

the norton messenger

September 2024



EDITORIAL

Thanks to Penny Mathieson for this atmospheric cover photo of harvest on a Norton farm. There's lots of information in this month's edition, including news of the completion of the village hall and the new 'Book nook' in Norton Little Green.

Please send any contributions for the Messenger to the address below by the 15th of the previous month.

Best wishes, Diana

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VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

For a couple of months, the outside appearance of the hall changed very little, there was progress but it appeared to be slow and I did not write anything for the Messenger. Then, in mid-July, the scaffolding was removed and the appearance changed. The black cladding could be added to some of the new walls and things moved space inside. Once all the cabling was installed the plastering began, and soon after that, decorators started work. The painting is complete now, and the main hall has been redecorated throughout. The names of the paint colours read something like a children's story: skimming stone and elephant's breath, but it looks very smart. The floor coverings have been applied to the 'wet areas' (toilets, kitchen and changing rooms) and the plastic-coated wall covering has been applied. There has been a hold-up with the supply of the floor covering for the remainder of the new areas, the colour that was chosen was suddenly not available and we had to wait 2 weeks until it could be supplied; it should be installed by the time you receive your Messenger. Oak doors have been installed in all the new areas, including a series of folding doors that will form a screen to separate, part time, a function room from an area devoted solely to a coffee shop. Energy-efficient lighting has been installed throughout. Outside, work has started to lay patio areas on the east, south and west sides of the building.

A contract with an experienced caterer is being drawn up to run the coffee shop from a new kitchen adjacent to the glazed area on the SW corner of the building. The caterer is currently helping the committee with details of the kitchen layout and with the furniture.

The hall is due to get a new entrance that we hope will be more attractive than the old one; a porch with steps and a ramp up to the main door. This will involve some minor alterations to the sewer, but nevertheless it should be complete by the end of August.

There has been one serious setback. Despite being protected from bangs and bashes throughout the build, the parquet floor in the main hall has suffered from damp and some of the wooden fingers have swollen and lifted away from the concrete base. This can be repaired, but it may take a few weeks to get a flooring contractor to do the job. In the meantime, the missing parquet will be replaced with a temporary fix so that the hall can come back into use.

The Village Hall Management Committee or its Building Programme Group, have been meeting at least every two weeks since the works began, and we postponed our Annual General Meeting until the work is finished. We had set this to be in September, but sadly we have had to postpone it again. It will now take place in October, when we hope members of the public will attend. All of us on the committee will be really pleased if people with fresh and exciting ideas step forward at that meeting and offer to stand to represent the people of the village on that committee.

This light and airy space with floor to ceiling windows will be an attractive function room and café area when complete.



ELMSWELL HISTORY GROUP

Our July outing to **Ely's Fenland Museum** included an excellent 90-minute guided tour from the very knowledgeable Felix who took us through all the ages and different aspects of Ely's history in their beautifully refurbished and extended building. Well worth a visit and enjoyed by everyone, with the added bonus on the day of watching a number of Morris-men dancing performances all around the town, presumably from the nearby Ely Folk Festival.

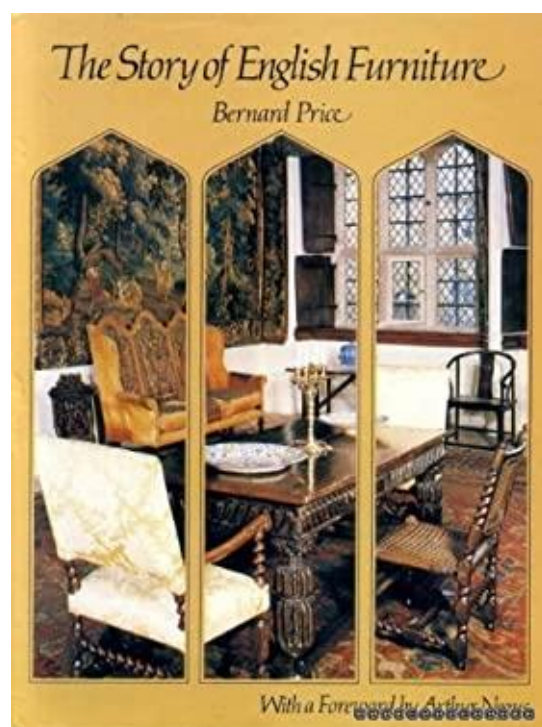
We hope to have a small display at this year's **ElmsFest** on Sat **7th September**, 12-5pm (FREE entry), at the Blackbourne Centre, so do come and see us there then, when you can perhaps take part in our local competition with the chance of winning a ticket to one of our new talks. We should be in the Chamberlayne Hall, near the bar!



