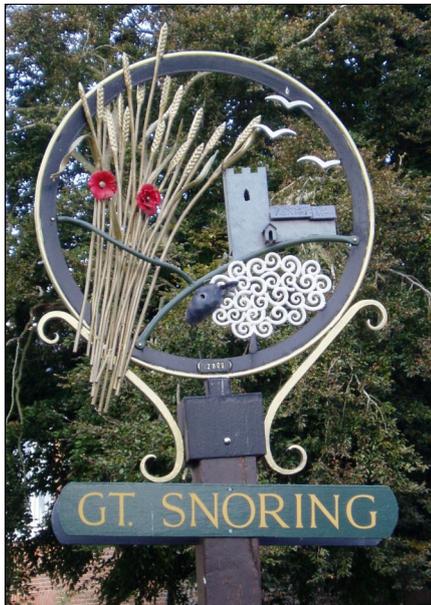


Great Snoring Parish Council

NEWSLETTER



Summary of Meeting on Thursday 8 January 2015

Following the opening formalities, it was noted with thanks to Hazel & Sue, that a new padlock had been supplied & fitted on the gate at Gurney's Ground: David Perowne, John Dent, Sue Pannell & Norse (grounds maintenance) hold keys.

The Chairman reported that the site meeting with the Highway Engineer at Duck End had been useful. The Engineer had said that he would schedule works to put in a drain under the road at the bottom of the hill which should alleviate the problem. It was noted with appreciation that Alec Swan had cleared his ditch & drain & cut the hedge so that Highways could jet wash the drain.

It was noted that the Highway Rangers had cleared mud & silt at the breaker island near Top Farm & cleared mud & silt from the gully on Barsham Road. A number of potholes had also been filled on Walsingham Road, Little Snoring Road & The Street. It was also noted with thanks that Hazel had been litter picking around the village.

A number of items were noted to report to Highways including a request to have the footpath by the church swept, the groups to be cleared & a pothole by the Old Bakehouse to be filled. Requests would also be made to have the directional signs cleaned & the bus timetables removed from the bus stops. The broken sign for Barsham Road would be replaced by the District Council. It was noted that the overgrowth on the footpath across the pigtle would be cut back soon. The Clerk was asked to contact the Walsingham Estate for the derelict buildings at Top Farm & Thursford Road to be tidied up & for hedges to be cut on Dildash Lane.

A planning application for internal & external alterations to both The Manor House & Barn including a new pool & landscaping were discussed. It was agreed that a site meeting would be useful. It was noted that the planning & conservation officers were requesting more detailed information particularly in respect of the dormer windows. It was agreed that the Clerk should request that an archaeological survey is carried out prior to the excavation of the pool because of the location in the village near the church & Manor House.

A Light Pollution Questionnaire from Campaign to Protect Rural England, & survey about indoor sporting facilities on behalf of North Norfolk District Council were discussed & responses agreed for the Clerk to submit.

The problem with rats on the allotments was discussed. It was agreed that two more quotes were required before a contractor would be appointed & that this should be done as soon as possible. It was noted that the overgrown allotments had been cut back thanks to David Perowne & Stuart Bushell. However, further preventative action would be required. The Clerk was asked to find information for pest reduction which would be given to allotment holders. (N.B. a maize-free diet for poultry etc. was very important as most rat poisons worked by a vitamin K deficiency.)

The Vice-Chair reported that she & a colleague had attended an interesting & informative meeting about the planning process organised by the North Norfolk District Council.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is at 7 pm in the Social Club Thursday 12 March 2015. Members of the public are warmly invited to attend.

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Richard Coates 01328 820657

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Next Fit Together Walk

Monday 9 February - 10.30

meet at The Club carpark

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on

Thursday 12 March 7.00pm at The Club

Members of the public are very welcome to come along and voice their opinion.

Local Elections in May 2015

Time to make a difference?

This year the parish council elections coincide with the General Election on 7 May 2015. So now is the time to consider taking an active part in local government and representing the views of all the residents in the parish. Would you like to make a difference to your local community?

The role is not onerous: the Parish Council meets six times a year; councillors spend sometime between meetings involved with parish council matters or particular projects depending on their involvement.

The Parish Council has an overall responsibility for the well-being of the local neighbourhood. The work falls into three main categories: representing the local community; delivering services to meet local needs (often in conjunction with the District and County Councils); and striving to improve the quality of life in the local area.

A wide range of training for councillors is available, covering role and responsibilities, law and procedures, planning, council finance, budget and precept, employment issues. Councillors may claim out-of-pocket expenses for attending courses.

