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that can make it as the evenings draw out.**

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Film details will be given in March edition of Outwood News

FESTIVE FIRS - A FINAL WORD

Many thanks to all who contributed to the success of the 2025 Festival in any way - it really was a community effort, and raised £850 for Church funds, which made all the hard work worthwhile.

The winning tree was 'Creativitree' by Sarah and Sallie Charman, with the WI 'Tree of Empowerment' a very close second. All the trees were magnificent, and all decorators must be congratulated on their ingenuity.

Hopefully we can repeat our success in 2027!

Helen and Libby

ALAN'S AMBLINGS

Dear Friends

Happy New Year for 2026! May it be a good year for you all and may you be richly blessed. On the theme of blessings, I am offering House Blessings again this year and if anyone wants me to come and bless their home in this New Year then please get in touch and I will arrange a time to come.



As I write this article for the February magazine, I am conscious that we are already midway through January and the first green shoots are starting to appear. Last week we celebrated Plough Sunday which marks the beginning of the agricultural year. I blessed a plough at Outwood Church and distributed Freesia and Ranunculus bulbs to everyone in the congregation, encouraging them to plant them in their gardens over the next few weeks. These should flower in the Summer and will remind us of the seeds and bulbs of faith that are planted in our hearts through the love of God which I hope and pray will flourish throughout this year.

February marks the early beginnings of spring when the snowdrops are out and new life is beginning to reappear in our gardens and fields. It marks one of the turning points of the year and falls midway between the Winter solstice and the Spring Equinox.

February also begins in the Church's calendar with the great feast of Candlemas or the Presentation of Christ. This marks the important occasion recorded in St Luke's Gospel when Mary and Joseph take the infant Jesus to be blessed in the temple at Jerusalem. While they are there, the aged Simeon holds the Christ child in his arms and utters the following words which we often sing in Church as the Nunc Dimittis:

Lord now let your servant go in peace
Your word has been fulfilled
For my eyes have seen your salvation
which you have prepared before the face of all people

Candlemas marks the end of the season of Epiphany in the Church's calendar which begins with the coming of the Wise Men to visit the infant Jesus bringing their precious gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. It is a season of signs and wonders seeking to reveal for Christians who Jesus really is.

CHURCH NEWS

This year we are marking Candlemas with a special candlelit service at 4pm on Sunday 1st February of music and readings for Epiphanytide to celebrate the signs and wonders that have been revealed since Christmas and to look forward to Lent and Easter. The choir have prepared some wonderful music, and this promises to be a beautiful service which all are welcome to attend.

In the middle of February, we move into the season of Lent which this year starts on Wednesday 18th which marks Ash Wednesday. On the day before, Shrove Tuesday there will be a Pancake Bonanza at 6pm in the Church Hall in Smallfield which you are warmly welcome to join us for.

At the end of February on Saturday 28th there is a special Vision Day meeting for the Windmill Benefice in the Hall, starting at 10am at which we will be developing a strategy for how our churches can best serve the needs of the local community and share the love of God more effectively in this place. Anyone is welcome to attend, and we would love to hear your views on the best way forward.

So, then lots of things happening in February. Hope to see you at some or all of these events.

I end with a Blessing which marks the change of the year and the new life that is springing up as we enter February:

Light of the World kindle in our hearts
a flame of truth to guide our steps
a warmth of love to shelter the weary
and a spark of hope to brighten the dark
May the seeds of kindness stir beneath the soil
and the frost of fear melt in your gentle light
Bless our hands to work with care
our words to speak with grace
and our lives to shine with your peace
this day and for all days to come. Amen.

Every Blessing

Alan, Rector.

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The Legend of St. Valentine

The legend of St. Valentine begins in the 3rd century BC with Emperor Claudius II's quest to build the world's strongest army. Believing unmarried and fatherless men created the best soldiers, he banned marriages for all young men. Valentine realized the injustice of the decree and defied Claudius by performing marriages for young lovers in secret. When his actions were discovered, he was arrested and sentenced to death by beheading.

While waiting in prison, he became acquainted with his jailers, one of whom had a blind daughter. When Valentine met the daughter, he cured the little girl of her blindness, resulting in the immediate conversion of her entire family. Before his execution, Valentine sent the little girl a note signed "from your Valentine," laying the foundation for the present-day romantic moniker.

Geoffrey Chaucer Links Valentine's Day to Romance

Although the truth behind the Valentine legends is murky, the stories all emphasize his appeal as a sympathetic, heroic, and, most importantly, romantic figure. This is why it's believed that over centuries, many elements of these two men's stories were intertwined to create the fabric of many present-day Valentine's traditions. By the Middle Ages, thanks to this reputation, Valentine would become one of the most popular saints in England and France.

