The **Badwell Broadsheet**

A note from the Chair



First, some thank yous and some congratulations.

Rick Meyer is standing down as our district councillor. Thank you to him for his

four years of dedication to this ward.

Congratulations to Clive Hawkins. Clive has been elected as the Chairman of Trustees for the new village hall charity. The new way of working means more security for the hall, which can only benefit our villages.

If you're interested in taking a more active role in the village, why not look into joining the Parish Council - you can find more info on the back page.

In this issue...

It's lovely to see so much happening here over the coming months - this issue is packed with events and things to do.

The Kings Coronation is something that we can all look forward to - and our village hall is putting on what promises to be an amazing afternoon of entertainment.

There is also a quiz, an art exhibition and a plant sale - you can find the ads in the issue.

If you have anything you'd like to submit for the next issue, the deadline is 16th May, or if you'd like to sponsor an issue, get in touch. Email

badwellash@hotmail.co.uk.

Thank you to our sponsor for this issue follow the paws for Pawfect Moment's info.

Wishing you all the best, **Richard Morris** Chair, Badwell Ash Parish Council.







In the village

Monday

Zumba

7.00-8.00pm, Village Hall.

Tuesday

Silver Ash

2.00-3.30pm Village Hall. In the small hall, once a fortnight. Contact Angela 01359 258028

Carpet Bowls

7.30-9.30pm. Village Hall.

Wednesday

Art class

1.15-3.15pm. Village Hall. Term Time only.

Dog training classes

6.30-8.30pm. Village Hall.

Thursday

Dog training classes

6.30-8.30pm. Village Hall.

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Easter Egg hunt - 7th Apr. Church

Coronation After Party - 6th May. From 3pm onwards. Village Hall

Plant Sale - 13th May. Church

Art Exhibition - 24th-25th Jun. Church

Quiz Night - 7th July. 7pm. Village Hall

Church Open Day - 26th Aug. Church

Late Summer Fayre - 9th Sept. Time TBC.Village Hall

Jumble Sale. 14th Oct. Church

Shopping Evening - 20th Oct. Time TBC. Village Hall

Wine Mans Bluff Quiz - 18th Nov. Time TBC. Village Hall

Festive Christmas event - 2nd Dec. 10am to 2pm. Village Hall

For village hall events, please contact *Caroline Morris* cdv 11@hotmail.com | 07843 248411

For events at the church, please contact Stephen Rose - 07714 273 669

At home In the kitchen

Yoghurt Cake

This recipe is an old family favourite. It's great to do with young children - because there's no weighing involved - you just need to use the yoghurt cup as a measure.

Ingredients:

- 1 small pot or cup of natural yoghurt
- 3 pots or cups of self raising flour
- 2 pots or cups of caster sugar
- 1 pot of cup of vegetable oil
- 3 eggs

Method:

- 1. Heat the over to 160C / 325F / Gas 3
- 2, Put all the ingredients into a mixing bowl and mix into a batter
- 3. Line a 1lb loaf tin with baking parchment and pour the batter in
- 4. Put in the over and cook for about 45 mins

To test if it's cooked, prod with a skewer - if it comes out clean, it's cooked.

Let it cool and cut into slices.

You can add fruit to it too, if you want. Cherries - chop them up small, shake in flour and add to the batter. Or vanilla essence adds a nice flavour too. Just add a dash to the batter



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In the garden

Janet de Vries

For the Summer

Hopefully, the ground has warmed up, and you're ready to plant for the summer.

You should have lifted your tulips. Unlike daffodils, they don't do well the following Spring if you've left them in the ground or have the sustainability and then should be replaced.

Seeds and young plants can be planted as air and soil temperatures are high, so the plants get off to a good start. However, during dry periods and drought, you'll need to be on hand to water as these conditions can inhibit growth.

May and June is a good time to plant dahlias which need a sheltered spot with plenty of sun but are not fussy when it comes to soil, although for best results, plant in fertile, moist, well-drained soil. If you're planting in heavy clay, add some grit to the planting hole and protect the young shoots from slugs and snails. They'll grow quickly and will need support unless they're the dwarf variety, so they'll need to be staked - there are various types on the market to avoid the stems flopping.



