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[www.elhamvalleygroupofchurches.co.uk](http://www.elhamvalleygroupofchurches.co.uk)

## St Mary The Virgin, Church of England

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# What's On, In and Around ELHAM

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Wednesday 1 October	Social Snacks and Cinema	19.00 for 19.30	Peggy Pike Room Elham Village Hall	Jan Stanyon 01303 840820	4
Thursday 2/9/16/23/30 Sept	Elham Community Shed	10.00 - 16.00	The Shed, Elham Village Hall	elhamshed@gmail.com	20
Saturday 4/11/18/25 Oct	Elham Community Shed	10.00 - 12.00	The Shed, Elham Village Hall	elhamshed@gmail.com	20
Saturday 4 October	Elham Gardening Society Autumn Bulb Sale and Coffee Morning	10.00	Elham Village Hall	See website	17
Sunday 5 October	St Mary's Church Harvest Lunch	12.30 for 13.00	St Mary's Church	See Poster	14
Tuesday 7/14/21/28 Oct.	Elham Community Shed Coffee Morning	10.00 - 12.00	The Shed, Elham Village Hall	elhamshed@gmail.com	20
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Saturday 25 October	Invicta Wind Orchestra	19.00	Valley Methodist Church Lyminge	Christine 01303 863049	16
Saturday 25 Oct	Elham Community Shed Loom Making	10.00 -12.00	Elham Community Shed EVH Car Park		20
Sunday 26 October	Elham Valley Walkers	10.00	From The Square Elham	Chris Jelly 07518163183	21
Thursday 30 October	Elham Christmas Market in aid of Pilgrims Hospice	18.00 -21.00	Elham Village Hall	Carol Stevens 01303 840430	18
Friday 31 October	Halloween Disco and Parade	17.30 - 20.00	Elham Village Hall	See Poster	5,36
Friday 7 Nov	Age Uk Wine Tasting	19.00	Slade Street Hythe	01303 269602	10
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## Welcome to the Elham Newsletter - October 2025

If feels like Autumn is well and truly with us! Don't forget the clocks go back on Sunday 26 October.

If you enjoy a quiz, or just a social occasion, gather together your team of six and book a table for Friday 24 October at the Village Hall for a fun night out. For the young at heart we are holding a Halloween Hallaballoon Disco on Friday 31 October, come dressed appropriately: all witches, fairies, ghouls, ghosts, wizards, Frankensteins and pumpkins are welcome. There are prizes for the best-dressed adult and best-dressed child. We hope to see you there (if we recognise you!).

The usual request and more... send your ideas and reports, pictures and suggestions to [elhamnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:elhamnewsletter@gmail.com). After 6 years I am running out of 'Neighbours'... if you have suggestion or would like to be the neighbour we can get to know, please contact me at [elhamnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:elhamnewsletter@gmail.com)

Renee Bull

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# Social, Snacks and Cinema

**Elham Village Hall 7.30pm on the first Wednesday of the month.**

£5.00 on the door

Pay Bar available from 7.00pm



## ***SOCIAL, SNACKS and CINEMA***

**Wednesday 1 October**

**7 for 7.30 in the Peggy Pike room at Elham Village Hall**

Join us for a **S**ocial evening with fri**E**nds in the **C**osy Peggy Pike Room. We have a little ba**R** open from 7pm and r**E**freshmen**T**s available for purch**A**se.

Ent**R**y is just £5.00 on the door. Now that the even**I**ngs are getting shorter and the nights colder this is **A**n ideal way to stay warm and enjoy a good sociable ca**T**ch up.

As promised, this month we have an uplifting offering for your delectation and delight. We hope to see you there.

Jan Stanyon Chair



## ***The perfect venue for every occasion*** ***ELHAM VILLAGE HALL***



*Situated in the beautiful Elham Valley, our modern village hall offers convenient and flexible facilities. Ideal for small or large occasions, happy or sad, from business meetings to christenings, wakes, birthday parties and weddings.*

**Approved by Kent County Council as a venue for the solemnisation of civil marriages and the formation of civil partnerships.**

Take a look at our website: [www.elhamvillagehall.co.uk](http://www.elhamvillagehall.co.uk)

Contact **Maggie Tappenden** tel 01303 862467 mob 0774 6790 618 for further information.

**[bookingsecretary.evha@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsecretary.evha@gmail.com)**





Elham Village Hall Association



# AUTUMN QUIZ

## Friday 24 October 7.00 for 7.15pm

Get those brain cells and memories active again. Enjoy a sociable evening at Elham Village Hall, book your team's table of 6 and organise your supper and drinks for half time.

**TICKETS £10.00 each person which includes your personal raffle ticket and a chance to win BUMPER BEVERAGE BINS**

**(alcohol plus other drinks)**

Contact Jim Clements 01303 840295 or [elhamnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:elhamnewsletter@gmail.com)

for booking and payment details



### VE80 Spitfires

The VE80 Spitfires that were part of the VE Celebration will be auctioned at the Village Hall Autumn Quiz which will take place on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October. However, if you would like to put in an early bid please email the newsletter editor

[elhamnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:elhamnewsletter@gmail.com)

and we will ensure your bid is part of the auction even if you are not attending. There are two spitfires, one facing left, the other right. All monies raised will go to the Royal British Legion.

### POPPY APPEAL 2025

Last year the Poppy Appeal collection across this district reached £16,587.71 and I'd like to thank everyone for your kind and generous contributions. Preparations are now underway for the 2025 collections and volunteers are sought to either complete a small house-to-house collection over the weekend of 27/28 October, and/or to man a stand at Lidl Hawkinge during the period 27 October – 8 November.

