

Shimpling News

Spring 2023

Issue 132

Alpheton and Shimpling Churches

Spring Market

Saturday 18th March

10.00-13.00

Shimpling Village Hall

**Plants, produce, crafts, cake stall,
refreshments**

**Bring your entries for the Shimpling
Marmalade competition**

The Parish Council:

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Mr Hans Engstrom	
Vacancy	

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4 Park Farm Cottages, Brettenham, Suffolk, IP7 7QP

(Correspondence and Appointment only)

Email: Shimplingpc@gmail.com Telephone: 07940 223200

The Parish Council meet bi-monthly in January, March, May (AGM), July, September and November every year. Extra meetings may also be held throughout the year when required.

Annual Parish Assembly – Reports presented by the Council and local groups / charities / committees from within the parish. Members of the public can speak freely at this meeting in May, raise issues and ask questions relating to the reports.

Annual Meeting of the Council (AGM) – Each May, Election of officers of the council. Declarations of acceptance of office.

Parish Council Meetings – Council considers matters relating to finance, planning and the Parish. Additional extraordinary meetings are held when required.

Dates of meetings: Parish council meetings will be held at 7:30pm on the following dates;

Monday 13th March 2023

Monday 15th May 2023 – Annual Meeting of the Council (the AGM) and the Annual Meeting of the Parish (Annual Parish Assembly) followed by a PC Meeting

Monday 10th July 2023

Monday 11th September 2023

Please note that these meetings will be held at the Village Hall .

Parish Council Website and Social Media and Notice Boards

You can find council information on the notice board by the bus stop in The Street. This is also circulated via our Village Round Robin System and posted on the Shimpling Community Facebook page. Alternatively, the village web site is regularly updated as well as our Facebook and Twitter account. Please follow us on Twitter and like our Facebook page:

Twitter: @shimplingpc

Facebook: Shimpling Parish Council

Website: <http://shimplingpc.onesuffolk.net>

Could you volunteer to help your Village?

We need a new Parish Councillor to join our team. Parish Councillors do a worthwhile job ensuring that your voice is heard and overseeing work so that your village is kept looking good. If you would like to know more about becoming a Councillor then please get in touch with the Clerk or any of our wonderful Councillors.

Report from our previous Chair, Nathalie Brown, at the meeting held on the 9th January:

The Chair reported;

Happy New Year.

It has been a quiet couple of months since I took over the role of chair.

We would once again like to thank Mount Farm Vineyard for kindly donating the village Christmas tree, it made the village look very festive!

The PC funded the installation of film equipment at the VH, this has been completed so keep an eye out for future screenings.

During the festive period there have been a number of well supported events in Shimpling,

Wreath making, the Church Christmas market, Christmas lunch at the Bush, the VH Christmas party and a wonderful start to the new year with a village invitation to Ark Vineyard... (a preview of things to come at the Bush!)

With plenty of government funding available we hope to bring some exciting projects to Shimpling in 2023.

The cherry tree we brought for the platinum jubilee arrived and was planted at Hallifax place by Katie Haselhurst. Our thanks to Cllr Haselhurst for this.

Recycling

Please remember that the Parish Council receives money from the paper (although not cardboard) glass, clothing and shoes deposited in the recycling bins near the Bush Inn.

Clothing and shoes should be bagged before depositing in the clothing/shoe bank. This income helps to run the council and therefore is a direct benefit to the village. **Please keep**

recycling.

What the Parish Council have been up to ...

Over the last couple of months, we have:

Finally got the signage for the Quiet Lanes status for Gents Lane.

The Footpath from the end of Nigels Way and turn left, up to the chicane leading out on to the fields has been resurfaced.

Planted the tree for the Queens Platinum Jubilee.

There has been talks about renovations or extensions on the Village Hall.

There is a new football goal with basketball hoop going to be installed in the playground in the next couple of months.

Do you have new neighbours?

For some time now, the Parish Council have been sending welcome letters with local information to new residents. If you have new neighbours, can you please let Katie Haselhurst kh.shimpling@gmail.com know so that she can organise a welcome letter.

Shimpling WhatsApp Support Group

This was set up at the start of COVID to support those in need but has developed into a good way of communicating with others in the village. Recently we were asked to relay an urgent message to a villager and were able to locate the person quickly using the WhatsApp Group. If you could like to join the group, please contact Katie Haselhurst kh.shimpling@gmail.com.

