

## DISS MCC EVENTS

The dates for Diss MCC events at Wattisfield Hall for 2022 are:

**Sunday 15 May 2022** - 10.00 to 17.00 Motocross (spectator event)

**Wednesday 29 June 2022** - 17.00 to 21.00 Motocross - evening meeting (spectator event)

**Saturday 30 July 2022** – 15.00 to 18.00 Trial - very low key, no noise

**Sunday 21 August 2022** - 10.00 to 15.30 Enduro (crops permitting).

**Sunday 18 September 2022** - 10.00 to 17.00 Motocross (spectator event)



## VILLAGE SPRING CLEAN

**SUNDAY 20 MARCH 2022 — 10.00 to 12.00**

MEET AT THE VILLAGE HALL

The previous annual litter picks have been successful in clearing the litter that accumulates along the roads and paths. Can you spare a couple of hours to walk around the village? Limited numbers of high viz waistcoats, gloves and pickers available, so please bring your own if you have them. Bags will be provided.



## NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING



The next planned meeting of Wattisfield Parish Council is on **Monday 21 March 2021 at 7.30 pm and will be at the URC Chapel in Chapel Road, Wattisfield.** Residents are most welcome. At the beginning you can speak on any matter relating to the agenda or the village and then you can, if you wish, observe the remainder of the meeting.

The agenda for the meeting is usually published on noticeboards and at [www.wattisfield.onesuffolk.net/agendas/](http://www.wattisfield.onesuffolk.net/agendas/) a week or so before the meeting. Then the draft minutes are published on the noticeboards and the website a few days later.

The Wattisfield Warbler is published monthly (except January and August) by Wattisfield Parish Council. Items for the newsletter should be submitted by email to the Parish Clerk by the 15th of the month prior to publication.

Items may be declined or edited.

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# THE WATTISFIELD WARBLER

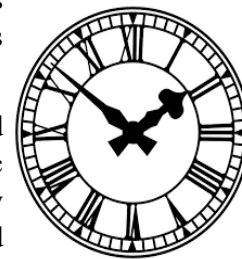


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## CHURCH CLOCK NOW OPERATIONAL

It is great to see that the church clock has been restored and is now in good working order once again. The restoration has taken much longer than expected mainly due to covid.

The total cost of the project was £6,140 and this was funded by generous grants from All Churches Trust, Suffolk Historic Churches Trust, Ganzonni Charitable Trust and from County Councillor Jessica Fleming's and District Councillor Richard Meyer's Locality Funds. The Parish Council contributed £1,340 to the project.



Hopefully, going forward, the clock should need little attention. But it would be great if there was a 'keeper of the clock', that is some in the village who would give it some care and attention when needed such as changing from BST to GMT, resetting after long power cuts, and the odd slight adjustment to timings etc. Could that be you?

If you would be interested in this role, then training in the form of asking the clock restorer to show you how it all works, would be available. If you would like to know more than please email Chris our Parish Clerk on [wattisfieldpc@outlook.com](mailto:wattisfieldpc@outlook.com) or give him a call on 01359 221600.

## DONATIONS FOR FOODBANK



Walsham le Willows Community Council have been operating a foodbank for the benefit of the entire Benefice.

If you have any donations for this foodbank, there is a box in the porchway of St Margaret's Church for any donations which will be collected and then placed in the foodbank on a regular basis.

## SID HAS BEEN VANDALISED

The SID team were disappointed to find that our Speed Indicative Device, whilst in use on Walsham Road, had been vandalised. Thankfully, there is no long term damage to the device but the post to which it was fixed has been bent and needs serious repair. Also, the post used in the other location in Walsham Road has been knocked over. We are now waiting for Suffolk County Council to repair the posts and then the SID can be used in those locations again.

In the meantime, the SID will be sited on the A143 where there are three approved locations.



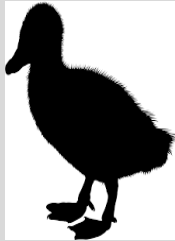
## WATTISFIELD TOWN TRUST

The Wattisfield Town Trust administers land and funds given to the parish many years ago. The income from these is used for the benefit of residents of the village.

The trustees offer financial help to residents who have encountered unexpected expenses. This help is offered throughout the year and to young and old alike.

If you or someone you know is in need of help, do please get in touch with the trustees who will consider your application in absolute confidence.

Email [wattisfieldtec@btinternet.com](mailto:wattisfieldtec@btinternet.com) or write to Hall View House, Chapel Road, Wattisfield, IP22 1NU.



WARTS PRESENTS

### ‘WHEN WE WERE MARRIED’

J B Priestley's candid comedy about matrimonial relations and social standing in

Edwardian Yorkshire

**10, 11 and 12 MARCH 2022**

Doors open 7 pm with curtain up 7.30 pm

At Botesdale Village Hall

Tickets £9 for adults and £5 for under 16's

Available from 01379 831153 or from Wortham Post Office and Redgrave Community Shop

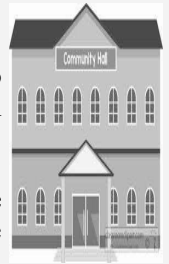
## YOUR COMMUNITY CENTRE—REFURBISH OR REBUILD?

The project is moving forward. A surveyor will be commissioned to undertake a structural report of the building and this will include an asbestos and energy efficiency surveys.

These reports will enable an informed decision to be taken by both the community centre trustees and the Parish Council on the future of the building, that is either refurbish or rebuild.

The working group are also visiting other village halls nearby that have recently gone through either a refurbishment or rebuild process so they can learn from their experiences in delivering a new building.

It seems a slow process but it is important to get all the ducks in a row first.



## CAN YOU HELP?

Walsham le Willows CEVCP School, which amongst others serves the village of Wattisfield, has at the present time a vacancy for a School Governor.

If this is something that you feel may be of interest to you, please do contact Reverend Philip Merry, our Benefice Priest, on 07526 271784 for further information. No previous experience is needed.

## WATTISFIELD CHURCH SERVICES DURING MARCH

### St Margaret's Church

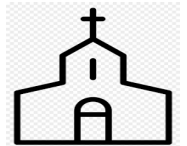
Holy Communion

Sunday 6 March 2022 at 11.00 am

### United Reformed Church

Every Sunday at 11.00 am at Chapel Road, Wattisfield

Except Sunday 13 March 2022 when there will a joint service at the URC in Thetford



## PUDDLE DUCK CAFÉ

AT THE URC CHAPEL  
IN CHAPEL ROAD, WATTISFIELD  
SATURDAYS

**5 AND 19 MARCH 2022**

**FROM 10.30 AM to 12.30 PM**

Friendly welcome for everyone. Come and enjoy.  
Homemade refreshments and time to chat.