If you can spare a couple of hours during this time and would like to help such a vital and meaningful charity, please do get in touch.

Susan Foster, Poppy Appeal Organiser  
07734 383691 or email  
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**EVH**

## HALLOWEEN HALLOBALLOON DISCO

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 5.30-8pm  
At Elham Village Hall  
**FREE EVENT**  
Everyone welcome!

Prizes for best dressed child and best dressed adult.  
Refreshments and pay bar available.  
No unaccompanied children.

## **Elham Village Hall 130 Club**

### **An invitation to join Elham Village Hall 130 Club**

The Elham Village Hall Association raises valuable funds every year for the running of Elham Village Hall. Money raised is used to maintain and improve the hall for the benefit of all users.

**During the past year we have distributed £780 in prizes and raised a similar amount for the hall.**

By joining the 130 Club you can help ensure Elham Village Hall remains open as a resource for all the residents in our community; as well as having a chance to win cash prizes every month!

The Elham Village Hall 130 Club is a private lottery and is open to all residents from Elham and the surrounding area, their family and friends. As a private lottery you have to be invited to join, you will be allocated a number and your numbers are not transferable. **You have to be 16 or over to join.** Each month there is a draw for 50% of the income. This amount is divided between 3 lucky winners on the following basis:

For example, if we have 130 numbers the income for that month will be £130.

50% will be used as the prize fund e.g., £65 split into three prizes assuming that there are 130 numbers.

- The 1st prize will be £32
- The 2nd prize will be £20
- The third prize will be £13

You may buy more than one number per month. If at any time there is less than 130 numbers sold then the prize fund will be proportionally reduced. If there are more than 130 numbers sold then the prize fund will be proportionally increased.

We would ask that you pay for 12 months in advance (£12 per number). The more people who buy a subscription – the higher the prize money!

Interested? If so, please read the attached rules and complete the form with your details. You will then be allocated a membership number for every £1 subscribed.

### **Elham Village Hall 130 Club Rules**

1. The object of the Club is to raise funds for Elham Village Hall.
2. The Club will commence on a date to be advised by the Elham Village Hall Association (once sufficient numbers have been issued)
3. The Club will be run by the Elham Village Hall Association. A member of the Management Committee will administer the Club and allocate numbers
4. The Club is open to all residents of Elham and the surrounding area, their family and friends.
5. Members must be 16 or over.
6. Members must fill in an application form (attached).
7. The entry fee is £1 per month per number. At least 12 months' entry fees are to be paid in advance. Payments should be paid by cheque made payable to **Elham Village Hall Association 100 Club**. You can also **transfer the money on-line** (account details on application form)
8. Members may have more than one number.
9. The draw will take place each month by the Chair of the Elham Village Management Committee.
10. Prize money will be sent to the winners and names will be posted in the Elham Newsletter. If the winnings are not claimed for 6 months, they will be placed into the Elham Village Hall Association funds.
11. The regular monthly prize fund will be 50% of the monthly Income.  
The first prize will always be equal to 25% of the total funds raised for that month; the second prize will be 15% and the third prize 10%.  
50% of all money raised, from the Elham Village Hall 130 Club, will go towards the running costs of Elham Village Hall.
12. A register will be kept recording the name and address of each member, the number(s) allocated to them and the subscriptions received.
13. Unless otherwise advised, a member will be deemed to have left the Club if his or her renewal of subscription remains unpaid for a period of one month

## Application Form for 130 Club

(Applicants must be over 16 years old)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Quantity of numbers required \_\_\_\_\_ at £1 per month - minimum period of 12 months which equals £12 per number.

Total Payment enclosed: £ \_\_\_\_\_ I have made an online payment Yes/No

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please ensure you fill in all your details above or we cannot allocate you a number in the Elham Village Hall 130 Club.**

**By signing this form, you are declaring that you have received and accepted the rules of The Elham Village Hall 130 Club**

**Please make your cheque payable to: Elham Village Hall Association 100 CLUB**

**Please find below account details if you would prefer to make an online payment:**

**Account Name: Elham Village Hall Association 100 Club**

**Sort Code: 30-93-34**

**Account Number: 52257560**

**Please use your NAME as a reference**

**Please return this form, with your payment, to Martin Turner, Little Ginny, Exted Hill, Elham, Canterbury, Kent CT4 6UD. You can also leave the form at Elham Village Stores (there is a box at the front of the shop). Please inform us of any changes to your details.**

**ELHAM VILLAGE HALL 130 CLUB**  
You've got to be in it to win it!



**EVH**

12 monthly draws.  
£12.00pa for each number.  
\*Three prizes each month\*.  
Contact Martin Turner for an application form.  
840804/ jgt867@aol.com

The 130 Club is run by Elham Village Hall Association Ltd. Reg Charity No: 1024757

### **130 CLUB Winners September DRAW**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize (£32) Number 134 Janet Wood  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize (£20) Number 130 Sarah Wilson  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize (£13) Number 89 Alan Brown

please contact Martin Turner  
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Full minutes can be seen on the Parish Council website and on the notice board by the Rose and Crown bus stop. Editor



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***Your Parish Council and their areas of responsibility***



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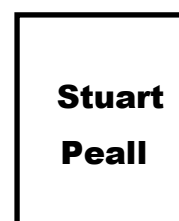
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**Unratified Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025**

**Those Present: Councillors:** C Chapman (Vice Chair) B Swan, G Clements, C Francis, the Clerk, and 7 members of the public. **Apologies:** K Lamb (Chair), K Allen and S Peall – apologies received and accepted.