District Councillors

Our District Councillors usually attend each Parish Council meeting and can also be contacted as follows



Stephen Plumb 01787 280890
stephen.plumb@babergh.gov.uk



Michael Holt
01787 281712/07801 766813
michael.holt@babergh.gov.uk

Planning

There have been 2 new applications since our last newsletter.

Application	Shimpling PC Comments	Planning Authority Decision
DC/22/06130 - Barn At Mount Farm, Blooms Hall Lane, Shimpling, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk CO10 9BY - Application to determine if Prior Approval is required for a proposed Change of Use of Agricultural Buildings to Dwellinghouses (C3) and for building operations reasonably necessary for conversion. Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 as amended Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q - Conversion of barn into 1no. dwelling	Did not Comment	

Application	Shimpling PC Comments	Planning Authority Decision
<p>DC/22/04186 Clutter Cottage, The Street, Shimpling, Bury St Edmunds Suffolk IP29 4HS - Householder Application - Erection of two storey side extension (following removal of conservatory), single storey rear extension (following removal of outbuilding), first floor rear extension and porch (following removal of existing porch)</p>		

Other Village News:-

The heartwarming thanks from Pirogov Battalion Field Hospital in Ukraine, for all materials kindly donated by Shimpling Village.





Reflection - For all sorts of reasons it has been a pretty bleak winter ... what with the dark days, cold weather, and relentlessly depressing news. But at last there are signs that Spring is arriving, and with it a reminder that beauty can emerge from a barren landscape. By God's grace may we all bring goodness into our own situations this year, however challenging they may be. And let us remember that building community, and even a simple kind word, are ways in which we can encourage each other and shine a bit of light. Finally, just to say that you are all very welcome to come to our 9.00am services in Shimpling, or any of our other services - see last page; it is a special way to start the day and I find it brings a sense of peace which is something in rather short supply at the moment.

With prayer for us all, *Rev Lawson*

Lent Lunches

With thanks to the many people who have already volunteered to help, we look forward to welcoming you to a simple soup lunch at the smaller St Catherine's Church *in Long Melford*

(CO10 9JU) on Fridays during Lent, served at 12.30pm, starting on Friday 24th February. This year we will be raising funds locally for Storehouse (our 'home' charity) and for the Bishops Appeal for the church in Kagera, Tanzania (our 'away' charity). There will usually be a short reflection.



Shimpling Short Stories

Did you know that Shimpling is becoming a hub of literary endeavours?



On Saturday 11th Feb, around a dozen people came from as far afield as Wiltshire to hone their short story writing skills in the barn at Shimpling Park Farm.

The course was taught by Tom Henry, one of this country's top ghost writers. He has ghost written books for people from all sorts of life and backgrounds, but of course, because he is a ghost writer, the object is that we don't know exactly for whom he has written in most cases.

It was rapidly evident that we were in experienced hands and gaining expert guidance and encouragement in our efforts. How did we know? Because after clear instructions from Tom we were all producing writing of which we might never previously have thought ourselves capable.

By the end of the day we had all furiously scribbled our way through a number of set tasks and shared them with the supportive group of fellow novices, though I think in some cases some of the people were rather experienced writers, including two fairly local ladies who belong to a U3A writing group.

The participants were of all ages and some had worked under Tom Henry's guidance before, either a few years back at Shimpling Park Farm or at Lavenham Literary Festival last year.

The courses were the brainchild of Alice Pawsey in conjunction with her long-standing friend Tom who met each other again after years of not being in touch when they both attended the funeral of a mutual friend.

Not only was the farm an inspiring place to think, write and learn but Alice's cooking of home-grown produce was also very much appreciated. Nobody went hungry there on Saturday with home grown oats for flapjacks, home reared



organic lamb for lunch, lemon meringue pie and fabulous rich fruit cake too; there was plenty of fuel for our brain work! There are two more day courses later this year on writing a TV drama pilot (May 20th) and memoir writing (September 30th). You can find out about them on the Shimpling Park Farm website: <https://www.shimplingpark.com/weddings-and-events/>

Lent Course – Mountain Tops

Mountain-top experiences are a regular feature of both the Old and New Testaments. Moses, Elijah, Peter, James and John, the disciples, not to mention Jesus himself, had very significant encounters with God on mountain tops. Mountains lift us out of the mundane; they raise us up towards heaven. They provide an opportunity for reflection and contemplation as well as space to listen to and learn from God.



