

Trade Directory

Architectural Services - for advice and free quotation, contact	Mark Woods	01508 498805
Oil boiler services: servicing/commissioning & breakdown repairs	Chris Clarke 1-service/2 - emergency	07377 516660/07912 146619
Central heating/boiler engineer (gas/LPG) - Gas Safe registered	Kenneron (Boiler Champ Ltd)	07874 007263/01508 473080
DKC Oil Boiler Servicing and breakdowns	David	07375 995198
Oil Boiler Services - for enquiries: em Enquiries@JAboilers.co.uk	James Allen	07526 052222
Car servicing/repairs/MOT prep etc	Mike Curtis	01508 550293/07753 182065
Airport transfer specialist/Chauffeur hire. www.peterrudlingtravel.co.uk	Ben Rudling info@peterrudlingtravel.co.uk	07545 560565
The Village Chimney Sweep of Saxlingham - City and Guilds	Ben Hampton	07920 585518
Computer repairs, virus removal & more - www.pcassistonline.co.uk	Darren Rose	01508 471459
Coco's Dog Grooming - holistic grooming, washes/full grooms, etc.	Rachael Hill	07812 753750
Electrician - ICD Domestic Electrics	Ian and Caroline Duerden	01508 813802/07790 273689
Foot Care Practitioner - all treatments (diabetics welcome)	Mandy Baker	07398 402620
Funeral Services (Poringland based offices)	R B Copping	01508 494434
Professional Gardener with horticultural qualifications - tbgardenmaintenance@gmail.com	Tom Beevor	07557 670733
Floorlayer and Handyman	Bradley Patrick	01508 499133/07982 740833
HR Consultant- advice and support on employment matters	Lucy - Lucy@mustardhr.co.uk	07809 227222
Garden Design and Maintenance garreegardendesign@gmail.com	James Garrec	07551 660485
Gutter Tech, Clearing, Cleaning, Repairs. guttertechnofolk@gmail.com	Charlie (Nick Charles)	07982 452351
Local Handyman, property maintenance/painting & decorating service	Ian Pilkington	07789 541421
Landscaping and gardening, patios, fencing, brickweave drives etc	Rachel Cooke (Arkscape)	01508 470482
Interior/exterior painting and decorating	Michael Wiseman	07941 69232
Live honey bee removal from chimneys and wall cavities	Louise - louise@buzz-off.co.uk	07876 141153/01603 259945
Lady Mole Catcher for all pest and wildlife management problems	Louise - louise@ladymolecatcher.co.uk	01603 259945/07876 141153
Pet sitting service - cats, dog walking and other animals	Jo Sanders - jsanjicook@yahoo.co.uk	07902 393078
Plumbing and bathroom installation	Neil Prior	01508 489359/07713 352494
Recycled car spares, MOT failures - www.dysalvage.com	David Yarham	01508 482612/07860 626595
Tutor - 3Rs, maths and sciences to GCSE, revision support	Storm Roberts - fayre@me.com	07939 242262
Wills and estate planning accredited by Trading Standards -	Rick Mantin	01603 765337/07789 194430
Washing machines, etc. - all repaired	Michael Jay	01603 499578/07884 255292
Washing machines, cookers, dishwashers, fridge freezer etc repairs	Ashley Yallop	01603 433083/07525 150999
Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall Bookings	Claire Smith - e-mail saxlinghambookings@gmail.com	
Community Emergency Co-ordinator	Bryn Austin	01508 499757/07788 795666
Police Telephone Number	Non emergencies	101
Power cuts	Local information	105

If you would like to advertise in the Trade Directory, please do get in touch with the Editor.

Saxlingham Contact September 2025

Chapel Talk

Forgive me for mentioning it, but one of the most frequent topics of conversation I'm sure you will agree, is the frustrating consequences of local roadworks and diversions! When planning any journeys, even short ones, we have to make allowances, leading to concerns about meeting appointment times, as well as navigating unknown routes. Sometimes even Sat Navs are less than reliable, if they are not up to date with current map configurations. It reminds me that life is often described as a journey and, as with roadworks, we can find ourselves changing direction, either by choice, or through circumstances, often beyond our control. Either way, it can be stressful and unsettling. The two most important things to bear in mind when setting off on any journey, are the destination and the route. The Bible explains this very simply concerning the journey of life. It tells us that God wants our destination to be Heaven and Jesus tells us very clearly how to get there. He says, "I am the way, the truth and the life." We can't do much about current roadworks and diversions but we can make the decision on life's journey, to follow Jesus, who will lead us to the ultimate destination! Yes, He is the way, the truth and the life.

Ian

Thank You!

Thank you from Mary Gibson to everyone who has visited her in hospital and sent her get well wishes.

