

# Hadstock Magazine



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## Beginnings – Editors Page



### The Village Christmas Tree

Wishing you a Merry Christmas from all the Magazine Team, Sue  
and Thank you to FDL who provide the tree for Hadstock every year!

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## Parish Church of St Botolph's

RECTOR'S LETTER - REV'D JEREMY TREW DECEMBER 2022



On the wall of a house near the Market Square in Saffron Walden is a small plaque. It reads: "On this spot in 1834 nothing happened. "It's not true. I know.

Round about 2022 years ago in a quiet backwater of the Roman Empire nothing happened either. And that's also not true. Well, kind off.

Certainly nothing happened that made the front pages of all the papers (if they'd had newspapers in those days). And if a few people were interested in the events that began to unfold at that time, for the most part they kept fairly quiet about it. No-one slipped a brief note to Rome, warning them of what was to come. Even when a strange group of foreigners turned up at Herod's Court, we're told the initial response was, "Oh yea, there's something written about that somewhere in Micah."

The significance of that first Christmas was only understood much later on. At the time it was, for most, just another day. Even for those who were involved, the birth of a baby was nice, but not exactly rare. If the child survived infancy they might just begin to become interesting, but that was still a way off. An ordinary couple had a child, and they probably were not the only ones. Some shepherds caused a bit of a kerfuffle, but no-one paid that sort any attention. The wise men may not have arrived for a couple of years.

Heaven, it would seem, was found in the ordinary. That's often where it is found today. This Christmas heaven will be found in a person giving you a smile and a bit of space in a busy Christmas shop. Heaven will be found in a children's nativity play, performed with a great deal of commitment, but perhaps a little less skill. Heaven will be found in the recognition that the giver is more important than the gift. All of that is important, and all of that is wonderful. *Continued*

*Rector's letter continued*

Yes, heaven will also be found in beautifully crafted carol services, and exquisitely thought-through gifts, but at the heart of the Christmas message is this simple idea: That God breaks through into this world, not so much into the great and majestic things, but into the ordinary lives lived by ordinary people. You and I are of interest to God, and in a way that might astound us.

When, after the life of Jesus, the message of this Nazarene Carpenter began to spread, part of its power was the audacious idea that God was on the side of the ordinary. In a world where great power was held by a few, who seemed less and less accountable every passing year, this was good news indeed.

In God's new economy there are no ordinary people, and there are no ordinary days. You would be very welcome to celebrate that at your local church this Christmas, in ways ordinary and extraordinary.

Happy Christmas

Jeremy

Team Rector for Saffron Walden and Villages Team

Area Dean for Saffron Walden, part of the Diocese of Chelmsford

The Rectory, 17 Borough Lane, Saffron Walden, Essex, CB11 4AG

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*You can read more of Jeremy's Trew's letters on the St Mary's website*

*[www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org](http://www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org) where there are other interesting items too*

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## SERVICES AT ST BOTOLPH'S DECEMBER 2022

Sunday services this month are at 9.30am .

The Christmas Eve Service is at 6pm.

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Holy Communion – 9.30am

Led by Revd Michael Lovegrove

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December

No Service in St Botolph's

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Home Team Service –9.30am

Led by Tim and Rob

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December

Light of the World Service – 6pm

Led by Revd Canon Chris Bishop

11.30 pm Midnight Service at

All Saints, Ashdon

Led by Rev. Andy Colebrook

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December- **Christmas Day** - No Service at St Botolph's

**9.30** Christmas service at All Saints, **Ashdon.**

Morning Prayer takes place in the church each Tuesday at 8.30 am.

The church is open every day between 9am and 4pm for private prayer.

To receive the weekly email Worship Bulletin with details of service sheets, please contact Robin Betser [robin@waylands.org.uk](mailto:robin@waylands.org.uk)

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Details of services in January 2023 will be on Hadstock Info and notice boards.

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## Hadstock - News, - Events, - Happenings, Reports



Hadstock Village Hall 100 Club winners  
Winners for November

No.34 Marilyn Davy £25

No.42 Kirsty Hutchinson £25

Congratulations!

And a Happy Christmas to all who support the village hall.

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### CANASTA

The Canasta Group in Hadstock at the moment are playing one afternoon per month.

Are you interested in joining us? Then please call Irene on 891 385

Players and Beginners welcome.

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HADSTOCK INFO is an information and news service for Hadstock village.

It is operated for us by Isabel Fish.

