

*Worship Events in April*  
**St Peter's, Swainsthorpe**

3rd 9.30am Swainsthorpe Special - Philip Simmons  
 10th 9.30am Palm Sunday Swainsthorpe Special - Austin Uzoigwe  
 14th 7.30pm Maundy Thursday Service - Coryn Stanforth and team  
 17th 9.30am Easter Communion - Coryn Stanforth  
 24th 9.30am Civic Service at Saxlingham with Florence Ellis for all  
 parishes - Dawn Davidson

**St Mary's, Newton Flotman**

3rd 11.00am Holy Communion - Austin Uzoigwe with Annette  
 Uzoigwe  
 10th 8.00am BCP Holy Communion - Coryn Stanforth  
 4.00pm ECO Church - Lesley Cox  
 11th 7.30pm Holy Week Compline - Coryn Stanforth  
 17th 11.00am Easter Communion - Coryn Stanforth  
 24th 9.30am Civic Service at Saxlingham with Florence Ellis for all  
 parishes - Dawn Davidson

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# *Partnership*

*The Community Magazine for the Parishes of  
 Newton Flotman & Swainsthorpe  
 April 2022*



## Curate's Corner

At the time of writing, verges and gardens are filled with vivid, yellow daffodils. Birds are singing and building nests and the shops are full of hot cross buns and Easter eggs. Lambs with wobbly legs can be found gambolling in the fields. Dormant trees are bursting into life and days are becoming warmer. On Easter Day we will be celebrating the good news of Easter in our churches. Here is part of the Easter story told by Joanna, one of Jesus' followers:



*Friday was a bleak day; we nicknamed it Bleak Friday. The trial was over. The crowds who had cheered, waved palm branches and welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem only a few days earlier had turned against him. Moods can suddenly change and envelop large crowds. Now people were shouting for Jesus to die. 'Crucify him,' they screamed.*

*It was a horrible time. Jesus' mother, Mary, was completely distraught. The rest of us women were trying to support her and cope with our own feelings of bewilderment. The long-awaited Messiah had arrived and was to die. The male disciples had all disappeared but us women followed the procession to the cross on the hill of Calvary. The sky turned black and darkness covered the earth. We were there when Jesus' body was taken down from the cross. We watched while a man called Joseph asked for that poor battered body. Together with the Roman soldiers he placed it in this stone tomb. Using all their strength, the burly soldiers pushed a large rock into place sealing the entrance to the tomb.*

*The next day was the sabbath. We spent the day trying to find the myrrh and aloes that we would need to anoint Jesus' body.*

*We woke early, at sunrise on Sunday morning and us women hurried to the tomb with the myrrh and aloes we had painstakingly collected. We had no idea how we would manoeuvre the stone in front of the entrance but were shaken to find it had already been moved aside. We cautiously entered; Jesus' body was not there! Suddenly, two figures in dazzling clothes appeared beside us. I was terrified and focussed my eyes on the dusty ground. The angels gave us the most amazing message: 'Jesus is not here, he has risen!' Suddenly, everything Jesus had told us during the preceding months made sense. We rushed from the tomb to share the good news that Jesus was alive! He had risen from the dead!*

On Easter Day, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April, we will be celebrating Jesus rising from the dead. All are welcome to join us at Swainsthorpe church at 9.30am and at Newton Flotman church at 11am.

Wishing you a very happy Easter  
Coryn

Rev'd Coryn Stanforth



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## LONG STRATTON MEDICAL PARTNERSHIP

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As you read this month's magazine, we would officially have entered the season of Spring 2022. Spring brings in a sense of hope, a sense of new life and a sense of brighter and warmer days. In this month's article, I am quite excited as I introduce our new GP, Dr Amy Hodgson, who has taken over some of the patient's list from Dr Verity Lowndes-Burt who left us in January. Amy was our GP Registrar and some of you may have met her in the past 2 years. The practice and the partnership welcome Amy warmly in her new role as a GP. Having helped with her training and development from a junior doctor to a fully qualified GP, all of us in the practice have a sense of pride and feeling of fulfilment. Amy agreed, without any hesitation, to write about herself and this what she has to say:

