



## Mums night out!

Louise Wade

In September, the Iwade Baby Group organised a charity quiz night in the Barn. This was in aid of The Lexi Mace Brighter Future Fund where Lexi's Mum is raising money for Great Ormond Street. From ticket sales and the raffle, we managed to raise £222, so thank you to everyone that came along and also to those that bought raffle tickets! A massive thank you also to those who

donated prizes. It was a great night and even better that we were raising money for a great cause, we all agreed that we'd love to have another!

If you are a new mum and haven't been to the baby group before, it is on every Monday 1 – 2:30 in the Barn. We have a Facebook group (just search Iwade Baby Group) where you can keep up to date with any special events – we already have ideas for the babies for Christmas!

## BUSINESS FOCUS

### TC Wedding Services

TC Photo Booth is a family-run photo booth company in Iwade, Sittingbourne, devoted to making your event unforgettable!

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# The Iwade Observer

November 2018

## Iwade Village Hall Update

On 6th October the hall played host to a race night raising funds for infant loss charities. A big well done to Joa, supported by Iwade Garage for a well attended and successful evening which raised a staggering £900! It was an extremely enjoyable



evening for a very good cause, and good to see some new faces at the hall. I have included some pictures of some of the evening's winners.

We are currently busy planning the children's Halloween disco which will have happened by the time this edition hits your doormats, and will then be organising an 80s themed Christmas disco and karaoke for 22nd December 7.30-11.30pm. All welcome, tickets are £3.50 each and can be purchased by emailing [chair@iwadevillagehall.co.uk](mailto:chair@iwadevillagehall.co.uk) Fancy dress is invited, but not compulsory! Bring your own food and drink.

The next Food and Craft Fayre is on Sunday 18th November, 10am-1pm, with a variety of stalls selling handmade goods, gifts, cakes, pies, preserves, fruit and vegetables and



**IWADE VILLAGE HALL**  
**22ND DECEMBER**  
**7.30-11.30PM**

**BACK TO THE 80s**  
**THE 80s**  
**BIG CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Fancy Dress!

Tickets £3.50 per person  
 Email [chair@iwadevillagehall.co.uk](mailto:chair@iwadevillagehall.co.uk)  
 Bring your own food and drink

much more. There will be a Christmas theme and Santa will be visiting with gifts for children. New stalls are always welcome; to book or for any other information please contact [fayre@iwadevillagehall.co.uk](mailto:fayre@iwadevillagehall.co.uk) Please remember there is no market in December or January.

Would you like to join other volunteers in making a contribution to all the great things that happen in Iwade? We currently have space for trustees and are looking for a secretary and a clerk. Please contact [chair@iwadevillagehall.co.uk](mailto:chair@iwadevillagehall.co.uk) if you feel you have some time to spare and would like to get



**ANNUAL IWADE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION**

Who's got what it takes to have the best display of Christmas lights? Are you up for the challenge?

Judging will take place on Thursday 20th December at 6.00 p.m., so make sure you're 'lit' up at that time.

A meal for 2 at the Woolpack in Iwade and a bottle of Champagne will be awarded to the winner.

Sponsored by  
 Iwade Parish Council  
 Paul & All Hood of The Woolpack

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

**Iwade Christmas Tree Lighting Up Ceremony**

**Sunday 25th November 2018**  
**The tree will be lit around 4.30 p.m.**

Please note from 4.00 to 6.00 p.m. the road will be closed from Happy Days Nursery (near to junction with Sheppey Way) down to the first junction with Sheerstone incl. Helen Thompson Close exit onto Ferry Road.

All the usual fun with Father Christmas and Mrs Christmas. The Woolpack will also be providing yuletide refreshments afterwards.

A Collection will also be made for Demelza this year so all donations welcome.

Everyone is welcome

 

The Woolpack, Iwade www.demelza.co.uk

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## Monday Friendship Group

The Monday Friendship Group continues to meet every other Monday at the Barn. Come along for a chat, a cuppa and to meet old friends and new. We often have a speaker or just a chat over some fun, light hearted games. There is a book swap and always a friendly welcome.