We look forward to welcoming you back to the Wesley Hall next month for the start of our new 2024-25 season of historical talks with an East Anglian flavour. Our first one on **12th September** will be "**Hop Cultivation in Suffolk**" by local historian, Neil Langridge. He will highlight the cultivation of hops in the Stowmarket area from 1635, particularly in Old Newton and Dagworth, brought by Flemish weavers who settled in the area.

And Finally If the weather isn't kind in the coming months and/or you're stuck indoors for any reason, why not catch up on a re-run of the BBC's 1970s series "*The Story of English Furniture*" on BBC4 (Freeview 9) or the iPlayer. This covers six centuries of furniture-making but also gives some fascinating details of general British history in a very relaxed and easy-going manner. So, feast your eyes on these sumptuous pieces of historic furniture and your ears on the dulcet tones of Hugh Scully and Arthur Negus - remember them?!

For further information about our History Group, please visit our website – www.elmswell-history.org.uk – or contact our Secretary, on 01359-242601





Norton Salvation Army

What's on at the Army in September?

Sunday 1st	Breakfast Church	10.45am
	(Enjoy coffee/tea/pastries in a relaxed Worship setting)	
Sunday 8th	Morning Worship	11.00am
Saturday 14 th	Hall will be open to sign in cyclists/walkers taking part in Historic Churches RIDE & STRIDE	
Sunday 15th	<u>(Celebrating Harvest)</u>	
	Harvest Quiz	4.00pm
	Harvest Faith Supper	5.00pm
	Harvest Songs of Praise	6.00pm
Sunday 22nd	Morning Worship	11.00am
Sunday 29 th	Morning Worship	11.00am
Mondays (School Term Time)	Toddlesong	9.00am – 11.30am
Wednesday 4 th	Friends Cafe	2.00pm – 4.00pm
	(We are a dementia friendly group, free for all to attend for a chat & refreshments)	
Thursday 5 th /19 th	Choir Rehearsal	8.00pm – 9.30pm
Thursday 12 th /26 th	Band Rehearsal	8.00pm – 9.30pm
Thursday's	Cameo Lunches	11.45am – 1.30pm
	(3 Course Meal £6.00)	
Friday 27 th	Youth Drop-In	4.00pm – 6.00pm

Food Bank: We are requesting for non perishable goods for our Harvest Festival display again this year. If anyone in the village & nearby would like to make a contribution please bring it along on the afternoon of Saturday 14th. All gifts will be passed on to a local food bank after our week-end celebrations.

Please feel free to come & join in with us at any time. You would be very welcome

Our Clothes Bank situated in the car park is available to you for all your unwanted clothes & shoes.
Available 24/7. Please help us to help others.

If you would like to make contact with Norton Salvation Army please e-mail:

Valerie.Ling@salvationarmy.org.uk OR Peter.Newson@salvationarmy.org.uk

We will be pleased to help you where possible with any questions/queries

A Christian Church and Registered Charity No: 214779, and in Scotland SC09359

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Norton Baptist Church

September 2024

Check the information over for our services throughout September and beyond



Norton Baptist
Church



We hope everyone enjoyed their summer break and that you managed to find some sun....somewhere! It is great to welcome everyone back and we are excited about all of the things we have planned at Norton Baptist for this new term.

