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New school planned in village

On Monday 9th June, in the Village Hall, an exhibition was held about a proposed new independent school.

The school will be built by One School Global, an organisation with over 120 campuses in 20 countries.

One School Global was established by members of the Plymouth Brethren Christian Church, for students and families of the Church Community.

The new school is proposed on Long Lane, next to the Park and Ride site.

It would replace a school in Swaffham built using temporary structures some years ago.

The school would cater for pupils between the ages of seven to eighteen (Years 3 to Sixth



OneSchool Global

Form).

The pupils will mainly be coming from the Kings Lynn or Lowestoft areas.

They will be driven to the school by minibus and taken back again at the end of the school day so it shouldn't have a significant impact upon local traffic.

Later this year there will be an opportunity for everyone to view the full plans through the planning process.

Fete and Duck Race

On Saturday 5th July, the village will, once again, be holding the annual Fete and Duck Race on the Village Green from 2:00pm

There will be a wide range of stalls, including the ever-popular cake and bottle stalls..

The Kings Head will run their bar serving drinks and snacks.

The barbecue will be selling burgers and hot dogs.

There will also be a stall from John Innes and also the book stall.

Duck Race tickets are available

from committee members in advance and on the day and are £2 each, with prizes of £100, £50, and four of £25.

The Children's raft race will start at 2:30pm.

The Grand Prize Draw has three prizes; a hamper, a voucher for a meal at the Kings Head and a voucher for Glen Lodge.

The Grand Prize Draw will take place at 4:15pm.

The main race will start at 4:30pm.

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50 / 50 Club - Can you help?

The very popular 50/50 club which raises money each month for the Village Hall needs a new person to take over running it.

Tishy Bayne has run the club since the beginning but will be stepping down soon.

Rather than let the fundraiser close, Tishy has asked whether there is anyone in the village willing to take on the running of the club?

Now that most people pay their money into the club directly by Standing Order, the main job is drawing the winners each month and getting the money to them.

If you are interested, or just want more information about what is involved, please contact Tishy by email on :

pbayne46@gmail.com

Or by phone on:

01603 742601

Thank you.

Glasses found

Some glasses have been found on the footpath heading South from the John Innes Centre.

If you have lost them, you can contact Kevin on

07915 968583

50 / 50 Club Winners

In June, the 50 / 50 Club winners were:

- Anne Webb
- Janet Hubbard
- Kenneth Webb
- Janet Baker
- Geoff Marks

If you would like to join the 50/50 club, just talk to Tishy Bayne at the next Coffee Morning.

Coffee Morning

The June Coffee morning was very busy, despite the weather. Altogether £117 was raised for the Village Hall.

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 12th July from 10:30am.

Please note that this is a week later than normal due the Fete and Duck Race being held on the usual Coffee Morning date.

Everyone is very welcome.



Church closed for repairs

Please note that Bawburgh church will be shut from Monday 30th June to Monday 8th August whilst work is carried out on the tower and roof soffits.

The bat survey is currently underway and has so far shown no reason for this work to be delayed because of bats; however, the final decision will be made on Saturday 28th June. This work is costing in the region of £20,000 + VAT (VAT should be reclaimable). This work is only possible thanks to your generous donations, the proceeds from the friends of Bawburgh church (thanks to Caroline Blake and Jane Matthews) and the exhaustive work by our Fabric Officer, Peter Briggs, in obtaining grants. We apologise for any inconvenience the closure may cause. There is still a lot of work that

needs to be carried out on our church. Any further contributions to the fabric fund would be gratefully received.

Contact Helen Liddle on:

07729 609852

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Colton church will also be closed from Monday 7th July to Friday 3rd October whilst work is carried out on restoration of its wonderful stained-glass windows. Easton and Marlingford churches will remain open throughout this period and will be taking on the additional Benefice services as required.

Lin Gibson

David Puttock

Many villagers and visitors to Bawburgh may be aware that David Puttock sadly died on Sunday 18th May. He was 84.

David and his partner Margaret acquired the meadow at the end of Hockering Lane several years ago. Since then they have worked tirelessly to maintain this 11 acre area of land: cutting the grass, digging up weeds, repairing hedgerows and riverbanks, planting trees, and generally creating the beautiful recreational space which exists today. And all this while also maintaining a home and business in Brundall where David will be laid to rest.