In the studies we will attempt to locate the mountains where the encounters took place, we will examine the contexts which produced the experiences, and we will draw lessons for ourselves from our discussions.

The sessions will last one hour on line, on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm starting on the 1st March, but the group will meet in person the end of the course. Please contact Malcolm, who is one of our Readers, on 01787 315 689 or malcolmhofford@gmail.com if you are interested in attending or if you have questions.



March

Sun 5 th	10.30am	Melford	Bishop Martin / Confirmations
	6.30pm	Melford	Choral Evensong
Sun 19 th	9.00am	Shimpling	Communion
Sun 26 th	4.00pm	Melford	'Shine' Informal Worship #

April

Sun 2 nd	6.30pm	Melford	Choral Evensong
Fri 7 th	2.00pm	Melford	Devotional Good Friday Service
Sun 9 th	10.30am	Melford	Easter Celebration
Sun 16 th	9.00am	Shimpling	Communion

... and at Holy Trinity Long Melford every Sunday at 10.30am (Google 'Holy Trinity Long Melford Facebook' for livestream)

For our 4 o'clock community with family friendly services and events almost every Sunday at 4.00pm, contact Nicky on chadbrooklightawave@gmail.com or 07938 681 319

For our toddler and youth groups, please contact Pam on 07890 880 976 or melfordfamilyworker@gmail.com.

For more details or info on any changes please call 07804 558160 or see www.alpheton&shimplingchurches.org.uk or www.longmelfordchurch.com

For details / enquiries please contact chadbrookoffice@gmail.com or call 07804 558 160

Rector: Rev'd Matthew Lawson 01787 310845

Churchwarden: Vacant

Church Contact : Charlotte Blyth 01284 828544
07939 194233

YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!

The Annual Village Clean Up Morning will take place on **Sunday 26th March** at 11.30am from the Village Hall.

We look forward to seeing you there.

We have some high vis vests and litter picking sticks but if you have your own high vis vest and gloves, please bring them along

Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult





**The Great Alpheton and Shimpling Marmalade
Competition**

ROLL UP, ROLL UP

To enter please bring your entry clearly marked with
your name and type of marmalade along to the

**Spring Market on
Saturday 18th March**

Tasting and judging at 12.00pm.

**The winner will receive the coveted
Alpheton and Shimpling Marmalade Cup!**

**There is no entry fee, but we would appreciate the
donation of a second jar for us to sell – thank
you!**

*Any questions,
call Charlotte Blyth on 01284 828544
or Liz Brunwin on 01284 828122*



KING CHARLES III CORONATION WEEKEND EVENTS



SATURDAY 6TH MAY

Circa 11am Live screening of the Coronation and processions in the **Village Hall**. Tea / coffee and cake provided.
Time to be confirmed by the Palace

7pm Come to **The Bush** and join in the Quiz evening.
Nibbles to fuel the brain will be available.

There will be a collection for the Defibrillator repair & maintenance.

SUNDAY 7th MAY

11am Annual Shimpling Cart Race – **The Bush to Slough Hill**.

1pm Coronation Big Lunch - **Village Hall** – bring your own picnic

7pm Lantern walk to the **ARC Vineyard** with bonfires to watch the screening of the Coronation Concert

MONDAY 8th MAY

12 – 4pm FAMILY FUN DAY

Circus Skills, Bouncy Castle & BBQ at **THE BUSH**

At the **HALIFAX PLAYGROUND**

Tug of war – why not create a team

Climbing Wall / Axe throwing / Archery

Craft area for children

Throughout the weekend we will be collecting for local dementia and cancer services



SHIMPLING VILLAGE HALL FILM NIGHTS

**3rd TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT
7.30PM**

**COME AND WATCH NEW AND FAVOURITE FILMS
ON THE BIG SCREEN**



COMING NEXT

21st March BANK OF DAVE

18th April KNIVES OUT

16th May TBC

20th June TBC

**REFRESHMENTS £4.50 PER
PERSON**

**SWEETS AND POPCORN
ALSO FOR SALE**



Rural Coffee Caravan

Making a difference to rural communities throughout Suffolk

Come and share a pot of tea, our welcome is warm and our friendship free!

We'll be visiting

Shimpling Village Hall

The Street, Shimpling, Suffolk, IP29 4HS

Every 4th Thursday of the month

10 am - 12 Noon

We would like you to have the opportunity for some company and a catch up with your neighbours over a cup of tea or coffee with biscuits and cake. We bring a great source of information along with the free refreshments.

