

# **ALDBOROUGH & THURGARTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER**

***Summer 2026***

*(delivered by volunteers to your letterbox)*



**This is a joint publication of The Parish Council and Aldborough  
Community Centre (incorporating Village Care)**

Please send items for inclusion in the next newsletter to  
[ricki.gadsby@btinternet.com](mailto:ricki.gadsby@btinternet.com) by August 1st



# BUS TRIP FROM ALDBOROUGH

Sandringham  
Flower Show

July 23rd

£20 (bus only, buy  
entry online)

bus leaves  
Aldborough Green  
9.30 am

To register interest in this trip, please  
contact Rochelle . 01263 761398



ALDBOROUGH  
COMMUNITY  
CENTRE

May 20  
June 17 Family Film  
(early 5.30pm)  
July 15  
Aug 19

# FILM NIGHTS

EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY OF THE  
MONTH

ALDBOROUGH COMMUNITY  
CENTRE



# Sunday Breakfast

MAY 17th, JUNE 14th,  
JULY 12th, AUG 16th  
9.30-11am

BACON ROLLS, CROISSANTS,  
FRUIT, FILTER COFFEE, TEAS.

Donations

All  
welcome!

## Hearing Support Service



Supporting people with hearing loss  
and related conditions

MOBILE UNIT

AT ALDBOROUGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

10am-12noon

May 26<sup>th</sup>, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, July 28<sup>th</sup>, Aug 25<sup>th</sup>, Sept 22<sup>nd</sup>



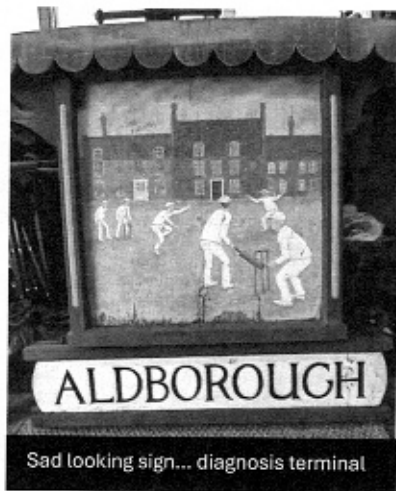
## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS.

### The Village Sign- where's it gone?

The village sign has been removed for examination and costing of renovation work. Diagnosis? Cracked wood and faded artwork.

The options under consideration are: -

1. Replacing the centre panel and re-painting. The cost > £2000.
2. Photos of original artwork upscaled and printed on aluminium fixed to centre panel and easily maintained (technique like the pictures on the community centre). A longer-life and at a cost of a few hundred pounds.



In the interest of exercising prudent use of public funds, we will pursue the second option. The sign will be back very soon.

### “Give the Green a Spring Clean”

Since the 2019 decision to stop Highways spraying the edge of the Green with glyphosates (Roundup), we have organised an annual verge clearance day. Although Highways are now using more environmentally-friendly sprays we cannot easily opt back into their rota.

So, **SUNDAY MAY 24<sup>th</sup>** is **THE** day and we'd like as many as possible to join in at any point in the day. **MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK** - people came out and participate if only to clear immediately around their and any elderly neighbour's property.

### Planning Appeal Rectory Farm PF/20/0578

The Parish Council has been notified of the appeal by the applicant against the decision of NNDC to refuse planning permission.

The appeal will be considered by HM Planning Inspectorate on a written representation basis only. The Planning Inspectorate will have all previous submissions before them when making a decision.

If anyone wishes to make further comment they should do so **before 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026** using <https://appeal-planning-decision.service.gov.uk/comment-planning-appeal/enter-appeal-reference> Using reference number 6006363

Dear Householder,

We, that is the Aldborough Fayre 2026 organising committee in association with Aldborough & Thurgarton Parish Council wanted to alert you to the upcoming Annual Fayre on Sunday 21st of June between 8am and 5pm. This closure is at the same locations as all previous years, as indicated on the map.

Should you have any comment on this proposal please feel free to raise them with the Committee at [aldboroughvf@gmail.com](mailto:aldboroughvf@gmail.com)

Aldborough Village Fayre Committee.