This month's contact is sponsored by:

Alan and Theresa Sutton in memory of
Marian, wife, mum and nanny. Missed always.

Jean Clarke in memory of her son, Graham
who died on 15 September 2005. Loved and remembered every day.

ST MARY'S SERVICES

7 September: 9.30 am - Holy Communion

14 September: 11.00 am - Matins

21 September: 9.30 am - Holy Communion

28 September: 8.00 am - Holy Communion

28 September: 11.00 am Contemplative Worship

CHAPEL SERVICES

Every Sunday at 11.00 am and 6.30 pm

All are warmly invited

How to contact the teams:

Contact Rev'd Dawn Davidson at The New Rectory, The Street, Saxlingham Nethergate, Norwich, NR15 1AJ; tel 498924; e-m: dawndavidson@btinternet.com

Contact Pastor Ian Masson at 73 Blithemeadow Drive, Norwich, NR7 8PY; tel 07778 347461; e-m: ianmasson1@btinternet.com

Contact Rev'd Austin Uzoigwe at The Rectory, Church Hill, Tasburgh, NR15 1NB; tel 470901; e-m: revaustinuzoigwe@aol.com

Contact Rev'd Rachel Hayden at The Rectory, Church Lane, Newton Flotman, NR15 1QB; Tel 01508 826971; e-m: racheljhayden@outlook.com

The Picnic Club (aimed at 4 to 11 year olds)

Saturday 27 September 2025 11:30 am – 2.00 pm at the Chapel

There will be lots of fun, with Bible stories, songs, games, crafts and quizzes. All you need to do, is book a place, bring a grown-up and some lunch. Spaces are limited, book by emailing saxlinghamchapel@gmail.com or link <https://form.jotform.com/saxlinghamchapel/the-picnic-club>

Hempnall Art Exhibition (supporting a local charity)

4 and 5 October between 10.30 am and 4.00 pm
Hempnall Village Hall Bungay Road Hempnall NR15 2NG

Art works for sale by club members and invited artists
Home made cakes; teas and coffee
Free Entry

Saxlingham Players AGM—2 September 2025 in the Village Hall

Come and join the Players at the Village Hall on 2 September starting at 6.30 pm for drinks and nibbles which is then followed by the AGM starting at 7.00pm

News from the Pews

The Norfolk Churches Trust Annual Cycle Ride on Saturday 13 September is the next event on the church's calendar. For several years now it has been possible to be sponsored to bike, walk or drive to visit as many churches and chapels as possible which are open especially on this date. The money raised by sponsorship goes to the Churches Trust but the nominated church, in our case, St Mary's, receives a portion. If you would like to take part, please pick up a form from the back of the church (open 10.00 am – 4.00 pm each day) or contact me if you are willing to sit in the porch signing in the visitors or need more information. One of the Heritage Open Days is also taking place on the same date. If you find yourself in Norwich or various other places around the county, you will be able to visit lots of places which are not normally open to the public.

Harvest Weekend starts with the supper on **Saturday 4 October** at which (in addition to live music) we will have a guest speaker from NARS telling us about how our donations make a difference to their organisation. The Harvest Service is at 9.30 am on Sunday 5 October. This is followed by the Early Bird Christmas Craft Fair on 11 October.

Trussell Trust Foodbank has requested the following items for Harvest time: tinned vegetables/rice pudding/meat/fruit; pasta sauce; UHT milk; fruit juice; teabags (40s); penguin bars (or similar).

Cindy Brookes, 499358, cindylbrookes@icloud.com

Thank You!

Thanks go to William Slater of Windy Ridge, Foxhole, Saxlingham Thorpe, from the neighbours of West End, for clearing off the soil with his tractor from the bottom of West End Road near the A140

Open Tower at St Mary's Church Saxlingham Nethergate 10.00 am—12 noon on Saturday 27 September

There will be an 'open house' event in the tower. If you've ever been curious about how we ring or would like to have a go at ringing a church bell, do drop in. It's free and there's no obligation. Suitable for all ages from about age 10 upwards. It's a great hobby!

Come to the Cinema

Newton Flotman Village Centre - There's a film night every third Tuesday with doors opening at 7.00 pm. Tickets £5.00 each available from William Ball on 471506 or e-mail him at william.ball@outlook.com. Unfortunately, at the time of going to print, the details of the September film were not available—the vote was still to be cast!

Poringland Community Cinema - 12 September at 7.30 pm - Bridget Jones Mad About the Boy—the latest instalment in the saga of Bridget Jones. Tickets £5 each on the door

Come and Dance on a Thursday!

5.30 pm—7.00 pm Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall

Beginners Dance Class with Charlotte - line dancing and much more. £8.50 per person.