Keep an eye on your roses for white or green fly - also, black spot on the leaves should be sprayed. You can use diluted washing-up liquid in a sprayer if you don't like using chemicals, or rub the green or white fly off with your fingers.

I could do a whole article on how to prepare hanging baskets. Still, if you have a couple to have a go with, you should line them. You can buy liners from garden centres or use the reverse side of a compost bag so the black side is showing. Cut slits around the sides and put in your compost, building up as you place your plants through the slits until you reach the top, then put something larger in the centre and fill around.

Trailing lobelia, petunias and geraniums work well. Most importantly, water daily, especially in hot weather when you need to do morning and evening.



If you're more into shrubs, this photo was taken of a neighbour's low-maintenance garden. It looks just as stunning as lots of flowers. It can be added too with hostas and ophiopogon, which come in various colours. However, my favourite is black. These perennials are clump-forming and have small bell-shaped white flowers followed by black berries.

If you also want to plant vegetables, June is an excellent time to put in quick-maturing summer radishes. No matter the season, they thrive in moist, well-drained soil, so why not give them a try. Keep an eye on your potatoes as they start to flower, and once they flop down, they're ready to be lifted.

Tomatoes should show plenty of flowers, so keep watering and feeding throughout the summer, removing old leaves to let light and air in.

Keep a planter or pot near the kitchen with your favourite herbs so you can pop outside when cooking. They add extra flavour to your favourite dishes.

Gardening is joyful but a job forever, especially this time of the year, but the rewards are worth the effort, so make time to sit outside and take in all your hard work. Until next time, happy gardening.





























Village Hall Update



Clive Hawkins - Chairman of Trustees

The village hall committee held its AGM in February, followed by the regular monthly

The AGM saw officers elected for the year. These were: Clive Hawkins - Chairman Mike Smith - Treasurer Pat Cooper - Secretary Janet de Vries - Booking Clerk.

Together, with five other members, we are now the Trustees of the Village Hall the new name for the charity that supports the village hall.

This means the future of the hall is more secure.

Please look out for the new Logo, as above, that will appear on flyers, posters and other events marketing to let one and all know that Badwell Ash Village Hall is on the map and looking to the future.

All the committee ask is for your support at the events to help raise funds for the charity that is your Village Hall.

Village Hall events

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The events team at Badwell Ash Village Hall are working hard to ensure that all future events are a success, but we need

The January quiz was a great success with 24 teams entering. It was a great night, and raised over £600.

Can you sponsor an event, or can you help run the events along with our fantastic team?

We're planning The After Party on 6th May from 3pm for the King's Coronation. See the ad below...We have entertainment for the children and adults, family-fun races, The Badwell Bake off, a disco, live music, a treasure hunt, a craft tent...and lots of prizes to win.

There'll be a bar, and a BBQ, and the Badwell Historical Society will have an exhibition.

We still have a lot to be confirmed, but we'd like to make sure every child in the village that attends the event has a memento of the special day, so we'll be

asking you to register nearer the time.

We'd also be grateful for donations of bottles, soft drinks and alcohol for prizes.

7th July sees the second Village Hall Quiz of the year with prizes to be won. The January quiz sold out quickly, so if you want to join us for a fun night of general knowledge, book early to avoid disappointment.

9th September, we're planning the Late Summer Fayre. A chance to all gettogether and have some fun. There will be a BBQ, Bar, live music, children's entertainer, craft stalls and much more.

These are only a few events the Village Hall Events team are organising. If you would like to take a stall or get involved at any of our events, please get in touch.

Remember, this is your village hall in your parish for use by all!!









THE BADWELL ASH CORONATION AFTERPARTY

Badwell Ash Village Hall Saturday 6th May 2023. From 3pm onwards

CROWN-MAKING

INFLATABLES

ICE CREAM VAN



OUTDOOR GAMES

BEACH

BADWELL BAKE-OFF

FACE PAINTING

MUSIC







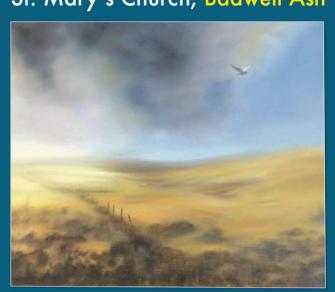








Art Exhibition St. Mary's Church, Badwell Ash



Mixed media exhibition including works in metal, wood, glass, paint and children's work. Tombola & Refreshments.

