN GETS A FACELIFT

Over the summer holidays, our District Councillor Sally Noble and I, plus a few of Sally's friends, met and gave the school garden a bit of a facelift. It was a weedy affair!



We planted some lovely vegetables, fruit bushes, flowers, herbs and a gorgeous Cherry Tree in the middle, with thanks to Suffolk Plant Centre for their guidance and support.



The school were very happy about the establishing of their new plot; soon we should discuss a gardening club to take care of the garden, and teach the children how to grow their own produce.

Gemma Dempsey-Gray



WICKHAM MARKET AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

46TH AUTUMN SHOW

There were over three hundred entries at the Show which was held in the Village Hall over the weekend of the 9th and 10th September.



The winner of the Wickham Market and District Garden Club Cup for Best Exhibit in Show was the Collection of Vegetables (pictured) but there was also a colourful display of flowers and Kitchen Craft. Full results of all Trophy winners are available on the Club website. wmgardenclub.org.uk

As well as encouraging some friendly competition the Show is a social event at which members and friends have a chance to catch up with news and exchange gardening tips over a cup of tea and some rather good cake. Entries are welcome from all growers of all ages from beginner to expert and there are classes to suit everyone.

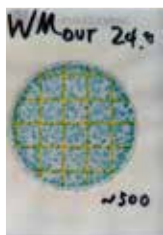


Sadly we had to report the recent death of John Caley our longest standing member. He had exhibited in every Show the Club staged from 1977 until 2022 and he won 74 different Trophies and Awards in that time. The photo shows him (on the left) receiving awards from the Club Chairman at the 2019 Show. He will be very much missed by members.

John Sculpher

RIVER DEBEN SAFARI

Throughout the summer we have been testing, especially the areas where we know people swim. In addition, we took part in a river safari, which had parishes up and down the Deben testing for ecoli, but also, as Ufford have recently purchased new equipment, for phosphate, nitrates and ammonia.



There were very worrying results, so Woodbridge Climate Action group is collating all this data and intends to get in touch with the media in due course. In the meantime, I attach two slides from two key areas in Wickham Market, showing the Ecoli colonies. These areas are very very high. The results from our River Safari testing are on the Climate page on our website:



<https://wickhammarketpc.com/assets/Climate-Action/Deben-River-Safari-Results-final-update-1-Sept.pdf>

White Bridges continues to be just under the level which makes it unsafe. Please be careful paddling there.

Thank you to David Findley of Ufford Parish Council for organising such a fantastic data collection day and to him and Bill for collating the information. WMPC hope to use some of our climate change budget to purchase our own equipment for ongoing regular testing.

Gemma Dempsey-Gray



WICKHAM MARKET MOVIES

Wickham Market Movies shows films at Wickham Market Village Hall on the 3rd Saturday of every month.
7.00 for 7.30 pm.

Sat 18th November "Are You There God, It's Me, Margaret"

More information on future presentations can be found on Facebook, Next Door and Round Robin and the Parish Council events page:
<https://wickhammarketpc.com/events-2/>



WE NEED YOU!

Easton Primary School are looking for community members to join our friendly School Local Advisory Board (LAB) - formerly called School Governors. This is a voluntary but rewarding role, which will help you acquire new skills and make a positive difference to children's education. Full training is given and you will be supported in the role.

WHAT DO WE DO?

We provide challenge and support to the school leaders, assist them in creating and implementing a school development plan and policies, review school performance and provide links between the school and the local community.

WHO CAN JOIN?

No particular skills are needed. Anyone over the age of 18, with a keen interest in education and school improvement can apply.

HOW MUCH TIME DOES IT TAKE?

Approximately 4-5 hours a month, including meetings (via zoom), online training and organised school visits.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Please email our Head Teacher Mrs Rivera for more information or to arrange an informal chat
easton.admin@avocetacademy.org



PARISH ENVIRONMENT GROUP AND THE OUTDOOR GREEN GYM



We are a small informal group of volunteers who have been working for many years around the village growing, planting trees and hedges and helping to care for the Parish Cemetery. Support comes from the Suffolk Tree Wardens network, landowners and County & District Council grants.

This winter we will focus on adding trees and managing the new community wood in Pettistree: The Java Lodge Spinney. The land has been made available by local farmer and Pettistree parish councillor/Tree Warden, James Hayward. The project is actively supported by Pettistree Parish Council.

We will also continue planting in the Chapel Lane area including the spinney at the end of the Green Lane track and managing other trees planted around the village green spaces. Some of the trees planted are now well established, one day they will all be landscape features, providing havens for birds and wildlife, adding to local biodiversity and enhancing the environment and local climate of the Parishes.

Most work parties will be held at the weekend (Saturdays and Sunday mornings), but some held on weekdays. We aim to enjoy the time outside and help the environment in good company. All ages welcome!

In addition, two-hour work parties are held in the Parish Cemetery on the last Thursday of each month at 10am. Tasks includes tidy ups, tree TLC and mulching, hedge, wildflower management and adding bulbs.

If you wish to get involved, growing trees, planting, caring, ideas for the future and donations please get in touch!

Look out for updates on specific dates via the Wickham News round robin (email: news@wickhammarket.co.uk) and local Facebook pages.

Contact Anne Westover, Tree Warden (with Sonya Exton) for further information and to find out how you can help.

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Anne Westover

MARKETS ON THE HILL

*Keeping the Market in
Wickham Market*



REGULAR WEEKLY MARKETS

Market Hill is home to our local market on Wednesday and Saturday mornings throughout the year. Keep it local and come and browse:

- Newbourne Farm Fruit and Veg
- The Cheese & Pie Man
- DPC Fishmongers
- Bits & Bobs
- Fisherman's Catch
- Darron's Ladies' Fashions

MONTHLY MARKET ON THE HILL

Every 1st Saturday of the month, Wickham Market plays host to local traders, makers and producers, setting up a Monthly Market On the Hill. These include: Savon Belle handmade soaps, Caroline Steward jewellery and bags, Forestlake Pots, Suffolk Succulents, Chichaus map and woodcraft and Body Shop as well as other local arts and crafts, perfect for gifts as we approach the festive season. The next monthly market date for your diary is Saturday 4th November.

WINTER FESTIVE MARKET 2 December

Each year the Parish Council organise larger markets, setting up right across Market Hill. This year we're holding our Festive Market on Saturday 2 December – Santa is booked and there will be over 30 charity, craft, community group and food and drink stalls (including a licensed bar), so there should be something for everyone. Look out for posters and more information popping up around the village or visit our markets page on the Parish Council website: <https://wickhammarketpc.com/markets/>

If you'd like to attend as a stall holder contact Alison to check availability:

deputyclerk@wickhammarketpc.com

Text 07653 226760

or scan this QR code to email Alison





WICKHAM MARKET

FESTIVE MARKET ON THE HILL

Saturday 2nd December

9am - 2pm

And I'll be
there too!



Featuring:

Wickham Market WI

Wickham Market PTA

The George Community Pub

Local Arts and Crafts

Local Produce

For more information:

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