For our two October meetings, we had a talk from Alex Hill, Iwade's Community Responder, who told us how the Community Responder system is organised, along with explaining the kit he has to carry and the sort of "jobs" he gets called to.

Our second talk was from Jackie Kemp who gave a passionate talk about the Sittingbourne Food Bank and how that works to support people and families who may otherwise go without any nutritional food for days at a time, and find themselves in a position where "there is too much month and not enough money!"

Our meetings in November are on the 12th and 26th then in December on the 10th when we will break for Christmas before returning on January 7th at the Barn from 10:30. (now that's forward planning!!)

Why not come along – you will be most welcome.

## News from The Mews BrewHouse

Mandy Reeves

### We Need YOU ...!!!...!!!...!!!

We love a challenge at The BrewHouse, and this year in aid of Children in Need, our staff with the help of our lovely customers will be riding our version of the One Show's 'Rickshaw Challenge'.

We will join the amazing riders of the Rickshaw Challenge on their epic 423-mile Bike ride over approx. 5 days, BUT from the comfort of The BrewHouse - Starting on 9th November.

We have kindly been donated the use of an exercise bike for this challenge, so our aim is to get as many people donating to ride the bike to ride as many miles as they like, but also people can donate for staff and customers riding the challenge.

**You can be kept up to date on all our antics on our Facebook page**  
[www.facebook.com/mewsbrewhouse](https://www.facebook.com/mewsbrewhouse)  
**We look forward to seeing you all very soon**

Another one for your diary, Saturday 1st December – Mind – The Mental Health Charity are holding a Crafternoon

This Christmas, Crafternoon is all about the power of paper: making beautiful cards, tags, decorations and wrapping paper to get you ready for Christmas.

We are hosting this get-together with a difference and raising vital funds to make sure with the help of 'Mind', no one experiences a mental health problem alone.

So why not pop in and join us to make some Christmas Goodies, but also raise as much money for this charity - Saturday 1st December from 12pm.

## Iwade Barn Classic Cars and Coffee

Ben Marsh-Allen



We raised £297 with the Huge thanks to everyone help of a raffle on the day who displayed their cars and which was split between motorbikes, and to all from Iwade Barn, Iwade Baby the village who visited and group and the Lexi Mace made our first Car Show Brighter Future Fund. such a great success.

Best in show, voted for by (Ed's Note – judging from my visitors to the show was *visit, next year's show – if David and Sam Cross's there is to be one – will need Morris Minor Convertible. to be called Iwade Barn, They won a blast in a Ferrari Classic Cars, Motorbikes, 360 Modena and received an Coffee and Cider ! But A3 framed photo of their perhaps that's too much of a mouthful.*)



## Scouts Sleep Rough

Iwade Scouts joined the rest of the Sittingbourne District Scout and Explorer Sections supporting The Porchlight Charity by taking part in the Kent Scouts' Cardboard Sleep Out on Friday 12 October 2018. Over 150 Scouts, Explorers and leaders from Sittingbourne, Milton and District took part in this event, raising much needed funds for this worthwhile local charity and to date well over £1300 has been raised. The adjacent photo shows the Scouts from Iwade who took part.



If you would like to make a donation please go to:-  
<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/SittingbourneDistrictCardboardSleepOut>  
 and for more information about Porchlight please go to:-  
<https://www.porchlight.org.uk>

Eastern and Coastal Kent **NHS**  
 Primary Care Trust

Welcome to  
**Iwade Health Centre**

## Iwade Patient Participation Group Public Meeting

All patients are invited to the third public meeting of Iwade Health centre at 7.30pm on November 7th at The Barn, Iwade. The meeting will be hosted by Iwade Patient Participation Group and will be an opportunity to air your views and to hear news of continuing progress at the centre. New Practice Manager, Kirsty Baker, and other key members of staff will explain developments at the practice and future services that will become available shortly.