Join by sending your email address to the address below and asking to join the list, and then you can send information round the village by sending it to: -

[hadstockinfo@gmail.com](mailto:hadstockinfo@gmail.com)

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**ASHDON PRIMARY SCHOOL** - Ashdon, Essex CB10 2HB - School Office - 01799 584219 - Website [www.ashdon.essex.sch.uk](http://www.ashdon.essex.sch.uk).

Ashdon Primary School is the catchment school for Hadstock Village with Essex County Council, currently, providing free transport for those children living in Hadstock to attend the school. **The school also has a before and after school childcare provision from 8am in the morning and until 5:30pm in the evening.**

Visits to the school from Parents and prospective pupils are welcomed

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## Future of The Fête

For a large number of years now I have been involved with Hadstock Fête and hope to continue so to do. I am also Treasurer and for some time I have been leader of a small team of volunteers like me who over a six-month period each year up to June undertake the planning and presentation of this major community event in our village. The funds raised are shared equally between the Church Building Fund and The Village Hall.

Although I am fortunate enough to be fit and active, I am not in the first flush of youth and I realise that the time is now approaching when the village needs fresh direction for the Fête.

I intend therefore to make next year's Fête the last that I shall lead. I am very happy to continue as Treasurer and work with a team preparing for the day, being fully involved on the day from beginning to end and in general provide whatever input is requested whenever I can, with the intention being that someone will then be ready to lead the planning for the following Fête.

New blood and ideas are necessary for any organisation as it moves forward and I hope that volunteers will step up to join the team. The commitment is not time onerous; we meet monthly from each January to plan ahead. Other villages are envious of what our community achieves and I for one want that to continue. Please get in touch to find out more; don't be afraid of the word commitment, you are not tying yourself down but will bring new blood and inspiration to what we do. I and the team will happily work together with anyone new so there is "succession planning".

I do not want to finish on a negative note but if we do not have a fresh influx of assistance from the village here from next January then the current team will understandably feel there is not the support which will leave us with the sad decision of calling a day to the Fête.

We do not want that: please therefore give me a call on 01223 892746 or 07776 230161 and I'll happily talk through everything, no holds barred.

I look forward to hearing from you.

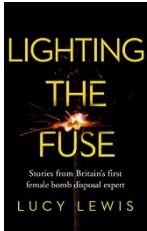
Tim Boyden



Painting - Fete Day by Sonia Villiers

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## Hadstock Book Club 1 Lighting the Fuse by Lucy Lewis



11 members of the Hadstock book club met to discuss this book on 7 November at Sonia's house on a dank and drizzly evening. We were met by a crackling log fire which cheered us all up and one of our members Amanda, brought along her friend since they were at school. Lucy Lewis. Lucy talked about her officer training at Sandhurst and also her training and life as the first female bomb disposal expert in the army. Lucy was a very entertaining speaker and the book well worth reading and unlike most other choices we have had. Lucy is now the Cambridge University Marshal and told us a little about her life as the Marshal organising the work of the 24 constables at the University. It was a fun evening and we all learned a lot about the army and university.

Sue Albrow

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## Church Roof Repairs

There is a new page on the village website which briefly describes recent work on the church. Take a look at:

<https://www.hadstock.org.uk/church-welcome/church-renovation-projects/>

Rick Albrow





The Hadstock war memorial in St Botolph's church, on Remembrance Sunday, showing the 3 poppy wreaths placed there on the day, and the names of those villagers who died in both world wars.

*Why not take a walk inside the church and have a look at them in the north transept?*

### HADSTOCK FETE 2023.

Mel Abbiss,	07984 707011	Karen Beaumont,	07803 052918
Tim Boyden,	07776 230161	Toby Chandler,	07901 822145
Sarah Lockton.	07553 884303	Lynn Nuttall	01223 893355

Current Fete committee members to contact if you want to find out more about helping on stalls or with teas, or helping with games or the auction or any of the things that are 'The FETE'. Join in its fun!

## November Foodbank Collection



Lynne Smith wrote:

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'I want to say a MASSIVE thank you to everyone who donated to the foodbank collection in November, you are so wonderful (as usual)  
Lynne x'

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At the time of writing this, Kateryna and Vlad are packing up the van for their



7th trip to the Ukraine/Polish border with vital medical supplies. Thank you so much for all your donations, Hadstock has been amazing again !!!

Lynne

Well done Lynne too

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Also

'Save the date' - Friday 17th February for a Race Night in aid of Ukrainian Refugees, locally run charity 'Artists in Exile'  
Thanks, Lynne

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What's this? Can you guess?