All of our services start at 10am with our doors open for tea/coffee/refreshments and the services will start at 10:30am.

We will be holding our **Harvest Service on the 22nd September**, and we would love you to join us. It would usually be our Café Church service so breakfast will still be served.

The Den will be starting up again on Friday the 13th September at 6:30pm and will be open to anyone in school years 4-7.

We will be back in Norton School for Lighthouse Club alongside our friends at St Andrews.

As always, keep an eye on the Facebook page for more information and any “breaking news”!

If you need any more information, please email us and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

	1 st Sep	8 th Sep	15 th Sep	22 nd Sep	29 th Sep
Praise and Worship	10am				
Family Service		10am			
Praise and Worship			10am		
Harvest Service				10am	

nortonbaptist@btinternet.com

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Norton & District Twinning Association

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Saturday 21st September 2024

From 7.30pm

At Norton Village Hall

Contact: nortontwinning@gmail.com



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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1st July 2024

PRESENT in the Chair: Mrs. S. Hill
 Mr. B. Aket, Mr. J Bolus, Prof. K. Jaggard, Mr. J. Morgan, Mr. G. Walton, Mrs. J. Rowland (Clerk)
 LGA 1972 s12 para 40

County Councillor A. Mellen
 District Councillor A. Davies.
 One member of the public.

APOLOGIES: Mr. R. Lenko.
 The Council consented to accept the apology and reasons, which will be recorded in the attendance register
 District Councillor D. Bradbury

1.	Welcome and protocol reminder	
2.	Declarations of pecuniary and local non-pecuniary interests none	
3.	PUBLIC FORUM—to receive reports for information Members of the public—to receive questions and matters of concern from those in attendance - none Mr. Seldis, owner of The Dog, addressed the Council concerning the closure of the A1088 due to the Stowlangtoft bridge repairs. He stated his bookings account for 60% of takings, and the rest is passing trade but in the Summer this changes dramatically with up to 60% from passing trade during July to September. 70% of the business is food related. Last Friday he was made aware of the road closure which will affect passing trade. He stated that locals he had spoken to were unaware of the road closure as of 22nd July. He felt the proposed diversions will not help car traffic if they have to take a longer way around. He felt signs directing access to The Dog and other businesses in a safe and easy way would help their survival. He felt the short notice of the closure dates did not allow for preparation and planning. He had not received any statutory notice and there was nothing on the Council Website or Facebook. He stated Highways had apologized for not contacting him directly but as they had liaised and met with local Councils felt this would have allowed sharing of information with the community and businesses. Whilst some signage has been decided he felt there is no suitable route for car traffic and felt this bordered on negligence. He considered the Council has failed the residents and business by not providing clarity on plans. He stated, without the reliance on passing trade during the summer months, his business would not survive. Mrs. Hill stated the specified date of closure had only just been notified during the last few days because of complications with UKPN to complete their work. The A14 was also a factor in determination of closure dates, so the Parish Council was unaware of set closure dates to give out to the public. Councillor Mellen stated he had spoken to officers at SCC, trying to find out about statutory obligations to inform businesses and they have agreed to additional signage about businesses open as usual. The main diversions were primarily for HGVs. Councillor Mellen did not feel compensation was a possibility, however, he felt there might be a possibility for business rate relief, which Councillor Davies agreed to check with MSDC. Mr. Seldis stated he has a booking system online and via phone so it can be determined percentage of bookings and percentage of passing trade. Mrs. Hill stated the Council would do what they could, and await information from MSDC and SCC. Members of the public – to receive comments submitted via email Norton School emailed concerning a tree at the boundary, on the playing field, that leans over into school grounds. SCC will fund the removal and requested permission to remove to ground level, and for access to carry out the work. Upon enquiry SCC had agreed the tree could be cut down just below the fence level. Councillors agreed to a partial cut down as the preferred action, but fully down as a last resort if it is deemed a necessity. Councillors agreed to give access across the field.	
4.	REPORTS FOR INFORMATION Report from County Councillor Andy Mellen – noted Report from District Councillors Austin Davies and David Bradbury -noted.	
	MINUTES	
	5.1 To RESOLVE the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 3rd June 2024 are a true and correct record. Proposed by Mr. Bolus, seconded by Prof. Jaggard.	
	COOPTION - To consider cooption to the vacant post. Ongoing	
	MATTERS ARISING	
	7.1 Bus service update – no update	