For more information please contact Stephen Rose 07714 273669

Feature painting by Catherine Bremner

Quick quiz

Have fun with this one!

- 1. Who had 'wish wellington's' in the 1990's animated children's television series?
- 2. 1948 saw incumbent US president Harry Truman re-elected to office. But in what month was the election?
- 3. Famous former patron of the HALO trust, which primarily works to clear landmines in areas of conflict around the world.
- 4. Name of the top private boarding school located in Moray, Scotland.
- 5. Which country of the United Kingdom has the daffodil as its national flower?
- 6. Which medieval castle is part of the World Heritage Site Castles and Town Walls of King Edward in Gwynedd, North West Wales
- 7. The "Light Blues" is often used to refer to rowers from which university?
- 8. UK charity founded in 1976 to help vulnerable young people get their lives on track.

Theme: King Charles III Wales; 6. Caernarfon; 7. Cambridge; 8. The Princes Trust Answers: 1. William; 2. November (1984); 3. Diana, Princess of Wales; 4. Gordonstoun; 5.

Green dilemmas - Offshore wind

Richard Winch - richard@winchmail.net

There has been a lot of coverage in the press about onshore wind, with the government eventually agreeing on a compromise around the planning laws.

Wind pumps and windmills have been used for land management and food production for centuries. Professor James Blyth built the first windmill designed to generate electricity in Scotland in 1887 to power the lighting in his holiday cottage. Blyth offered the surplus electricity to the local village but was turned down as the villagers thought electricity was 'the work of the devil'! The first utility grid-connected wind turbine in the United Kingdom was built in 1951 in the Orkney Islands. The first onshore wind farm was opened in Cornwall in 1991. Today, over 1,500 operational onshore wind farms across Great Britain contribute roughly 12% of the UK's electricity needs.

However, while onshore wind has recently continued to make a big impact in Scotland, the planning laws in England have meant that there has been an effective ban on onshore wind development in England since 2015. A recent YouGov poll found that 67% of voters wanted the ban on onshore wind lifted.

The main arguments against onshore wind farms are local environmental objections. Some residents feel that they're an eyesore on the landscape. Anyone who has walked near a wind farm in windy conditions will know the turbines can be noisy for several hundred metres around the site. There are also concerns about the potential impact on birds and bats. However, concrete evidence for this is still developing.

On the other hand, onshore wind is one of the cleanest and cheapest energy sources (it's much cheaper than gas or nuclear and is roughly half the cost of offshore wind). Onshore wind turbines are environmentally efficient to install and can be constructed within a few months. It's estimated that financial payback can be within about two years. When in operation, onshore wind turbines also have low maintenance costs. The sites are usually remote and can still be farmed.

Onshore wind opens up possibilities for community ownership of wind farms. There are many success stories from around the country where the turbines are locally owned, and part of the profits are reinvested in the local community. (For example, see https://www.weset.org/about/)

Wind power is, of course, intermittent, and some people question why we want to increase reliance on wind technology. Wind power in itself cannot be the solution to the continuity of energy supply. We need other sources of power or other solutions like energy storage to address this problem. The role of onshore wind is to increase the overall volume of carbon free electricity, to reduce the cost of electricity and improve our energy security in relation to imported gas.

The problem we have all got with the impact of high energy costs on the public finances is that apart from reducing the amount of energy we use, there aren't many options in the short term (i.e. next few years) to reduce the cost of energy onshore wind is one of the few options.



Great Ashfield & Badwell Ash WI

Midge Hawkins 01359 259399

What a mixture of weather we have all been experiencing. Let's hope that spring will be with us soon. We've welcomed some new ladies to our meetings who we hope will join us in the coming months.

We had a change of speaker for our March meeting. We had a talk on 20th Century Women of Bury St Edmunds with Catherine Buchanan. She was an excellent speaker who was not only informative but also very amusing. A thoroughly enjoyable evening

Our next three meetings – all listed below, are to be held in the Lord Thurlow Hall at Great Ashfield at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated. Our meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. Afternoon meetings – December 2023, January and February 2024 are 2.30 to 4.30pm

13th April 2023, from 7.30pm. This is an Open Meeting where we invite members of the public to join us. This month's speaker is Mary Newton with a talk on 'A Forensic Scientist'. All visitors are welcome - £3 each, including a raffle ticket & Refreshments. Come along, join us, and bring out your inner CSI with a

riveting talk by a top forensic Scientist.