**To declare any disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI), other significant Interests (SI's) or a voluntary interest (VI) relating to items on the agenda. No Interests were declared.**

**Public Contribution - none covered under agenda items.**

**Minutes of meeting.**

- 1)The minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on 4th August 2025 were approved and were signed as a true record by the Chair of meeting.
- 2)The minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on 26th August 2025 were approved and were signed as a true record by the Chair of the meeting.

**Chairmans Report - in the absence of the Chair of the Parish Council there is no report available.**

**Staffing Committee- Further to the Clerks appraisal at the Staffing Committee meeting on 1st September 2025 it was agreed by full council that: The Clerk Salary would increase to spinal column point SPC23 25/26 back dated to 1st April 2025.**

**Finance**

- 1)The Accounts from August 2025 were agreed as true record and were signed by the Chairman of the meeting.
- 2)The Bank Reconciliation from August 2025 was agreed as true record and was signed by the Chairman of the meeting.
- 3)The August 25 invoices were agreed, and payments were approved.

**Planning**

**Applications received were noted and comments agreed**

Planning Application	Address	Description	Comments / Views
25/1507/FH/TCA	Rose & Crown, High Street, Elham CT4 6TD	Works to a tree in a Conservation Area comprising of T1 Sycamore crown reduction 3.5- 4 metres from the branch tips and radial spread reduce by 2 metres and height by 4 metres.	No objection.
25/1495/FH	Old Mount Farm, Mount Hill, Rhodes Minnis, Canterbury, Kent CT4 6YD	Detached dwelling house following demolition of redundant farmhouse.	No objection.

**No applications were received since the agenda was issued therefore no comments agreed.**

**21/1933/FH - Elham Valley Holiday Park, Wingmore, Canterbury Road CT4 6LP - Lawful development certificate (proposed) for the stationing of touring caravans (as permitted by Lawful Development Certificate ref: Y07/0039/SH) for unrestricted human habitation –**

**...cont/ Unratified Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025**



After an extensive discussion, involving members of the public, it was agreed that District Councillor Scoffham would convey the parishioners' views to FHDC Licensing and Planning Department. It was requested that Cllr Scoffham confirms the current situation with regards to the revoked license as it have become evidently clear that current residents are under the impression the license is in place.

The following decisions were received from Folkestone and Hythe District Council:

Planning Application	Address	Description	Decision Received
25/1230/FH	Bunkers Farm House, Bunkers Hill, Elham CT4 6NW	Listed Building Consent for a single storey rear extension.	Approved with conditions.
25/1165/FH	Lilywood, Longage Hill, Rhodes Minnis, Canterbury CT4 6XT	Retrospective application for the erection of a timber gazebo with hipped roof.	Approved with conditions.
25/1169/FH	The Old Vicarage, Vicarage Lane, Elham CT4 6TT	Listed Building Consent for minor internal alterations to two doors.	No objections.

**The Well** - Following correspondence from a parishioner regarding the installation of an information board at the Well, the Council agreed to grant permission for the board to be installed on the fencing surrounding the Well. The Council also approved the expenditure of £40 plus VAT for the purchase of an A3-sized information board.

**War Memorial** - Following the correspondence received from the Royal British Legion requesting a new inscription to the war memorial. The Council approved the expenditure of £150 plus VAT for the inscription of Able Seaman Raymond D Castle.

**Churchwall** - The Council approved the Acceptance of Construction Quotation letter and agreed that the Clerk would sign the letter on behalf of the Council.

It was agreed that the Clerk would continue to get tenders for the rolling maintenance of the Church wall. It was agreed that the Clerk would email the draft planning application for the tumbling buttresses to all Cllrs to approve prior to submission.

**Twinning** - There was nothing new to report from the Elham and Ambleteuse Twinning Association Chair. Ambleteuse will be opening their new sporting facility on 26th October, and the Elham Valley football team has been invited to play the inaugural match. While this presents excellent publicity for both Elham and the football clubs involved, it was agreed that the event cannot be funded from the Twinning allocated budget.

**Wellbeing-** The Wellbeing Group will be holding a fundraising event on 13th February in support of South East Mind in Elham Village Hall. The Council approved the expenditure of £68.00 for the deposit of the venue hire.

**Environment Working Group** - Further to correspondence received regarding the Environment Group potentially selling bat and bird boxes at the Christmas Farmers Market, it was discussed that the Group would look into costing. A further discussion will take place regarding the allocation of any funds raised.

**Consultation** – KCC Budget 2026/2027 it was agreed that Councillors would respond as individuals. This is an open consultation meaning members of the public are welcome to respond. [www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/finance-and-budget/our-budget](http://www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/finance-and-budget/our-budget)

**Correspondence** - The receipt of correspondence was noted, and any required actions agreed. See appendix 2.

It was agreed to exclude the public and press under section 12 of Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960.

**The Gore** –The Council approved the placement of a porta cabin next to the existing cabin, to be converted into temporary changing room facilities. This arrangement will remain in place until sufficient funds are raised for the extension and refurbishment of the existing pavilion. Both containers will be clad in timber to ensure they are in keeping with the appearance of the current pavilion. For the purpose of transparency, it was noted that the cost of the porta cabin has been covered through donations made to the Parish Council for this purpose.