No – well it's the preparations for a Disco Party for 24 'youngsters.' Some quite small as you can see in the Village Hall recently. It is a very flexible venue and there is also the garden and covered patio outside area to use now.

More details on the village hall link on [www.hadstock.org.uk](http://www.hadstock.org.uk)

*Check it out.*

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**Bridge Club** - it is with great sadness that the village hall committee have to report that the Bridge club, which has for many years occupied the village hall on a Wednesday evening, has decided to close. They have not enough regular members to make it a viable club. We thank them for their custom and prompt payment from their Treasurer David Noble.

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## BURNS NIGHT IS BACK!

on

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023

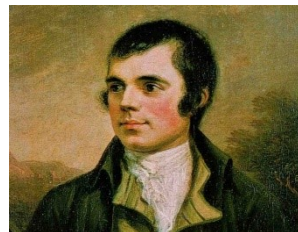
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'If you can help with set up, cooking or clearing up that would be greatly appreciated'

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## EVENTS, ACTIVITIES and Fun 2022

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**BIN COLLECTIONS** – Weds 14<sup>th</sup> DEC & 4<sup>th</sup> JAN 2023 for Black & Brown bins  
Weds 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> DEC & 11<sup>th</sup> JAN for Green & Brown bins  
Green Skip:- 10.30 to 11.30 First 15mins at Bilberry End then Village Green  
Last collection this year is 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Look for the full new 2023 bin  
collection calendar on the Uttlesford District Council website soon.

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### Hadstock Parish Council

Next meeting in the village hall on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.30pm  
Contact the Parish Clerk Sara Beckett [hadstockparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hadstockparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk) for agenda  
details which are also sent out on Hadstock Info and put on the Village notice board by  
the shop. Details of the agenda are also published on the Parish Council section of the  
village website which is:- [www.hadstock.org.uk](http://www.hadstock.org.uk)

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**Hadstock Society** – community history and heritage.

Secretary: Maggie Hartley at [hadstocksociety21@gmail.com](mailto:hadstocksociety21@gmail.com)

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**Hadstock Village Hall** see ad in this magazine for how to hire **OPEN FOR HIRE**

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**Hadstock Silver Band** meets again on Tuesdays at the Village Hall for practice  
Contact: Lesley Jenkinson 07766 54092      [Listen out for them ...](#)

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**Bell Ringing practice** night at St Botolph's on Thursdays. Contact: Gilbert Rowlandson  
01223 892882 or Janice Snell 01223 892338 - [You can hear them too](#)

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**Linton Area Learning Alliance (LALA)** meets on Tuesday mornings in the Village  
Hall in Linton. Autumn and Spring terms. Contact Sue Mudge 01223 892737

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**Linton and District Historical soc.** Meets Tuesday evenings Linton Village Hall.  
Monthly. Contact Margaret Creek 01223 893915 or email: [ldhscamb@gmail.com](mailto:ldhscamb@gmail.com)

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**Ashdon Primary School**, Ashdon, Essex CB10 2HB. Tel. Office 01799 584219  
[www.ashdon.essex.sch.uk](http://www.ashdon.essex.sch.uk)

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**Art Classes in Hadstock** for adults on Tuesday mornings and Friday mornings and  
afternoons in termtime; Sundays once a month, and children's' after-school art during  
termtime on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Sonia 07890 509160

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## Elf mail 2022

The Hadstock Elves are back again. Drop off your village Christmas cards to Hillingdon House, Linton Road (between the ex-pub and Designer Drapes) and we will deliver them for you. If you would like to make a donation for this excellent service, all donations will go to the NICU at the Rosie hospital to help sick and premature babies and their families.

Please drop your cards off by 21<sup>st</sup> December.

Thank you for your amazing support

The Hadstock Elves

Matt, Isabel, Dan and Harry

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The Beginnings

The Christmas wreath making morning at Stella's on 26<sup>th</sup> November

The finished wreaths



Look out for them around the village

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**Kemi Badenoch MP**

holds regular advice surgeries offering help and support for local residents.

