

# THE ALDEBURGH SOCIETY

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Dear Members

I trust you have enjoyed your summer and are now looking forward to an autumn and winter season of lectures from the Society. David Andren has put together a most stimulating programme on a mixture of topics which I am sure will be of great interest to us all. We have four lecturers all speaking on topics very relevant to us all. Please put the dates in your diary now. NOTE VENUES AND TIMES VARY.

The first lecture is by Tom Hughes Hallett on 28th October on the role of the voluntary sector in the Big Society and how charitable giving can be encouraged. Tom has been chief executive of Marie Curie Cancer Care since 2000. In December 2010 he was announced as chairman of the new independent Philanthropy Review, a collaboration of voluntary and private sector bodies who aim to identify ways of achieving a step-change in charitable giving in the UK. He will be talking about the role of the third sector – all very relevant to today's Big Society.

The second is by our new MP Therese Coffey. She is going to tell us what it was like to be a new MP. We hope to learn about her experiences on the Parliamentary Select Committee investigating "phone hacking" and the News of the World. It will be a great opportunity to ask her questions!

The third lecture is by Anthony Horowitz author and TV script writer. You may, like I did, have watched Collision which was on TV 18 months ago on ITV, and took place here in Suffolk. You can read all about him at [www.anthonhorowitz.com](http://www.anthonhorowitz.com). He is talking about "What is wrong with TV drama". Should be gripping stuff!

Our final lecture is by Nick Collinson who runs The Suffolk Coast and Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Our AONB is important to all of us and our quality of life. Expect to hear about why it is important and how it will evolve in the future.

Details of all the lectures are enclosed with this letter, also of our party which is now well established as a March event. The committee (with the help of Waitrose) will again be doing the food.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at all these events. Meanwhile, please continue to let us have your views on issues and developments in the Town. We have had some success with our traffic issues. Aldeburgh is to be a pilot for a Community run library. As usual a lot going on.

Yours sincerely



Tony Bone