*I am originally from Cambridgeshire and spent some time growing up in North Yorkshire too before moving back to East Anglia in my teens. I trained in Norwich at UEA and graduated in 2013. After completing my foundation years, I joined the GP training programme and first worked at LSMP in 2015, before moving into secondary care with the training programme. I then rotated through various departments at the NNUH, did some public health and research work and had my two children before returning to LSMP in 2020 to complete my training. I am really excited to be 'back' as a fully qualified GP!*

*I am passionate about lifestyle medicine and promoting good physical and mental wellbeing wherever possible. I truly value being able to get to know my patients within their own context. This year I am planning some project work around how to make general practice more sustainable, or 'green', and am excited at the prospect of doing some work with our practice and local population. I am also interested in women's health and would love in future to develop some patient group education programmes.*

*I live in Wymondham with my partner who is an anaesthetic trainee, and our two boys, who are 3 and 5. We love anything outdoors and are challenging ourselves to spend 1000 hours outside in 2022. We have very happily just started work on an allotment, so I am looking forward to lots of home-grown veggies and cut flowers. When I'm not out exploring Norfolk I am usually found reading, baking or stitching.*

A very warm welcome dear Amy and looking forward to working with you! Stay safe.

Mini Nelson



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## Self Care

You might like to stop for a moment and ask yourself, "How well am I taking care of myself?. Am I giving my body and my mind the best chance at being well?"

Sometimes the things in life that are beyond our control can lead us to feel hopeless. Sometimes life's demands can feel like they're pulling us in many different directions and we feel stretched too thin. Sometimes everything all seems to come at once and can leave us feeling overwhelmed and frazzled.

The good news is that we have the power to choose how well we take care of ourselves. Sometimes it doesn't feel easy to put ourselves first, to take time out to make sure we are ok but it's vital. We learn that we 'can't pour from an empty cup' in order to serve others but it's also important to remember that we can't serve ourselves from an empty cup either.

The way we care for ourselves can impact our physical, mental and emotional wellbeing. Can you make slight changes to support your wellness? Would it be helpful if you consumed less media? Could you go to bed earlier to get more sleep? Do you need to get up earlier so that your day can start in a less rushed manner? Maybe you could find time for some gentle stretches, 'Wim Hoff Breathing' or journaling to get your day off to a good start? Or perhaps you'd prefer to journal before bed? Do you put time aside to socialise with friends and family that feed your soul? Could you feed yourself less artificial ingredients and more fresh nourishing food? Could you drink more water and cut down on sugary, alcoholic and caffeinated drinks? Could you take a few minutes out of your day to stop and practice a breathing technique? Could you choose something to learn more about, something that inspires or excites you? What did you enjoy as a child? Could you begin that again? Could you grow your own veg or salad? Even on a patio in containers? Could you walk in nature more? Could you add some gentle exercise into your week? Do you need to de-clutter or spring clean? Do you sometimes need to sit and read a book, something purely for pleasure? It really is ok to say no to things.

Maybe you could try one thing (or more) from the list above to do on a regular basis and see if it helps you. If it helps, tell your friends. Let's support each other to take care of ourselves. Pass it on.

Melanie Purdy.

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Our event on 5th March was attended by over 60 women and it was a joy to hear how they came from far and wide; reminding us of the original funding requirement that we encourage people from outside Swainsthorpe to use the Community Centre.

We raised £345 from ticket sales and £180 raffle, bringing the total to £525. Funds to be distributed as follows:

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Leaving £25 to add to the International Women's Day account to run future events for women.

I would like to thank everyone who has collected bra's over the years to help so many women and to encourage you to keep doing so, after all they only go to landfill!

Finally, a big thank you to our speakers and Fundraising Ideas Group know as the FIGS, for running the event. Next year's event will be held on Saturday March 4th 2023!

*Debs Johnson*





## ST MARY'S CHURCH Newton Flotman

### Friday services

It has been lovely to see a growing number of you discovering Village Café, thank you to those who hosted last month. May to August Saturday slots are being planned now so if you would be prepared to host we'd love to hear from you – feel free to make 'your' Saturday your own!