## Aldborough Village Fayre Site Plan 2026

● Fire Assembly Points



### Thursday Computer Club

**Need a little help using your computer or smart phone?**

An informal relaxed fun group meets **every Thursday at 2pm** at Aldborough Community Centre Lounge. An expert coach joins once per month, and a coach assistant runs the sessions on all other Thursdays.

**Helping you build confidence and skills. Join any time. Free.**

# THEATRE OUTING FROM ALDBOROUGH



## Sand Castles

**Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Matinee 2.30 pm**

Amateur Theatre

📍 The Little Theatre Players

📍 Sheringham Little Theatre

*A comedy by Bob Larbey who has written many memorable comedy series such as 'The Good Life' and 'Ever Decreasing Circles' with John Esmonde, and his solo works include 'a Fine Romance' and 'As Time Goes By'.*

**Bus leaves Aldborough Community Centre at 1.30pm**

**Combined bus and theatre ticket £ 31**

**(excellent seats guaranteed)**

**Contact Dee [dee.jupp@btinternet.com](mailto:dee.jupp@btinternet.com) or pop into the Community Centre any Tuesday morning**

**WOW!!!!**

What a lovely surprise it was to win £500 in the 100 club Annual Big Draw! I have two numbers, each costing £60 per year. My primary reason for buying them was to support the Community Centre, which is such a valuable village asset and completely self-funding. The bonus is that I have won 3 times over the past 3 years, £50, £75 and then the big one! Definitely worth buying a number - it's time for someone else to win!



Aldborough  
Community  
Centre

**100  
club**

**You too could be a winner! JOIN NOW!**

Monthly draws £125 (1<sup>st</sup> prize), £75 (2<sup>nd</sup>) and £25 (3<sup>rd</sup> prize) with annual grand prize £500.

May-August £ 20

2026-27 Sept-Sept £60

**NEW!**

# Bus Timetable

		leaves	destination	return
Sanders no 18	Every weekday	09.37	Cromer	13.00
		12.37		
		10.30	Aylsham (Tesco)	12.17
			North Walsham	11.55
13.30	Aylsham (Tesco)	16.35 (18B)		
	North Walsham	16.08 (18B)		
Sunbeam	Monday, Wednesday &Friday	09.13	Aylsham (Tesco)	14.12
	Tuesday & Thursday	09.13	North Walsham	13.26
	Wednesday	08.50	Wroxham	?

Sanders and Sunbeam buses are timed to meet the Sanders 44 opposite Aylsham Tesco to NORWICH on outward and return journeys

## Aldborough Transport Scheme

(a scheme under Aldborough Community Centre, Charity no 266101)

*Supporting people who live in and around Aldborough to get to  
medical appointments*

Transport Co-ordinator  
Nita Good

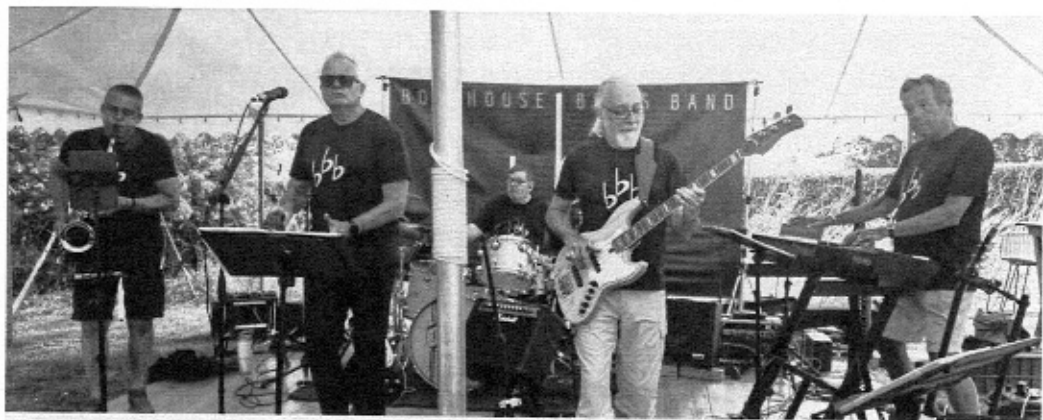
**01263 761580**



*We will always try to find a driver for you, but this might not always be possible, particularly at the weekend.*

