

Welcome to Bossingham and Upper Hardres

We hope you will be very happy living here.

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Upper Hardres Parish Council:

Upper Hardres Parish Council meets at least six times a year at Bossingham Village Hall, and meeting dates can be found on our website.

You are welcome to attend our meetings, and if you cannot attend a meeting but would like to raise a matter with the Councillors, please contact our parish clerk, at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Do keep an eye on the Planning Applications page of our website for news of latest planning applications in the village.

Please contact the parish clerk if you wish to be added to our parish list to receive updates on roadworks, planning applications, meetings, and community events by email. We also pin relevant notices to the Parish Council noticeboard, currently outside Bossingham Village Hall.

You can follow the Parish Council on Facebook for regular updates on our work, events, and issues affecting the community:

www.facebook.com/p/Upper-Hardres-Parish-Council-100087080342914/

Your Parish Council:

Nick Waldron – *Chairman*

James Hodgkinson – *Vice-Chairman*

Simon Warner, Jessica Wood, Katy Ford - *Councillors*

Karley Hubbard – *Clerk/RFO*

Parish Council website:

www.upperhardres-pc.gov.uk

Contact details:

Karley Hubbard (*Clerk/RFO*)

Email: clerk@upperhardres-pc.gov.uk

Phone: 07872 417912

Canterbury City Council:

Visit www.canterbury.gov.uk for details of: Planning & Building; Council Tax; Parking & Roads; Bins & Waste, and more.

Your City Councillors representing Bossingham and Upper Hardres, as part of the Chartham and Stone Street Ward, are **Mike Bland** and **Alister Brady**.

mike.bland@councillor.canterbury.gov.uk

alister.brady@councillor.canterbury.gov.uk

Kent County Council:

Visit www.kent.gov.uk for details of: Education; Social Services; Transport; Roads; Public Rights of Way; Libraries, and more.

Your County Councillor representing Bossingham and Upper Hardres, as part of the Canterbury South Division, is **Mike Sole**.

mike.sole@kent.gov.uk

Bossingham Playing Field:

rear of Bossingham Village Hall, The Street, Bossingham CT4 6DX



This free-to-use facility is owned and managed by the parish council and provides sports and leisure equipment for a wide range of ages.

Please note that dogs are not allowed on the playing field at any time.

Bossingham Village Hall:

The Street, Bossingham CT4 6DX



We are very lucky to have a lovely village hall which is bright and airy. It has a wooden sprung floor ideal for dancing, the ladies toilets have recently been refurbished, there is a well equipped kitchen with crockery, cutlery and glasses and there are tables and chairs for 80 plus people. There are patio doors out to a good size patio area with picnic tables with parasols and an enclosed outdoor grass area.

We hold a monthly supper on the first Friday of the month, which is open to all and is an opportunity for residents to meet up, if you are interested contact Linda Warner on 07703 574783.

The hall is available for hire at very reasonable rates and is a great venue for parties and functions. We have an online booking system via hallbookingonline.com. If you would like to take a look round before booking, please contact Ali Hewitt on 07889 720865.

The hall is managed by the Bossingham Village Hall Management Committee and we would welcome anyone who would like to get involved. Please contact Ali Hewitt or Linda Warner.

We run a 100 Club in aid of the village hall, which raises much needed funds for the hall. Membership costs £60 a year or £5 a month. Each member is entered in a monthly draw, and 50% of the funds raised goes to the prize fund.

A defibrillator is located on the car-park side of the hall, in the covered porch in the green AED cabinet. To access the code in an emergency, call 999.

For details of hall hire, go to <https://hallbookingonline.com/bossingham/>

Bus Service

A timetable for the Stagecoach no.18 Canterbury to Hythe bus service, via Upper Hardres and Bossingham, is enclosed.

To download a timetable, go to <https://www.stagecoachbus.com/timetables>.

The Church of St Peter & St Paul, Upper Hardres:

Hardres Court Road, Upper Hardres CT4 6EN



Rector: Rev'd Dawn Stamper

Churchwarden: Anne Barlow: *tel:* 01227 709312; *email:* anne.bee@btinternet.com

Keyholders: Angela Hirst: *tel:* 07831 325228
Margaret Webb: *tel:* 01227 709557

Website: www.upperhardreschurch.co.uk

Worship in the Community

Two Anglican churches serve the villages of Bossingham and Stelling Minnis and the hamlet of Upper Hardres. These are the church of St Peter & St Paul at Upper Hardres and the church of St Mary at Stelling. Both churches have been the site of Christian worship for almost a thousand years - probably longer - and remain a flourishing presence in our community. These churches now form part of the Wye Benefice.