# USEFUL CONTACTS

For more contacts visit  
www.IwadeDirectory.co.uk

Swale Borough Council	01795 417850 csc@swale.gov.uk
KCC 24hr Helpline	08458 247247 county.hall@kent.gov.uk
KCC General Enquiries	03000 41 41 41
KCC Waste & Recycling	03000 41 73 73
KCC Highways	03000 41 81 81
Iwade Kent Warden	07969 584184 nick.mayatt@kent.gov.uk (Nick Mayatt)
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Anti-Social Behaviour Team	01795 417575
Flytipping Line	01795 417193
Citizens Advice Swale	0344 499 4124
Swale Health Visitors	0300 123 4014
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Iwade Pharmacy	01795 439368
The Woolpack	01795 472656
Mews Brewhouse	01795 426520
Iwade Garage	01795 438988
Church Warden	07817 250705 (Nigel Downes)
Sittingbourne Speedway	01795 430 014 theoldgunsite@gmail.com
Tinkerbells Nursery	07592 544285 enquiries@tinkerbellspreschool.co.uk
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Scrap Metal Collection	07936 775 777 (Shaun)
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County Cllr Roger Truelove	01795 425445 roger.truelove@kent.gov.uk
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Parish Chair	(Matt Gale)
Parish Clerk	01795 477015 iwadepc@blueyonder.co.uk (Lynda Fisher)
MP Gordon Henderson	01795 423199 gordon.henderson.mp@parliament.uk
Swale Wildlife Rescue	07877 280348 (8am to 8pm)
Neighbourhood Watch	01795 419211
The Observer	01795 436027 (Rynn) the.iwade.observer@gmail.com



Pantomime is coming to Iwade  
Oh yes it is!  
IwadeCommunity Entertainers have now raised  
enough money to stage  
Robin of Bobbin  
On  
Saturday 12 January 2019  
performances at 2.30pm and 7.30pm

Put the date in your diary to get along to the Village  
Hall and have a ball.

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Your panto needs YOU!  
If you would like to tread the boards or if you could  
help backstage we would love to hear from you  
Contact Kelvin at:  
kelvin.rivers-simpson@ntlworld.com

## IWADE PARISH COUNCIL

### NOTICE OF VACANCY

NOTICE is hereby given that a vacancy has occurred in the membership of the above Parish Council.

Under the Local Government Act 1972, ten electors can petition for an election by writing to the Proper Officer at Swale Borough Council, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, ME10 3HT within 14 working days of the date of this Notice.

If no petition is received within that time period, the Parish Council will fill the vacancy by co-opting a person onto the parish council.

Persons wishing to be considered for this appointment should apply in writing to the Clerk to the Parish Council as soon as possible but no later than:-

**5 November 2018**

Written applications should be made to the Clerk at the following address:-

Iwade Parish Council  
53 Springvale  
Iwade  
Sittingbourne,  
Kent, ME9 8RX.

Or by e-mail: [iwadepc@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:iwadepc@blueyonder.co.uk)

Dated this 2 October 2017

Signed: *Lynda Fisher*

Parish of Iwade

## TINKERBELLS EARLY YEARS

Donna Barker

Our first term at Tinkerbells has flew by; it has been lots of fun and we have been getting to know all the new children and their families. Our topic for the term was 'All about Me' and the children took part in various activities that taught about us and our families. The children's life size portraits brightened up our walls for the term, and are always a great talking point with visitors. There were some amazing creations; thank you to all the children and families who took part in creating them. Throughout the term we have continued to make the most of the weather in the garden and getting out and about around the village.

Term 2 is upon us already and we are excited to explore Winter and Christmas with the children. This always a busy term and we look forward to sharing our news about the term with you all in the next edition.

We are currently full at both our settings until September 2019, if you are interested in a place for your child please feel free to pop in if you would like to be added to the waiting lists or require a place from September 2019. Alternatively you can email us at [enquiries@tinkerbellspreschool.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@tinkerbellspreschool.co.uk)

## MEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB

Ron Francis

At our last monthly meeting, we had the pleasure of hearing fellow member Mike who makes specialist wooden boxes ... well that wasn't quite what we expected at all. "Boxes!!" – we were quite simply amazed at the workmanship, intricate detail and quality that can be achieved with an immense amount of patience and skill. They were quite simply – "brilliant". Want to have a look for yourself – see Mike's Etsy shop at: [https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/BoxedInWood?ref=search\\_shop\\_redirect](https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/BoxedInWood?ref=search_shop_redirect) – it's well worth a look.

