BENTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear

The Parish Council has produced this letter to welcome newcomers to the village, and also to provide information for our residents. Parish notices and the minutes of the monthly Council meetings are displayed adjacent to BJ's hairdressers, on the notice board in the Village Hall car park and on the Parish Council website. Parishioners are always welcome to come along and have an opportunity to comment during the public sessions of our regular meetings. For your information, a contact list of village activities etc. follows.

PARISH PLAN: The Parish Plan is a document to guide the work of the Parish Council and associated agencies and was formulated in 2007 as a result of a questionnaire being circulated to all households in the parish. Copies of the Plan can be obtained from the Clerk, or from the Parish Council website. The Parish Council is in the process of a renewed affordable housing needs survey

CHURCHES: St. Mary's Parish Church is situated to the north of the Village and forms part of the Anglican parishes of the Dodnash Group (Bentley, Tattingstone and Copdock with Washbrook) now joined with Sproughton and Burstall in a new benefice. The church newsletter is distributed bi-monthly to each household within The Bentley Bugle. Bentley Baptist Church is situated near the War Memorial. Roman Catholic services are held in the Anglican Church in Capel St. Mary, approximately two miles west, and the nearest Roman Catholic Church is at Brantham, approximately three miles to the south. The nearest Methodist Church is at Capel St. Mary.

POST OFFICE: The nearest Post Office is at Capel St. Mary. Opening hours 08.00 - 18.00 Monday to Friday -09.00 - 13.00 Saturday.

PUBLIC HOUSE: 'The Case is Altered' is located at the western edge of the village and has been acquired by over 150 members of the Community as a Community Asset. It is run by volunteers at present. See website for opening times – /www.thecasepubbentley.co.uk/.

VILLAGE HALL: The village hall is available for private hire to village residents only. Paper and bottle banks are located in the car park.

SCHOOLS: The C of E VC Primary School is situated in Church Road. Website:

bcps.suffolk.dbprimary.com/suffolk/primary/bcps/arenas/website. Pupils over the age of 11 travel by bus to East Bergholt High School in the next village. www.eastbergholthigh.suffolk.sch.uk

PLAYING FIELD: Pedestrian access is via Case Lane. The main gate is kept locked at all times but should emergency access be required the key holders are Mr P W Willis - 01473 314014 and Mr G A Cribb - 01473 310623

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY: There is an extensive network of signposted public paths and a 3½ mile circular walk around the outside edges of the village with short cuts back to the centre like spokes of a wheel. A map is available on the Parish Council website.

MEDICAL: The Constable Country Medical Practice and dispensary are located at 36, The Street, Capel St. Mary, IP9 2EE (01473 310203) – Pharmacy (01473 31322) and Heath Road, East Bergholt (01206 298272) www.constablecountrymedicalpractice.co.uk

DENTAL: Capel Dental Practice, 63 Thorney Road, Capel St Mary, Ipswich Suffolk IP9 2LL – 01473 311130.

PARENT & TODDLERS:

Monday 9.30 to 12.00 Parent and Toddlers Wednesday 9.30 to 12.00 Parent and Toddlers Meet at Village Hall Phone 01473 310283 for information.

POLICE STATION: Capel St. Mary Police Station—Bentley Road, Capel St Mary, IP9 2JN. Since April 2016 this building has been closed to the public. There is a public telephone located at the front door of the building from which the emergency number 999 and non-emergency number 101 may be contacted.

BUSES: Timetable is located in the War Memorial bus shelter. A 'Park and Ride' scheme into Ipswich town centre starts from the Park and Ride site near the A12/A14 junction 55 at Copdock Mill Interchange.

LIBRARY: The mobile library visits the village every four weeks on a Wednesday afternoon at Bentley Village Hall - 1.30 – 2.15 and Bentley Station 2.20 - 2.30 pm. The details can be found by going on to the Suffolk Libraries website, click on mobile library and follow on from there. Other library facilities at Capel St. Mary Village Hall. – Telephone 01473 311699

WASTE COLLECTION: Wheelie bins are emptied on Monday mornings (One day later after a Bank Holiday). A twin bin scheme is in operation. Bins for general rubbish and the blue bins for recycle waste are collected on alternate Mondays. There is also a Brown Bin scheme for garden rubbish (fee payable) with collections on alternate Tuesdays. Brown Bin subscription - **www.babergh.gov.uk** or 08456 066 045

BENTLEY BUGLE: The Community and Church News is delivered bi-monthly to each household. Copies are also available from BJ's, Village Hall, Case is Altered, Rookery Farm and the Ipswich Building Society at Capel. It can also be viewed on the Internet at www.bentleypc.onesuffolk.net

WEBSITES: The Parish Council's own website **www.bentleypc.onesuffolk.net**, is the noticeboard for the Parish Council and contains updates of Parish information.