*If the Co-ordinator is not available,  
please contact Jane Maguire  
(01263 761578)*

*Please note: All drivers are volunteers, and the scheme is NOT funded  
by the NHS*



# BOATHOUSE BLUES BAND

Aldborough Community Centre  
Saturday August 22nd 7pm  
Tickets £8

[www.aldboroughcommunitycentre.com](http://www.aldboroughcommunitycentre.com)





@Community Centre  
Every Tuesday morning  
10-12 noon

Join us for coffee, tea, cakes,  
newspapers and chat

### LAUNCHING THE HUB AND VILLAGE LUNCH LOYALTY SCHEME

Regular diners at our Tuesday lunches in the Community Centre will be given a loyalty card in May. Five attendance stamps during the year will entitle you to a subsidized Christmas Lunch. This is a Christmas lunch *par excellence*- welcome sherry, turkey and all the trimmings (or vegetarian options) with wine followed by festive trifle or Christmas pudding, teas coffees and After Eights. A lovely convivial and popular lunch. Those who are not regulars will be charged a higher rate for their meal this year.

### TUESDAY HUB EVENTS @Aldborough Community Centre

May 12 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café 10-12 and lunch from 12.30 (£6)	June 23 <sup>rd</sup> Hub Café 10-12 and Lunch from 12.30 (£6)
May 19 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café 10-12	June 30 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café 10-12, soup and roll lunch from 12.30 (donations).
May 26 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café 10-12 and Lunch (£6) from 12.30	July 7 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café , Light Lunch from 12.30 (donations) Hub Tea and Talk 2pm tbc
June 2 <sup>nd</sup> Hub Café 10-12, Light Lunch from 12.30 (donations) Hub Tea & Talk 2pm 'Salt of the Earth- Sylvia Beamon's tireless efforts to promote speleotherapy' Stacey Lambert	July 14 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café 10-12 and Lunch from 12.30 (£6)
June 9 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café 10-12 and lunch from 12.30 (£6)	July 21 <sup>st</sup> Hub Café 10-12
June 16 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café 10-12	July 28 <sup>th</sup> Hub Café 10-12 and Lunch from 12.30 (£6)
<b>EVERYONE WELCOME TO HUB EVENTS -SPREAD THE WORD!</b>	

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY at ALDBOROUGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

June 17 <sup>th</sup>	Family Film Night 5.30pm with Bertie's Pizza
July 12 <sup>th</sup>	Wimbledon Tennis Finals on the BIG screen
August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Boathouse Blues Band with Dirty Rascals Food Truck
Sep 6 <sup>th</sup>	Post Walk Run Cycle get together with DJ Ed
October 24 <sup>th</sup>	The Tricks

## Aldborough Players

The Aldborough Players have been busy sprinkling theatrical magic all over the place lately... and yes, we're still finding glitter from panto season.



Our latest panto, *Cinders*, was another smashing success. Cheers to everyone who came along, booed the baddie, and resisted the urge to throw actual shoes on stage.

Not content with that, we've kept the momentum going with our summer production of *Ladies Day* this May. If you've seen it, you'll know it's packed with laughs, charm, and probably a questionable hat or two.

But wait, there's more! We're gearing up for our **first ever Quiz Night** later this year. Expect fierce competition, baffling questions, and at least one team arguing over the capital of somewhere obscure. Details coming soon; start assembling your dream team now.

And as always, we're on the lookout for new faces! Whether you fancy treading the boards or prefer working your magic behind the scenes, we'd love to have you. Drop our secretary James Green a line at [aldboroughplayers436@gmail.com](mailto:aldboroughplayers436@gmail.com) to get involved.

Go on! You know you want to. 🍷

### EMERGENCY PLAN

The Village's Emergency Plan has recently been updated, and a summary is on the websites of the Parish Council and the Community Centre.

The plan seeks to identify what would constitute an emergency for the village and lists the measures in place to address the situation. The most common emergencies are likely to be severe weather (snow, flooding, storm damage etc.), lengthy power cuts (longer than 48 hours) and national alerts (e.g. pandemic). Places of shelter are identified, and contacts are listed for external emergency services as well as local individuals willing to offer help (e.g. transport with four-wheel drive vehicles). The aim is to have a structure whereby we can all help each other and support more vulnerable residents.