If you would like to contact Kemi, you can email

[kemi.badenoch.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:kemi.badenoch.mp@parliament.uk)

or call 0207 219 1943

Hadstock's Local District Councillor - Ashdon Ward:

Councillor James De Vries of Residents for Uttlesford

email: [cllrdevries@uttlesford.gov.uk](mailto:cllrdevries@uttlesford.gov.uk) or write to c/o Uttlesford District Council

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LINTON and DISTRICT  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**'Life in the Fire Brigade'**

with Maurice Moore  
and Bryan Saddington  
from Linton  
Fire Station

on  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm  
In Linton Village Hall Coles Lane  
Refreshments and Raffle

Visitors and new members always  
welcome  
contact [ldhscamb@gmail.com](mailto:ldhscamb@gmail.com)

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All the usual things are required: tins, packets, cereal, biscuits, tea, coffee, dried and long-life food, toiletries and cat/dog food. I am informed that due to an increased need, quantity is far better than quality, so please give generously (but only what you can afford). Many thanks in advance,

Lynne Smith 4 Moules Lane 07707766197

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[Saffron Walden has a Food bank](https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/) <https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/>

Uttlesford Foodbank provides emergency food and care parcels to individuals and families during times of crisis. It operates out of a warehouse in Shire Hill Saffron Walden. They are always looking for donations of food or money and volunteers

Most of the Supermarkets in S.Walden and Haverhill have a food donations box.

If you need help look at <https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/get-help/how-to-get-help/> or phone 07531 436335

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From our online Community Archive ([archive.hadstock.org.uk](http://archive.hadstock.org.uk)) – find it using the search icon or under ‘Parish History’, ‘Events’ and ‘Hadstock Memories’

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## I PREDICT A RIOT!!!

### THE HADSTOCK BREAD RIOT OF 1795

The Community Archive contains a ‘deposition’ made at Littlebury by one Thomas Smith, baker of Linton, who came to deliver bread to Hadstock in November 1795. *“He went as he usually does to Hadstock ... with a quantity of bread, about 60 quartern and half quartern loaves at which he intended to leave 20 or so at a shop in Hadstock”.*

**NOTE:** *A quartern loaf was a loaf of bread weighing 4 pounds, often cut into quarters for sale.*

*Bread was a staple food in the 1700s, especially for the poor. People were suspicious of millers and bakers giving short weights, and they were accused of holding back flour and bread to inflate prices, preferring to sell to London markets and the military for greater profit*

Thomas was met in the street by “several persons, women and children, upwards of 40 he supposes”. **Alice**, wife of John Swan, labourer, grabbed his horse and asked if he “had fallen in his price of Bread”. When he replied that he had no orders from the millers to ‘fall’ Alice Swan said “By God, if you don’t fall you shall not leave any Bread in the Town”. Thomas was then offered a price of 8d a quartern loaf, which he refused. The crowd said that **Mr Buck Smoothy**, the Head Farmer, had told them that the market price was 9d a loaf and if the baker refused this price, then they could not be hurt if they took the bread away.

**NOTE:** *Local people in East Anglia in particular, surrounded by fields of grain, didn’t react well to high prices. Local mobs seized grain stores and flour mills and sold the produce themselves at ‘reasonable’ prices. The British Government were nervous of dissent and suppressed it, mindful of the French Revolution and unrest in Ireland.*

“Several persons then about him took several of the Loaves off his Pads”. Thomas said that if they gave him the bread back, they could have the bread at their own price. However, when he counted the bread, there were 2 quartern loaves and three half quartern loaves missing.

### **Bread Riot continued**

Thomas said that he had seen **Jane Brown** of Hadstock, a singlewoman, take some loaves off his pad and suspected *“that she had secreted them”*. On being challenged, she *“owned it and fetched back three half Quartern Loaves”*. The loaves were delivered to the people around him at 9d a Quartern, the price they had fixed, except for the two missing Quartern loaves.

**NOTE:** *Matters came to a head in 1795 with a combination of poor harvests and Napoleonic trade blockades, which led to rising and volatile prices for wheat and bread. The bread riots of 1795 and 1796 spread throughout Britain.*

Thomas then said that he had seen **Sarah**, the wife of Thomas **Bye** labourer, take a quartern loaf and not return it. On going home *“he met her in the Road between Linton and Hadstock when she offered to pay for the Loaf which he refused”*.

**NOTE:** *There were food riots in Saffron Walden in July 1795. The Mayor asked Lord Howard of Audley End House to use his influence to secure military help and 50 dragoons were sent into the town. The ringleaders were sent to Chelmsford, another was bailed and several escaped. 32 extra constables were sworn in to keep order and the dragoons left within the month.*

*This was only a few months before the Hadstock Riot, so the villagers would have been aware of the possible consequences.*

Thomas *“verily believed that if he had not complied with selling his Bread at a reduced price that the persons then assembled about him in a riotous Manner would have taken all his Bread”*.