The Church of St Peter & St Paul

Worship

Located just outside Bossingham, in the hamlet of Upper Hardres, the church offers a style of worship that has been described as "traditional but lively." A service is held each Sunday but the time and focus of the service is rotated as follows:

1st Sunday – Family Service at 11 am

2nd Sunday – Sung Evensong at 6pm

3rd Sunday – Family Service at 11am

4th Sunday – Holy Communion at 8am

5th Sunday – 10:30 Communion at a Church in the Wye Benefice. See noticeboard for details.

The **Family Service**, held at 11am on the first Sunday of each month, is a Family Service in the true sense. Families with children of all ages are welcome, and there is a children's corner where toys and books are available. This service is led by a lay member of the church and usually includes a short family-focused event, such as drama, quiz or talk. Free light refreshments are offered at the end of this service, making it a good time to catch up with old friends or make new ones.

Sung Evensong takes place on the second Sunday of each month at 6pm and is taken from the Book of Common Prayer. Music is supported by the church choir, which is led by James Hodgkinson.

The **Family Communion** service, held on the third Sunday of each month, has facilities for children and there is time for coffee and a chat afterwards.

The **Holy Communion** service, held on the fourth Sunday of each month at 8 am, is a short, spoken service that follows the Book of Common Prayer.

Where there is a **fifth Sunday** in a month, we join with the congregation of St Mary's, Stelling, for a Family Communion Service at 10am. This is held alternately at Stelling and Upper Hardres – check the monthly Parish Magazine for exact location.

In addition to the regular Sunday services, **special services** are held throughout the year, especially during Lent, Easter, at Harvest time, Advent, and Christmas.

Additional information

Music

The church of St. Peter and St Paul has a long tradition of music-making. A fundamental role in this is played by the choir, which was founded in 1980. Initially its role was to sing on special occasions and at festivals in the church but now sings regularly on the first and second Sundays of the month and supports the singing at the Family Service.

New members are always welcome, and anyone interested should contact Anne Barlow on 01227 709312. The current choir leader is James Hodgkinson, an experienced singer, pianist, and director. Janet Henderson is the church organist, assisted by the Benefice Organist, Ruth Goodsell, on the first Sunday.

Church Improvement Project

Since 2016 the church has been involved in a major project to refurbish parts of the church to improve its facilities and increase its potential for community use.

Following highly successful fund-raising, accomplished by grant applications, generous donations and fundraising events, the vestry has been converted into a sound proofed meeting room, which can also be used for Sunday School, established a modern servery and welcome area at the rear of the church and replaced old and worn carpet with new, and built a WC with disabled access. This has been a great communal effort and is a good example of the community spirit of our church.

History and Heritage:

According to the Domesday Book (1086 - 87), there was already a Saxon church at Upper Hardres at the time of the Norman Conquest. It was rebuilt in the twelfth century, being consecrated in 1160. Several parts of the original church remain, including the tower and two typically Norman pillars supporting the arch between the chancel and the Lady Chapel.

The massive font, on the right as you enter the church, is also Norman, though not in its originally position. There are many other important and interesting historical features to Upper Hardres Church, such as the medieval graffiti uncovered during recent building work. Please visit the website www.upperhardreschurch.co.uk for more information.

If you would like to know any **further information** about our church, its mission, and how to get there (we can usually assist with transport if mobility is an issue) please feel free to contact Anne Barlow or Angela Hirst (ah@angela-hirst.com) or better still, come to one of our services.

We really look forward to meeting you.

Doctors' Surgeries:

New Lyminge Surgery

Greenbanks, Lyminge, Folkestone CT18 8NS

01303 863160

www.newlymingesurgery.co.uk

Bridge Health Centre *part of Canterbury Medical Practice*

Patixbourne Road, Bridge, Canterbury CT4 5BL

01227 831900

www.canterburymedicalpractice.nhs.net

Ethelbert Road Surgery *part of Canterbury Medical Practice*

Ethelbert Road, Canterbury CT1 3NR

01227 763377

www.canterburymedicalpractice.nhs.net

Hardres & Stelling News:

Purchase your copy of the monthly parish magazine at Stelling Minnis Stores.

To subscribe, call Margaret Crawford on 01227 709568.

