

# *Grapevine*

A scenic view of a pond with a wooden bench in the foreground, surrounded by reeds and trees under a clear blue sky. The bench is made of light-colored wood and is positioned on a concrete pad. The pond is calm, reflecting the sky and the surrounding vegetation. The background is filled with tall reeds and bare trees, suggesting a late autumn or winter setting.

*Langtoft*

*Feb 2026*

*The magazine to keep you in touch with  
whats happening in your village.*

## *Langtoft Parish Council.*

Welcome to our first grapevine edition for 2026.

### Parish Council News

Congratulations to our 2025 Christmas Window Competition

1st Kate Hart

2nd Fiona Moss

3rd Robert Forge

### Amenity Update

- Approval to install a new bench adjacent to Ash Close. This will be installed within the next month.
- Goal mouths at both East and West end parks will be resurfaced w/c 26 January.
- Play Parks new design project – a public meeting is to be held for residents to review and input into new design proposals. To be held Saturday 28th February 10am – 3pm at the Village Hall.

### Council vacancies

Do you have skills and insights you want to share and enjoy being part of a team. We currently have two vacancies on the Council and invite applications from Langtoft residents who would like to get involved and help represent the views of our village. If interested, please reach out to myself or our Parish Clerk for information.

Bev Farrington,  
Chair, Langtoft Parish Council

## **DEADLINE FOR NEXT EDITION IS 17th March**

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*Correct at point of going to press.*

# BLACK BULL GREEN PLAY AREA UPGRADE EXHIBITION

The Langtoft Parish Council are pleased to invite you to have your say!



**Supported by:**

Please come along to the Village Hall on **28th February** between **10am and 3pm** to view four different companies' designs for the Black Bull Green Play Area upgrade.

Your opinion and approval are vital—help us shape the future of this community space!

- **Date:** 28th February
- **Time:** 10am – 3pm
- **Venue:** Village Hall

All ages welcome. No booking required.

This upgrade is being made possible by funding from the **National Lottery Community Fund** and the **S106 Contribution from the Ashwood Homes development.**

For more information, contact:

[liz.jarman@langtoftparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:liz.jarman@langtoftparishcouncil.gov.uk) or 07947439905.

# *Langtoft Parish Council.*

## **Future Parish Council meeting dates:-**

*24th Feb 2026, 7th April 2026, 19th May 2026 7th July 2026,*

*15th Sept, 2026 27th Oct 2026, 9th Dec 2026*

*Annual Parish meeting TBC*

**Meeting held in Langtoft Village Hall – 7:30 (7pm to 7:30 public forum)**

*We still have vacancy's for two more councillors*

## **Clerk and Councillors contact details:-**

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## **Defibrillators**

There are three defibrillators managed by the PC

\*A15 Crossroads \*East End/New Rd junction

\*West End/Trusedale Gardens junction

There are also defibrillators at Langtoft School and the Sports Pavilion

## **Website details**

More information can be found on the parish website ie Minutes and agenda

Use – [fixmystreet.com](http://fixmystreet.com) – to report road repair, broken street light etc in the village

## **VILLAGE GRIT BINS**

There are 4 Yellow grit bins around the village, provided by Langtoft Parish Council and 2 Green ones supplied by LCC.

Location of the Yellow bins are at Langtoft School main gates, A15 Crossroads, Ash Close and Black Bull Green.

Location of LCC Greens bins are Stowe Rd King St crossroads and East End Park.

The Grit Bins can be used by all members of the public.



From your District Councillors

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Dear Resident,

Wishing you a Happy New Year. During these frosty months we would urge you to take extra caution on our roads. The A15 continues to pose significant challenges for the village, with the crossroads becoming congested during peak times. We are very concerned that any increase in housing, combined with plans for a quarry entrance directly onto the A15 at Baston, will make the A15 unacceptably hazardous for all road users. We are doing everything we can to support village residents in addressing these issues. Please note that ultimately the responsibility for Highways falls to County rather than District Council.

Over the next couple of months, two new waste bins will be delivered to households for the collection of food waste. One will be a small 5 litre bin for kitchen use, and the other a larger 23 litre bin for outdoor storage. Clear instructions on what types of waste should be placed in each bin will be provided, along with bin liners.