For our next meeting on November 6th, club members Rynn and Julian are going to give us a short talk on the Sittingbourne and Kemsley Light Railway, "Sittingbourne's Steam Railway" where they are both members of this worthwhile local heritage railway that is virtually on our doorstep. We look forward to hearing how this operates on a day-to-day basis.

We meet on the first Tuesday of each month, at the Barn from 09:30. We are a small group of men who meet to have a chat, share our experiences, hobbies and to meet new people.

Please come along – everyone is welcome. Our next dates are November 6th and December 4th

### Ed's Notes

Huge thanks to all those who responded to our plea for new deliverers; we now have a "full set". Thanks also to those who have delivered the Observer - some for many years - and now moved on to pastures new; your contribution to our village is much appreciated.

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**IWADE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Held on Wednesday 12 September 2018**

**Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

Dispensations are in place for Members relating to The Barn and Iwade School.

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Proposed by Cllr. Dollimore and seconded by Cllr. Langham, the Minutes of the Parish meeting held on the 25 July 2018 were agreed and signed as a true transcript.

**Visitors/Public Time**

**1. Visitors** – Residents mentioned the KCC proposal to charge for disposal of waste at landfill sites; there was concern that this will increase fly tipping even further.

**2. County and Borough Councillors** – County Cllr. Whiting is still trying to sort out school bus queries.

**3. Community Warden/PCSO** – The Community Warden dealt with Anti-Social Behaviour and the Cairn. Spoke to CSU, over the summer Op Milan is in place, 'ASB' vehicles patrol various locations where there has been an identification of issues including Iwade (Woodpecker Park). Checked fly tipping incidents at Ferry Road, Raspberry Hill, Sheppey Way and Old Ferry Road reported to Swale Borough Council (SBC). Life buoy missing at the pond, Woodpecker Park, informed SBC. Attended Friendship Club at the Barn Iwade picked up issues including parking and fly tipping and speeding motor bikes. The Council referred to 'drifting' incidents, he will report it to the Police.

**Parish Councillor Vacancy**

Councillors formally noted that Stephen Plumb resigned, Clerk to advertise the vacancy. Action: Clerk

**Planning**

**1. KCC/SW/0431/2018:** Section 73 application to vary condition 2 of planning permission reference SW/17/505919 to allow the replacement of the existing staff and welfare cabins: Ballast Phoenix Ltd Ridham Dock Road Iwade Kent ME9 8SR – no comments.

**2. 18/502717/FULL/PAGR:** Erection of an additional building for the storage and distribution of imported cement (covering 2,880 square metres), and installation of 3 new cement storage silos and weighbridge: Kemsley Fields Business Park Brett Ridham Docks Ridham Dock Road Iwade – to comment that there is no information on vehicle movements; this been queried by KCC Highways and the Parish Council is unable to comment until further information is brought forth.

**3. SW/17/505919/R5&6:** Details of Construction Environment Management Plan & Proposed Surface Water Lagoon, pursuant to conditions 5 & 6 of planning permission SW/17/505919: 3-4 Warehouse, Ridham Dock Road, Ridham Dock, Iwade, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 8SR – no comments.

**Correspondence**

**1. Flooding, Environment Agency** – The Chair advised that the promised summary of the final report from KCC has not arrived, he's hoping to have it by the next meeting. Have had the first flood prevention meeting; sadly only 3 people attended. The National Flood Forum (NFF) can provide assistance. The next meeting will be on the 26 September. Keep on the Agenda. Action: Clerk  
A resident has obtained the floodwater test results he requested; these show a large amount of Silica and Lime. KCC now has a copy of the results.