To advertise, call Ann Day on 01227 709880 or email anmargaretday@outlook.com

Stelling Minnis Stores:

Minnis Lane, Stelling Minnis CT4 6AS



Shop opening times: Monday to Saturday: 7am-8pm. Sunday: 8am-4pm

Post Office opening times: Monday to Saturday: 7am-8pm. Sunday: 8am-4pm

Tel: 01227 709306

Email: dumptonpo@hotmail.com

Stelling Minnis & Upper Hardres History Group:

Meetings are held in the Meeting Room at Stelling Minnis Village Hall on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month and you would be very welcome. They also organise talks and outings advertised in Hardres & Stelling News.

Contact: Cara Cooper (*secretary*)

Email: sm.uh.history.group@gmail.com

Stelling Minnis and Upper Hardres Scouts:

Cubs and Scouts for Bossingham and Stelling Minnis. Meetings at Bossingham Scout Hut, Manns Hill, Bossingham.

Cubs meet on Wednesdays, term time 6.45pm to 8.15pm. For boys and girls between 8 and 11 years old.

Scouts meet on Mondays, term-time from 7pm to 9pm, for boys and girls between 11 and 14 years.

Explorers meet alongside the Scouts for boys and girls between 15 and 18 years.

Contact: Christine Cope

Email: stellingscouts@aol.co.uk

Upper Hardres, Bossingham & Stelling Minnis Gardeners' Society:

Contact: Mark Bennett
Email: mark.h.bennett@btinternet.com
Tel: 01227 794664

Stelling Minnis Church of England Primary School:

Bossingham Rd, Bossingham, Canterbury CT4 6DU



School for children in years one to six.

They boast a 'good' overall Ofsted inspection rating, with 'excellent' ratings in behaviour and early years provision.

There is a unique blend of academic excellence, and a substantive nurturing offer of farm school and outdoor learning.

Those attending Stelling Minnis Primary School are also able to join Stelling Lodge Young Farmers Club, which is exclusive to pupils of the school.

Email: office@stelling-minnis.kent.sch.uk

Tel: 01227 709218

Stelling Minnis Art Group

Small local community art group whose tutor is Ingrid Bax.

The group meets most Mondays at Stelling Minnis Village Hall between 10am and 1pm.

Contact: Ingrid Bax

Tel: 01227 831765

Pilates with Carrie Wilson Leavey

Pilates classes for strength and mobility

Beginners and intermediate classes Mornings and Afternoons

All in Bossingham Village Hall

Everyone welcome

Contact: Carrie Wilson Leavey

Tel: 07973 273096

The Rose and Crown Pub, Stelling Minnis:

3 Crown Ln, Stelling Minnis, Canterbury CT4 6AT



Open all day every day.

Friendly, family run pub.

Takeaway food, private dinner parties, wakes.

Contact: Jackie Jackson

Tel: 01227 709265

Kings Pet Services:

May Cottage, The St, Bossingham, Canterbury CT4 6DX



A family run business, established in 2018, offering Dog Grooming and Wedding Chaperone Services

Email: info@kingspetservices.co.uk

Tel: 01227 656727

Website: www.kingspetservices.co.uk

Upper Hardres Footpath Warden:

Total length of other publicly accessible paths in UH = 3.6kms

Total length all publicly accessible paths in UH = 9.2+ 3.6 = 12.8kms = 8 miles.

Parish dimensions c.4.1kms (2.6 miles) north to south & 3kms (1.9 miles) east to west

Contact: **Linda Warner**, UH Parish Footpath Observer/Warden

Bus Timetables:

Bus times

Canterbury • Hythe serving Bossingham, Stelling Minnis, Rhodes Minnis, Lyminge & Saltwood

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MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS except Bank Holidays

route number	18	18	18	18	18	18A	18
Canterbury Bus Station Bay C5	0855	1120	1340	Sch	NSch	Sch	
Nackington The Gap	0901	1126	1346	1616	1616	1621	1821
Simon Langton Boys School (schooldays only)	▼	▼	▼	1618	▼	1623	▼
Street End The Granville Inn	0907	1132	1352	1622	1622	1628	1827
Stone Street The Chequers	▼	▼	▼	1627	▼	▼	▼
Lower Hardres Phone Box	0909	1134	1354	▼	1624	1630	1829
Bossingham Bus shelter	0916	1141	1401	▼	1631	1639	1836
Stelling Minnis The Rose & Crown	0921	1146	1406	1636	1636	1646	1841
Wheelbarrow Town	0924	1149	1409	1639	1639	A	1844
Rhodes Minnis Bus Shelter	0929	1154	1414	1644	1644		1849
Sibton Park	0932	1157	1417	1647	1647		1852
Lyminge Post Office	0934	1159	1419	1649	1649		1854
Sandling Rail Station forecourt	0942	1207	1427	1657	1657		1902
Saltwood Green	0946	1211	1431	1701	1701		1906
Castle Road Tanner's Hill	BM	1215	1435	BM	BM		1910
Hythe Red Lion Square	0950	1221	1441	1705	1705		1916
Hythe Light Railway Station		1222	1442				1917

BM - This bus runs via Barrack Hill and Military Road (not Castle Hill).