We look forward to seeing you.

All Welcome!



www.ruralcoffeecaravan.org.uk tel:01379 855 338



Rural Coffee Caravan is a registered charity. No.1187423

SHIMPLING AND ALPHETON WI **10TH JANUARY 2023**



Steph Eady, President, welcomed us all to the meeting and wished us a Happy New Year. She then introduced our speaker for the evening Mr Karl Lumbars who proceeded to give us a fascinating talk entitled “The Trinity House Story”. Trinity House is the General Lighthouse Authority for England, Wales, Channel Islands and Gibraltar. It operates lighthouses as well as many buoys and lightships. It is dedicated to the safety, welfare and training of mariners. Trinity House was founded in 1514 by King Henry VIII to licence pilots on the river Thames. This was expanded in 1566 by Queen Elizabeth I to allow it to build lighthouses. The first lighthouse was built at Lowestoft and was powered by candles and built of wood. Eddystone lighthouse was the first offshore lighthouse built in 1698, although it has been rebuilt 3 times. Originally, lighthouse keepers were put both on and off the lighthouses by bosuns chair, a very dangerous undertaking, especially in rough weather. This method remained until 1969 when helicopters were first used. Today all lighthouses are unmanned, the tiny LED lights being replaced remotely.

The charitable arm of Trinity House looks after almshouses in Deal, Kent and provides scholarships for young people seeking careers as officers in the Merchant Navy and supports other Maritime Charities.

FEBRUARY 14TH 2023

Steph Eady President welcomed us all to the meeting. She then introduced our speaker for the evening Mr John Saunders, the subject of his talk “Time goes by”. John started his slide tour of Bury St Edmunds timepieces in the corner of

Angel Hill, the original position of the John Gershom Parkington clock museum. There above the door is a lovely example of a wall clock. Frederic Gershom Parkington bought rare clocks, watches and sundials as a hobby. In 1953 he bequeathed his collection to St Edmunds Borough council in memory of his son John who was killed during the 2nd World War. In 1993 the collection was moved to the Manor House museum on Honey Hill where it remained until 2006. Since 2007 the timepieces have been on display at Moyse's Hall museum. From Angel hill we were taken to the Atheneum, the Abbey gardens and various locations around the town centre. Some of the clocks have disappeared along with the building they were placed upon, but we all agreed that most of us had never noticed many of the clocks and sundials placed around the town centre but would be looking much more carefully in the future.

Come along as a guest and have a taste of what the WI can offer you. For more information phone:
Steph Eady, President,
01284 828848

The Alpheton Film night is on the 2nd

Monday of each month.

Monday Mar 13th **FISHERMANS FRIENDS** True Drama starring Daniel Mays, James Purfoy

Monday 10th April **BELFAST** True drama starring Judi Dench, Ciaran Hinds

Monday 8th May **THE LAST BUS** Drama starring Timothy Spall, Phyllis Logan



Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start. Admission price is £4 including tea/coffee & biscuits. The Bar will be open.

HARTEST AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

We have had excellent attendances at our January and February meetings, with both existing and new members, and



visitors. Simon White, from Peter Beales Roses, was a very entertaining speaker in January, and "Rose Growing Made Easy" was obviously a popular subject. He was happy to answer lots of our questions - although we are very keen on them, roses obviously cause us some problems! He had also brought a good selection of plants for sale, along with other accessories. I think his car was a bit lighter for his journey home.

Our Chairman reminded those present at the February meeting to get sowing their seeds - it is only a couple of months until May and our Plant sale, when the bigger the plants are the better. Annie's Plant of the Month returned, Danae Racemosa, or the Poets Laurel, so called because it was used by the Romans for laurel wreaths for their Poets Laureate. It sounds a delightful plant, useful for dry shade, with a glossy appearance and bright berries.

We had been waiting a while for Lucy Skellorn to come and speak to us, and she didn't disappoint. Her story of researching, and trying to find, the irises bred by her great-great-grandfather, and the side tracks she was taken down, was fascinating. And the link with Sarah Cook, the Cedric Morris Irises and the future for Benton End will be interesting to follow.