Many people, especially dog owners, walkers and joggers will have come across David and

maybe stopped for a chat as he trundled across the meadow in one of his tractors, often with his beloved dog Polly sitting on his lap. All of them will doubtless have benefitted from and be grateful for the hard work which both David and Margaret have devoted to creating a beautiful and peaceful space for so many people to enjoy.

It is Margaret's hope that she will continue to own, maintain and develop the meadow with the help of friends and family. David will be a much missed character in the village, and many people will wish to send condolences and best wishes to Margaret and other members of the family.

Talks for Everyone

**Do come to our talks. There's a wide range of topics – something for everyone
Entrance, including tea or coffee: still only £3!**

Firstly, a thank you from the organisers of Little Lifts to all who came to or donated to their very interesting talk on May 13th

"We at Little Lifts cannot thank you enough for inviting our small charity to share more about our work supporting people affected by breast cancer. Your support is so appreciated!"

**Tuesday, July 8th 7:30pm in the
Village Hall**

**Mary Fewster: The History of
Brewing in Norfolk**



In this talk Mary Fewster will look at the development of brewing from domestic production by 'ale-wives', which continued into the 19th century 'ale-house kitchens' common in many

villages, to the larger scale production needed for monastic houses and country houses. We follow the development of town breweries with their growing numbers of tied houses and the gradual amalgamations into a few large county or nationwide companies such as Bullards, Lacons and Watneys, and end by looking at the revival of 'craft breweries' taking the story full circle.

**Tuesday, August 12th 7.30pm
in the Village Hall**

**Helen Murray: Newhaven
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Norwich historian and author, Helen Murray, tells the story of Newhaven Court, Cromer, an elegant Victorian mansion, built in 1884 by an American baronet.

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MP's Month

One of the greatest privileges I have as your local Member of Parliament is being able to help residents one-to-one—especially when it comes to our treasured NHS.

I know how much people in Bawburgh and across South Norfolk care about our health service. And I share that care deeply, both professionally and personally.

I was delighted earlier this month to help secure over £8.9 million in funding for the Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital. This investment will upgrade the hospital's ageing heating system, making the site more energy efficient and saving money in the long run. That means more flexibility for the hospital to focus on what matters most—frontline care. It's about ensuring nurses, porters, doctors, and all staff have the backing they need to do their jobs well.

Of course, we all know that money alone doesn't fix everything. While waiting lists have come down from their highest points, I know full well that for many people, the NHS still isn't working as it should. Whether it's delays in referrals, trouble accessing a GP, or uncertainty around treatments, the system can feel confusing and sometimes overwhelming.

That's why I want to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has written to me, or come to see me at a surgery, asking for help navigating the system. Whether it's getting answers about a loved one's care, chasing a long-overdue appointment, or helping to challenge a decision that doesn't seem right, I'm proud that my team and I have been able to step in. And in some cases, we've achieved real wins.

In fact, in my first year I've now passed the £10,000 mark in terms of compensation or repayments successfully claimed back on behalf of constituents from HMRC, the DWP, and the Child Maintenance Service or private businesses. That's money back where it belongs—in people's pockets.

I want to encourage anyone in Bawburgh or nearby villages who needs help—whether it's to do with the NHS or any other public service—to get in touch. Even if you're not sure whether I can assist, please don't hesitate to ask. Every email is read, every letter is considered, and my team will always do our very best to help.

The email address is:

ben.goldsborough.mp@parliament.uk

And if you'd prefer to speak in person, you can book an appointment at one of my regular constituency surgeries. Just get in touch and we'll make it happen.

Serving as your MP is an honour I never take for granted. I'm here to support you and stand up for South Norfolk—whether that's securing investment for our hospital, or helping one person at a time get the care and respect they deserve.

Thank you, as ever, for your support.

Ben Goldsborough, MP

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Vicar's Voice

As we step into the heart of summer, I find myself giving thanks for the long, light-filled days that July brings. There's something quietly beautiful about the way the sun lingers into the evening, casting golden light over gardens, parks, and peaceful streets. After months of grey skies and early sunsets, the abundance of light feels both like a gift and a gentle reminder.

In John's Gospel, we read: "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." (John 1:5) These words carry meaning in every season, but they seem to shine with particular resonance during the brightness of summer. Nature itself seems to echo this truth—the enduring promise that God's light continues to shine, often quietly and steadily, even when we may feel weary or uncertain.