	7.2 Rights of Way application, Ixworth Road. Forms have been completed but a map was required of the proposed ROW	
	7.3 Village Hall entrance noticeboard - ongoing	
	7.4 UKPN/Birketts update. The Clerk stated FIT had forms to be completed, plus they charge a standard fee of £150 and £800 for consent to a substation lease. The Village Hall should also be listed on this lease as an interested party.	
	7.5 Highways - Advanced notification of road closure - A1088 Bridge Farm Bridge. Road closure on 22 nd July to 20 th December 2024	
8.	PLANNING	
	8.1 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/24/02824 Swift Cottage, Woolpit Road, Norton, Erection of detached double garage with home office above. The Council had no objection to this application.	
	8.2 GRANTED Barn at Haydens Farm (The Woodshed), Ashfield Road, Norton - DC/24/02070 Erection of single storey extension and replacement roof.	
	8.3 GRANTED Little Green Cottage, Ashfield Road, Norton DC/24/01670 Full Planning Application - Severance of garden and erection of 1No. two storey (self build) dwelling including new vehicular access.	
	8.4 APPROVED Norton Salvation Army Hall, Woolpit Road, Norton, Application for a Non Material Amendment relating to DC/23/00781 - To amend the roof tiles of Plot 2 of the bungalow to natural slate as previously approved to Plot 5.	
9.	FINANCE	
	9.1 To approve the accounts awaiting payment: On-line - Clerk's salary £416.00 LGA1972 s112 SALC Planning sessions £168.00 LGA 1972 s112 SCC Lantern shield £79.64 Parish Councils Act 1957, s3: Highways Act 1980 s301 Tenhats, July Messenger, £363.00 LGA1972 s142 Freshairfitness balance £2832.00 Public Health Act 1875 s164 Vertas, grounds maintenance, £365.23 Public Health Act 1875 s164 Dan Millyard, play area maintenance £820.00 Public Health Act 1875 s164 MSDC dog and litter bin emptying 24-25 £786.50 Public Health Act 1875 s164 MS Oakes, stage payment £49135.05 (Santander Chq 522562) LGA 1972 s133 HMRC £104.00 (Santander Chq 522563) LGA1972 s112	
	9.2 ICO £40 – The Council RESOLVED to set up a Direct Debit GDPR	Clerk
	9.3 Memorial Bench – no update.	Clerk
	9.4 Coronation Commemoration noticeboard – no update	
	9.5 The Clerk confirmed receipt of MSDC VH CIL payment of £17576.88	
	9.6 The Clerk confirmed receipt of VAT claim for 2023-2024 for £58240.98	
	9.7 The Clerk confirmed that the Loan repayment will be on 9 th July for £11,230.78	
	9.8 To receive Budget statement. The Councillors RESOLVED to accept.	
10	SPEEDWATCH	
	10.1 Update on Speedwatch - Speed data email from DC – Circulated to all Councillors. Report received from Mr. Stone circulated to all including the results of the ANPR camera. Close to 10,000 vehicles have been recorded speeding, in the last two years. Another session using the ANPR camera is expected soon.	Clerk Mr. Stone
	10.2 Reply from Stowlangtoft Clerk regarding 40mph request. Following an email to the Stowlangtoft Clerk a reply from him stated that the SCC speed limit policy is old and may not align with latest DFT guidance. He outlined the guidance as it would apply to this 40mph section, and suggested asking for Councillor Mellen's support and asking him to request the Community Liaison Engineer conduct a full assessment.	Clerk
	10.3 Parish Council strategy to combat speeding – gating - no update	Mr.Lenko