11th May 2023 is our Annual General Meeting when we give reports on the previous year and vote for our President and committee. We also have a competition for a posy of flowers in a cup or mug.

8th June 2023 - Our speaker is Tony Strowger, Jewellery. Tony Strowger is a Jeweller based in the historic heart of Bury St Edmunds. He has a workshop on the premises where all work is undertaken for all jewellery repairs and bespoke handcrafted jewellery. It is sure to be an interesting evening.

We welcome any new members to join us. We're not a huge group but a very friendly one, and we invite you to come and see what we're all about.

All new visitors have one free meeting and then pay £3 for each of the next two before deciding whether or not to join. This includes a raffle ticket and refreshments.

Please feel free to ring me for any further information.

My best wishes to you all.







GREAT ASHFIELD & BADWELL ASH WI



OUR NEXT MEETING ON THURSDAY APRIL
13th is AN OPEN MEETING at 7.30pm in the
Lord Thurlow Hall Great Ashfield
Our Speaker is Mary Newton who is a
FORENSIC SCIENTIST

Bring out your inner CSI With a riveting talk by a Top
Forensic Scientist

All visitors are welcome- both Ladies & Gents £3 to include a Raffle Ticket & Refreshments

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Not just a sports club - p2

Walsham le Willows Sports Club

The last article tried to show that the Walsham-Le-Willows Sports Club is not just a venue for sports but also has many social activities, especially on Friday nights.

These live music events, starting at 6.30pm, will start again on the 5th May with Jo Manning, followed on the 26th May by Gemma B and 2nd June with Danny George.

These same performers will be there regularly throughout the summer. The events will be, weather permitting, outside the clubhouse (or inside if necessary).

This year sees the Coronation of King Charles on 6th May, and whilst there is a Bank holiday on Monday 8th, the Club has decided to do a Coronation Fun Day on Sunday 7th May based on what we did last year for the Queen's Jubilee. An additional attraction this year is that we have a hot air balloon booked (weather permitting) for the Coronation fun day with tethered rides, which can be prebooked at £ 5.00 per head, max of 5 per time by emailing mike.powles@walshamsportsclub.co.uk

Other news: We hope to have the petanque pitch up and running soon to add to the fun activities available also, there is Yoga on Thursday afternoons from 1pm and chair-based fitness sessions on Wednesdays at 11.45 am, which are both just turn-up sessions.

Annual membership costs just £15 for adults (£10 for those over 60's), and the Membership card you receive entitles you to discounts on purchases from the Clubs Bar.

So come along and join up, and please note the following contact details

Membership Secretary: Mrs. Cheryl Powles Email: mrsp@hotmail.co.uk

Tel: 01359 221908



From your County Councillor

Andy Mellen - email: andy.mellen@suffolk.gov.uk, 07790 992619



At this stage of the year, the ravages of winter have left our roads in a pretty poor state.

I get a lot of emails about various road defects, in particular potholes, so I thought it

might be useful to explain why some potholes get fixed, whilst others seem to take ages.

Suffolk County Council highways department's "bible" is the Highway Maintenance Operational Plan or HMOP, which sets out the standards that Suffolk Highways will meet for safety inspections and reactive maintenance (works that have been triggered by defects or safety concerns such as potholes).

Highways staff use a series of tables (the defect response matrices) to identify whether repairs are necessary for different

types of highway defects and the timescales for completing repairs.

So, for example, a pothole has to be over 40mm in depth and 200mm in diameter before it meets the criteria for repair – and the timescale depends on the type of road: 8 weeks for minor rural roads, 20 working days for secondary roads and 10 working days on main roads. So often, a small pothole has to get worse before it can be repaired.

SCC has recently announced the new business that will take on our highways work: The current contractor, Kier, will hand over to Milestone Infrastructure at the beginning of October, and the new contract gives an opportunity to amend and improve working practices.