**Date of next meeting and Close** - The next meeting will be the Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025 at 7.30pm. There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.13pm.

# **Report from Christopher Hespe Kent County Councillor for Elham Valley**



## **Local Government Reorganisation**

Kent's Leaders from the district councils and KCC met on 3 September 2025 to determine which of seven options for the future structure of local government in Kent should go forward for detailed appraisal by consultants KPMG. The districts selected an option involving three unitary authorities and one with four unitaries to be appraised. KCCs option was not favoured by the districts. KCC will now commit to undertaking a detailed business case for its favoured model, which it believes will compare well against the other two options. The KCC option involves the creation of one Unitary Council ('Kent Council') that includes three Area Assemblies. In addition, there would be Parish, Town or Community Councils at local level. With this option, there would be no need for a Strategic Mayoral Authority. Hence, this proposal would be less expensive, easier to establish and have a mix of local and strategic capability compared to the other options. It would also have only two tiers, rather than the three tiers being put forward by districts.

Submissions from Kent are due to be made to government by 28 November. KCC is keen to consult widely on the proposals. Every one of Kent's district council Leaders stated or voted that they did not wish the joint consultation to ask whether the public and stakeholders believe there is a need for major restructure of local government in Kent; whether cost should be a major consideration in any restructure, and whether Kent residents would be prepared to pay more in Council Tax due to reorganisation. These questions will be asked by KCC as a core part of its consultation.

## **Road Repairs**

KCC has earmarked £67 million for new road repairs, including carrying out a record number of pothole repairs. Recent road repairs and resurfacing works in Elham Valley have included Spitfire Way, Hawkinge, the High Street in Etchinghill, and a section of Stone Street (B2086) near Petham.

## **KCC Budget Consultation**

Please do take part in the consultation regarding the KCC budget for 2026/27. Currently, it looks as though KCC will have to find a further £50 million in savings and income in that year to balance the books. The public is being asked where savings should be made and which services should be protected. The consultation ends on 29 September 2025.

## **Home to School Transport for Special Needs Children**

New software is being implemented to simplify journey planning and make savings where possible.

## **Women and Girls Safety Partnership**

KCC is establishing a new working relationship with the organisation with a number of initiatives being planned to make our streets safer for women and girls in Kent.

## **Savings**

KCC has announced more than £40 million of new savings from its future spend, in addition to £45 million of revenue savings achieved to date in 2025/26 and debt reduction of £16 million, following the difficult financial position that the new Reform administration inherited from the outgoing administration at County Hall.

## **Property and Land Disposals**

KCC has a legal duty to dispose of any land and property that is surplus to its needs. KCC is stepping up its disposals work in order to strengthen its reserves.

## **Small Member Community Grants**

Small grants in the region of £250 to £500 are available for community events and activities. Voluntary sector and not-for-profit organisations who wish to explore whether they could receive a grant should contact Christopher Hespe on Christopher.Hespe@kent.gov.uk

## ***A thank you from Pauline Gladstone Barratt***

Dear Elham.

Thank you from me on behalf of Steve - You were amazing; whether that was doing a jig in the road outside our window which made him smile, or sitting with him watching cycling, tennis or such like, or just putting your head round the door with a bit of village news and a lot of love.

And thank you for braving biblical rain to say your last goodbyes and to Debbie and her posse for creating the wake - I felt so supported.

I will never forget all your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Thank You Elham!



## **District Council Update - Cllr James Butcher**



### **Green Grants**

More than 30 organisations including community groups, parish councils and schools are benefiting from funding to support sustainability and carbon reduction projects across the district, as part of F&HDC's Green Grant scheme. The funding will support projects including electrical recycling, tree planting, developing sensory gardens, restoring ponds, growing mushrooms on spent coffee grounds, and installing solar panels. The 38 projects were chosen by a panel of councillors from a list of almost 60 applications, and the grants range from a few hundred pounds to £20,000.

### **Rural England Prosperity Fund**

Hot on the heels of the Green Grant scheme, we have funding available through the Rural England Prosperity Fund. This is designed to support local growth and productivity, improve rural services and enhance community well-being across eligible areas.

If you are a rural business seeking to diversify your income, develop new products or upgrade your facilities, this fund may be able to help. Similarly, it could be the right fund for your community organisation if you want to improve local infrastructure or facilities that benefit local people and the local economy.

The fund has been designed to be very broad ranging with the expectation that applicants will come forward with pioneering and exciting projects. If your project aligns with these goals, this could be a fantastic opportunity to secure funding for your initiatives!

To find out more about the fund, eligibility criteria and how to apply, please visit [www.folkestone.works](http://www.folkestone.works) As funding must be spent by early next year, we encourage interested applicants to submit an Expression of Interest as soon as possible, as these funds are limited.

### **North Downs Forum**

For July's North Downs Forum we focused on identifying tourism attractions in the local area. F&HDC has been producing pads of tear-off tourism maps for hotels and other outlets, and the map for North Downs will complete the series. If you weren't at the meeting but have details of something that should be included on the map, do let me know.

The next meeting will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 19.00, venue TBC, and will focus on waste, recycling, and litter. Anyone is welcome to come along and join the discussion, and you can email me if you would like to be added to the mailing list.

### **The EU Entry Exit System**

The much-delayed EU Entry Exit System starts on 15<sup>th</sup> October. The EU are planning a phased introduction of the system, but we understand that Eurotunnel and Port of Dover are keen to ramp up the system as quickly as possible, in order to be fully prepared for the busy Easter break.