Perhaps that's why, in the 14th century, Valentine's Day took a romantic turn, thanks to the influence of English poets like Geoffrey Chaucer. Chaucer's popular writing of the time told tales of unrequited love between brave knights and already betrothed noble ladies. In his poem "Parliament of Fowls," Chaucer reinforced the tradition of courtly love with the celebration of St. Valentine's Day by stating birds chose their mates on February 14, "For this was on Saint Valentine's Day when every bird comes there to choose his mate."

The Rise of Written Valentines

The tradition of exchanging love notes on Valentine's Day gained widespread popularity during the 17th century as handwritten letters expressing love and affection became a common practice among friends and lovers. By the 18th century, literacy and printing advancements led to the widespread use of printed cards, known as "mechanical valentines." Meticulously designed and printed with ornate illustrations, these pre-printed cards enabled people of all classes to partake in the growing tradition of exchanging Valentine's cards.

DECEMBER 2025

Once again our Christmas lunch was a great success this year: we enjoyed turkey with all the trimmings, Christmas pudding, mince pies and cheese with biscuits. Any passerby would have heard us singing “The Twelve Days of Christmas” lustily, each table taking a different verse. The accompanying actions for “six geese a-laying” and “eight maids a-milking” had to be seen to be believed!

We also took part in the Festive Firs celebration at St Johns Church in Outwood. Our tree was proudly entitled the “Tree of Empowerment” and it included names of women of power and achievement through the ages. We chose the colours of purple and silver as these were used for the banners of the original suffragettes in the nineteenth century.



All our decorations were made using materials that had been upcycled or repurposed.

JANUARY 2026

Another new year has rolled in and we have begun in our first meeting to focus on this year’s WI main resolution: Bystanders can be life savers. The Lloyd Hall, where we meet monthly, has a defibrillator on site and the committee realised how few of us knew how to utilise this in the case of an emergency.

Our secretary Helena has appropriate first aid training, so she led our ladies through a lively session.

She began by discussing what they could do to help if they saw a cardiac arrest, then demonstrated CPR and had a demo defib box so that people could hear exactly what would be said if they needed to use the box. Finally, she demonstrated the recovery position, having reassured us about typical concerns relating to rearranging the clothing of an inert victim.



Helena had pre-prepared some excellent slides, and our members responded very well to her; all present came away with a much more thorough knowledge of how to be a life saver!

Our next meeting will be a birthday party! We shall be celebrating 105 years of membership of the WI: Tuesday February 3rd at 2.30pm.

Elizabeth Dyke



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POPPY APPEAL 2025

We are very pleased to report that our fundraising events and static collection boxes in the local area raised the sum of £2454.64 for the Poppy Appeal.

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Spring Lunch - 17th April - Lloyd Hall

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NATURE WATCH

Since the beginning of last December, the weather has thrown everything at us frost, snow, icy ponds, our old friend strong winds and what at times has seemed like non-stop rain. Despite all this we are a month past the winter solstice, daylight is already perceptively longer and we are edging slowly towards spring. The signs are more evident in gardens with shrubs such as *Sarcococca confusa* aka Christmas Box, with its white flowers scenting the air with vanilla and similarly the winter honeysuckle (*Lonicera purpusii*) with its, tubular, creamy white, scented flowers that provide food for early bumble bees, as does the winter flowering *Clematis cirrhosa* - var *purpurascens* Freckles with its pink open bells splattered with spots of burgundy and once again it provides an excellent source of pollen for bumble bees.

As is well acknowledged last year was what is called a “mast year” when trees and shrubs produce a great surfeit of fruit and berries but the surprise has been that so many of the berries are still left hanging on branches instead of being eaten by the birds. Blackbirds, starlings, pigeons and thrushes have taken their fill but I haven’t seen any redwings. It seems that they have stayed in Scandinavia during the winter instead of flying to the UK. Mild sunny days have encouraged birds to start pairing off with blue tits and robins inspecting nest boxes and tree hollows. Also, although squirrels don’t hibernate, mild conditions tempt them down from their cosy dreys to forage for food.

Once again, a white squirrel has been putting in appearances this time in the woodland between the church and the cricket pitch and Emma and Colin Denny kindly sent me a great photograph of a white squirrel highlighted against the almost black trunk of a tree. We are so lucky in Outwood where sightings of white squirrels in the woodland in Outwood are a regular event. My first sighting was of two of them around Wasp Green and Millers Lane well over twenty years ago and when I spoke to Brian Hibbard, who was the National Trust woodsman at the time, he said there had been three but one had been killed by a car. There is no doubt that we have a strong gene pool for white squirrels in the hotspot area of the Surrey and Sussex border, elsewhere in the country they are rare. This white form of the grey squirrel normally has dark eyes described as leucistic, whereas the much rarer form is the albino with pink eyes.