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### **The Villagers ...**

We have a record of the parishioners living in Hadstock in 1792, just 3 years before the riot, compiled by the Rector, Reverend John Addison Carr. He created another list in 1807 and added notes to both.

**Alice** (*who took hold of the baker's horse*) had married John Swann in July 1794, the year before the riot. Their children included John (born September 1794), James, Anne (b. 1795?), Mary and Sarah. Newly married, Alice had at least two babies to feed in 1795.

**See next page for more villagers....**

## Bread Riot *continued*

### More Villagers

**Buck Smoothy** (*the head farmer who advised on what the villagers could reasonably do*) was married to Mary with a young family at the time of the riot. Buck and Mary went on to have at least eleven children and lost a child to smallpox. There were several deaths in the village noted from smallpox during this period.

**Jane Brown** (*who took loaves and 'secreted' them*) was 20 in 1792 and living at home with her parents, brother and sister. Her sister Elizabeth is shown as being married to Thomas Smith of Linton (Baker) in November 1793. She was the baker's sister in law!

**Sarah Bye** (*who held onto a loaf ...*) was married to Thomas Bye Jnr. They had at least ten children in 1792. Sarah and Thomas didn't appear in the 1807 list, but four of their children remain living together, with two others married in separate homes with children.

### Does anyone know what happened to those involved?

Gill Butterworth



Marcus Sedgwick

We heard on the 17 November of the death of Marcus Sedgwick, aged 54.

He owned one of the cottages on the Village Green and lived here for a while with his then partner. He was a good friend to many in the village and particularly Ed Patient (the previous Editor of the Hadstock Magazine) and Bernice.

Marcus wrote at least 40 books, mainly for children but some for adults. He was also a creative writing teacher, an illustrator and musician.

The Book Club read one of his books 'Blood Red, Snow White' a Soviet-era thriller and Marcus very kindly agreed to come to the meeting to discuss it, which was a really good evening and I can recommend the book to read.

You can read a full obituary of Marcus in 'The Guardian', newspaper on line, which tells much more of his life writing, work teaching, and recent ill health.

It is a great pity that his caring and creative life should end so early.

Sue Albrow – Current Editor

## 50 years of the Hadstock Society



In November this year, the Society celebrated its 50th anniversary. It was formed in 1972 following a village meeting of 56 Hadstock residents in which the background to the formation and function of Local Amenity Societies was explained by Mr J Maitland, Chair of Henham Society and a Rural District Council member.

He noted that people were more conscious of their environment, were concerned about imposed large scale housing developments and bad design and wanted to influence local and regional council views on amenities in general. Hence the rapid growth in the number of Amenity Societies in England over the previous 10 years.

In the discussion, some residents saw little requirement for a Society which worked alongside the Parish Council but had no executive powers. However, the majority at the meeting were in favour due to the increasing Government pressures on new large scale house building and the fact that County planners had little knowledge of local issues and residents' views and needed help. The first Society meeting was held on 24<sup>th</sup> November 1972.

### *Hadstock Green area over 40 years ago, c.1980*

Registered with the Civic Trust, the Hadstock Society set out to work for the public benefit and to support and influence the decisions of both Parish and District Councils. A constitution was agreed which followed Civic Trust guidelines. The Society's aims were to stimulate public interest in the Parish, ensure high standards of planning and architecture, and conserve, protect and develop features of historical and public interest.



The Society planned to signal and recommend the best solutions for Hadstock when faced with large scale environmental problems, such as noise pollution from aircraft, heavy lorry traffic, and large housing developments.



It would assist the Parish Council in making Hadstock's views known to the rather remote County Council decision makers in Chelmsford and give informed opinions on local planning and amenity issues.

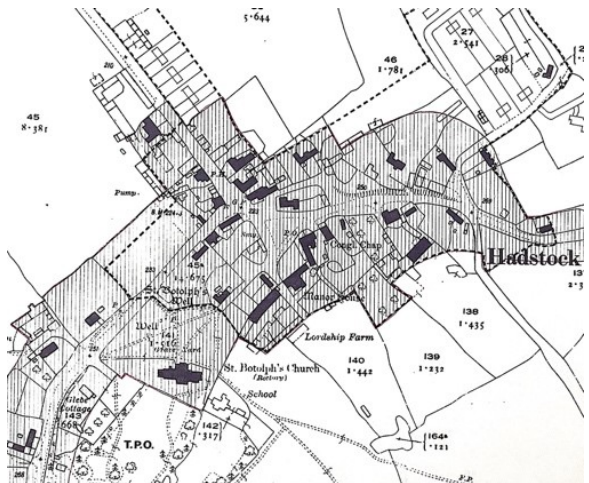
This article takes a look at the Society's work over the 50 years. Based mainly on reading the minutes of Committee meetings and AGM reports, and with helpful clarifications from Patricia Croxton-Smith (Crocky), the first elected secretary of the Society, I have focused on the Society's main achievements in each of the five decades.