Eurotunnel have created a registration area after the existing check-in kiosks, while the Port of Dover registration area will be at Western Docks, and UK cars will need to go there first before proceeding on to Eastern Docks.

F&HDC have a dedicated email address to highlight any local traffic issues arising from the new systems, or to ask questions: [ees@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk](mailto:ees@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk)

### **Love Your Beach**

As part of the measures put in place to keep the district's beaches as clean as possible over the summer, four new solar-powered compactor bins have been installed at key locations. Another innovation is the use of electric bikes to collect waste. These can reach locations that are inaccessible to vehicles and run regular patrols throughout the day. Coping with the huge influx of visitors over the summer has been a major challenge - at peak times the collection teams are out from 6.30 am with a last round finishing by 9pm.

### **Protecting the coast**

F&HDC have been awarded £2.23m from the Environment Agency for coastal protection measures. This will cover the costs of moving and regrading the shingle along 7km of coastline from Folkestone to Hythe for the next five years. The work is undertaken twice a year and is the most effective way of helping to protect 3,000 coastal homes from flooding.

[james.butcher@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk](mailto:james.butcher@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk)

## KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOUR

**JANE BRENNAN-JAMESON** is known as J.J. or Pilates Jane.

She agreed to feature as the neighbour we can get to know this month.



1. How long have you been part of the Elham Community?	As a widow I moved here from Rochester four years ago to start a new life. I imagined I would live the life of a retiree but I did not know anybody here, saw an opening for Pilates and thought the best way to get to know people was to start a Pilates class, which is now thriving.
2. What do you consider your greatest achievement to date?	It has to be having my son; he is 31 and has just bought his own house in Folkestone. We get on like a house on fire. Next to that is surviving being the tenth child in a family of 7 boys and three girls! It has given me my sense of humour.
3. When were you happiest?	I was happiest when I had no responsibilities... when I was growing up, I suppose... no bills, no cooking. It was manic, but it was good.
4. What did you want to be when you were growing up?	I wanted to be a police officer. I joined custom and excise instead, but before that I qualified as a swimming teacher and lifeguard, but my very first job was drilling holes in rivets which is where I started to learn to be patient. I lasted 3 days!
5. What keeps you awake at night?	Where do I start? Apart from back pain at the moment, I have a very busy head, thinking about plans for the next day, what I could have done better and generally debriefing the conversations I have had during the day.
6. What is the most important lesson life has taught you?	Live for today because I nursed my late husband with brain cancer and we lived each day to the full. It taught me empathy.
7. Which village event do you most look forward to?	The Friday Night Gang... everybody talks to everybody and it is so welcoming it is unbelievable. Thank you, Julia Debbie, Roger and Mark, for bringing us all together.
8. Tell us three activities that keep you busy?	Sea swimming- thanks to Pauline Gladstone and the Mermaids I have participated, enjoyed and become obsessed with the early morning swim at Hythe Imperial beach My Kindle is a great part of my life now. Following a wasp sting, I had an anaphylaxis shock which resulted in a cardiac arrest that affected my word memory. This gift from Mike has enabled me to access features that help with lost words. Talking to people at the Community Shed
9. What one change in the village would improve your life?	I'd change the speed limit in the village. The amount of times I have had near misses is too many especially people coming out of the village hall car park and zooming off to the right!
10. Cat, dog or goldfish?	I have had dogs all my life. Sadly, my brother took my sick old Patch to the vets at the end of his life. But my son has a whippet which is the nearest I have to a grandson!
11. What is the worst job you have ever done?	Apart from drilling holes in rivets (see 4 above) the worst job I've ever had was nursing my parents for 3 years. Anyone who has done the personal care for their elderly parents will know what I mean. It is a physical and emotional challenge.
12. Tell us a joke.	Patient: Doctor, I think I'm a dog. Doctor: Ok, get up on the couch. Patient: I'm not allowed on the couch.
13. What would the people of Elham not know about you?	I used to teach 'Drums Alive' a cognitive exercise session where 5 activities are performed at the same time. It works well for all: children, adults and especially people with dementia.
14. Last thoughts, final word.	When driving and someone cuts you up, always think of what could be happening in their life and be empathic.

**BARN DANCE**  
 Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
 Save the date  
 Dust off your dancing shoes  
 blow away February blues  
 Live Band and Caller  
 Geoff & Pat Webb  
 More details later

 **REMEMBRANCE DAY**   
**9<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2025**  
 Elham Parish Council are looking for volunteers to act as marshals to assist with the road closures on Remembrance Sunday.  
 If you are available from 10.00am until 11.45am on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November to be a road closure marshal, please contact the Clerk at [cgreenwood@elhampc.co.uk](mailto:cgreenwood@elhampc.co.uk) or telephone 07702268475.

JOIN US FOR  
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**FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2025**  
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**A Song in Time.....**



Sing your way through the  
**1963 & 64 (Part 1)**  
 with the Elham Ukulele Group  
**(SMUG)**  
 Beatles, Gerry & the Pacemakers, Searchers, Dusty,  
 Billy J Kramer, The Hollies .....

**Monday 20 October at 2.15**  
**Peggy Pike Room**  
**Elham Village Hall**  
 Entry by donation -

All money going to  
**Parkinson's UK**  
 Please be generous



### A Bequest

Bryan and Joanna Shepherdson, devoted members of the St Mary's Church family for many years, were kind enough to leave a bequest to St Mary's Church. This enabled the kitchen at the Church Hall to be totally renovated, and this will allow smaller community groups to rent the Hall for social events.