The upgrade to three of our windows has taken place. We know the boarded up window on the north side had caused concern but we are fully fenestrated now! Thank you to Devlin Plummer for their skills and care and to David Wharton for project managing this for the PCC and to those who have donated to meet the cost, we are very grateful and it means that our aim of ensuring our church building is 'sound' for the next generations is coming closer.

Upcoming dates: We are having a church maintenance morning on Saturday 30th April 9-11am. Do join us if you can! Our Annual Parish Church Meeting on 10th May 7.30pm in the church room and Christian Aid Week is coming up in May so look out for the donation envelope in next month's Partnership

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## NFaST Heritage Group

Don't forget if you have any memories or memorabilia regarding the Coronation or previous Jubilee celebrations, we'd love to hear from you for our **Platinum Village Café on 4<sup>th</sup> June.**

Our visit to the site of Blundeville Manor on the Shotesham Estate on 13<sup>th</sup> March was led by Stephen Heywood with kind permission of Edward Bailey. The highlights were seeing the double queen posts supporting the roof of the restored straw thatched barn and the site and situation of Blundeville Manor. Mr and Mrs Styles joined us for it having booked into Sugar Beat for the weekend from Sheringham, Alan Styles is from the Blundeville family.

**Plant Sale**  
**Saturday 7th May**  
**Church room,**  
**St Mary's**  
**Newton Flotman**  
**10 - 12 am**



Donations of plants will be very welcome. You could sow some from seed or get them by propagation from your garden. You can simply bring them along on the day but it would be helpful if you could let me know in advance.

**Richard.beach1508@gmail.com**

## Church Yard Working Party

Could you spare a couple of hours?

**SPRING GROUNDS TIDYING at NEWTON FLOTMAN CHURCH**

**Saturday 30th April 9.00am - 11.00am**

If possible, it would also be helpful if you could bring one of your gardening tools i.e. rake, shears, spade, shovel, edger, stiff broom. Please just turn up at 9.00 am on the morning. Andy Cox and David Wharton will look forward to seeing you. And refreshments will be provided at the Village Café!

# Easter trail

Monday 4th April

Pre-buy your tickets before half term in the playground or on our facebook page, everyone welcome.

JUST  
£2.50  
a ticket



Maps and refreshment available on the day from the church room. Also exchange your complete trail for your Easter treat at the end of your trail too.

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Happy Easter! Have fun with these puzzles:

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## Newton Flotman Village Cinema

# STILLWATER

**TUESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - BAR OPENS 7:00PM FILM STARTS 7:30PM**  
**NEWTON FLOTMAN VILLAGE CENTRE**



Please pre-book your tickets by contacting William Ball on 01508 471506 or [william.ball@outlook.com](mailto:william.ball@outlook.com)

An American oil-rig roughneck (Matt Damon) travels to Marseille, France, to help his estranged daughter who is in prison for a murder she claims she didn't commit.

**Cert. 15**

**Newton Flotman Village Cinema is back on every third Tuesday of the month!**

**Advance Tickets: £5.00**



## Swainsthorpe Parish Council

A meeting of the Swainsthorpe Parish Council was held on 9th March 2022. We welcomed a new member, Geoff Curran, who completes our Council.

The following items were discussed:

### Village Infrastructure

The bollards outside the village green are to be replaced.

The play equipment on the green is to be renovated and painted for the Jubilee.

We are awaiting delivery of the SAM2 speed detector and village gates.

### Planning

Bloys Grove Solar Farm: we received an update of the meeting with EDF on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022. Concerns from villagers remain regarding use of Church Road as an access route.

Sheringham Shoal Extension Project and Dudgeon Extension Project: we received an update of the meeting between Equinor and Parish Councillors on March 9<sup>th</sup> 2022. The substation will be situated to the north of Hickling Lane and west of the railway line.