At the March meeting we will hear the Head Gardener of Ulting Wick in Essex tell us about her role and how the unique look of the garden, including two highly ornate planting schemes a year, is achieved. In April we see the return of Jim Paine, from Walnut Tree Nursery, who will be talking about the intriguing subject of "The Secret Life of Plants", which will explore some of

the latest and most remarkable discoveries about the inner workings of plants. And May is a busy month, first will be the aforementioned Plant Sale, hopefully on Hartest Green, on Sunday 14th starting at 2pm. If the weather doesn't co-operate we will be in the Institute. It is best to arrive early! The next day, Monday 15th, sees our monthly meeting, delayed a couple of weeks due to bank holidays. Our speaker then will be another returning one - Zsuzsa Serer, telling us this time about Orchids. I think we will all learn a lot from these three speakers - entry now to the meetings is £2.50 for members, and £5 for visitors, including refreshments. Annual subscriptions are £12.50, but there is no pressure to join. The meetings start at 7.30pm, at the Institute Hall.

If you have any questions about the club, please contact me, either via email on gross7702@gmail.com, or by phone on 01787 280134.

Geraldine Ross

HELP REQUIRED !

We have a quite large vegetable area
of approximately 600 square feet.

Established around 50 years ago.

Now we need some help with its maintenance
and, in exchange, offer a congenial, private plot.
We're on Stanstead Road opposite Shimpling Hall
and near St George's Church.

CHADBROOK

Judith and Arthur Homes

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janda@waitrose.com





March is going to be a busy month for us with lots of things coming up!

World Book Day is on the 2nd of March, but we have decided to have a whole week instead of just a day!! Promoting the love of books and reading with the children, story time is my favourite! Dressing up as their favourite characters or in their PJ's and bringing along their much-loved books to share with their friends as well as lots of other activities too, should be a fab week.

We will be celebrating Mother's Day and we have a very special treat planned for all the mummies, I can't say anymore!!!

Finishing the term off with our Easter Celebrations inviting all our families in for an afternoon of easter fun with the children.

We still have some spaces available to join us for lots of fun in our safe and nurturing learning environment, why not give us a ring and come and visit.

If you would like any further information about the Pre-School, please contact us on 01284 827588 (you can leave us a message if we are having too much fun to hear the phone!) or e-mail us on: lawshallpreschool@hotmail.co.uk

We are looking forward to hearing from you soon!

THE HALLIFAX TRUST

A locally based charity providing grants to students under the age of 25 receiving further education at colleges or universities or undergoing formal training for a profession or vocation. These are non-means tested. To qualify students must simply have parents living in Shimpling or alternatively have in the past attended Lawshall School whilst their parents were living in Shimpling.

Funding is additionally available for other school and village projects.

HELP US TO HELP OUR CHILDREN

We have recently received a small number of donations to the Charity for which we are extremely grateful. Please consider whether you could help with a donation or a legacy. These are tough times for students and the more funds we have the more we can help.

For grants or donations contact:

hallifaxtrust@gmail.com

Claire Wilson 01284 830574 or Jenny Pine 01284 827073

Hallifax Educational Trust is a Registered Charity No.310396

**Copy for the Summer 2023 edition is required by
22nd May 2023 (A4 WORD or .PDF file please)
Sarah Smith—sIsconsulting21@outlook.com
07774 116128**

**When advertising events please ensure there is a
contact name with a landline number.
Please remember not everyone is on the Internet !!**

News from The Bush



As was my understanding from the village meeting before Xmas, the overwhelming view amongst the villagers is the community hub idea, which is also in line with what we want to do, so.....

We are starting some renovation and refurbish works coming week and will expect to do so for about 3-4 weeks. Beer garden will be seen to over the spring.

We are advertising for staff and talking with some guys we believe fit the bill at the moment, so that we will get a great group of people working at the pub.

Idea is that all produce offered should come from as close locally as possible. That is food, wine, beer and liquor alike. This because of various reasons, but it's clear looking at the present vegetable situation in UK that we all have to rethink a bit and embrace eating local and seasonal produce. This is something that is very much our core plan and we trust guests/villagers will agree and support this.

We aim to have a cafe open some mornings/days per week. My wife Kristin ran a cafe over in France previously, so she's an obvious candidate to take that part.

We also aim to have a tiny little village shop at the pub. Nothing you should expect to do your weekly shopping at, but will come in handy if you're out of milk, teabags etc for

breakfast, or maybe a bottle of great local wine for the evening. We will also borrow an idea from a restaurant we supply wine to, where they have a food cupboard with ingredients for the meal served that particular evening only.

Opening days/hours are not set yet so we will have to come back on that, however aim is to open at Easter week. If we have found a great chef by then, well then we would be very lucky, if not, then unfortunately you will have to be patient as we will not do anything unless it's as good as we want it to be. I trust you will appreciate that way of thinking.