	10.4 Update on small solar SID located in Heath Road. Councillors agreed on the message “Slow Down”. The new post to be fitted by SCC is still awaited.	
	10.5 Mr. Lenko further messaged that the SID at Ixworth end of the village could be moved to capture traffic speed before entering the village.	
11	VILLAGE HALL	
	11.1 Update on progress. Mr. Walton reported the project is behind schedule, with possible completion in August. The Committee Room, toilets and kitchen have been made available for the archaeologists. The fire alarm issue has now been sorted with a cheaper quote and this will include wiring for the CCTV. A pledge has been received to fund items for the hall, ie tables, chairs, picnic benches.	
12.	PLAY AREAS	
	12.1 Play area adjacent to Village Hall. The adult equipment is installed, gates are working and bark topped up. The trampoline tiles continue to present a problem	Mr.Lenko
	12.2 Play area in Prospect Road – play equipment is all OK. The sign re cars and dogs on The Green has been damaged.	Mr. Walton
13	CORRESPONDENCE	
	13.1 MSDC Land for office/industrial development - noted	
14	Questions and Comments from Members and suggestions for next meeting.	
	14.1 Mr. Morgan commented on the hedge at the play area road frontage being overgrown. Mr. Morgan and Mr. Bolus volunteered to meet to cut the rest back.	
	14.2 Mr. Walton commented that the information sign at the top of Thurston Road had been knocked over and lying in the hedge.	Clerk
	14.3 Mr. Aket commented on overgrown verges unkempt and hindering visibility.	
15	To confirm the date of next meeting: 5 th August 2024	
16	There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.06	

LITTER

Litter continues to be a big problem in the village. It has been reported to the Council that this is not being created solely by passing traffic. **PLEASE** would residents take their litter home, or put it in one of the many litter bins in the village, or pick up any litter that is found.

PRIDE IN YOUR VILLAGE

Clerk,
Norton Parish Council



Hello Neighbours,

The Little Green - Book Nook is out and stocked with books. It's located outside 'Old Clavel Cottage', the far end of Little Green. If you did want to donate a book that would be lovely. The idea is to book swap.

It can only hold as many as you can see, so please don't leave too many as I don't have the room to store them.

Happy reading!



DOWN OUR STREET

Norton at around the time of Domesday.

Norton Hall and estate was the senior manor in Norton. It was held by Edith, a free woman, as a manor of four carucates (480 acres) of land on lease from the Abbot of St Edmunds on an agreement which meant that the Abbey would repossess on her death.

Following the Norman Conquest, it became a Royal Manor, but still under the lordship of Bury Abbey. It comprised the families of 9 villagers, 21 smallholders and 6 slaves giving an estimated population of over 150. There were two ploughs on the manor and the men had a further five, which would probably be shared. There was 8 acres of meadow, woodland for 150 swine (Norton Wood), 2 cobs, 10 cattle, 50 pigs, 30 goats and 100 sheep. It is generally agreed that the term 'plough' refers to 8 oxen and the men needed to control them, particularly on heavy land. Another 34 freemen in the village had 2 carucates with 10 ploughs and 2 acres of meadow, giving Norton a population overall of around 300 people. The church had 30 acres.



Rural farming from a diorama at the Science Museum and based on illustrations in the C14 Luttrell Psalter.

The current C16 Norton Hall faces west and stands to the east of some moated enclosures which formed the site of the ancient hall in the Middle Ages. Today's house was considerably altered in Victorian times and the only part which shows its true age is the north-west corner, where there is an old brick doorway and the fine buttressed barn which would originally have been thatched.

The old hall was surrounded by moats, but the western side has been entirely filled in. However, at the far corner of the space thus levelled another piece of water stretches away for 82 yards. There is a tradition that on the north side, just where the levelling up commences, there was once a wooden swing bridge which would probably have been the postern entrance. (No one is sure if it swung like a turntable or if it lifted) The whole area surrounding these moats is pasture and has been for at least 200 years. As there is no evidence of stone or brick, it is thought that the house was originally constructed of clay lump and wattle which disappeared before the memory of man.