- Make a difference and stand as a Parish Councillor
- Get involved with your community
- Have a say about the local issues people care about
- Influence the way local services are provided
- Decide how local money is spent to improve your community

Nomination packs will be available at the end of March.

Second & Holiday Home Owners

In the event of an emergency it would be helpful for the Parish Council to hold the contact details of second/holiday homes, although it is appreciated that many have private arrangements in place.

If you wish to provide the information please contact Sue Pannell 01328 820 227 suzi@pannells.plus.com or Hazel Seekings 01328 820785.

Grit bins

The grit bins in Thursford Road & Fakenham Road have been topped up for use on the roads.

Chill4us Carers

This charity established in 2009 & run by volunteers to help carers to get internet access, may be able to provide unpaid family carers with a free recycled laptop or a new PC tablet if they live in Norwich or Norfolk.

They can also provide a free basic IT lesson in their own home, if they are unable to get out, it could change their life.

t: 01603 340193

e: support@chill4us.com

www.computers4carers.co.uk

Cromer Hospital Minor Injuries Unit

Cromer Hospital
Mill Road · Cromer NR27 08Q
open Monday to Sunday
8.00am to 8.00pm : tel 01603 646200

In Memory

Sadly Ernie Bullock who celebrated his 100th birthday in November died on 15 December. Ernie & his wife Audrey came to live in Great Snoring in the late 70s having run the Oxford Stores in Little Walsingham.

When living in Great Snoring Ernie helped set up a new bowls club.

Trees on the south & east knolls

Unfortunately, in order to avoid ongoing future costs of tree surgery, we need to replace the existing trees on the knolls because they are starting to encroach on the roadway.

There have been complaints about the three opposite the Tuns in Thursford Road for some years and it would be sensible to reduce them from three large trees to one smallish one.

The oak at the bottom of the Street has a weak feature, having lost its original leader some years ago. As it continues to grow it will become more problematical, so it too needs to be replaced with a more contained variety.

At the moment the suggestions are for a single crab apple at the Tuns, and a small leafed lime by the telephone box; both are native.

We need permission from the district council before we do anything and would like to hear from any one who has strong feelings on the matter.

What's going on in GS

The Great Snoring Social Club

Mon; Tues; Wed; Fri & Sun 7.30 to 11pm
Free WiFi is available at The Club
01328 820708

Tea at The Club - first Tuesday of month at The Club 2.30

Snoring Choir - second & fourth Wednesday of month at The Club 7.30

WI - second Thursday of month 7.30
Kettlestone Village Hall 01328 855385

K6 Library - open all hours to borrow, exchange or take a book

Mobile Library - every four weeks
Fri 6 Feb; Fri 6 March
3.25 Old School House, The Street
3.45 Thursford Road

Useful contact details in the village

St Mary the Virgin Church

Rector - James Muggleton 01328 878159

Church Wardens -

Helen Perowne 01328 820351

Joyce Towers 01328 821023

Great Snoring Club 01328 820708

Great Snoring Bowls Club 01328 820554

Great Snoring Darts Team 01328 820620

Village Archive

Suzanne Pannell 01328 820227

Hazel Seekings 01328 820785

Wideawake Magazine 01328 820305

snoringmag@googlemail.com

& beyond

Age Concern Minibus 01328 855959

Age UK North Norfolk 01263 823126

ageuknn.admin@xlninternet.co.uk

Al-Anon 0207 4030 888

Anglian Water 0845 714 5145

British Red Cross Support 0844 893 7779

supportnorfolk@redcross.org.uk

Child Line 0800 1111

Cromer Hospital 8-8pm 01603 646200

Disability Services Team 01328 753300

EDF Energy 0800 783 8838

Gas - Transco 0800 111999

Fakenham Community Car Scheme

for medical appointments 01485 528456

Fakenham Job Centre Plus 0845 606 0234

Fakenham Library 01328 862715

Fakenham Medical Centre 01328 851321

Fakenham Police 0845 456 4567

Fakenham Registry Office 01328 850122

Fakenham & Dereham Talking Times

01328 855219

Kickstart 01362 699923

Norfolk Carers Helpline 0808 808 9876

Norfolk Millennium Trust for Carers

01263 862629

Norfolk Carers 0500 179546

Norfolk Citizens Advice Bureau

08444 111444

Norfolk County Council 0844 800 8020

Nrth Norfolk Dist Council 01263 513811

Social Services 0844 800 8014

Victory Housing Trust 0845 300 6648