So unless we bump into anything unforeseen we will open up doors at Easter. We will also work around Village hall with events and opening at coronation weekend with pub quiz and entertainment already planned.

We have liaised with Village hall committee about the "Lantern Walk" from the village to the Coronation Party at the Vineyard on Sunday 7th May. We will have some great entertainment, drinks, nibbles and bonfires at the vineyard from 6pm. We will also invite Stanstead village and have some friendly games and competitions between the villages at the evening. I think it has the potential to be a fantastic spring/summer night out, so do write a little something about it. Pub will be closed this date as well!

Hans Engstrom

hans@mountfarmvineyards.com

Daughter-to-Daughter

This is a service for all those people who would love to be there for all their parent's needs, but find it increasingly difficult with work/life commitments. I have an elderly parent and understand the pressure this can bring. I am hoping you will allow me to help care for your loved ones. This may include taking and staying for appointments, enabling them to do their own shopping, visiting friends and loved ones or simply companionship. I can assist with meals, shopping brought in, light chores or walking pets etc. I will provide transport where necessary with the relevant insurance. Booking is flexible whether that be on a regular, occasional or one off basis.

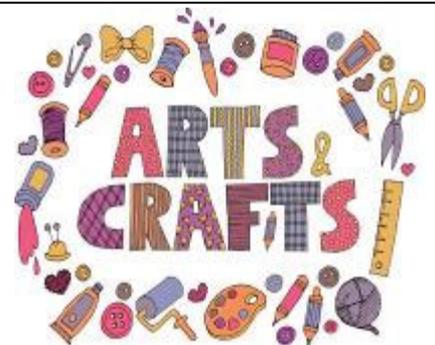


Basic rate: £20 per hour, £12.50 half an hour
These rates will depend on location
DBS checked

Please email kerryd2dd@aol.com or call 07734441288

CRAFT AFTERNOON held the last Friday of the month (except December) in Alpheton Village Hall from 2pm to 4pm. Bring along your craft or learn one, or just come along for a chat. Entrance fee £3 to cover hall hire and refreshments.

All enquiries - Ali Hughes, 01787 248302.





Save the date:
Sunday June 18th
1-5pm

Shimpling Open Gardens
Plants, crafts and teas in some gardens

*But... only if we have enough
participating gardens...*

Have you got green fingers?

*Gardens of all sizes and styles are most welcome
It's not Chelsea, but a chance to be sociable and
share our lovely gardens - always lots of fun*

Please contact Charlotte charlottefblyth@btinternet.com
or Sue sfahiewilson@gmail.com if you'd like to take part
*Funds raised go towards the work of Alpheton
and Shimpling Churches*

Village Hall Hire Charges

Shimpling Residents and concession groups —£8 per hour,
£10 per hour for other hirers.

Hire Enquiries – Contact Marian on 01284 828187,
shimplingvh@gmail.com

SHIMPLING VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The Village Hall Committee meets every 6-8 weeks, to manage the hall and arrange events. If you have ideas about what you would like to see held in the hall – please let us know.

You are welcome to join us and if willing to be a helping hand when we need it, please contact Nathalie Brown - Chair - email: nbshimpling@gmail.com or phone: 07961 947497 or Carol Squire - Secretary - email: cksquire2020@gmail.com or phone: 07855 762812

Take a look at what is planned for 2023 on our page on the “Your Hall” website. It has been updated with some fab photos of last years events and the new simplified charging scheme added. £8 per hour for villagers and £10 per hour for other users.

<https://yourhall.co.uk/hall/shimpling-village-hall/>

Planning to hold a party or family event – why not hire the village hall ?

For bookings email: shimplingvh@gmail.com, or contact Marian Peck on Facebook messenger, or telephone 01284 828187

Regular Sessions

Now the Village Hall has WI-FI & AV equipment, our first **Film Night** - ELVIS was held in January and more Film Nights are planned for 2023 – watch out for the notices.

Zumba Gold sessions are held on **Fridays** at **1pm** – term times and

Pilates sessions on **Mondays** at **9.30am** and again at **11.00am** in term times - mats are available from the tutor.

There is room for a few more so come and join in the fun.

We hope to have an **evening Pilates** class start for those who are busy during the day and if there is demand, **Chair Pilates** – let us know what you would come along to.