The Coordinator remains Ricki Gadsby, assisted by Deputy Coordinators Jane Maguire, David Hooker and Dee Jupp.

## Aldborough Primary School

**Transition!** It is a very busy time here now. We are preparing to welcome our new Reception children for September plus several other new families. It will soon be transition time for Year 6 with the majority of our children going to Aylsham High School and some to North Walsham High School, Cromer Academy and Sheringham High School. The children are making the most of their last term together and looking forward to performing their end of year production – the title is still under wraps!



**Trips and Talks!** A class will visit How Hill to support learning about The Tudors. Our youngest children will be off to Amazona Zoo. Our year 6 children are participating in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) challenge at Gresham School. A speaker will talk to them about careers in the wind turbine industry. Two of our older classes are studying Space

Exploration—we are excited to see where they suggest for their trip! We were delighted to welcome the Touring Opera Company to school in April for a live performance of their latest opera 'Ada and the Code Crusader'. An amazing opportunity for the children to experience live opera in our corner of North Norfolk

**Trowels!** We are working hard on our school garden and are lucky to have the support of a garden designer from the Sandringham Show who is advising and also donating all of the plants from her Sandringham Show. The children's gardening club are very excited to see the improvements in our garden and to see the fruits of their labours. We have also recently planted a fruit orchard which should look lovely in a few years' time.

**Events!** We are all looking forward to **The Great Aldborough Pentathlon** in June. In July we will be turning the school into **Monet's garden** celebrating 100 years of Monet's legacy with various art activities and a cream tea for the parents. Finally, look out for us on the **Channel 4 News** in May. We will be flying the flag for improved connectivity in the local area. We are looking forward to Aldborough having a moment of fame on the TV!

### Friends of Aldborough School

**BAKE AND CHAT** We are hosting a bake a chat event. 1st June 11.30am-2pm at Aldborough Community Centre to bake scones ahead of selling them at Bolwick Hall to raise money for the school. All welcome. Everything provided. Just turn up!

**A HUGE THANK YOU!** We raised a fantastic £600 at our quiz night, held at the community centre before Easter. A huge thank you to everyone who came along and joined us for our fun evening!

## SOUND BATH

Aldborough Community  
centre,

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026

AND

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2026

7-8pm

Doors open 6.45pm

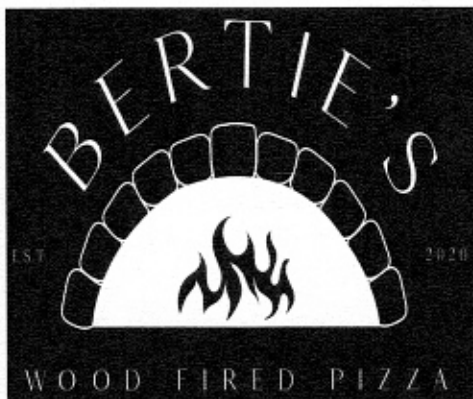
£12 per person

Come and join me to be bathed in shimmering harmonious sounds & vibrations to help you relax and unwind.

Please bring a yoga mat, pillow /cushion/blanket or anything to help you feel comfortable & warm.

Contact Annette for info & bookings on 07572326109  
email:

Annette.balanced.pat@ways@gmail.com



**Bertie's will be outside  
Aldborough Community Centre  
on Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup> from  
5pm -7pm**

**for Family Film Night goes and  
anyone else who fancies a  
pizza.**

**They are yummy!**



### **Nootka Sea glass**

### **Sea glass Jewellery Making**

Workshops June 27<sup>th</sup> (fully booked)

and August 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.30-1pm

### **Botanicals Workshop**

July 11<sup>th</sup> 10-2.30

[www.theenglishherbalist.co.uk/shop](http://www.theenglishherbalist.co.uk/shop)

## **Willow Sculpture Workshops**

With

### **Rich Love - Life In Willow**

At Aldborough Community Centre,  
Aldborough, NR11 7AA

A 6 hour workshop on

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July from 10.00 - 4.00**  
to make a Deer or Fox for £70



A 4 hour workshop on

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October**  
from 10.00 - 2.30 to make a small  
owl or bee for £45



No experience is necessary, learn a new skill and take home your own garden sculpture.