### Jubilee Celebration on Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> 2022:

A full day event for the villagers of Swainsthorpe is planned, with barbecue and afternoon tea. If you'd like to be involved with the organisation please contact the Chairman Ann Chandler [annchandler@live.com](mailto:annchandler@live.com).

The next meeting will be the Annual Parish Meeting followed by a Parish Council meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

If you would like further information, please contact the Clerk Nicola LeDain [swainsthorpepc@gmail.com](mailto:swainsthorpepc@gmail.com).

### St Peter's Church Community Centre

Swainsthorpe Community Centre is situated within St. Peter's Church on Church Road in Swainsthorpe. The centre is available for hire on a one off or regular basis at £7 per hour. There is a well-equipped kitchen area with cutlery, crockery and glasses to serve 40 people. The entrance and toilet have wheelchair access.

For enquiries please contact: Jackie Baker 01508 470415

## Celebration as Norfolk's newest long-distance trail is launched at Wymondham

A new walking route, the Kett's Country Norfolk Trail, was launched at the end of last month outside Wymondham Abbey. The 18-mile route starts in Wymondham where the story of Kett's Rebellion began in July 1549. It finishes in Eaton, just past Cringleford's historic twin-arched bridge, which Robert Kett crossed with his followers on his journey to Norwich to seek a fairer society, all those years ago.

The project, which cost £97,630, has been funded by the Greater Norwich Growth Board (GNGB) through the Infrastructure Investment Fund.

This wonderful 18-mile trail will link Wymondham and Norwich, and is the newest addition to the ever-popular Norfolk Trails' network of more than 1,200 miles of long-distance routes right across Norfolk. For those for looking for something less strenuous there are also five mini adventures to enjoy along the way, with waymarked circular walks at Wymondham, Wrenningham, Mulbarton, Swardeston and Cringleford. Each of these shorter routes, which were voted for by the public, have their own name, fascinating history and wildlife.

Aside from the start and end points, the trail does not follow the actual route that Kett and his followers took, but instead weaves along the picturesque South Norfolk Claylands countryside – an important area for nature.

Wymondham's Abbey Trail, the route chosen for visitors to the launch, is the shortest circular walk at 1.1 miles, and has also been access tested by wheelchair users. The trail follows existing paths which have seen recent revamps to a number of bridges, steps, boardwalks and gates along the way so they're ready to welcome explorers of the new waymarked routes.

New information boards at each end and the midway point will bring the trail's history and wildlife stories to life. Visitors will soon find a carved bench at the start of the trail at Wymondham and a wooden sculpture at the end in Eaton, carved by popular local artist, Arnie Barton.

For more information on the new Kett's Country Norfolk Trail and to find maps of the waymarked circular routes visit:

[www.norfolk.gov.uk/out-and-about-in-norfolk/norfolk-trails/long-distance-trails/ketts-country](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/out-and-about-in-norfolk/norfolk-trails/long-distance-trails/ketts-country)



# LOCAL WALKS

Do you want to

- Explore our local area
- Discover the natural world
- Enjoy each other's company
- Walk at your own pace?



Our next walk is planned for

**Saturday April 9th 9.30 am**

**Phone Richard Beach 07963006091 for details and starting point, or look on the Newton Flotman Village Facebook page nearer the date.**

Walks are about 6k along footpaths and quiet roads. Sometimes there are stiles and often there is mud!

(Sorry, not suitable for buggies)

Return to Village Cafe, Newton Flotman church room for drinks and bakes @ the Village Cafe.

## **'Andy and Jill's Special Coffee Morning'**

We would like to thank everyone who supported our special coffee morning at St Peter's Church, Swainsthorpe on Saturday 12th March.

It was special because Andy and I were celebrating our Silver Wedding Anniversary on the 15th March so we thought our spring coffee morning should be a little bit different, in that we supplied a few bottles of Prosecco and offered a glass to all that attended so everyone could be involved in celebrating with us.

This proved very popular, as we had 42 people attend and raised £232.00 towards St Peter's Church Bell fund, and everyone left feeling very happy indeed!

Since the renovation of the tower at St Peters, the four bells (which are historically very important) have been made safe and secure and now require to be overhauled including hangings, fixtures and fittings.