Special Events

The year started with a great night with the **Shanty Folk & fish** and chip supper. The evening raised a magnificent **£328.50** for the RNLI thanks to everyone who attended.

After the excellent Jubilee celebrations, the committee are planning to hold 3 days of **Coronation Events** to mark the Coronation of King Charles III.

6th May am - The Kings Procession, Coronation Service in Westminster Abbey and the Coronation Procession will be live streamed in the Village Hall - come & watch on the big screen! Refreshments will be available - or bring your own if you wish to toast the new King with something stronger.

7th May - **The Big Coronation Lunch** . Live streaming of the **Coronation Concert** will be held in the village Hall in the evening .

8th May FAMILY FUN DAY at The Bush and the playground— watch for posters

13th May - **Eurovision Song Contest** will be live streamed in the village hall

Village Hall Regular Events

Pilates—9.30-10.30 & 11.00-12.00 Monday, Weekly Term time

Zumba—13.00-14.00 Friday Weekly Term time

Table Tennis—19.30-22.00 Friday, Weekly

Film Nights—19.30-22.00 Tuesday, Monthly

Rural Coffee Caravan—10.00-12.00 Every 4th Thursday of month

Village Hall Meetings

Parish Council—13/03 /23 & 15/05/23

AGM of Parish Council & Annual Village Mtg—08/05/23

AGM Village Hall Committee— 22/05.23

Village Hall Meetings

WI 19.30-22.00 2nd Tues of month

FUTURE EVENTS

PCC SPRING MARKET—18/03/23

May Elections—04/05/23

King Charles Coronation Live Stream 06/05/23

Coronation Big Lunch, Games Afternoon & Coronation

Concert Live Stream 07/05/23

Eurovision Live Stream 13/05.23

Bookings - Marian Peck 01284 828187

shimplingvh@gmail.com

Buses

For those unaware we currently enjoy two bus services a week, one going to Bury St Edmunds on Wednesdays leaving Shimpling around 10am and returning from Bury at 1pm. The other service is on Thursdays to Sudbury via Me:lford at similar times (09:32 out returning from Sudbury 1245.)

The school bus also provides a daily service on schooldays only, leaving the village about 07:45 and returning at 16:08.

The opportunity to increase the regularity of these services may arise with the current school bus provider introducing more services on a trial basis on nominated days to assess viability. Further details will be announced shortly so please look out for further info. If we want to improve our transport links please use the existing services and support this initiative.



SAVE

(Shimpling AED Village Enterprise)

As most people are aware the village has an AED located in a locked cabinet outside The Bush. The device is registered with the East of England Ambulance Service, who have the access code details.



In the event of an emergency, the precise location of the AED would need to be given, to enable the Ambulance Service to give the code. The location is

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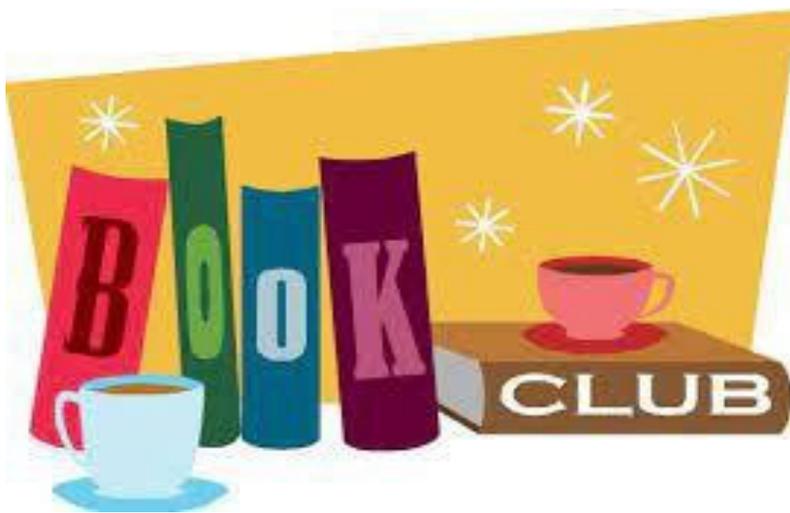
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By placing your empty bottles in the bins provided near The Bush Pub, we receive money for the village community. Keep these telephone numbers handy so that if the Banks are full you can help by phoning and having them emptied.