A commemorative plaque has been placed near the kitchen.



ST MARY THE VIRGIN ELHAM

## URGENTLY NEEDED!

### TOWER CAPTAIN

ESSENTIAL

- Must be competent and experienced Bell Ringer, confident in teaching others to ring church bells.

contact:  
 [iandodd8888@outlook.com](mailto:iandodd8888@outlook.com)




## **NOTICES for September**

### Every Tuesday at St. Mary's...

Traditional Morning Prayer at 8.30am in the Jesus Chapel. Download the free Church of England app or use the red book.

A good way to begin the day. <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.aimermedia.dailyprayer&pli=1>



### Every Monday at the Methodist Hall ...

Coffee and cake, a warm welcome and friendship, 10.30am – 12pm

### **Churches Together in Elham**

2<sup>nd</sup> October **Prayer meeting at 7.30pm** Methodist church

4<sup>th</sup> October **Prayer Breakfast at 8am** Methodist Church.

Contact : David Whitethread (07961 053335)

5<sup>th</sup> October 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

**08:00 Said Eucharist 09.30 Sung Eucharist Churches Together for Harvest**

### **Lectionary readings:**

*Habakkuk 1: 1-4; 2:1-4, Psalm 37:1-9, 2 Tim 1:1-14, Luke 17: 5-10*

11<sup>th</sup> October

**18:00 Compline** (in the Jesus Chapel) taken by pilgrim Revd Stuart Huntley\*

\*see below

12<sup>th</sup> October

**08:00 Said Eucharist BCP** (Revd Stuart)

12<sup>th</sup> October 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

**09:30. Sung Eucharist**

### **Lectionary readings :**

*2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c, Psalm 111, 2 Tim 2: 8-15, Luke 17: 11-19*

19<sup>th</sup> October 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

**09:30. Sung Eucharist & Baptism**

### **Lectionary readings:**

*Gen 32: 22-31, Psalm 121, 2 Tim 3:14-4:5, Luke 18: 1-8*

26<sup>th</sup> October 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity **09:30. All Age Eucharist & Baptism**

### **Lectionary readings:**

*Isaiah 45: 22-end, Psalm 119: 129-136, Rom 15: 1-6, Luke 4: 16-24*



ST MARY'S CHURCH ELHAM

You are warmly invited to join us for our annual

# HARVEST

*Lunch*

**SUNDAY 5th OCTOBER**

12.30 for 1pm start

**There will be soup, rolls, apple crumbles and more!**

Please bring plates, bowls, cutlery, your own drink and a glass!

No charge but ALL donations are for the Rainbow Centre in Folkestone

Please book your place with Alison Dale  
 Benefice Administrator by Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September  
 Tel: 07985025381  
 Email: [beneficeadmin@elhamvalleygroupofchurches.co.uk](mailto:beneficeadmin@elhamvalleygroupofchurches.co.uk)

## \*Royal Kentish Camino:

Rev. Stuart Huntley (Exeter Diocese) is walking the Camino as a pilgrimage, taking services along the way. He will be fundraising for the local churches and Pete's Dragon a charity that supports families impacted by suicide. He is hoping to involve our churches too, with people joining him for sections of the walk and the services. The services are:  
11<sup>th</sup> Oct. 6pm Compline at Elham  
12<sup>th</sup> Oct. 8am Holy Communion at Elham; 10am Eucharist at Lyminge; 2pm 'Prayer during the day' at Paddlesworth.

**Events for the November Notice sheet** Please send to Margaret Keeble by 5th of each preceding month.  
[m.keeble@outlook.com](mailto:m.keeble@outlook.com)

## Donations

We would greatly appreciate your help to continue our work for God in the village of Elham and surrounding areas. If you can, please consider making a donation. This is our QR code for St Mary's Elham. To donate using this code, open up the camera on a mobile phone - point the camera at the QR code - follow the instructions. ☒

The offertory plate will go round in the service, during one of the hymns. There is also the opportunity to donate by card using the PAYAZ machine by the North door.

Your Gift Aid donations are particularly appreciated ( for every £1 given the church can claim back 25p from your tax paid to the tax office).



## Safeguarding / 'A Safe Church':

If you ever have any concerns, contact our Parish Safeguarding Officer:

Susannah Pallot : [susannahpallot@gmail.com](mailto:susannahpallot@gmail.com)

## Paper Copies of Notices

Some copies are available on the back table in St Mary's church. Please take a copy to give to those unable to access the internet.

## Elham Methodist Church

(all at 9.30am unless otherwise stated)

Services for OCTOBER

5<sup>th</sup> Churches Together United Service for Harvest at St Mary's

12<sup>th</sup> **10.15am** Valley United Service Rev Malcolm Peach

19<sup>th</sup> Local arrangement video available

26<sup>th</sup> Richard Blackwell

## OCTOBER CODEWORD

***This is the nutty season...  
can you find all these fruits?***

Almonds  
Chia seeds  
Flax seeds  
Macadamias  
Pine nuts  
Pumpkin seeds  
Sweet chestnuts  
Beechnut  
Coconut  
Hazelnuts  
Peanuts  
Pistachios  
Sesame seeds  
Walnuts  
Cashew nuts  
Filberts  
Horse chestnuts  
Pecans  
Poppy seeds

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# Pilgrimage 11<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Oct



gofundme



Please sponsor me,  
join one of the services  
or walk with me along the way

Wearing medieval clothing I will start the pilgrimage in Canterbury at 8am on Saturday, and finish in Folkestone at 5 pm on Sunday.

