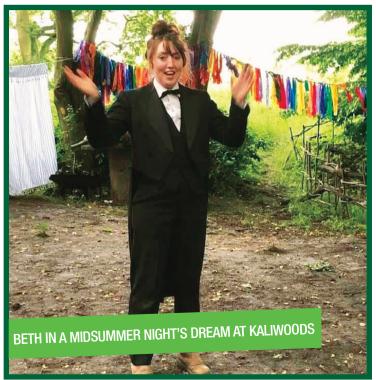
## SPRING 2023

# **GREENVIEW**

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE GREEN PARTY COVERING HALESWORTH AND OUTLYING VILLAGES



### **GREENS SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITY**



# BETH KEYS-HOLLOWAY BUILDING YOUTH CONFIDENCE THROUGH THEATRE

Beth Keys-Holloway, Green Party candidate for Halesworth at the upcoming local elections, works with community groups and young people, building their confidence through theatre. She is a Holton resident, parent of two children at a local school and local gardener.

Following the COVID pandemic, Beth directed and took part in Mini Mouth Theatre groups production of Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream at Kaliwoods in Holton, providing a new experience and a safe space after COVID for young people in the area. Currently Beth is the Drama Mentor for the James Holloway Youth Arts Fund, based at the Cut in Halesworth. This is an exciting new arts project: a free mentorship scheme for young and talented Actors, Musicians, Dancers, Artists that offers an opportunity to work with guidance from professionals.

https://thecut.org.uk/events/applications-for-james-holloway-youth-arts-fund/

### ANNETTE SPEAKS UP FOR ENVIRONMENT

### STANDING UP AGAINST CONSERVATIVE FAILURE TO LIMIT EMISSIONS

Annette Dunning has been working hard as your Suffolk County Councillor scrutinising the annual carbon budget as the Opposition Spokesperson for Achieving Net Zero Carbon.

The annual budget shows SCC failed to reach target and will still be producing 10,000 tonnes of carbon emissions by 2030. Annette has called on SCC to employ a Carbon Budget Officer to help get SCC back on track to urgently tackle its emissions.





#### **HOLTON PITS - BID UPDATE**

#### OUR FIGHT TO SAVE THIS VALUED LOCAL OPEN SPACE

Halesworth town councillor Rachel Kellett along with a core group of energetic local people have formed Holton Pits into a Community Interest Company, in order to raise funds to enable the community to buy and so preserve this precious open space for local people. "With our structure now constituted, we have 3 months to raise the funds to buy the Pits" said Rachel.

The community are keen to protect the 20 acre site from being sold and/or developed in a manner that will threaten the fragile biodiversity, and restrict access for the local community, who have been using the Pits for more than fifty years for their recreation and well-being. Securing this site as an ACV (Asset of Community Value) prevented CEMEX, the current owners of the Pits, from selling for 6 months, giving the community a chance to raise funds. The ACV protection will expire in May. The agricultural field to the north of the site has recently been purchased, with the owner intending to create a wildlife corridor from woodland in Holton, down to the Pits and then on to the Blyth valley. This exciting opportunity is now in jeopardy.

More information: https://holtonpits.uk/





### REPAIR CAFÉ — ONE YEAR ON

The hard-working (volunteer) fixers at Halesworth's Repair Cafe, supported by the Green Party, have looked at 180 different objects since the project started in January 2022, with the vast majority (some 160) having been successfully fixed!

The obvious items such as mixers, kettles, toasters spring to mind, but repairers have also tackled a toy snake, a 60-year old Bush radio (with amazing insides!), a sewing machine dating from 1874 and a much loved doll restored to full health after being eaten by clothes moths! The Repair Cafe has moved to Halesworth's Cut Arts Centre with a monthly Tuesday afternoon slot (2-4pm).

More information can be found here: halesworthrepaircafe.wordpress.com/

#### CAN WE HELP? WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET INVOLVED?



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