Summer also brings a slower rhythm for many of us. Schools are out, holidays are planned, and life may feel a little less hurried. This can be a sacred opportunity to pause and notice where God's light is breaking through—in moments of rest, in shared meals, in laughter, and even in silence. I encourage you to use this season not only for leisure but for attentiveness. Where do you see God's light in your days?

And let us not forget that we, too, are called to carry that light. Jesus said, "You are the light of the world." (Matthew 5:14) Whether we're travelling, staying home, or simply going about our daily routines, each of us can reflect something of God's presence—through kindness, patience, generosity, and hope.

May this Summer be a time of warmth—not just from the sun, but from God's love made visible in our lives and our community. May you find rest for your soul and light for your path.

Rev Laura Montgomery

Bawburgh News uses new software

This month's Bawburgh News is the first edition to be written in a new piece of software.

For many years, the News was written using Microsoft Publisher, but Microsoft have recently announced that they would no longer be supporting the program and, from October of this year, it will stop working.

This means that, not only will Bawburgh News not be able to be made using Publisher, but none of the existing editions, which are all stored as published

Church Services - July

6th	10am	3rd Sunday after Trinity
		Service with Holy Communion, Easton
13th	10am	4th Sunday after Trinity
		All Age Service with Holy Communion, Easton
20th	10am	5th Sunday after Trinity
		Service with Holy Communion, Marlingford
27th	10am	6th Sunday after Trinity
		Service with Holy Communion, Easton

Communion at home can be arranged for those who because of illness or frailty are unable to come to the Sunday service.

If you have any queries about services, baptisms and funerals, you can contact Laura on 01603 744551 or by email at:

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In the absence of Rev. Laura, please contact Lin Gibson, acting church warden, by email

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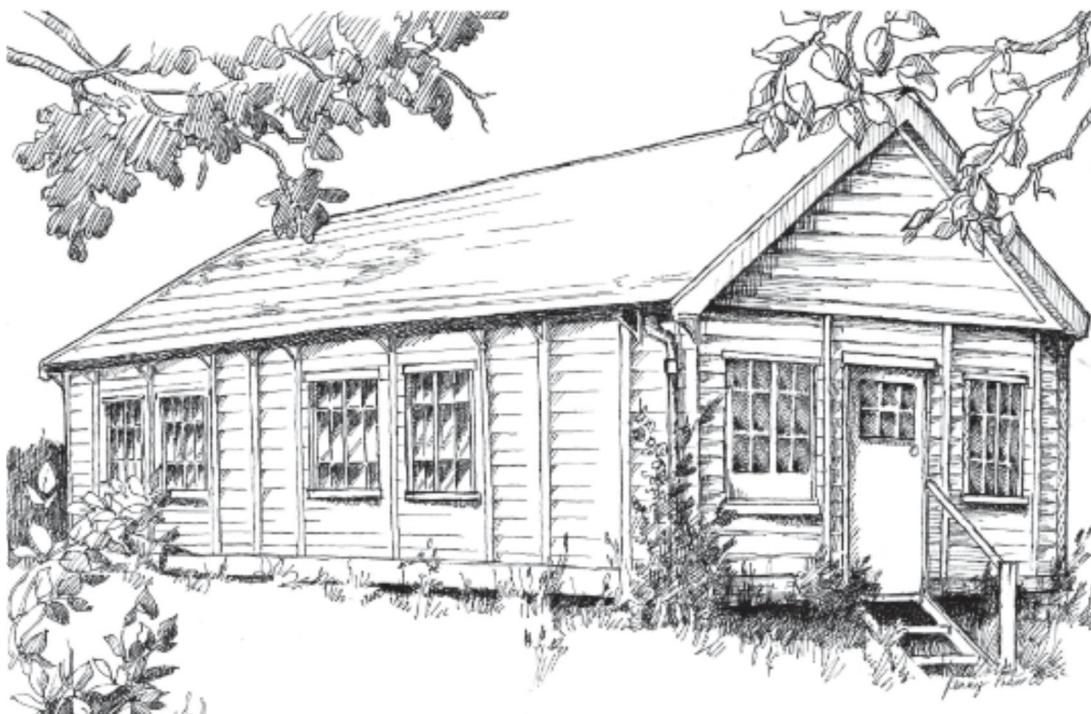
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Doin' Different : Village Hall

Our Village Hall is 25 years old! It was opened in 2000. At the time my husband, Frank suggested to Betty Martin, the then editor of Bawburgh News, that she produce a booklet about the original hall, so I thought it would be nice to look back at the original, rather special, Bawburgh Village Hall which was built by the people of Bawburgh.