Refreshments provided, just bring your own lunch

Email: [richalove@icloud.com](mailto:richalove@icloud.com) or call: 07786 152076 to book

Visit [Lifeinwillow.co.uk](http://Lifeinwillow.co.uk) for more information

## Aldbrough Cricket Club

**We've had a fantastic closed season.**

At **sign-on night** in February we welcomed nearly thirty new members so we now have 45 members (compared to 18 last year).

We've had amazing uptake over the winter for **nets sessions** at Cromer High School Sports Centre. With a minimum of sixteen every week, it has been particularly well supported by our women members



**Our women's team are trailblazers** playing competitively for the first time in the Cricket Club's history. They have a number of fixtures over the summer including a first ever home game against Horsford in June. We hope you will come out to support them.

**Taster session May 4<sup>th</sup> 6pm** for any interested women and girls over 13 -with Prosecco, soft drinks and cakes and an opportunity to meet the team. This is such a vibrant and fun group we hope you will come along and give softball cricket a go. No experience is necessary. All the existing players started from scratch.

**Juniors Coaching starts 11<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm.** Some of our volunteers have been supported to participate in coaching training and can offer sessions structured to suit all abilities. There will be 10 sessions over the summer ( £10 per child). For more information, please contact Tina at [t.hooker@talktalk.net](mailto:t.hooker@talktalk.net). After the success of last year, Pete Luke will be offering Aldborough Primary School children a taster day.

**Mid-week social cricket** We have a full season of midweek games planned. These games really are fun and we welcome new members who want to give it a try or return after perhaps not playing for a while.

**Community Cricket evenings May 20<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup>.** These are for **anyone aged 5 and upwards**. Please come along and join the fun.

**Sunday Cricket** have had their first away game (Reepham May 3<sup>rd</sup>). We have a full summer of fixtures planned, mostly at home, meaning there will be plenty of cricket to enjoy on the Green this year. *What better way to spend summer afternoons and evenings, than having a drink from the pub and sitting out in the sunshine and watching your local team play?*

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES! Chairman's Day Sunday July 5<sup>th</sup>**, starting from 10.30 am with a children's match followed in the afternoon by a mixture of hardball and softball cricket. This is very much a community day with refreshments all day plus raffle and prizes. We really hope

There are future social events and fundraisers in the offing – please look out for posters advertising these in the local shop, pub and community centre.

**Up the Greens!!**

# ALDBOROUGH

Our wifi  
can crash,  
please  
bring CASH!



## VILLAGE FAYRE

Enquiries: [aldboroughvfa@gmail.com](mailto:aldboroughvfa@gmail.com)

21st June 2026  
12pm. onwards

Dog Show Exhibitors Tug-of-war  
Morris Dancers Children's  
Food Vendors Stalls Rides & Activities  
Living History Reenactors



... and much more!

Aldbrough - NR11 7AA

*A Wonderful Family Event!*

\*PARKING  
£5.00 per car  
Plus Free Raffle  
Dinner for Two  
at the Cricketers  
on the Green

\*Proceeds help to fund our Fayre for another year. Thank you.

## Healthier Aldborough Initiative Update!

**Exciting news! Our first project has been approved for funding!** It's called the **Summer EATS project** and will run from May – August, 2026 and is funded by a small grant from the North Norfolk Health and Wellbeing Partnership Fund (£2,332). Our anticipated outcomes are

- Every household will be provided with printed cards with **'what 3 words'** and key information in case of emergencies
- **Printed maps of the community paths/tracks** (including 5K routes), which will lead to increased cost-free outdoor exercise- walking, running and cycling
- **'Walk, Run, Ride'** family event in September
- **Thoughtful gifts** for those who may be a little low -Growing and delivery of Hug Flowers Making and delivery of Hug Pies

**How are we going to achieve this?** The **Summer EATS programme** will encourage 13-18 year olds to volunteer over the summer while themselves gaining skills, confidence, DoE credits, references, building intergenerational relationships as well as promised improvements in their transport options through (hopefully) financing a bus shelter and bike lock-up at (Old) Hanworth PO, offering lifts to/from the bus stop, providing a flat-bed trailer base on which to establish a much needed meet-up space.