Saxlingham United Charities

The Trustees of the Charities have a modest amount of money available to them each year to assist those in need in the Parish. In October the Trustees consider applications from residents. Those who were in receipt of a donation last year will receive a letter and application form. If you, or someone you know, wasn't in receipt last year and could benefit then the Trustees would encourage applications in confidence. The short application form can be obtained from any of the Trustees or the Clerk, contact details below, or from the Saxlingham United Charities' section of the Parish Council's website <https://saxlinghampc.wixsite.com/saxlinghampc/saxlingham-united-charities>. The Trustees will be meeting in late October and therefore all applications must be returned to a Trustee or the Clerk **by 25 October**. Whilst Trustees only consider regular applications in October each year, they would encourage anyone who finds themselves needing urgent financial assistance to make contact with one of them or the Clerk at any time. **If, for whatever reason, you find yourself in need of financial assistance, please do make contact.**

Trustees:

Linda Kent e-mail: linda.kent30@gmail.comtel: 01508 813160
Lorraine Titlow..... e-mail: lism.till@btinternet.comtel: 01508 498079
Chris Clements e-mail: chris.clements3@yahoo.comtel: 01508 499697

Clerk:

Julie King e-mail: saxlingham.uc@gmail.com tel: 01508 470759
Address: 22 Henry Preston Road, Tasburgh, Norwich, NR15 1NU

Village Hall Website

Don't forget to visit the village hall website <https://saxnethergatevillagehall.co.uk/>

Are You Good with figures?

If the answer is yes, would you consider supporting the Parochial Church Council by becoming the Saxlingham Church treasurer? We need someone competent with figures to look after the finances by running the bank account, dealing with payments, donations and sorting out gift claims and then reporting back regularly to the PCC.

If you are interested or would like further information, please get in touch with Rev'd Dawn Davidson or our churchwarden, Cindy Brookes, whose details appear elsewhere in Contact. They would love to hear from you.

Contact deadline

Please note that the deadline for **October's** edition is **Thursday 18 September**. Don't forget there is a parish photocopier available for use at very reasonable rates. Please contact me with contributions/sponsorship by telephone on 498277 or e-m: stevens.t@btinternet.com or at home, 6 Pitts Hill Close, Saxlingham Nethergate, Norwich, NR15 1AZ.

Teresa Stevens

Useful Information Sharing

Don't forget to look at the PC's website for useful information – saxlinghampc.wixsite.com/saxlinghampc (or just Google Saxlingham PC). Anyone wishing to add useful items, please send them to our Parish Clerk, Julie King at saxlinghamnethergatepc@gmail.com

Saxlingham Walkers

Our next walk will be a late afternoon walk on Tuesday 16 September to include drinks and/or food at the Worlds End pub Mulbarton. We will meet first at the Saxlingham Church car park at 3.30pm and then park at Worlds End pub. The 4 mile Walk starts 4.00 pm and includes a section of the lovely Tas Valley Way. Do stay for drinks and perhaps food at the pub and join us, even if you are unable to do the walk. For further information, please contact Liz on 01508 499013.



Saxlingham Annual Beer Festival
13 September at the Playing Field



Saxlingham Village Voice

If you wish to sign up to Village Voice e-mail Cathy Harvey at saxlinghamvillagevoice@gmail.com.

Early Bird Christmas Craft Fair at Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall

11 October 2025 at 1.30 pm

Get ahead this year and come along to the Early Bird Christmas Craft Fair—lots of lovely items to buy along with tea/coffee and cake. Win a Hamper in the Raffle.

Hope you can join us for a fun afternoon.

It's harvest time!
Come and celebrate together

**Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall
Saturday 4 October 2025 (6.00 for 6.30 pm)**

Buffet Supper followed by home made desserts

Light entertainment

(£10 per head with reductions for children under 12)
Please bring your own drinks of choice and cutlery

Your tickets (cash please) are available from :

Helen Pye (hpye87@gmail.com)

Teresa Stevens (stevens.t@btinternet.com)

Cindy Brookes (cindylbrookes@icloud.com)

Separate Raffle

Please book tickets—no tickets will be available on the door,

Hope you can come!

In the tradition of harvest thanksgiving, please also bring with you a small gift suitable for the Foodbank

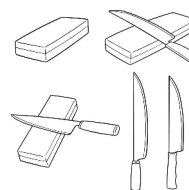
SAXLINGHAM NETHERGATE JUMBLE SALE!

Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall

Saturday 6 September

12 noon – 4.00 pm

Good quality clothing, books, bric a
brac, toys and pre loved treasures.



Norfolk Edge Perfection will be
providing an on the day knife and
tool sharpening service.

Bring along your kitchen knives or garden tools
for sharpening while you peruse the jumble sale
and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and
homemade cake!



All proceeds to go to the Village Hall
Charity Fund.