On June 3rd 1935 at a meeting in the school, it was agreed that we should have a Village Hall. The land was bought for £25. The main structure was to be of wood, which was only thing that had to be paid for. A stamp savings scheme was introduced and the money collected by teenagers including a young Arthur Wharton (Scroggy) who some of you may remember. The labour was free, because in the



evenings, the villagers rolled up their sleeves and got to work. Building began in 1936 and was finished the following year. Power and refreshments were provided by PC Seymour who lived at the police house next door.

The Management Committee was made up of one member from the PCC, the Chapel, School Managers, British Legion, the Cricket and Football Clubs, Girl Guides, Boy Scouts, and Mother's Union.

When it was finished, The Men's Club played darts and billiards in the new hall, youngsters could use it but had to go home by 9pm, and the women were allowed to use it but just on Wednesdays to play

darts, cards and dominos.

Sadly the young men of the village had just two years to enjoy their new hall before the Second World War began in 1939. During the war, the hall was used by Little Melton and Bawburgh Home Guard and dances were organised for the young men arriving home on leave. It saw wedding receptions, children's Christmas parties, slide shows and whist drives. There were fetes, car boot sales, auctions and Sunday School Christmas Nativity Plays. In the 1960s £170 was raised to build a brick toilet block and later a front porch was added and officially opened by the Rev Fredrick Wilson. In 1953, a popular club, The Good Friends, was formed by villagers Queenie Clitheroe and Nora Wharton. It was still going 40 years later. In the 60s, welfare nurses ran a children's clinic, distributing dried milk, cod

liver oil and injections!

We were all sad to see the end of the old wooden hall, many happy events had taken place there, but the new hall doesn't lean over and the floor doesn't creak as people walk across it!

With many thanks to Betty Martin from whose little booklet most of the information came. And in loving memory of Frank Press, who had the original idea. I did the sketch a few weeks before the old hall was demolished.

Jenny Press

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Bawburgh Cooks

Jenny's Cranks Cheese Jacks

This month Jenny Press brings us one of her favourite recipes:

"The first Cranks restaurant opened when David Canter and his wife borrowed £500 to buy an empty bakery in Carnaby Street, London in 1961. He chose the name because at the time vegetarians were known as cranks. Although vegetarianism has become much more popular, the chain of Cranks restaurants were bought and then closed when David Canter died, although their recipes are still popular today. My Cranks paperback is sadly falling to pieces!"

Ingredients

5oz (150g) of oats
6oz (175g) grated cheese
One beaten egg

2oz (50g) melted Butter or margarine
Half teaspoon of crushed rosemary

Method

1. Combine all the ingredients together and mix well.
2. Press into a shallow 7" (18cm) square cake tin.
3. Bake in oven at 180°C (160 Fan -mark 4) for about 40 minutes, until golden brown.

Slice and try not to eat all at once!



If you'd like to join the team and contribute your favourite recipes do get in touch. Or, if you prefer, you can just send me a recipe, as a one-off, without having to commit to making a regular contribution. Either way, I'd love to hear from you, so please contact me at:

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Thank you!

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John Innes

This spring and early summer has proved to be a real contrast to last year when you may recall it was much cooler and certainly wetter. This changes the disease profile that we will see in crops. Last year we struggled to control Septoria tritici in wheat which thrives in wet weather whereas this year we have barely seen it. Of course if researchers are looking for genetic resistance to diseases then a year like this one is not particularly helpful. We expect to see some good results from trials looking at drought tolerance though.

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Wild about Bawburgh

Small ermine moth caterpillar sightings around and in Bawburgh, and indeed in the whole of Norfolk, are becoming more common.