**Tuesday May 26<sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm**

**Summer EATS Introduction and orientation**

(for all potential youth volunteers 13-18 years and volunteer & mentors)

## Aldbrough Parish Church

Holy Week and Easter were very busy with well attended services throughout the group. The highlight was the Walk of Witness, which started in Sustead and finished at the congregational chapel in Oulton. Around 35 people joined us for at least a part of the walk, and about 15 did the whole route! We were joined by a number of four-legged friends, and the survivors were well fed at the end of the walk in Oulton.



### Haiveringland Conference - Friday 15th May

Our friends in Haiveringland have recently completed a massive £500K project on their church building to reimagine it for the next generation. The church is hosting a free day conference called "Community Changemakers" to give hope to others in rural churches. Find out more at [www.communitychangemakers.org.uk](http://www.communitychangemakers.org.uk) and register your place.

### Services at Aldborough Church

May 10 <sup>th</sup> 11am	(Easter-6) Morning Prayer
May 14 <sup>th</sup> 7 pm	Ascension Day Holy Communion AYLSHAM
June 7 <sup>th</sup> 11 am	Holy Communion
June 14 <sup>th</sup> 11 am	Morning Prayer

## Aldbrough Chapel

(Formerly Prince Andrew's Chapel)

**Sundays 10:45 – 11:45 Worship and Bible Teaching – All welcome!**

We serve coffee and tea from ~10:15 before the service.

For details of other weekly and monthly events see our website at [www.aldboroughchapel.org.uk](http://www.aldboroughchapel.org.uk) or email [info@aldboroughchapel.org.uk](mailto:info@aldboroughchapel.org.uk)



## ALDBOROUGH VILLAGE SHOP AND POST OFFICE

**Post Office Services** including: Banking, Foreign Currency and Travel money cards. Mails products including Royal Mail/Parcel Force, Amazon and also DPD will be available soon.

**Fresh foods** sourced from local providers such as eggs, bakery, pies, and cakes. Butchers Meat and cooked Hams, Cheese and Honey

Milk and fresh fruit and veg delivered daily.

Frozen produce including fish from Lowestoft.

Newspapers, dry cleaning, coal, wood, Calor Gas, Off licence, General groceries, Stationery and Cards for all occasions.

Take away tea and coffee.

**OPENING HOURS**

Monday-Saturday 08.30-17.00

# THE CRICKETERS

## ON THE GREEN

Now open Mondays and Tuesdays 12 till 6pm

Serving our **new lunch menu** 12.- 2.30 Monday to Saturday

Dinner 5.30 -8.30 Wednesday to Saturday and Sunday lunch 12 -3.30.

**Sunday May 24th**

Neil Francis singing us into the last Bank holiday of May 5pm onwards

**Phone 01263 761649**

**Parish Council upcoming dates.**

**Parish Council Meeting Monday May 11<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm** at Aldborough Community Centre.

**Fitness on your doorstep**  
**@Aldborough Community Centre**

Wednesdays 6-7pm

£7 per class.

Book online

<https://www.seedyoganorfolk.co.uk/appointments>



**Seed Yoga**



**ZUMBA**  
fitness

**Exercise in disguise.....dance your way to fitness**

Mondays and Thursdays 6.15-7.15pm

£7.00 per class

All levels of fitness welcome

Contact Sally 07786 697563 or [millersally784@gmail.com](mailto:millersally784@gmail.com)

Every Friday 6-7pm

Join this friendly self-help yoga practice to relax at

the end of the week. £1.50 per class



**PILATES**

Every Thursday 4.30pm

£8 per session

Contact Sally Thornton 07788102338 or  
[sally@remedyflows.co.uk](mailto:sally@remedyflows.co.uk)



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Sarah Holness

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Yoga trained

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MONDAYS

10-11am

0795485651

Exercise to music for older adults

Every Friday 10-11am

£6 per session

Contact Chrissie Harvey 07986548548

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