There will be a service at each of the 9 churches along the route, which is split into manageable sections. You can walk as much or as little as you like, it would be great if you could join us! The money raised will be shared 50-50 between Pete's Dragons and the churches.

Service here:

Timetable and link to the gofundme page  
[www.theschooleofdefence.com/camino](http://www.theschooleofdefence.com/camino)



**PETE'S  
DRAGONS**  
Comfort after suicide loss



## Valley Methodist Churches Lyminge

are holding concerts and other fund raising events to help to fix the hole in the Tayne Centre. Please support us.

**25 October**  
**Invicta Wind Orchestra**  
Last night of the Proms in the Methodist Church  
7.00 pm £10.00 a ticket  
Contact Christina 01303 863049

**20 December**  
**Haywardians Christmas Concert**  
in the Methodist Church  
3.00 pm retiring collection

**23 December Carol Service**  
at 6.00 pm



**ELHAM VALLEY BRANCH**

warmly invite you to a

**COFFEE MORNING**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

**10.00am - 12.30pm**

**in St Mary's Church Hall, Elham**

**in aid of the 2025 Poppy Appeal**

**EVERYONE WELCOME**



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Suddenly we are in autumn - beautiful sunny warm days followed by cloudy, wet and

cool days. We shouldn't grumble after such a glorious summer but, of course, we do! Our speaker at the meeting in August was Christine Bartlett who talked about house plants - she admitted she had an enormous number which took up a lot of time. Her advice on the buying and caring for these plants was excellent and much appreciated by the audience - in fact, one member said she went out the next day and bought several more!

The next event will be the Bulb Sale and Coffee morning which will be held in the Village Hall on 4th October. There will be a good selection of bulbs for sale - six varieties of tulip for a start. There will also be a Plant and Seed swap which is always very useful. If you have seeds and/or divided plants to dispose of, do bring them in on the day, labelled if possible. So, do come along, have a chat, have a coffee and heave a sigh of relief at having planned part of your spring garden.

The speaker at the meeting on 16th October will be Katherine Hook - her talk is titled Sloe Seduction. (All things sloe gin and chocolate). Don't say we don't offer you a variety!!

Frances Horton. - 840550.



# **Bulb Sale & Coffee Morning**

## **Sat 4th Oct 10.00 am**

### **Elham Village Hall**

### **Wide Range of Spring Bulbs & Plants**

### **Plant & Seed Swap**

### **Cake Stall**

### **Entry £2**

### **Inc Tea/Coffee**



Elham Beekeeper, Roger Newman, gave a fascinating talk to members of the Elham Friendship Lunch Club in August. He explained the different parts of the hive and the work involved in keeping bees and how he collects the honey. The best part was tasting the finished product.



### **Gazebo Wanted**

The Elham Environment Group are looking for a small gazebo for use on their stall at the Christmas Farmers' Market on 14th December. Please could anyone willing to lend us a suitable gazebo for the day get in touch with Chris Jelly on

07518 163183 or [chrisjelly71@gmail.com](mailto:chrisjelly71@gmail.com)

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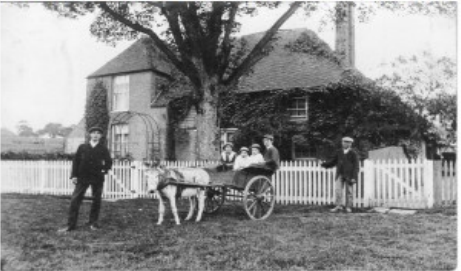
**Saturday 18 October 2025  
7.00pm**



**Elham  
Historical  
Society**

**A Fascinating Talk & Social Event  
that will include**

**The Changing Face of Elham Part 5  
Focusing on North Elham To Ox Road**



**Refreshments available as usual from the pay bar.**

**Members £3 - Non Members £5**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October  
7.00 for 7.30p.m.**

**Elham Village Hall**

elhamhistorical@outlook.com  
elhamhistorical.org

## What's the difference?

HS2 was initially estimated to cost £37.5 billion in 2019.

Now it is estimated to cost £56.6 billion for Phase 1.

A billion? A million? What's the difference?

Expressed in time, a million seconds is 11.5 days. A billion seconds is over 31 years—31 years, 8 months, 10 days, 13 hours, 46 minutes and 40 seconds actually.

Editor

## FREE ICECREAMS?

Social, snacks and cinema goer's were politely asked to take part as 'extras' in a video at the September gathering.

Local actor Stephen Rogers needed to send an audition tape for an advert featuring 'Pot Noodles'. The audition required him to be in a cinema - what luck!



Folks will be pleased to hear that his audition was successful and he will be appearing on our screens in the coming months. Our pictures show his earlier roles.

As payment for our 'extra' services he has promised to buy everyone an ice cream at the October gathering.

Well done Stephen!

Jan Stanyon EVHA Chair





# **ELHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**

## **New Beginnings**

Hello everyone,

My name is Joseph Magliocco, and I'm very pleased to have recently joined Elham Church of England Primary School as the new headteacher.

It's a real privilege to be leading a school with such a strong sense of community and care. From the moment I arrived, I could see how closely the school is connected to village life—and how much the children benefit from that. Elham Primary School is not just a school; it's part of something bigger, and that's something I value deeply.

