

BEDFIELD & MONK SOHAM COMMUNITY **NEWS**



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A Message from Friends of Bedfield Heritage

Dear all

I just wanted to update you with a couple of items in respect of the Friends of St Nicholas.

After careful consideration and long deliberation, the Friends' committee has decided to change the name of the Friends to Friends of Bedfield Heritage.

We considered that this was a more inclusive name and fully encompasses our main aims:

- a) to preserve the historic fabric of St. Nicholas Church and the wider history of the community and
- b) to encourage and actively develop the community life of Bedfield.

We hope you like the name!

We have also decided to formalise the Friends as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and will begin to progress this with the Charity Commission as soon as possible.

Don't forget that the annual Ride and Stride event is on Saturday 10th September and, for the first time, is combining forces with a Macmillan Coffee and Cake event.

More details about the Friends and the Ride and Stride can be found on the bedfield.onesuffolk.net website.

Many thanks

Jane Sullivan

Chair

Friends of Bedfield Heritage

Thank you!

Huge thanks to the volunteers who helped with the second coat of paint at the Hub last Saturday. it is greatly appreciated.



Trees in the Community

Dear All

I am the volunteer tree warden for Bedfield and a member of the conservation group.

As a group we planted out about 40 trees and have tried to water them in this very dry summer. Unfortunately, some have died, and we hope to replace them in the autumn.

So, with watering in mind and water butts being installed at the hub, we are hoping to care for the trees that we plant by asking you to adopt a tree, and to water it in dry spells. A container will be provided by the water butts at the hub to make it as easy as possible.

Thank you for you anticipated help.

Bob Whiteman

If you can help or would like further information, please reply to this email, and your details will be passed on to Bob.

118/119 Bus Service

There have been significant changes to the 118/119 bus service from Ipswich Buses, including the removal of the 1.50pm service 118 Ipswich to Framlingham journey and the 12.55pm service 119 Framlingham to Ipswich. Additional running time changes and larger time gap between trips have been made to improve punctuality. The timetable for the 118/119 services can be found [here](#), or visit [Suffolk on Board](#) for all details.

Community Bus

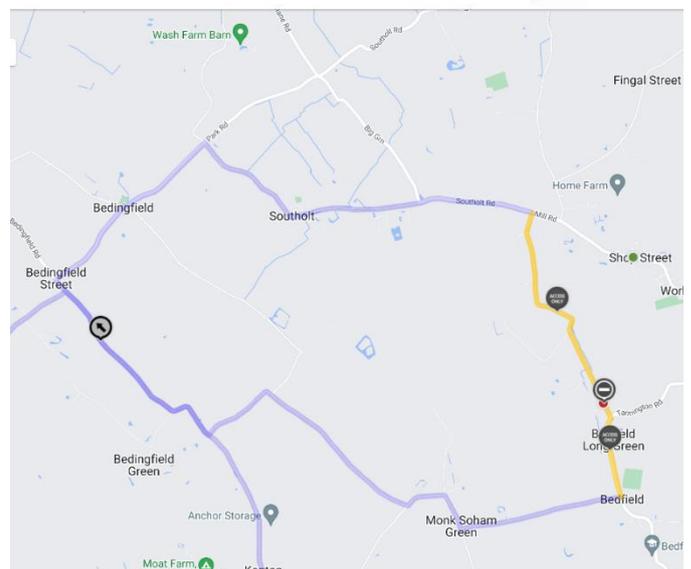
The Community Bus Service to Stowmarket on Thursday September 22nd is cancelled due to lack of available drivers.

If you could help by becoming a driver, please contact Alan at alannettethomas@gmail.com, who will discuss it with you. It doesn't have to be arduous! Please help if you can.

Road closure

The road at Dog Corner has now been reopened, but there is a further planned road closure this week from Tuesday 30th August to Thursday 1st September on Southolt Road to the North of Tannington Road.

You can view this map showing the closure and diversion at [one.network](#) and selecting "next two weeks".



Forthcoming events – dates for your diary

Friday 2nd September: Friends First Friday at the Hub.

Always a lovely, relaxing evening, and a chance to catch up with old friends and make new ones. A burger van is coming, so please come along and support the event. Huge thanks to Pam and Laura Jackson who continue to organise FFF.

Monday 5th September: Our Club at the Hub, 2 p.m.

An opportunity to chat and enjoy an afternoon together. There will be a raffle, with small prizes such as a pot of jam, a homemade cake, garden produce, so you may wish to bring a donation for this and/or the tea table. We can discuss ideas about where to go for a Christmas lunch. If you need transport, please contact Debbie Pritchard. Our Club is Your Club and open to everyone.

Saturday 10th September: MacMillan Coffee morning at St. Nicholas from 10:30 a.m.

Coffee and cake to enjoy, cake stall, tombola. All Riders and Striders – make it your mid-morning coffee stop!

Friday 23rd September: Pop-Up Pub at the Hub, 7 till late.

Rob & Emily Rogers have very kindly agreed to provide some live music! Put the date in your diary now.



Stay informed!

For more information on any of the above, to hire the Hub, or to submit items for future newsletters, email bedfieldmonksoham@btinternet.com or you can phone 01728 628046 or 07879 992701.

Remember, to stay informed, there is so much information on the village websites bedfield.onesuffolk.net and monksoham.onesuffolk.net and also at <http://www.facebook.com/BedfieldMonkSohamCommunityClub>.

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