The District Council is currently reviewing the 2026/27 budget, which includes setting the level of council tax. The District Council is also the main authority responsible for collecting and distributing funding on behalf of other bodies including Lincolnshire County Council, Parish Councils (precepts), and the Lincolnshire Police Authority. As your elected representatives we are doing what we can to ensure your council tax is being spent wisely.

Please get in touch if there is anything that you would like us to help with,

Vanessa and Rosemary

# SAMARITANS

Peterborough & District

Are you able to volunteer for 12 hours a month to support people who are in despair?

If so Peterborough Samaritans would really like to hear from you.

We will provide comprehensive training and support you all the way.

For more details please contact us at

[volunteer@peterboroughsamaritans.co.uk](mailto:volunteer@peterboroughsamaritans.co.uk)

## Dementia Support Coffee Morning

*Langtoft Village Hall*

26 W End, Langtoft, PE6 9LS

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month  
11.00 - 12.30pm

Join us for coffee, make new friends and meet the DSSL team.



Telephone: 01778 426756  
Email: [info@dementiasupportdouthlincs.co.uk](mailto:info@dementiasupportdouthlincs.co.uk)  
Website: [www.dementiasupportsouthlincs.co.uk](http://www.dementiasupportsouthlincs.co.uk)

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THE DEEPINGS PRACTICE  
PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP  
• YOUR PATIENT VOICE •

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Deepings Practice Volunteer Car Scheme needs you:

Demand for our service is growing and we urgently need new volunteers to support the service.

*If you could spare some time, or for more information, please contact us: 07858 373912*

YOUR MILEAGE PAID

## The Volunteer Car Scheme

**Need a lift to a scheduled medical appointment?**

**Call our volunteer coordinators on 07858 373912**

For over 14 years, The Deepings Practice has had the kind support of a volunteer car scheme that ferries elderly patients or those in need to medical appointments across the region.

Many of those patients would not be able to get to their appointments without the help of these kind volunteers.

The drivers, supported by our volunteer coordinators, will typically give a few days a week to the service and will safely pick up the patient from their house, take them to their appointment, help them get into the building if needed, wait for them, and drive them back home.

# Health & Wellbeing.

## PPG Report for the Grapevine

As the year draws to a close, it is time to reflect on 2025. It has been a busy year for the Deepings PPG.

We have held regular meetings with the Practice, published two newsletters, welcomed new members and raised funds for our Drivers Evening.

We helped with a successful Well Being Day in May and assisted with the vaccinations at the Practice in the autumn.

We have also started a PPG “*Meet and Greet*” table at the Practice on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month. If you have any suggestions that the PPG can take forward to their meetings or want information about the Voluntary Drivers’ Service, please come and chat to us. We also have information about the Voluntary Drivers Service if you would like to become a voluntary driver.

In the New Year we will also be offering help with the new appointment system. (See below)

### News from the Practice

#### Our appointment system is changing,

From March 2026, our practice will move to a full online triage system for all non-emergency medical and administrative requests.

#### Why Are We Changing?

We have listened to patient feedback and reviewed our appointment system carefully. Many practices in the area already use online triage, and it works well—improving access, reducing phone queues, and ensuring patients get the right care more quickly.

#### How It Works

Patients will start requests by completing a simple online form through our website. Our clinical team will review it the same day and direct you to the most appropriate care, whether that is an appointment, a phone call, written advice, or support from another healthcare professional.

#### Support for Everyone

We understand that not everyone is confident online. Our reception team will still be here by phone or in person, and they can complete the form for you if needed. No one will be left without support.

#### A Well-Planned Transition

We will share clear guidance before March 2026 and offer help to anyone who needs it. Our aim is to make accessing care simpler, fairer, and more efficient for all patients.

If you have questions, please contact our team—we’re here to help.

(Members of the PPG will be able to assist with the sharing of this information in the New Year and will receive training for this from the Practice.)

# Health & Wellbeing.

## Christmas Fair Photographs

On November 30<sup>th</sup> it was the annual Christmas Fair in Market Deeping. The PPG had a stall selling items that were suitable as Christmas tree decorations and also as Christmas gifts. These were all hand made by members of the PPG committee and we wish to say a big thank you to them for their commitment to the fund raising effort. It was a very successful day, the weather was dry and chilly but the atmosphere was warm. Getting prepared!