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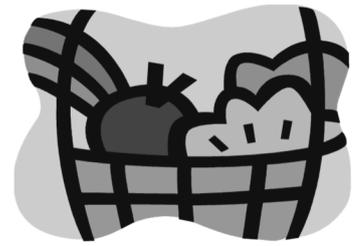
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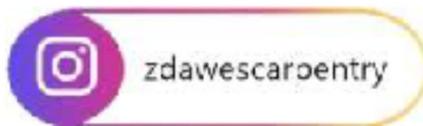
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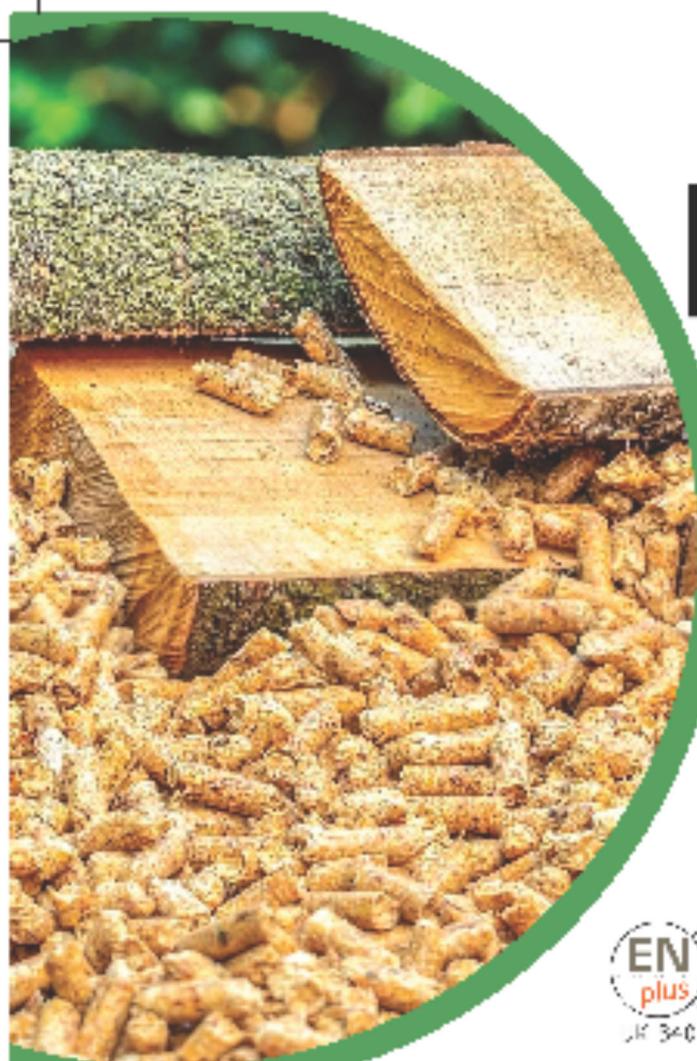


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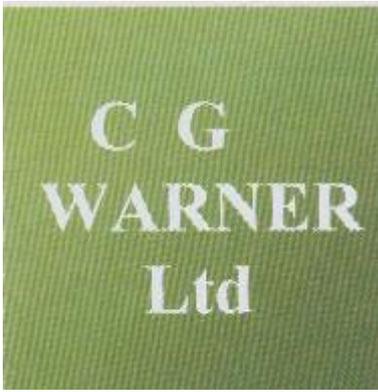
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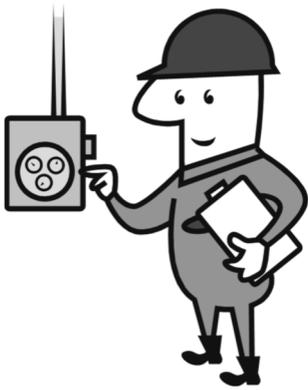
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<https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/voter-id/applying-a-voter-authority-certificate>

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King Charles III Coronation Weekend

To help with catering and seating – if you plan to attend any of the listed events, please **put the number of people attending** in the box and return the form by posting it in the village hall post box or email it to Marian: shimplingvh@gmail.com

Saturday 6 th May	Number Attending?
Coronation & Processions live streamed & refreshments - Village Hall	
Quiz evening – The Bush	
Sunday 7 th May	
Cart Race – The Bush to Slough Hill	
Big Coronation Lunch – bring your own picnic – Village Hall	
Coronation Evening Concert - live streaming & refreshments - Arc Vineyard	
Monday 8 th May	
Family activities and games afternoon Tug of war, climbing wall and more – Play area Halifax Place	
Circus Skills, Bouncy Castle and BBQ – The Bush	