The old barn.



The current hall.

It is unlikely that Norton Hall was ever the main residential site of its lord though junior members of the family might have lived in it. Earlier lords had more important houses elsewhere. The old, moated site of Norton Hall stands high on the 65' contour with extensive views over the surrounding countryside. It was originally in the hands of 'The Crown' until 1316 when John de Pakenham became lord. Early documents show it was in possession of the Pakenham family and in 1327 Edmund de Pakenham assessed on it. He held considerable property locally and possibly lived at Bardwell. Rohesia Criketot's (née le Blund/Blount) granddaughter, married Sir Edmund Pakenham providing a connection between Norton and Langham. Farrer suggests that there is evidence that Edmund Bardwell, lord in 1538, may have resided here. The area enclosed by the outer moat is covered with humps and bumps which are probably remains of outbuildings which connected with the hall in the large inner moat. (Some walls were up to 3 feet thick).

Norton obtained a grant for a market in 1241 and a fair in 1254. The profits from these would likely have gone to the Abbots of Bury Abbey who were, at that time, the local lord's landowners.



Aerial view showing moats of the old hall



OS map showing moat and The Grove.

As can be seen from the map, 'The Grove' is also surrounded by a water-filled ditch and bank. It appears likely that these earthworks formed an enclosure for animals and was only 1/3 of a mile from Buttonhaugh Green, which was common grazing for the parishes of Norton, Elmswell, Hunston and Great Ashfield.

The stained-glass shields in St Andrew's Church. **Top left. Golding family.** Sable azure a chevron between three roundels ermine. **Top right. Berdewell (Bardwell) family.** Gules a goat salient argent bearded and armed or. (Leaping {back legs on the ground and front legs in the air} silver goat, showing golden horns and hooves, on a red background). The goat shows wisdom and one who wins by diplomacy rather than war. **Bottom left. Bardwell** with cadence mark of 1st son, **right half an unidentified family.** (Shows a marriage with possible Blount? influence; black and gold bars). **Bottom right. Ashfield family of Stowlangtoft.** Sable a fesse engrailed, between three fleur-de-lys.



Coats of arms on window in St Andrew's Church.



Window at Bardwell SS Peter & Paul Church.

Bardwell Church. Sir William Bardwell 1367-1434. He is represented as kneeling upon a stool; his head bare and surmounted by a chaplet of small circular ornaments; he wears a long beard and moustache; his jupon is ornamented with circles inclosing cinquefoils coloured yellow, and his skirt is deeply indented in the form of leaves. His limbs are completely cased in plate armour, except at the bend of the elbows and knees, the heel, and the lower part of the foot, which parts are defended by mail only; the elbow and knee caps are of very simply construction, fluted and gilt; the spurs have the shank bent at an abrupt curve and inserted into two staples or rings fixed to each heel; his left hand is elevated and open whilst his right hand supports a spear. **A small triangular shield hangs from his neck by narrow strap, bearing his arms: - Gules A Goat, Salient, Argent;** A very long and broad sword hangs from a highly ornamented girdle, and his helmet appears at his side.

Norton Hall land.

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Norton Wood. This was once a much more extensive area of woodland, extending past Oak Tree Farm and extending across much of Elmswell. It was part of a medieval deer park which belonged to the Abbots of Bury Abbey who had a grange at what is now Elmswell Old Hall. An ancient way through the wood linked the Grange with the Abbey, possibly passing close to Tostock Old Hall. There are several remnants of other old tracks around Coldwater. One seems to go from there, towards Buttonhaugh Green passing just south of The Grove.

I mentioned **'The Mount'** in last month's article about Hardings. OS visited the site in 1950 and suggested it may have been an early iron age hill fort. It was circular or oval (about 35m diameter) with a ditch/moat which has been almost totally destroyed. However, by 1971 they had changed their minds as it stands in a non-defensive position. The 1841 Tithe map shows it as Mill Hill with the miller's fields adjacent.