## **1972-1982**

The first executive committee, under Chairman, Ron Amsden, set out to determine the priorities of residents through a village survey. A plan was developed which dealt with conservation matters, such as landscape, historic buildings, footpaths, trees, ponds, botany, hedgerows, and with planning issues, including village development limits, buildings, water drainage, and electricity supply.

The survey and resulting plan, directed by Donald Stewart, was discussed with the Parish Council, the Rural District Council and Essex County Planners. The Society became responsible for updating the Hadstock listed building information and supported the Parish Council when it applied for Hadstock to become a conservation area. A map was produced in 1974 showing the village building development envelope and proposed conservation area and was approved with modifications by the Rural District Council in 1976. This became the key reference document for future planning recommendations by the Parish Council until 1984, when some revisions were proposed and agreed.

*Map created in 1974  
by Donald Stewart  
showing the proposed  
Village Conservation  
area (hatched).*



All Amenity Societies were able to receive copies of local planning applications from 1977 onwards, and so, alongside the Parish Council, the Society became an Uttlesford Planning consultee, a position which is still holds.

In 1973, a safe path to Linton was opened alongside the B1052. This is now Len's path named after Len Rowlandson who for many years worked for the Council as a lengths- man on paths, ditches, fences and other Parish land. This was the first successful project completed by the Society following negotiation with local farmer, John Crawley. Later in 1975, a chance meeting between Committee member Lettice Dawson and the Head of Eastern Electricity on a bus led to Hadstock's nest of power lines in the centre of the village being put underground and a large number of wooden poles became available for good causes.

*A safe path to Linton – Len's path was created in 1973, and named after Len Rowlandso*



For the first 10 years, the Committee organised a series of open meetings with outside speakers to help develop background knowledge on subjects such as Essex landscape, nature reserves, tree planting and woodland management, listed building issues, and local archaeology. Committee meetings dealt regularly with around 5 Parish planning applications each year, although this increased to nearly 10 per year in the early 1980s.

Major projects were developed to meet requirements at the time, such as, developing the village plan; assisting the Parish Council with the Queen's Silver Jubilee in 1977, including gifting by the Society of the Queen's oak tree planted at the corner of Moules Lane; studying Parish footpaths and their legal status; investigating thatched house rating valuations; and opposing the proposed six-fold passenger expansion at Stansted Airport in 1980.

**Next time - [The Queens Silver Jubilee](#) and [Hadstock Society.1982-1992](#)**

Do come and join us for a  
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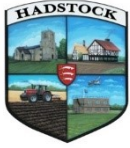
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## HADSTOCK CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS 2022



### HADSTOCK SILVER BAND CHRISTMAS SING-ALONG



**Tuesday 20th December 7.30pm in Hadstock Church**

**For all ages. so bring the children**

**A very enjoyable evening**

**Free refreshments - Free raffle**

Come and join in the singing of favourite seasonal music.

The band will be playing carols and other well known sing along tunes for about one hour

The Hadstock Band perform this concert for the Village

### CAROL SINGING AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE ON THE VILLAGE GREEN



**Thursday 22nd December @ 6.00pm**

Laura Carob will be leading the carol singing this year.

Join Laura at the Village Green around the Tree

All are welcome to join the carol singing

Refreshments will be courtesy of John and Barbara Bye.

### CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE FOR ALL AGES

**LIGHT OF THE WORLD SERVICE** with candles  
we light during the Service

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December - Service starts at 6.00 pm**

A service revolves around carols that are familiar and for all the family, and some readings to celebrate this important period of the year in the Christian Calendar. This service will be in a similar format to Precovid Christmas Eve Services.



### CHRISTMAS DAY

**No Service in Hadstock.**

**There will be a Christmas Day Service at**

**All Saints church in Ashdon**

**This Service on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December starts at  
9.30 am**

**Led by. The Padre at Carver Barracks**