The installation of a new bell pull system is required to enable us to ring the bells again after several years of silence. As a child, my friends and I used to ring these bells whilst attending the weekly services so they hold very special memories for me, and along with other residents, would love to have them working again. We need in the region of £12,500.00 to enable us to complete the works, and our regular coffee mornings are working hard towards this goal.

On a more personal note, Andy and I would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone who gave us cards and flowers for our anniversary, it was very kind of you all and has meant a great deal to us. It is our pleasure to hold these coffee mornings on a regular basis, as it has become a hub for the villagers to meet up for a social get together.

Our next coffee morning will be held on Saturday 7th May 10.30 am - 12.30 pm so look forward to seeing you there.

Jill Haggith 😊



**Are you a resident of Swainsthorpe?**  
If yes, then join our private Facebook group 'Swainsthorpe's Facebook page'!

## SAXLINGHAM (SAXON) BOWLS CLUB

Club Open Day at 1.30pm

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

on the Saxlingham Playing Field Bowls Green

If you are thinking of taking up a new sport

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## Swainsthorpe FIGS announce Dates for your Diary



**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 7pm**

**Curry night** Meat and veggie/vegan options

£15 per ticket, includes ~~Grimble's~~ famous Onion ~~Bahji~~



**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 3-6pm**

**Queens Platinum Jubilee**

Free event on the green, family games start 3pm

Bring your own afternoon tea

**Swainsthorpe FIGS** Fundraising Ideas Group for the  
Swainsthorpe Charity Trust, No: 287784

## Norfolk County Council Mobile Library Service

This month the mobile library will be visiting on 27 April.

Stop number	Village	Arrival time	Departure time	Stop name	Postcode
2	Swainsthorpe	09:50	10:05	The Church	NR14 8PN
18	Newton Flotman	14:30	15:30	School Road	NR15 1PR
20	Newton Flotman	15:35	16:05	Grove Dale	NR15 1QG
22	Newton Flotman	16:10	16:50	Joy Ave	NR15 1RD

circulate or any information that you think should be included on the website, please get in touch – contact details below.

## Meetings

The Parish Council meets every other month on a Tuesday evening, the next dates are Tuesday 29 March and Tuesday 31st May, 7.30pm at the Village Centre. The public are very welcome to attend parish council meetings and there is always an opportunity for you to ask questions and to have your say. Minutes of all meetings are posted on the Parish Council website:

<https://www.newtonflotmanpc.co.uk/agendas-and-minutes>

## Contacting the Council

clerk@newtonflotmanpc.co.uk | 01508 470759 | 22 Henry Preston Road, Tasburgh, NR15 1NU

## Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!

The latest in Norfolk's growing chain of reuse shops has opened at Norwich South recycling centre. The bright, spacious, purpose-built shop is set to save 100 tonnes of good quality second-hand items from being thrown away each year.

It has also been revealed that Big C is the new chosen charity which will receive a cut of the proceeds from the reuse shops. Since the first reuse shop opened in King's Lynn in 2008 more than £35,000 has been raised for charities, including East Anglian Air Ambulance.

Norfolk's reuse shops welcome donations of good quality second-hand pieces and sell these on at car boot prices. Helping to give things a new home reduces the amount of unwanted items going to waste and income from sales in the shops helps to offset the cost of providing the recycling centre



**The Friends of Newton Flotman Primary School** charity  
No 1072382

Our next fundraiser will be an Easter trail around Newton Flotman on Monday 4th April. Please see the poster on page 10 for details of how to get a map. Please join us for refreshments in the church room between 9am and 1pm.

[www.facebook.com/FriendsOfNewtonFlotmanPrimarySchool](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsOfNewtonFlotmanPrimarySchool)

*Linzi Rawson, Chair Friends of School*



## News from Newton Flotman Parish Council

### Launch of the new email newsletter

The Parish Council already post information on noticeboards, this magazine, the website and Facebook but realise that this still doesn't reach everyone. When we carried out the market research last year some of you said that you'd be interested in receiving information via email. This has now been set up. If you would like to receive regular news via email then please follow this link:

<http://eepurl.com/hWQn0r>

or contact us and we will add your details.

