## WALBERSWICK W I REPORT TO THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING SEPTEMBER 2021

Due to COVID and our venue, the Village Hall, being closed no Institute Meetings or events have been held since March 2020.

Members have been kept in touch with all SEFWI (South East Federation of Women's Institutes) and NFWI (National Federation of Women's Institutes) activities and events via e-mail and hard copy. We have kept in touch with vulnerable members and if necessary put them in touch with the various help groups in the village.

A Raffle raised £300 which was donated to Sole Bay Carers.

ACWW (Associated Country Women of the World) requested donations to their "Pennies for Friendship" campaign and a cheque for £167 was forwarded to them

Daffodils were added to the bulbs planted opposite the church and the green at Stocks Lane.

As part of their environmental campaign, SEFWI donated a tree to every WI in their Federation and in December 2020 we took delivery of a Malus (Crab Apple) John Downie tree. This was planted on 4<sup>th</sup> December by our President, Marian Beard, next to the Village Sign opposite the church and close to daffodils planted by WI to commemorate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Sadly, two of our members recently died, Marian Beard, our President since 2014 and Margot Godbold a past President and member for over 26 years.

Members will be electing a new President at the AGM in November.

We have a full Programme for 2022 including talks by Charlie Mackesy, Charley Haylock and Steve Magnall of Magpie Bakeries, and a visit to Gable House for a garden tour.

We currently have 30 members and welcome new members and visitors to monthly meetings.

Muriel Wortley Secretary Walberswick WI