Life expectancy is on average between 3 and 5 years.

There are plenty of sightings of deer around the village and it is said that we now have more deer in the country than we did in the time of Henry VIII. An interesting report comes from Pam and Nigel Shaw who have spent many an hour “just chilling out” watching and photographing a family of three roe deer, consisting of a doe with her two fauns regularly feeding and playing in their garden. (See page 23).

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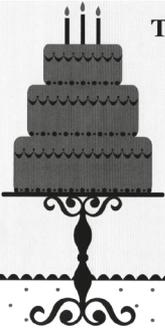
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Come And Meet Each Other.

What a busy few weeks we've had! On the 5th December CAMEO were entertained by the hand-bell group led by Rev. Charles Sargent. Christmas tunes rang out, such as Oh Holy Night, Jingle Bells and Silent Night. Some of our members were brave enough to try out hand-bell ringing for themselves. They did brilliantly!



On the 12th December, we went along to Horne Golf Club for our Christmas lunch. The food was delicious and the service impeccable.

Huge thanks to Bill, Richard and all the staff.

We all enjoyed a great celebration.

In January, Roger Hind brought along his keyboard and helped us bring in the new year with the theme of Tunes, Stories and Songs. Roger is incredibly knowledgeable about all types of music, including composition.

CAMEO have sent £32.70 to Action for M.E.

Roger's chosen charity in memory of his wife, Rosemary.

On 6th February, we are meeting for cake, coffee and craft, as usual in Smallfield Church Hall at 2pm. All are very welcome to come along.

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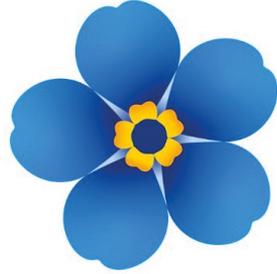
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PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE AND BUDGET 2026-27

The Parish Council has finalised and approved the budget for the 2026–2027 financial year. The budget had been thoroughly discussed in advance, with all relevant information circulated to Council Members prior to the meeting in January.

It was acknowledged that the budget increase for this year exceeds those of previous years; however, the Council deemed it necessary to plan for the anticipated rise in responsibilities resulting from the ongoing Local Government Reorganisation. As a result, it was agreed to adopt a virtually net zero budget, aiming to preserve the Council's reserves.

Income	£46,180
Expenditure	£46,313

The budget was proposed by Councillor de Wiggondene-Sheppard and seconded by Councillor Malley. The Council passed the resolution accordingly.

Precept for 2026–2027

Councillor de Wiggondene-Sheppard proposed that the Precept to be levied on Tandridge District Council should be set at £45,000 (forty-five thousand pounds). Councillor Malley seconded the proposal, and the resolution was agreed.

For comparison, the Band 'D' Council Tax was £98.81 in 2025–2026 and will rise to £131.96 in 2026–2027. While this represents an increase of 33%, the Council believes this rise is essential given the forthcoming changes. The increase of £33.25 equates to approximately £2.76 per month or £0.63 per week for a Band 'D' property.

Community Facilities

The Council has also requested the installation of a Grit Bin at the corner of Scotts Hill and Gayhouse Lane, further demonstrating its commitment to maintaining and improving community facilities.

Community Spirit and Improvements

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Meetings are held each month except August and December

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

Sunday 1st February - Presentation of Christ

8.00am	BCP Holy Communion - Horne
9.30am	Morning Worship - Burstow
10.00am	Family Service - Horne
11.00am	Morning Worship - Outwood
4.00pm	Choral Service - Horne

Sunday 8th February

9.30am	Holy Communion - Burstow
10.00am	Holy Communion - Horne
11.00am	Holy Communion - Outwood
3.00pm	Café Church - Smallfield Church Hall

Sunday 15th February

9.30am	Holy Communion - Burstow
10.00am	Holy Communion - Horne
11.00am	Holy Communion - Outwood

Wednesday 18th February - Ash Wednesday

10.30am	Said Holy Communion - Smallfield Church Hall
7.30pm	Sung Holy Communion - Horne

Sunday 22nd February

9.30am	Holy Communion - Burstow
10.00am	Holy Communion - Horne
11.00am	Holy Communion - Outwood

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For more information please contact horleyrepaircafe@yahoo.com



OUR DEER FAMILY

This family of three have been visiting us periodically over several months, so we've watched the kids growing up. Just before Christmas, they spent almost the whole day in the same spot, just 'chilling'. A day or two before that, growing tired of play fighting, one of the two youngsters decided to treat the garden like a race track, haring round the trees and shrubs at break-neck speed for a good few minutes whilst Mum and sibling just looked on.