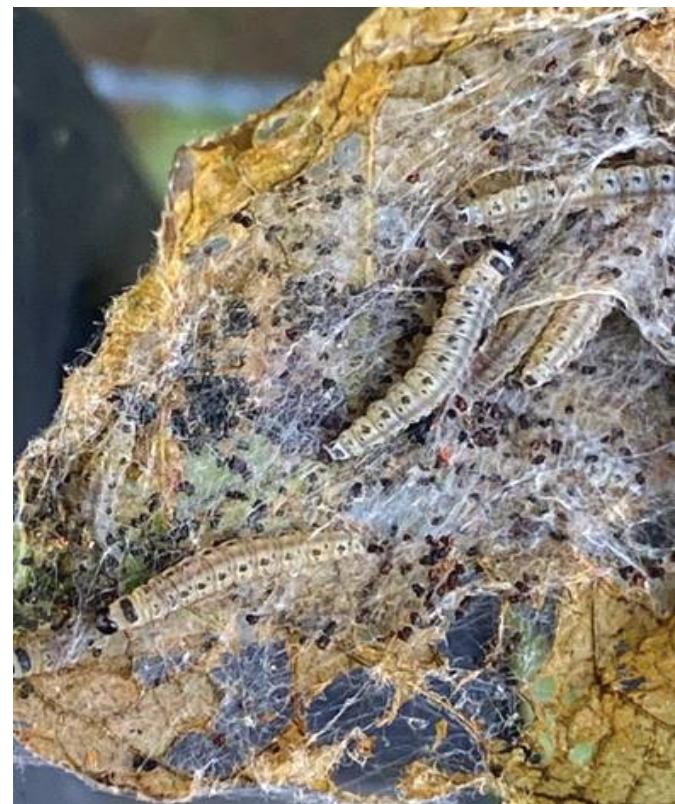
Peter Markham was able to photo the sheets of characteristic dense protective webbing produced by the caterpillars in a hedgerow quite close to his property this year. There are several species of small ermine moths whose caterpillars produce this characteristic webbing aimed to protect them from predation as they feed gregariously on the host plant, and they can cause quite extensive defoliation of hedgerow plants. However, as soon as the caterpillars stop feeding and pupate, plants usually recover, and the webbing will relatively quickly disappear.

The adult moth shown is a small ermine moth whose caterpillars produce webbing. All small ermine moths, Genus *Yponomeuta*, are white with black markings with wingspans of approximately 20mm. There are several species in the UK and although very similar, can be identified by the host



plant on which the caterpillars feed (e.g. blackthorn, hawthorn, spindle, wild cherry and bird cherry).

The life cycle starts with eggs laid by the beautiful, night flying moths in mid to late summer, the eggs hatching from late August. The young caterpillars will overwinter whilst they are still small. Feeding



will start in earnest in the spring, and by June they will be fully grown. The caterpillars make good meals for the young of blue tits and other insect loving birds, so the web in which they feed is aimed to protect them from predation. The caterpillars pupate within the web. The moths emerge July to August, and the cycle starts all over again.

If you have an outside light you will often find ermine moths are attracted to it after dark.

Lin Gibson

Youth Club

In the Village Hall

Meets on the last Friday of every month from 6:30pm – 8:00pm (for children of 6 years and above). £2.50 entry per child.

Friday 25th July



Facebook Group: 'Bawburgh Youth Club'
Contact: Bawburghyouthclub@gmail.com

Bawburgh playgroup

Takes place every Friday during term time at the Village Hall from 9:30am to 11:00am.

Entry £1.50 (£2 for two children) includes snack for the children and tea/coffee for parents

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The Garden Shed - July

OUTDOOR TOMATOES – As the plants grow, tie them to a supporting framework with soft twine, at the same time pinch out the side shoots. The best defence against blight is good ventilation, so strip off the lower leaves as the fruits develop which also helps the ripening tomatoes have maximum exposure to sun.

SUMMER PRUNING APPLES AND PEARS – Unlike winter pruning, (done when the tree is dormant), cutting back hard now will not stimulate vigorous regrowth. Unless you are training a particular new shoot, remove all this year's growth back to a couple of pairs of leaves (usually about 2-4 inches) being careful not to remove any ripening fruits. If you are training to a particular shape, tie the desired growth in as you go. Cutting back now also allows light and air onto the fruit that is ripening and stops your trees becoming too crowded.

CUT BACK EARLY FLOWERING PERENNIALS - Oriental poppies, delphiniums and hardy geraniums should all be cut back to the ground to encourage fresh regrowth and repeat flowering in a couple of months' time.