In particular, we hope to do away with the situation where a large pothole (which meets the criteria) gets repaired, whilst a small hole nearby doesn't. A bit of common sense and giving the repair team flexibility in these situations will help. Don't forget

that any highways defects, potholes, broken signs, or verge damage - can be reported online – just search for the Suffolk Highways Reporting tool. And if you really want to look into the operational detail, the HMOP is online too.

Please get in touch if you need help with any council-related problems.



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Suffolk Accident Rescue Service

www.sars999.org.uk



The specialist volunteers at Suffolk Accident Rescue Service (SARS) volunteer their time to assist at the scenes of serious incidents or trauma across Suffolk and its border areas – be

that in the home or at the roadside.

The charity is based at Woolpit, and since it was set up in 1972, many thousands of patients have been treated by SARS volunteers, and countless lives have been saved

SARS volunteer clinicians include anaesthetists, critical care paramedics and other clinicians with enhanced prehospital skills. They carry lifesaving equipment and drugs not found on frontline ambulances. They can undertake procedures that would not usually be possible outside the hospital environment. This can help save lives, reduce the chances of patients suffering permanent disability and provide relief from extreme pain. 32% of the time, SARS is on the scene before any other medical resource. This speed of response can be vital for time-critical patients.

In 2022 SARS was mobilised over 450 times, including callouts in and around Badwell Ash.



SARS receives no central government funding and relies on voluntary fundraising to maintain its activity.

Why not sign up for the SARS 999 Lottery. For as little as £1 a week, you could win up to £25,000 while helping save local lives. To sign up, please visit www.sars999.org.uk/lottery

For more information on SARS, please visit www.sars999.org.uk - thank you!

Carpet Bowls

Clive Hawkins

There was a success for Badwell Ash Carpet Bowls Club in a local competition.

On Saturday, 11th February, a team of four from the club, Sheila Bird, Rob Parnell, Colin Largent and Clive Hawkins, competed in the annual Cockfield Invitation Fours bowls competition.

Of the 20 teams that entered the final was between Hundon and Badwell Ash. A close-fought contest, going to the very last shot played by the team's Skip, Rob Parnell.

In winning, our team were presented with a silver cup and individual prizes. Needless to say the team were delighted, as were other club members, on hearing the news.



Sustainable Travel Event

Needham Lake, Saturday 15th April 2023, 11am-3pm

A community engagement event is being delivered by Suffolk County Council and Mid Suffolk District Council to showcase opportunities to travel more sustainably.

Come along and

- Test ride an electric bike.
- Take part in our cycle-powered games.
- Try-out a balance bike for 3-5 year-olds
- see our Bike Doctor to get your bike fixed up and ride ready.
- Book a led bike ride with a local Cycling UK ambassador to learn how to ride local routes safely and confidently.
- Find out more about walking routes and

activities, and public transport in the area.

And much more!

Learn all about the benefits that changing your travel habits can bring to our health and well-being and the local environment, and find out how your local councils are trying to help us all switch to happier and healthier journeys.

Don't forget to bring your bike along to get it postcode stamped!

If you would like to book a bike fix session, please email:

thewaytogosuffolk@suffolk.gov.uk

Church Services

Rev. Philip Merry

St Mary's Church Badwell Ash

9th April Easter Sunday 8.00am Holy Communion

30th April 9.30am Holy Communion

21st May 9.30am Family Communion

Badwell Ash History Society

Coronation Memorabilia needed

The Badwell Ash History Society will be having a small exhibition in the Village Hall for the Coronation events for King Charles III

For this we are looking for any relevant village memorabilia from 1953 onwards which could be loaned for the occasion. If you feel that you can help us do please contact either Pat Monk (patmmonk@gmail.com)or Howard Newman (howardandrew1949 @gmail.com) and we will collect as necessary.

We look forward to seeing you there!

This issue is sponsored by:



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From the Parish Council

Parish Clerk: Carole Rose, badwellashnc@outlook.com | Visit the villages' website: badwellash.suffolk.cloud

Great British Spring Clean & Litter Pick

Badwell Ash will be taking part in this event on Saturday 15 April from 10.00 to 12.00.

Badwell Ash meeting point will be at the Village Hall.