As we begin a new school year, I am especially keen to **strengthen our ties with the wider village. We are always looking for ways to open our doors and invite the community in.** For example, we would love to hear from any residents who might be interested in volunteering—even just an hour or two a week. We're currently looking for **volunteer librarians** to help us run and maintain our school library.

I'm also eager to connect with **local businesses**, large or small, to explore how we might work together—whether through sponsorship, support for school projects, or opportunities that benefit the children and their families.

Looking ahead, I will be attending the **Remembrance Sunday service in November**, and I hope to see many of you there. If there are other village events where you would like the school to be involved—through the choir, artwork, displays or performances—please do get in touch. We'll gladly explore what we can accommodate.

We've also had the pleasure of welcoming our new Reception children into 'Farah' class, who have all settled in amazingly. We're incredibly impressed by the confident and enthusiastic start they've made. **We still have places available in Reception, and in some other year groups** too. With outstanding grounds, a brand new outdoor learning area, and a team of dedicated, talented teachers, Elham Primary School offers a fantastic environment for children to thrive. **If you'd like to find out more about joining us, please do get in touch with the school office.**

With warm wishes,

**Mr Magliocco**

**Headteacher**

Elham Church of England Primary School



## **Anyone for Cribbage ????**

We have now been offered 2 venues to play cribbage (thank you to those that offered.)

Accordingly we are hoping to start a group again, mid to end of September, on Sunday afternoons or early evenings for a couple of hours.

We are a friendly group of about 8 members who are regular players but if you are interested in joining us as beginners, novices or long term players please email me and I will keep you posted about our next meeting.

Roger Newman

Email [rogdnew@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rogdnew@yahoo.co.uk)



**Date for your Diary**

**SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2025 11-2PM**

Plans are already well underway for our next Elham Christmas Food and Craft Festival with a large range of local produce and crafts

Our market will be opened by Pam Ferris at 11am

Santa and his Elves will be in the Square between 11.30am and 1.30pm

The Kings Arms will be serving mulled wine and hotdogs

The Chancel Café in the Church will be serving tea, coffee and hot snacks

The Park Lane Nutters will be there with their hot chestnuts

The Elham Tea House will be serving breakfast and takeaway hot drinks from 8am

If you are interested in a pitch or have any queries, please contact

[elhamfarmersmarket@gmail.com](mailto:elhamfarmersmarket@gmail.com)



This will require researching, designing and resourcing as well as making.

£5 for residents of Elham, what a bargain, normally £75!

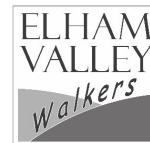
If you would like to share in the care of our Hall  
please come to our next Volunteers Day on **Saturday  
15th November. See poster on back cover.**



## Elham Valley Walkers Autumn Programme

Please check <https://elhamvalleywalkers.co.uk/our-next-walk/> prior to joining a walk, for any last minute changes, or phone the walk leader if you are unable to access the internet.

**Tuesday 7 October** Meet 10am at Stelling Minnis shop CT4 6AS for a 7.5 mile circular walk heading towards Lymbridge Green and Maxted. This walk offers you stupendous valley views, peaceful reflection in Spong Wood and a good workout. Several stiles, two require lifting your dog. Strenuous. Ros Humphreys 07760 485382



**Sunday 26 October.** Start Elham Square 10am. This walk is a variation of our published walk 'Both sides of the valley'. We follow footpaths via Park Gate, Bladbean and Covert Woods to the Elham Valley Vineyard. Maybe time for some refreshments in their cafe and then return to Elham on the No 17 bus from the bus stop opposite. About 4.5 miles, easy, 3 hours. Chris Jelly leads 07518 163183

### ELHAM SPORTS CLUB

ESC offers Tennis, Pickleball and Badminton - new members always welcome – tennis and pickleball members can either book and play or join the friendly club sessions



#### Tennis -

**Mondays - 7 pm**

Contact: Clive Stanyon - 01303 840820 or stanyonc@aol.com

**Tuesdays and Thursdays - 10 am**

**Fridays - 6 pm**

Contact: Maureen Alexander - 07714 415651 or

maureentalexander@gmail.com



**Pickleball** - Indoor (spaces limited) and Outdoor Sessions –

**Mondays - 3.30 pm and 6 pm** (Indoor/Outdoor if weather allows)

**Wednesdays - 3.30 pm** (Indoor/Outdoor if weather allows)

**Fridays - 9.30 am** - Open Club Session (Outdoor if weather allows)

Contact: Abby Bourn - 07754 085866 or abby.bourn@hotmail.co.uk



**Badminton** - Indoor

**Wednesdays - 6.30 pm**

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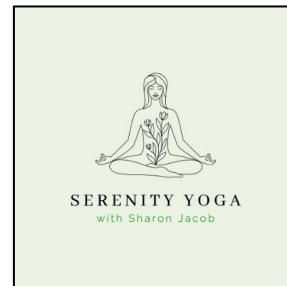
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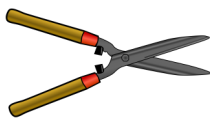
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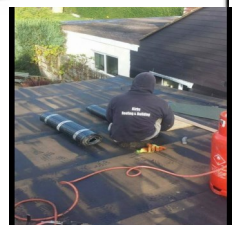


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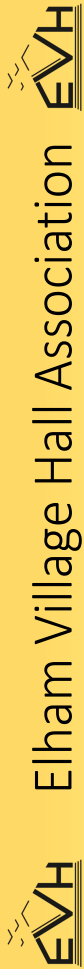
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