BENTLEY DIRECTORY AND OTHER USEFUL CONTACTS

PARISH, D	DISTRICT	AND	COUNTY	COUNCILS
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Parish Council – Chairman	Dr Michael Bamford	01473 730164
Parish Council – Vice Chair	Cllr Robert (Bob) Feltwell	01473 310735
	Mrs Joy Scott	01206 298174
Parish Council – Clerk		
Babergh District Councillors	Mr John Hinton	01206 298309
	Mr Stephen Williams	01206 298877
County Councillor	Mr Gordon Jones	01206 263072
BENTLEY ORGANISATIONS CLUBS		

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Aerobics	Ms Jill Sharp	
Bentley Primary School (Head Teacher)	Mrs Jo Austin	01473 310253
Bentley Primary School (Chair Governors)	Rev Don Mehen	01473 310383
Bentley Primary School (PTA)	Mrs Alison Partridge	01473 313092
Bentley Comrades	Mr Ray Savage	01473 311122
Bowls Club	Mrs Lillian Calvert	01473 311756
Carpet Bowls	Mrs Pam Rayment	01473 310283
Computer Club	Mr John Blackmore	01473 310655
Constable Country Medical Practice – Patient Representative	Mr Eric Rayment	01473 310283
Footpath Society	Mr Allan Cribb	01473 310623

Horticultural Society	Mr John Blackmore	01473 310655
Link Lunch Club	Mr Jim Smith	01473 310121
Neighbourhood Watch	Vacant	
Parent & Toddlers	Mrs Pam Rayment	01473 310283
Recorders	Mrs Moira Usher	01473 310322
Scrabble Club	Mr Robin Owen	01473 311844
Table Tennis	Mr Jim Farrow	01473 730474
Coffee & Company	Mrs Sandra Mehen	01473 310383
Tree Warden	Mr Colin Hawes	01473 310678
Tuesday Club	Mrs Margaret Blackmore	01473 310655
Village Hall - Bookings	Mrs Margaret Blackmore	01473 310655
Village History Recorder	Mr John Tombs	01473 310737
Whist Club	Mrs Veronica Howe	01473 310344
Women's Institute	Mrs Sandra Ford	01473 310072
ST MARY'S CHURCH, BENTLEY		
Rector	Rev Annette Shannon	01473 807674
Ordained Local Minister	Rev Don Mehen	01473 310383
Benefice Secretary	Mrs Lyn Tomlinson	01473 328251
Churchwardens	Mrs Carolyn Evans	01473 311090
	Mr Ray Savage	01473 311122
BENTLEY BAPTIST CHURCH	Mr Craig Whale	01473 311976
DENTILET DAPTIST CHUNCH	Mr Chris Cordle	01206 230923
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USEFUL CONTACTS		
Babergh District Council	Corks Lane, Hadleigh	01473 822801
Suffolk County Council	Endeavour House, Russell Road Ipswich IP1 2BX	01473 583000
Capel St Mary Post Office	Capel St Mary	01473 310237
Capel Dental Practice	Capel St Mary	01473 311130
Police	HQ Ipswich	01473 613500
Police	Capel St Mary	01473 613500
Buses	Carters Coaches	01473 601120
Electricity	UK Power Networks	0800 7838838
Gas	Transco	0800 111999
Water	Anglian Water	08457 145145
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Trains (Customer Services)	National Express	08456 007245
Doctor/Surgery/Dispensary	Capel St Mary	01473 310203
	Pharmacy	01473 311322
	East Bergholt	01206 298272
Schools	Bentley CEVCP	01473 310253
	East Bergholt High	01206 298200
Bentley Bugle (Parish magazine)	Copy: Adrian Mills	01473 311103