NSch - These bus journeys run on Saturdays, and on Mondays to Fridays during school holidays only.

Sch - These bus journeys run on schooldays only.

A - This bus starts from/continues to Ashford and also serves Sellindge.

Hythe • Canterbury serving Saltwood, Lyminge, Rhodes Minnis, Stelling Minnis & Bossingham

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MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS except Bank Holidays

route number	18A	18	18	18	18	18	18
Hythe Light Railway Station	Sch	Sch	NSch		NSch	Sch	
Hythe Red Lion Square		0715	0720	0955	1225	1450	1450 1710
Castle Road Tanner's Hill		0721	0725	1001	1231	1456	1456 1716
Saltwood Brockhill Road		0725	0729	1005	1235	1500	1500 1720
Sandling Rail Station forecourt		0729	0733	1009	1239	1504	1504 1724
Lyminge Post Office		0737	0741	1017	1247	1512	1512 1732
Sibton Park		0739	0743	1019	1249	1514	1514 1734
Rhodes Minnis Bus Shelter		0744	0746	1022	1252	1517	1517 1737
Wheelbarrow Town		0747	0751	1027	1257	1522	1522 1742
Stelling Minnis The Rose & Crown	A	0753	0753	1030	1300	1525	1525 1745
Bossingham opp. Bus shelter		0758	▼	0758	1035	1305	1530 1750
Lower Hardres Phone Box		0805	▼	0805	1042	1312	1537 1757
Stone Street The Chequers		▼	0800	▼	▼	▼	▼
Street End The Granville Inn		0807	0804	0807	1044	1314	1539 1759
Simon Langton Boys' School (schooldays only)		▼	▼	▼	▼	▼	1550 ▼
Nackington The Gap		0812	0810	0813	1050	1320	1545 1553 1805
Canterbury Bus Station		0825	0820	0820	1056	1326	1551 1605 1811

Buses not serving Hythe Light Railway Station stop for the station in Military Road.

Bus routes 18 and 18A are operated by Stagecoach on behalf of Kent County Council.



This timetable will operate from 4 January 2016.

Bus times

Ashford • Canterbury

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SCHOOLDAYS ONLY

Ashford Park Street Stop A	0657	Canterbury Bus Station Bay C5	1615
Willesborough Tesco	0707	Nackington The Gap	1621
Mersham Turning	0710	Simon Langton Boys' School	1623
Smeeth Ridgeway	0712	Street End The Granville Inn	1628
Brabourne Lees The Woolpack	0714	Lower Hardres Phone Box	1631
Sellindge The Dukes Head	0720	Bossingham The Hop Pocket	1639
Lympne County Members	0728	Stelling Minnis Rose & Crown	1646
Newingreen Stone Street	0732	Stanford North B2068 junctn	1700
Stanford North B2068 junctn	0737	Newingreen Stone Street	1704
Six Mile Garage	0745	Lympne County Members	1707
Bossingham The Hop Pocket	0758	Sellindge The Dukes Head	1713
Lower Hardres Phone Box	0805	Brabourne Lees The Woolpack	1718
Street End The Granville Inn	0807	Smeeth Ridgeway	1720
Nackington The Gap	0812	Mersham Turning	1725
Canterbury Bus Station	0825	Willesborough Tesco	1730
		Ashford Park Street	1740



Bus route 18A is operated on behalf of Kent County Council. If you have any comments or suggestions, please write to: Kent County Council, Public Transport, PO BOX 441, Aylesford, Kent ME6 9HJ.

Please note that special bus timetables may apply during the Christmas period between 24 December and 1 January. Please contact us for details.



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Upper Hardres Parish Council:

If you would like a printed copy of this pack, or would like to recommend further information to be included, please contact:

Karley Hubbard, *Parish Clerk*
Email: clerk@upperhardres-pc.gov.uk