Lighting up time!



The day is done!

A big thank you to everyone who has supported us this year. We wish you all a very happy and Healthy 2026

# VALKYRIES GIRLS



## NEW GIRLS U6 & U7 TEAMS PLACES AVAILABLE

Is your daughter looking to start playing football?  
We are developing two new girls teams to add to the Valkyries current girls football provision. We are looking for players in the following age groups.

**UNDER 6 (CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR 1), NEXT SEASONS UNDER 7**  
**UNDER 7 (CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR 2) NEXT SEASONS UNDER 8**

Training is on Saturday mornings 10-11am  
At the Valkyries girls development is our priority in a safe, fun learning environment.



**ACCREDITED**  
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Contact for more Information: Steve Eason (Girls Football Development)

 07946124995  [langtoftfc.development@gmail.com](mailto:langtoftfc.development@gmail.com)



## YOGA CLASSES

This is your invitation to pause, breathe and reset

Gentle, welcoming yoga sessions in Langtoft Village Hall

Weekly classes:  
Tuesdays at 9.30am  
Wednesdays at 6.45pm

Monthly chill-out:  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026



SPACES ARE LIMITED.  
FOR MORE INFO & TO BOOK:  
07899 753903  
[samscholesyoga@gmail.com](mailto:samscholesyoga@gmail.com)  
[www.samscholesyoga.co.uk](http://www.samscholesyoga.co.uk)



*Health & Wellbeing.*

# **The Deepings Men's Group Charities Fund Ltd**

**A local registered charity run by volunteers for the  
Deepings area community**

**We loan out mobility and medical aid equipment.  
This service is free of charge and open to all who  
are registered with either: -**

**The Deepings Health Centre or The Glinton Surgery**



**If you require any equipment or feel we can be of  
assistance, please call one of our co-ordinator's on**

**07902 510471**

**If there is no answer leave a message with contact details,  
and we will get back to you. The Stores are only opened by  
appointment.**

# *Church News - The Ness Group.*

## New Beginnings and Gentle Endings

The turn of the year always invites us to think about new beginnings. Fresh calendars are hung on kitchen walls, resolutions are made with hopeful determination, and the long, dark days slowly begin to hint at the return of light. January feels like a quiet pause after the warmth and colour of Christmas, a moment to take breath before stepping forward once again.

Yet, as every beginning reminds us, it also carries the echo of an ending. Christmas decorations are carefully packed away, familiar carols fade from our daily soundscape, and the bustle of celebration gives way to routine. These endings are not sad; rather, they are necessary. They allow space for something new to take shape.

The church reflects this rhythm beautifully. After the joy and wonder of Christmas – the story of birth, hope, and light entering the world – the church calendar gently turns the page. The candles are extinguished, the nativity scenes returned to storage, and we are reminded that faith, like life itself, moves through seasons.

For generations, the church has been there to mark the most significant moments of our lives. It is often where new beginnings are celebrated most joyfully: the baptism of a child, welcomed into a community with promises and prayers; a wedding day, where two lives are joined and a shared future begins. These are moments filled with hope, expectation, and love.

But the church is also present at life's endings. It offers a place to gather when someone has died, to give thanks for a life lived, and to find comfort in shared grief. In those quieter, more difficult moments, the church reminds us that endings, too, have meaning. They deserve to be acknowledged, honoured, and held with care.

In a village setting especially, the church stands as a witness to the passing of time. It holds the memories of generations: the laughter of weddings, the solemn silence of funerals, the splashing water of baptisms, and the familiar hymns sung year after year. Even for those who rarely attend, it remains a steady presence, linking past, present, and future.

As we step into a new year, perhaps we can embrace both beginnings and endings with gratitude. The church, in its quiet constancy, invites us to do just that – to celebrate new starts, to acknowledge what has passed, and to remember that every season of life has its place.





**DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES 2026**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026 10.30-12.30**  
***Church open for tea, coffee***

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February 10.30am-1pm**  
***Monthly Cake and bacon butty morning with***  
***Books, DVDs, and Jigsaw stall***

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> February, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**March 12.00- 1.30pm *Lent Lunches***

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> April 10.30-12.30**  
***Church open for tea, coffee***

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April**  
***Monthly Cake and bacon butty morning with***  
***Lucky dip stall***

**Until we have our new notice board please check the porch  
notice board for details of events and services at St Michael's**

## *Activites & Clubs - Bowls Club.*

Langtoft Bowls club held their end of season presentation dinner at the Black Horse Baston last month. Last years divisional performances were a bit of a mixed bag of results with the highlight being winning the Stamford and District Division 2 title.



Some of the team with the Div 2 trophy.



## *Activites & Clubs - Bowls Club.*

Throughout the summer members of the club have been battling one another for a number of individual titles with the winners of the mens and ladies 2 bowl competition qualifying for a chance to get to the national championship in Skegness. The winners of clubs competitions were;

<b>LANGTOFT BOWLS CLUB - 2025 COMPETITION TROPHIES</b>		
<b>Competition</b>	<b>Trophy</b>	<b>Winner(s)</b>
Langtoft 19	Langtoft 19 shield - presented by Sue & Alan Moir	Jim Pryor
Men's Singles (2W)	The Peter White Trophy	Bernie Crouch
Ladies Singles (2W)	Langtoft Bowls Club Ladies 2 Bowls Singles	Anne White
Fixed Jack (4W)	Fixed Jack - presented by John & Mavis Vaudin	Jim Pryor
Novice Singles (4W)	Novice Singles - presented by Mark & Jan Plyte	Lynn Barker
Open Triples (2W)	Open Triples - presented by Jim, Debbie & Chris Pryor	Martin Fletcher, John Kingsmill & Malcolm Cullingworth
Mixed Pairs (2W)	Mixed Pairs - presented by Nolan & Jeanette Catterwell	Sue Moir & Nick Carr
Open Pairs (2W)	Langtoft Bowls Club Open Pairs	Anne White & Debbie Pryor
Men's Singles (4W)	Langtoft Pearl BC Richard Montgomery Trophy	Jim Pryor
Ladies Singles (4W)	Langtoft Bowls Club Ladies 4 Bowls Singles	Ann Cullingworth
Handicap Singles (3W)	Irene Wells Memorial Cup	Nick Carr
Social Pairs	Fordham Trophy - presented by Liz & Adie Fordham	Adie Fordham & Mavis Vaudin
Coronation Trophy	Langtoft Bowls Club Coronation Trophy	Nick Carr
Rosebowl Trophy	Christophi Trophy - presented by Paul & Angela Christophi	Lynn Barker, Mark Plyte & Martin Fletcher
Plate Trophy	Booth Trophy - presented by Pat & David Booth	Chris Newcomb, John Taylor & Gary Barker

The "outdoor season" has finished until April and most members are now playing indoors in either Peterborough or Stamford. The Green will reopen mid-April and we're always on the lookout for new members of all abilities, so why not come to the rec when the green opens and give it a go.

We will be running a few introduction days in April when anyone can turn up and give the game a try. More on dates etc in April's Grapevine. However before then you are always welcome to come to our Wednesday coffee mornings between 10 and 11.30. Only a £1 for tea/ coffee and biscuits

# Activites & Clubs - Oddfellows.



## Nene & Welland Oddfellows events February 2026

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Lunch at the Hall, 12:30pm. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. £7 (£6 members). Book with David on 01778 347876.**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Family History: A Case Study 6pm. Free talk. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping PE6 8AN. Donation for refreshments. Book with the office on 01778 342006.**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> A Crafty Cuppa 10:30am at Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping. PE6 8AN. Donation for refreshments. Book with Janice on 01778 560059.**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Oh La La! French Night, 6:30pm at Coronation Hall, Market Deeping. PE6 8DB. £12 (£10 members). Includes a dinner. Dress up 'Allo 'Allo style encouraged. Book with Jenny on 07788 534290.**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Friendship Lunch at the Crown Inn in Surfleet, 12 for 12.30pm. Contact Christine for further info & to book on 07714 096801.**

