

2.00 Welcome

Theme / Local

2.05 - Talk 1 - Margaret Maybury / So what do I do?

2.20 - Talk 2 - Christopher Ash / Custom-build

2.35- Talk 3 - Richard Jackson / No more Heavy Lorries through Lavenham

2.50 - Q+A - Chaired by Tom

Break

Theme / Community

3.15 - Talk 4 - David Jones / Barley Field to Community Woodland

3.30 - Talk 5 - Lee Morris / Community Spirit

3.45 - Talk 6 - Dr Tom Bulter / The 'idea' of mental health: A work in progress?

4.00 - Q+A - Chaired by James

Break

Theme / Global

4.30 - Talk 7 - John Denton / Lavenham: Being A Smart Village

4.45 - Talk 8 - James Soane / Playing with Fire

5.00 - Talk 9 - Revd Canon Simon Pitcher / Church and Community

5.15 - Q+A - Chaired by Christopher

5.30 Tour and Drinks in the Pre-School next door

Thank you for attending, and we welcome any feedback you may have on this event.

Speakers Biographies

Margaret Maybury / District Councillor for the ward of Lavenham in Babergh council.

Christopher Ash / Christopher completed his architectural training at Cambridge and set up the Project Orange in 1997, which is now based in the village. He is a member of the RIBA Suffolk design review panel. He designed Orange Cottage in Prentice Street which completed in 2006.

Richard Jackson / Richard is an engineer and founder of Richard Jackson Limited.

David Jones / David is a founder Trustee of Lavenham Woodland Project. Having left school in 1961, David trained as a draughtsman and worked for an engineering firm for 8 years. He then started teaching in the D & T Department at Great Cornard Upper School [now TGS]. David and his wife have always lived in the same house in Lavenham having moved here in 1977.

Lee Morris / In 2016, several years after Lee retired from her position in London, she came with her husband to Lavenham. A few years later the Parish Council asked her to chair a self-funding Trust to set up and run a Community and Visitor Information Point in 2 Lady Street. This was a steep but enjoyable learning curve. The Trust is run and staffed entirely by local volunteers.

Dr Tom Bulter / Originally trained as a social scientist at Middlesex University, he completed an M.A. in political philosophy at the University of Durham and a Ph.D in psychiatric research at Manchester Medical School. He taught at both Durham and Manchester. Tom worked for over 30 years in health and social services

John Denton / John has over 20 years' experience of digital innovation; creating multichannel products, leading digital strategy, and managing the delivery of large-scale transformation projects. His experience focuses on the benefits of harnessing emerging technologies to generate value and opportunities for people, communities, and businesses.

James Soane /James is an architect, teacher and writer who set up Project Orange with his partner Christopher Ash. Prior to this he worked for 10 years with Sir Terence Coran. He is also a founding Director of the London School of Architecture where he is currently a Fellow of Critical Practice teaching theory around the Climate Emergency.

Revd Canon Simon Pitcher / Simon moved to Lavenham in March 2023 following 13 years as Team Rector of the Sole Bay Team. Here he led a ministry team looking after 8 parishes in the area of East Suffolk that includes Southwold, Walberswick & Blythburgh. Simon also served as Rural Dean of Waveney, including the oversight of 53 parishes in north east Suffolk. Prior to moving to Sole Bay Simon was Rector of two parishes in Wakefield Diocese on the edge of Dewsbury and served his curacy in Halifax in 2002 - 2005. Prior to ordination Simon had a 16 year career with British Rail which began in 1986 as Station Manager of Bury St Edmunds, and with subsequent postings in Huddersfield, Manchester, North Wales, Derby and Norwich. Simon is an honorary canon of St Edmundsbury Cathedral.