STAKING - Have some hazel sticks or metal supports ready and gently ease plants upright to provide the underpinning that they need. Ideally it should not look as though you have done anything at all.

FEEDING CONTAINERS - Most plants grown in a container will need a regular feed for the rest of the summer. The secret is to give just enough - and not too much. Never be tempted to make the feed any stronger than the instructions state and if in any doubt reduce the strength. Too many nutrients are as damaging as too few as it causes rapid, lush growth - often at the expense of flowers or fruit - and which attracts extra fungal and predatory problems.

PRUNING RAMBLING ROSES - Keep dead-heading roses as the petals fade to encourage repeat flowering, but some roses have now finished all that they are going to do this year. Most ramblers fall into this category, such as 'Wedding Day', 'Paul's Himalayan Musk' or 'Felicite Perpetue' and should be pruned as soon as they have finished flowering. If you are in doubt as to whether your rose is a climber or a rambler, ramblers tend to be much more vigorous and always have a mass of small flowers that never repeat once they have finished.



SOWING PARSLEY AND LETTUCE - When the seeds have germinated prick out the seedlings into individual pots or plugs and grow them on until large enough to plant out. Space them at least 9 inches apart and allow each to become really vigorous. Lettuce sown directly into the soil in July (again, prick out seedlings to 9 inches apart) will germinate very quickly and can be ready for harvesting 6-8 weeks after sowing.

PICKING SWEET PEAS - Be sure to regularly pick all the flowers from your sweet pea plants, it is the best way to extend their flowering season. Use scissors and cut the stems as long as possible and remove all seed pods and tendrils to funnel all the plant's energy into the flowers.

HARVEST GARLIC AND SHALLOTS - If the leaves are yellowing and seed heads are forming, this is a good

indication that garlic and shallots (and onions too if they are ready, although they may need a few more weeks yet) are usually ready to harvest. Always use a fork to carefully lift them rather than yanking them out of the soil by hand as you want to try and avoid damaging the roots and especially the root-plate - where they attach to the bulb. Clean any surplus soil but do not remove any foliage or roots before putting them to dry thoroughly. This can be done by leaving them on the soil if it is dry and warm, on a home-made rack made from chicken wire, or in a greenhouse. Once they are absolutely dry - usually after a few weeks - they can be topped and tailed for storage.

SUMMER PRUNING CURRENTS - After summer currants (eg gooseberries, red and white currants) have been harvested (by the end of July), give them a summer prune. Remove any new growth that is crowding the centre of the bushes and cut back the new shoots by about a third. This will let light and air into the plant, encouraging the wood to ripen and spurs to form which will carry next year's fruits. Blackcurrants can be pruned hard - removing up to a third of each bush - immediately after harvest.

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The 806A leaves the Kings Head at 10:00am and goes to Wymondham, arriving at 10:37am. It returns from Wymondham at 12:18pm and gets back to the Kings Head for 12:55pm

Tuesday and Thursday

On a Tuesday and Thursday, the 808 leaves the Kings Head at 9:06am. It travels to Longwater and arrives at 9:32am in time to catch a connecting bus to Norwich City Centre. There are two return buses. The first leaves at 11:15am and gets back to the Kings Head at 11:37am. The second bus leaves Longwater at 12:50pm and gets back to Bawburgh at 1:10pm.

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Diary dates

July 2025

Tue	1st		Grey bin collection
Fri	4th		Brown bin collection
Fri	4th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)
Sat	5th	2:00pm	Fete and Duck Race (Village Green)
Tue	8th	7:30pm	Talks for Everyone (Village Hall)
Tue	8th		Green bin collection
Thu	10th		Mobile Library: 9:55am Stocks Hill 10:15am Church Street
Fri	11th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)
Fri	11th	6:30pm	Social Evening (Village Hall)
Sat	12th	10:30am	Coffee Morning (Village Hall)
Tue	15th		Grey bin collection
Thu	17th	7:00pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
Fri	18th		Brown bin collection
Fri	18th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)
Tue	22nd		Green bin collection
Fri	25th	9:30am	Playgroup (Village Hall)
Fri	25th	6:30pm	Youth Club (Village Hall)
Tue	29th		Grey bin collection

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