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Degree Workshop. Oddfellows Hall at 10.30am. Open to all members. Further details from Christine on 07714 096801.**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Surprise Bingo! Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping, PE6 8AN at 2pm. £1 for a book of 10 games. Donation for refreshments. Contact Jenny on 07788 534290 to book.**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Let's Do Lunch! 12:30pm. Thorney Golf Club. Cost as per menu. Contact Jenny on 07788 534290 to book.**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Museum workshop 10:30am. Oddfellows Hall. Members only. Please confirm attendance with Christine on 07714 096801.**



Check out our Facebook page:  
OddfellowsNeneWelland

or have a look at the national website on:  
[www.oddfellows.co.uk](http://www.oddfellows.co.uk)

# Activites & Clubs - Oddfellows.



## Nene & Welland Oddfellows events March 2026

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> AGM. Open to all members (must book). Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping. PE6 8AN at 10:30am.** Book with the Office on 01778 342006.

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Mercury Memories talk. Brief history of the Stamford Mercury newspaper. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping. PE6 8AN at 2pm.** £5 (£4 members) includes refreshments. Book with the Office on 01778 342006.

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Craft Club. Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping. PE6 8AN at 10:30am.** All craft items supplied, includes refreshments for £5 (members £3). Contact Georgina to book on 01778 347876.



**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Tea 2:30pm at Oddfellows Hall, 57 Church Street, Market Deeping. PE6 8AN at 12:30pm.** £7 (£6 members). **Feel free to dress up!** Book with Jenny on 07788 534290.

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Friendship Lunch at the Crown Inn in Surfleet 12 for 12.30pm.** Contact Christine for further information and to book on 07714 096801.

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Spring Quiz and Buffet 6pm Coronation Hall, Market Deeping. PE6 8DB. £10 (£8 members).** Max of 6 on a team. Raffle for charity. Book and pay by 11<sup>th</sup> March on 01778 342006 or email [sarah.hitchcock@oddfellows.co.uk](mailto:sarah.hitchcock@oddfellows.co.uk)

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Let's Do Lunch, meet at Thorney Golf Club 12.30pm.** Cost as per menu. Contact Jenny on 07788 534290 to book.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Museum Workshop. Members Only. 10:30am, at the Hall.** Book with Christine on 07714 096801.



**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Easter Surprise Bingo! Coronation Hall, Market Deeping PE6 8DB at 2pm.** £1 for a book of 10 games. Easter Flyer £1 each. Donation for refreshments. Contact Jenny on 07788 534290 to book.

*Activites & Clubs - Children's Football.*

# CHILDREN'S FOOTBALL COACHING | LANGTOFT

## SATURDAYS

8:30-9:30AM SMALL GROUP (8-11YRS)

9:30-10:30AM SMALL GROUP (13-15YRS)

10:30-11:30AM SMALL GROUP (10-13YRS)

11:30AM-12PM SMALL GROUP (4-6YRS)

# ADULT'S WALKING FOOTBALL | LANGTOFT

TUESDAYS | 11AM-12PM | 50 YRS+



WHATSAPP TOM AT 07883 153860 FOR  
MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK

Langtoft WI ended 2025 on a high note as 24 members attended the Carols in the Great Hall concert at Burghley House. We were welcomed with a glass of wine, mulled wine or soft drink and the fire was roaring in the Great Hall. It was a superb event with an orchestra, choir and professional solo soprano singer. They even did a “pass the elf and reindeer” game and 3 of our ladies won prizes of free tickets to the gardens and a bottle of Burghley wine.

Two ladies went on a trip to the National Memorial Arboretum, organised by our Federation. A beautiful and inspiring place, the 150-acres of the Arboretum form a living landscape, a home for more than 400 breathtaking memorials. People from all walks of life are represented by the memorials, with designs that are rich in symbolism reflecting those they remember. There was a train to take everyone around the main areas which offered a taster to those who wanted to walk around afterwards and take a closer look. It also meant that those with mobility issues could see many of the most spectacular memorial sculptures.



There was also a museum, bringing into focus stories of some of the people (heroes) commemorated by the memorials. And, very importantly, a lovely gift shop. I had long wanted to visit the National Memorial Arboretum and it did not disappoint.

We proudly handed over 53 Christmas boxes to the church, along with handmade blankets and toys, ready for their onward journey to Poland and into Ukraine to be gifted to women and children who are living in the midst of war.