Long Thurlow meeting point will be at the Bus Shelter.

Litter picking equipment will be provided but please bring your own gloves.

All volunteers, both young and old, are welcome and the Parish Council would be grateful for the support to keep our villages clean and tidy.

Winter Warmer Review



As we approach the Warmer Months of Spring, at the end of March we will see the end of the Government funded Winter Warm coffee mornings at the Village Hall. The feedback has been really

positive and it is hoped that coffee mornings will continue to be arranged over the coming months. Please read the Broadsheet for up - coming events.

On average 15 people have attended the weekly sessions that began in December 2022, enjoying a hot drink, biscuits, hot cross buns, soup and other goodies, there have also been a couple of birthdays with cakes being shared with everyone. More importantly people have enjoyed meeting other's they haven't met before and having a natter and laugh about all things past and present, sharing experiences and yes even playing games. A Big Thank you goes to all those people that have helped to make the initiative a success.

Badwell Ash & Long Thurlow Neighbourhood Plan (NP) Update

The Badwell Ash and Long Thurlow Neighbourhood Plan(NP) is at the start of its journey and looking to engage with the Community to develop ideas and priorities into policies with the aim of improving the Parish we all live in. In this start-up phase it is the research work to build up a Parish Profile, from which Priorities and Policies then get developed into a draft written plan.

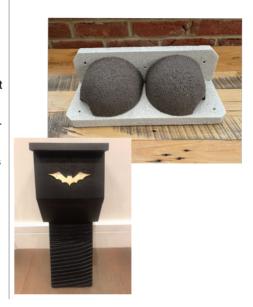
To manage the work in this next activity stage a NP Steering Group is required, this group needs to be representative of both BA & LT and although a few volunteers have already come forward there are still not enough people to take on the work ahead. For the NP Steering Group, there would be a regular meeting (2 hours) plus other activities for three hours per month managed over all the volunteer availability time. Work activity would include running parish drop in sessions, Village character appraisal work, some IT work, mail drops

and some focus group work.

Anyone who feels they can make a contribution either part time or as part of a regular group please respond by email to the Parish Council at badwellashpc@outlook.com or contact Steve Russell in the first instance - contact number on the Parish Council Website.

Bird boxes

The house martin boxes have all been delivered to their new homes, the bat boxes are imminent for delivery within the village and the owl boxes are being built right now so all of you who ordered one should be getting theirs soon!



PARISH COUNCIL OF BADWELL ASH

VACANCY FOR A PARISH COUNCILLOR

Following the recent resignation of a Parish Councillor, we have a vacancy on the Council with immediate effect

Applications are invited from residents who are interested in joining the Council and playing an active part in our villages and community and who meet the legal requirements for this vacancy which are:

- * I am over 18 yrs age
- * I am a qualifying commonwealth citizen or an EU citizen
- * I meet one or more of the other requirements, as indicated below:
 - o I am registered as a local government elector for the parish
 - I have, during the whole of the twelve months preceding the date of my co-option occupied, as owner or tenant, land or other premises in the parish
 - My principal or only place of work during those twelve months has been in the parish
 - I have during the whole of those twelve months resided in or within 3 miles of the parish

Please contact the Clerk for an application form on: badwellashpc@outlook.com

Mrs Carole Rose Clerk to the Council Old Pit Cottage Richer Road Badwell Ash IP31 3EU



Badwell Ash Parish Council is reminding residents to make sure they are registered to vote and have an accepted form of photo ID ready to show if voting in person at a polling station in this year's local elections.

The UK Government has introduced the requirement for voters to show photo ID when voting at a polling station at some elections and will apply for the first time in England at the polls on Thursday, May 4.

The new legislation does not apply to residents who vote by post or proxy, with both forms of these voting methods verified in other ways.

Forms of acceptable photo ID which can be used to vote with include:

- Passpor
- Driving licence (including provisional license)
- Blue Badge
- Certain concessionary travel cards
- Identity card with PASS mark (Proof of Age Standards Scheme)
- Biometric Immigration document
- Defence identity card
- Certain national identity cards

Further information on which forms of photo ID will be accepted, is available on the Electoral Commission website at <u>electoralcommission.org.uk/voteriD</u> or call their helpline on 0800 328 0280.