I must thank Stephen Miles, who is the current owner of Norton Hall, for lending me his folder of notes about the history of the manor.

I do not have access to everything Norton related and rely very much on the generous sharing of photos and documents owned by readers of The Messenger and past and present villagers.

If you have any old photos or documents relating to Norton and are willing to share them, please contact me, David Burt or Andy Burt at Andy's Autofix, Woolpit Road. (Garage).

I have posted around 1,000 photos and info on **Facebook. Norton Suffolk History and Photos.**

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH (Part of the Benefice of Pakenham, Norton & Tostock, with Great Ashfield, Hunston &

Stowlangtoft)

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September 2024 Church Services

Open daily for visitors and private prayer. St Andrew's Norton services are highlighted below.

1 st	14 th Sunday after Trinity	8 am 10am	Holy Communion (BCP) Family@Church & Baptism - Back To School	Norton Pakenham
8 th	15 th Sunday after Trinity	9:30 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Harvest Festival Family Communion	Tostock Great Ashfield Pakenham
15 th	16 th Sunday after Trinity	9:30 am 11:00 am 3pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Family Communion Harvest Songs of Praise	Pakenham Great Ashfield Norton
		Please bring gifts of non perishable food for a local food bank		
		6:00 pm	Evening Prayer & Praise	Tostock
22 nd	17 th Sunday after Trinity	9:30am 9.30am 11am 11am	TOAST Harvest Festival Family Communion Harvest Festival	Great Ashfield Hunston Norton Tostock
29 th	18 th Sunday after Trinity	10am	Harvest Festival and Benefice Communion	Stowlangtoft



St Andrew's Church, Norton

Saturday/Sunday 14/15th September 2024

(Refreshments provided with Donations to St Andrew's Church)



Music from
Baroque to Modern

**A Concert by
Alastair Blay
& Friends
Saturday 7.30pm**



Featuring Artwork
by Norton Pre-School,
School & Brownies

**Harvest
Flower Festival**
Saturday 11am-5pm
Sunday 11am-3pm



Do Come and Join Us
Everyone Welcome

**Harvest
Songs of Praise**
Sunday 3pm



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LAVENHAM LITERARY FESTIVAL

Friday 1- Sunday 3 November 2024 Lavenham Village Hall CO10 9QT

The eighth Lavenham Literary Festival will take place from Friday 1 to Sunday 3 November 2024. Guest speaker at the Literary Dinner at the Swan Hotel is *Private Eye* satirist and author **Craig Brown**.

Alan Johnson, former politician and best-selling author is in conversation with Suffolk's own Lesley Dolphin, and **Patrick Barkham** who introduces us to the biography of his friend and naturalist *The Wild Life of Roger Deakin*. The much-loved actor **Sheila Hancock** will talk about her memoir *Old Rage*. Foodies and Radio 4 fans will enjoy **Dr Annie Gray's** history of the British High Street, while **Tracy Borman** will take us *Behind Closed Doors at the Royal Palaces*. A festival first – a session for football fans! **Ashley Hickson-Lovence's** award-winning *Your Show* is about the Premier League's first black referee. Two more firsts – introducing **Jyoti Patel's** debut novel *The Things That We Lost* and **Hilary Taylor's** *Sea Defences*. **Louis de Bernieres**, author of the hugely popular *Captain Corelli's Mandolin* will talk to broadcaster **Martha Kearney** about his latest novel *Light over Liskeard*. And two eminent Shakespeare experts, the theatre director **Bill Alexander** and the distinguished actor **Dame Janet Suzman**, will be discussing Bill's book *Exploring Shakespeare – a Director's Notes from the Rehearsal Room*.

Tickets for all these events will be on sale from 30th August from The Apex, Bury St. Edmund. Further information from www.lavenhamliteraryfestival.co.uk

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