Continuing with our ongoing involvement in our local community, we sponsored a Christmas tree for the church Christmas tree festival event, decorated by our President, Jean Street. Also, members Julie and Olive decorated a church window for the Christmas celebrations.

We were delighted to welcome some of our Ukranian neighbours to our Christmas meeting. As usual, members very kindly brought an excellent selection of buffet food for everyone to share. Our Ukranian friends also brought items, including delicious honey cake and strawberry madeleines. The honey cake had a poinsettia flower decoration, made of rice paper and we were told that it was tradition to eat a petal of the flower whilst making a wish. We used our lovely new tablecloths for the first time, expertly sewn by members, Sue Dickson and Liz Howell and were informed that there were over 18,000 stitches in the words "Langtoft WI" on the cloth for the top table!

### **Future Events**

At our February meeting, following a short Annual Meeting, we will enjoy a celebration for all our members for our 10th Anniversary.

In March we will welcome Sara Munton, Deputy Police and Crime Commissioner for Lincolnshire who will talk to us about her career and how she came to be elected to this role.

All meetings are held at Langtoft Village Hall and commence at 7.30 p.m. Visitors are always welcome at Langtoft WI. Please see the posters around the village or contact our President, Jean Street on 01778 345037 for further information.

Sue Eales, Langtoft WI.

*Langtoft Festival.*



## Get Involved with

### Langtoft Festival 2026

Do you have some spare time? Do you enjoy live music?  
Have you loved the festival before and ever thought about getting  
involved?

#### **Now is the time!**

As we look ahead to the next Langtoft Festival, I'd love to hear from anyone in the village who might be interested in learning the ropes and helping to run this much-loved community event. With the support of others, I have organised the festival for the past five years, and I truly believe it's time to welcome new people, fresh ideas, and creative energy to keep the festival exciting, family-friendly, and growing.

It isn't a difficult role, but it does require commitment, attention to detail, and—most importantly—a willingness to have **lots of fun** while making sure everything runs smoothly!

If you have skills in organisation, sponsorship, event management, creative ideas, or a passion for music, that would be wonderful. But above all, what really matters is the desire to get involved in a fantastic local event and help it grow.

#### **Interested?**

Email: [emjarman28@gmail.com](mailto:emjarman28@gmail.com)

*Langtoft Festival.*



**SAVE THE DATE!**

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**WWW.LANGTOFTFESTIVAL.COM**

LANGTOFT VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
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# **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

## **2026**

<b>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Coffee &amp; Cake</b>
<b>Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Jigsaws, Games &amp; Bacon Butties Sale</b>
<b>Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<b>Coffee &amp; Cake</b>
<b>Mon 30<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Easter Bingo</b>
<b>Sat 25<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Murder Mystery</b>
<b>Mon 26<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Halloween Bingo</b>
<b>Sat 14<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Quiz Night</b>
<b>Mon 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Christmas Bingo</b>

**Look out for our posters around the village  
and on our Facebook page for  
more details of all of these events**

# LANGTOFT VILLAGE HALL NUMBERS CLUB APPLICATION FORM

MEMBERSHIP NUMBER  
(to be allocated)

Name.....

Address.....

.....

.....

Email address.....

I/we agree that if we wish to cancel this subscription I/we will inform  
Langtoft Village Hall Management Committee of this decision.

Signature.....

Date.....

Payment enclosed £ 12.00

Sent by Bank Transfer

**Please return this form to either:  
Mrs Joanne Clingo, 26 Cloven Ends, Langtoft, PE6 9LF  
or drop it into the Village Hall mail box**

**Cheques payable to: Langtoft Village Hall Management Committee  
Bank Transfer to Metro Bank  
Sort code: 23-05-80  
Account number 51318625**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND GOOD LUCK!**

Langtoft Village Hall Management Committee  
(Reg. Charity No. 501924)



# **JIGSAW & GAMES SALE**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

**10am – 1pm**

**Langtoft Village Hall**

**Tea, coffee & bacon butties  
on sale during the morning**

Donations of jigsaws & board games welcome  
and can be dropped off:

- at the Village Hall during *Coffee & Cake* on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 10-12
- at Elysian Hair Salon (3B West End)
- at 42 West End (Velma) or 53 Truesdale Gardens (Sue Archer)
- at the Village Hall on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb, 5-6pm

Event contact: Sue Archer 07796 674654

## *Nature Watch - East End Pond.*

### **The Pond is Back! Celebrating the Completion of Our Restoration**

After a very dry spring and summer in 2025, we had to wait a little longer than usual to see water return to our village pond. Despite a wet November, groundwater levels were slow to recover, and the pond only began to fill in early December. Since then, the rain has done its work; the water is now around 100cm (3') deep at the centre. We've even enjoyed a beautiful dusting of snow and ice recently—making it look more suited to a Torvill and Dean routine than a home for newts!