**2. Community Champions** – agreed that really this should come under KALC Community Awards, which need to be more widely advertised. Place on the next Agenda. Action: Clerk

**3. Saltmarsh and Mudflat Access Restrictions** – Noted.

**4. Consultation:** LGA green paper for adult social care and wellbeing – Noted.

**5. Government Shale Gas Exploration and Production Planning Consultations** – Noted.

**6. Consultation:** Swale Cycling and Walking Policy Framework 2018-2022 – Cllr. Langham delegated to respond. Action: Cllr. Langham

**Finance**

**1. Request for Donation Carers' Support** – Further information received. Clerk instructed to write asking how many Iwadians receive help. Action: Clerk

**2. Request for Donation 1st Iwade Rainbows** – Proposed by Cllr. Gale and seconded by Cllr. Clark; agreed the donation of £100. Action: Clerk

**3. Storage Unit Rental** – Agreed to look into costs of storage units for the Christmas lights, barriers, and other Council materials. Action: Clerk

**4. Surveyor** – flooding – Members agreed to look into the possibility of employing a surveyor to visit flood hit properties to give advice and suggestions on how to protect homes. There is £2000 in the budget that could be put towards this – Clerk to seek advice from the NFF. Action: Clerk

**Projects/Project Updates**

**Christmas Lights Project** – Progressing. Agreed by Members to accept Aylesford Lighting quote for a three-year contract to install, remove and store the festive lights of £9498. Action: Cllr. Gale/Clerk

**The Cairn Project** – Cllr. Horner to approach a member of the Services to see if they will formally open the Cairn on the 11 November 2018. Action: Cllr. Horner

**Village Clean Up** – no real interest expressed by residents this year, agreed to wait until someone brings this up and then the Parish Council will look to facilitate.

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MEETING**  
continued

**GDPR**

Eight Members attended the in-house training tonight provided by GDPR-info. Cllrs. Dicker and Mitchell were unable to attend. Cllr. Plumb has resigned.

**Standing Orders**

A new set of Standing Orders presented to the Parish Council. Noted these now include the subsequent amendments made by NALC. Action: All Councillors/Clerk

**Reports from Representatives**

**1. Hall** – Halloween Disco planned for 8-12 year olds. Pantomime planned, work is underway on this.

**2. KALC** – nothing to report.

**Any Other Matters Arising**

The Chair mentioned the village Christmas Light Festival, rather than borrowing bollards, barriers, Road Closure notices, etc., from Swale Borough Council, the Parish Council could purchase these for use each year. Agreed to place on next Agenda. Action: Clerk

The next meeting will be on 14th November at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall

**IWADE'S CRIME REPORT STATS**

Anti-social behaviour 5  
Bicycle theft 1  
Criminal damage and arson 2  
Other crime 2  
Shoplifting 1  
Vehicle crime 1  
Violence & sexual offences 10

*(Reported in August 2018)*

For more information about individual crimes and locations, please visit original source [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk) and type Iwade in "find your neighbourhood".

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**KENT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**  
**COMMUNITY AWARDS SCHEME 2019**

Supported by the High Sheriff of Kent, Chairman of Kent County Council and Mayor of Medway

The KALC Community Awards is to acknowledge and give recognition to a resident/group of Iwade Parish who has/have made a significant contribution to this community over a period of years. If you know of someone who has given this sort of service and merits an Award then please do nominate them. The person must live or work within the Parish boundary.

The winner will receive a certificate signed by the High Sheriff of Kent, the Chairman of Kent County Council, Mayor of Medway and the KALC Chairman. The Award will be presented by the Parish Council Chairman at the Annual Parish Meeting in May 2019. A nomination form is printed below. Only ONE nomination per resident but all adult members of a family may submit a nomination form. Just photocopy the form or phone the Clerk, 01795 477015, for extra forms.

Completed forms in a sealed envelope should be sent to: Iwade Parish Council, 53 Springvale, Iwade, Kent, ME9 8RX

The closing date for receiving nomination forms will be 1 December 2018.

**KALC COMMUNITY AWARDS SCHEME 2019**  
**NOMINATION FORM**

I would like to nominate.....(print name)  
for a Community Award.

REASON (no more than 30 words):

Signed: .....

Print Name: .....

*Only one vote per resident.*  
*For details of returning this form, see above.*