### Could you be who the Parish Council is looking for?

The Parish Council currently has two vacancies. Do you have an interest in your local area? Would you like to help make improvements? Or would you like to have your say on how the village evolves? If this isn't for you, do you know someone who would be good at representing your views? More details can be found on the website – <https://www.newtonflotmanpc.co.uk/vacancy> or get in touch – contact details below.

### Annual Parish Meeting

Newton Flotman's Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Tuesday 26th April, Newton Flotman Village Centre at 7.30pm (refreshments from 7pm). This is an informal meeting giving residents the opportunity to hear from the various groups in the Village who will give a summary of their activities over the last year and what plans they may have for the future. There will also be an opportunity to meet your Parish Councillors, hear what has been happening and have the opportunity to make your views known on any matters of interest or concern.

### Maintenance of the Play Area

The Parish Council have agreed to fund some required maintenance to the play area, work which will be carried out on behalf of the Village Centre Management Committee. It is hoped that this work will be carried out in time for the busy summer season.

### Find out more about what's going on

The Parish Council post up-to-date information including police updates, road closures, and items of general interest on their Facebook page – @NewtonFlotmanPC. Please like our page. If you don't do or have access to Facebook, all posts can also be found on the parish council website homepage:

<https://www.newtonflotmanpc.co.uk/>

along with lots more useful information about the Parish Council and the village generally. If there is anything that you would like us to

## Newton Flotman Charities

The pandemic and lengthy restrictions have placed a burden on household resources, especially with regard to the needs of growing children such as school uniforms, new shoes etc.

Although we are a small charity with limited resources, we may be able to contribute to the expense involved.

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### Articles Wanted for Partnership

Please send your contributions to the editor by email at:

[caroline@uv6.com](mailto:caroline@uv6.com)



For lots of local news and events look up "https://www.facebook.com/groups/tasvalleyfamilies/" and "Newton Flotman Village Community" Facebook pages.

*April 2022 Events at a Glance - all calendar content subject to change*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
28 Place your birthday wishes, event notice or activity here in the calendar.  Email details to: caroline@uv6.com		30 Mobile library	31	1 April Fool's Day!  Last day of spring term	2 Village Café 10-12 noon Newton Flotman Church Room	3 9.30am Swainsthorpe Special  11.00am Newton Flotman Holy Communion
4 Easter holiday begins Newton Flotman Primary Academy  Easter Egg trail - Refreshments in NF church room 10am-1pm	5 Outreach Post Office at Newton Flotman Church Room 2-4pm	6	7 Crafting for a Cause 9.30am in the church room	8	9 Village Walk 9.30pm  Village Café 10-12 noon Newton Flotman Church Room	10 Palm Sunday  9.30am Swainsthorpe Special Communion  8am Newton Flotman BCP Holy Communion  4pm ECO Church, Newton Flotman
11 Holy Week Compline NF St Mary's 7.30pm	12 Outreach Post Office at Newton Flotman Church Room 2-4pm  Flotman at the Flicks NF Village Centre 7.30pm	13	14 Maundy Thursday service Swainsthorpe 7.30pm	15 Good Friday - Bank Holiday	16 Village Café 10-12 noon Newton Flotman Church Room	17 Easter Sunday  9.30am Swainsthorpe Special  11am Newton Flotman Easter Communion
18 Easter Bank Holiday	19 Back to school  Outreach Post Office at Newton Flotman Church Room 2-4pm  Flotman at the Flicks 7pm bar open for 7.30pm movie start	20	21	22	23 Village Café 10-12 noon Newton Flotman Church Room	24 Civic service at Saxlingham Nethergate 9.30am
25	26 Outreach Post Office at Newton Flotman Church Room 2-4pm	27 Mobile library	28	29	30 NF church yard working party 9am  Village Café 10-12 noon Newton Flotman Church Room  Open day at Saxon Bowls Club , 1.30pm	1 9.30am Swainsthorpe Special  11.00am Newton Flotman Holy Communion