This marks the end of our ambitious three-year restoration project. More than 15 volunteers have worked on the project, clearing scrub, pollarding willows, and removing sediment to help the pond hold water. We've also turned the area into a haven for wildlife by adding nest boxes, log piles, dead hedges and "no-mow" zones for summer wildflowers. We're exploring the possible return of the iconic 90s floating duck house and volunteers may still be needed for ongoing maintenance.

A huge thankyou to everyone who lent, and continues to lend a hand.

Best wishes, Pete Coles and EEP Volunteers

*Nature Watch - Penfield Nature Reserve.*

# Guided Walk at Penfield



**Saturday 14th March 2026**  
**Setting off at 10:00 am**

Come and enjoy a guided walk around the Penfield site. Walks will be lead by our volunteer group, who can tell you more about the site, the wildlife that uses it and how we manage the reserve. Walk will conclude by 12:00pm  
Meet by the pedestrian entrance kissing gate notice board.

## *Nature Watch - Penfield Nature Reserve.*

The cold and wet winter weather severely limits what we can do as volunteers at Penfield, general tidying in the main and making sure all of the paths are clear of obstructions, trip hazards etc. so the reserve is clear and safe for visitors to walk around.

Following on from the autumn visit of the Perkins management volunteers team, we have started to build the retaining walls for the newt pond. With luck it will be finished this coming spring.

Two things we have done recently are to clean out all of the nest boxes made by the children of Langtoft Primary school. All of which have been used for nesting and we have also checked and cleaned the sand Martin box. Unfortunately only 5 of the nest pods had been used, one had a properly formed nest with 3 eggs in it the remaining pods just had some straw and odd eggs here and there. Like last year this seems to point to juvenile birds trying us out. The fact that the used pods were all together does demonstrate that they are social birds, who nest together in colonies. Lets hope for better news this year.



Winter visitors on the lakes have been coots, moorhens, swans and a variety of passing ducks and we have heard that there is a snow goose around the Deeping area, it is thousands of miles off course and we understand it flew in with another flock of geese. One to keep our eyes open for

## *Nature Watch - Penfield Nature Reserve.*



We have some repairs to do as it looks like a lorry reversed into the main gate which has left us with a broken gate post to repair.

On Friday 16th January 2026, we held our annual presentation evening of wildlife in Penfield. At the half time break the prizes for the wildlife photo competitions were awarded. Well done and congratulations to all of the children and youngsters who sent photographs in. They were a very high standard indeed.



Continued thanks to the growing number of volunteers. We are all of a certain age and would love to encourage younger participation if we can. If any one would like to help out the Penfield team, either as a volunteer or as part of the management team, please email [clerk@langtoftparishcouncil.org](mailto:clerk@langtoftparishcouncil.org) On site work parties usually take place on Wednesday mornings from 09:30 to 12:30 and occasionally on Saturdays too. Children under 16 are welcome but must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Andy Hallam

Chair Penfield Management Group

# *Bump 2 Four.*

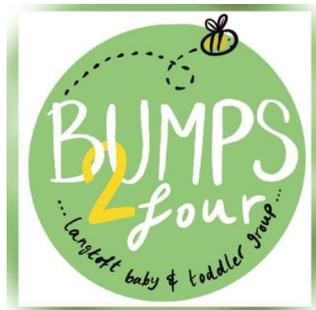
## **Langtoft's Baby and Toddler Group**

Langtoft Village Hall

9.30am to 11am Fridays during term time

Find us on Facebook Everyone welcome

£2 per family No booking required



Bumps2Four is a place for children, parents, grandparents and carers to relax and have fun. Come and join us for a range of activities, including craft, messy play, stories and singing, designed to entertain babies and toddlers. It's a chance to meet others, chat and have a well-deserved cup of tea! Hope to see you there x