The other day we had five here all together.

They've been occupying a great deal of our time lately!

Pam and Nigel Shaw

OUTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL cont

COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND IMPROVEMENTS

The Outwood Beacon was originally commissioned by the parish council for the Queen's Jubilee in 2012. James Wells of Hookhouse Farm put his considerable blacksmithing skills to good use to make the fire basket and put up the beacon. There was a cost difference between a softwood post and an oak post with the softwood post predicted to last some fifteen years. Sadly it only managed twelve years having blown over on the night of the 23rd December 2025.

During the past twelve years the beacon has been lit on numerous occasions, including the annual wassail and the queen's jubilees in 2012 and 2022 when Dame Judi Dench and Jannet Bristow jointly lit it.

The basket was recovered on the 24th December for safekeeping by Andy Wright. It had sustained some cracks to the welds when it hit the ground. Our local blacksmith Duncan Scobell kindly welded it up free of charge.

Andy Wright took the lead on replacing the beacon. On the morning of 17th January Andy was joined by Andrew Crawford, Glen Biddles and Eric Biddles who very ably resurrected the beacon in its former location.

The oak post should last some twenty five years.

The hiring of machinery, purchase of materials, etc was all done at cost, (paid for by the Parish Council), and all labour was given on a voluntary basis. The Parish Council sincerely thanks everyone involved.





The Parish Council has recently also funded the installation of a new fingerpost on the Common, replacing the previous sign which had become rotten. This upgrade ensures that visitors and residents alike can easily navigate the area. In addition to restoring the sign, a new finger has been added, specifically pointing the way to the Cricket Club.



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I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a joyful celebration to see in the new year with your family and loved ones. Many of you will have read from my previous articles that 2025 had been a remarkable year for me and my family – so I was grateful to welcome in 2026 with my son and husband by my side. I have been blown away with the level of support and warm wishes I have received since sharing my story, so thank you all for bearing with me as I steadily returned from maternity leave.

In the south of the constituency, we have seen a number of reoccurring noxious fires – yet another part of the growing number of local incidents that feel like an all-out assault on our countryside. Locals are sick of no action being taken despite reporting the fires several times, so after writing to the Environmental Agency I brought their officers to the epicentre, Smallfield, for a public meeting. The Highways Agency also responded positively to a request I put in for gantry data warning drivers on the M23 of poor visibility. I'm glad we are finally starting to get some movement on this and I will continue to work with residents to get this sorted.

At the 11th hour in December, farmers received the news of a partial U-turn on the Government's Family Farms Tax after months and months of campaigns. The threshold will be lifted to £2.5 million. This will be welcome news for some East Surrey farmers but there's still much more to do.

One of the great privileges of my job is visiting our local schools and colleges. Before the Christmas break, I was thrilled to visit not just one, nor two, but three beacons of educational excellence here in East Surrey: Hillcroft Primary School in Caterham to see their impressive brand new facility for their ever-cute two-year-old intake; East Surrey College to talk to the principal about all things apprenticeships and how tremendously well the students are performing ahead of their exams in the summer; and to officially open East Surrey's newest specialist school – Auroa Chaldon School, between Chaldon and Merstham. Education is the closest thing we have to a silver bullet that can improve the life chances of every young person. To see how brilliantly our local teachers and support staff work to give our youngsters the best possible start is an opportunity I never say no to.

After hundreds of wonderfully festive Christmas card designs flooded my inbox for my annual competition, I'm delighted to share that Willow from Furze Field Primary School in Merstham won with her fantastically festive drawing. Thank you to everyone who sent in a design – and I look forward to welcoming Willow and her family to Westminster to receive her prize.

Whilst I usually reserve my columns to update you on my work championing East Surrey, after November's Budget many hardworking families will be thinking, why do I bother? Families struggling to keep up with ever-increasing energy bills; small business owners struggling to stay afloat, not through a lack of grit or determination but because of an ever-expanding web of regulation and tax rises. At the end of the day the Budget means higher taxes and lower living standards for people in East Surrey and across the country. That is an irresponsible and unfair approach, and one which I will continue to oppose.

If you would like to share your thoughts or if there is an issue you would like my help with, please contact me at claire.coutinho.mp@parliament.uk.

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Brightleigh Farm is the northern outpost of the Knepp project and together they are working to combat climate change by creating wildlife corridors and practising low-density farming.

It promises be a fascinating talk and we are so proud to encourage such an innovative project in the heart of our village!

There will be samples of Penny's food to taste and opportunities to purchase her produce during the evening. We encourage you to attend so that you can learn more about the future of both sustainable farming and sensible food consumption!

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