We have been fortunate enough to benefit from some generous sponsorship over the past few months and would like to thank Paddock Developments for sponsoring the Christmas party, Tesco Market Deeping, Mini Makers and Vicki Spinner for donations to the hamper raffle. Finally we would like to thank the Deeping Raft Race Community fund for their grant of £375



## **Spring Term Dates**

16<sup>th</sup> January  
23<sup>rd</sup> January  
30<sup>th</sup> January – No Hall  
6<sup>th</sup> February  
13<sup>th</sup> February  
Half Term – No Bumps

27<sup>th</sup> February  
6<sup>th</sup> March  
13<sup>th</sup> March  
20<sup>th</sup> March  
27<sup>th</sup> March  
Easter Holidays

# *Langtoft Pre School.*

Happy New Year from everyone at Langtoft Pre-School! We've had a lovely few months settling new children into Pre-School since September, welcoming back our current families, and enjoying learning about Autumn, Diwali, fireworks, Winter, and all the festivities in the lead-up to Christmas—celebrating with Jason Fen Magic Man and the Travelling Christmas Nativity from the Church.

At Pre-School, we have recently completed some renovations to the slope leading up to the main door, and the local council has also re-done the path outside. We are due to carry out further improvements to the main building soon, with new flooring being installed. This has all been made possible thanks to funding from the council, grants, and support from our committee.

In October, we held our AGM and would like to welcome our new committee:

- Natalie Stygall – Chair (you may know Natalie from Langtoft Festival and her organisation of many village events for Pre-School, Langtoft Primary School, and the Festival)
- Victoria Hemsley – Treasurer
- Bethany & Matt Hammond – Secretaries
- Ryan Jones, Stevie Higgins, and Lucie Cunningham – Trustees

As a committee, we have so many exciting fundraising plans ahead, including our second comedy night, another drag bingo, a gin tasting evening, a fashion show, and much more. We would love for you to be part of it all, so please keep an eye on our socials (the *Life in Langtoft* Facebook page) for updates and tickets.

Our village is incredibly fortunate to have such a well-supported pre-school, which provides excellent early education, encourages children's confidence and curiosity, and brings families together at the very heart of the community.

We would also like to offer a special and heartfelt thank you to both past (Gemma, Cat and Amy) and current committee members, whose time, dedication, and enthusiasm have made so many wonderful events possible. From most recently the first comedy night in the village, the village Christmas trail to Santa's Big Christmas Party, each event has helped create special memories for our children and their families as well as the wider community. We are especially grateful to Liz Jarman and team at Langtoft Festival for their generous support of Santa's Big Christmas Party—and to Gordon (Santa) and Darren (Elf) thank you for helping to make it such a magical occasion.

A further big thank you goes to Baston Events, Langtoft Festival, Langtoft Village Hall and Langtoft Parish Council for their continued support. But most importantly, thank you to everyone in the village, the Life in Langtoft Facebook admins, our children and families at pre-school and further afield for always supporting us and our local events—it is very much appreciated.

Langtoft Pre School.

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*Langtoft Pre School.*

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*Langtoft Pre School.*

Langtoft Village Hall



# COMEDY NIGHT



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### **Weekly**

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Tuesday	9.30am -10.30am	Village Hall	Yoga
Tuesday	1.15pm - 2.15pm	Village Hall	Seatersize
Tuesday	7.30pm – 10pm	Village Hall	Langtoft Players
Wednesday	10am – 12 Noon	Bowls Club House	Bowls Coffee Morning
Wednesday	5.30 – 6.30	Village Hall	Texan Two Step
Wednesday	6.45pm - 7.45pm	Village Hall	Yoga
Thursday	5.30pm - 6.30	Village Hall	Stars of the Future
Thursday	7.30pm – 10.00pm	Village Hall	Langtoft Players
Thursday	7.00pm – 8.30pm	Langtof Church	Ness Group Singers
Friday	9.30am - 11.00am	Village Hall	Bumps 2 Four

### **Monthly**

1st Monday	10am – 12 Noon	Village Hall	Coffee & Cake
3rd Monday	7.30 pm	Village Hall	WI

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