

Great Snoring

Village Newsletter December 2022

If you would like an item considered for publication in the Newsletter, please send your entry (with the subject 'newsletter') by 25th of the preceding month to the Editor: greatsnoringpc@googlemail.com.

Great Snoring Parish website: https://greatsnoringparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/



Great Snoring Parish Council

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Councillors: Averil Cooper; Jan Lockhart (Vice-Chair), Tom Norman, Dawn Spiteri, Vanessa Thompson (Chair), Joyce Tibbitts.

The minutes of Parish Council meetings and other information is available to view on the website: <u>https://greatsnoringparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/</u>. Do contact the Clerk (details above) if you wish to bring anything to the attention of the Parish Council. **The next meeting of the Parish Council** will be at

7pm on Thursday 12 January in the Social Club. All welcome to attend.

Flowers Pots on the Knoll

The geraniums in the pots on the village sign knoll will probably not last the cold winter weather. If anyone would like to donate some hardy plants or bulbs to replace them this would be very much appreciated. It would be lovely to keep up this legacy. Do have a word with Averil on 01328 820305 if you have spare plants.

Flies

Thank you to all those who filled in the fly survey. Several hotspots around the village were identified, and the Environmental Health Officer is following up on comments and queries that were raised. She will be visiting the village again in December for a 'walk around'.

Kissing Gate Update

A couple of residents collected signatures in support of retaining the kissing gate with 49 people putting their names to the survey and 38 indicating that they would be willing to donate to the cost and / or organise fundraising. The Parish Council has sent the results to the County Council and is awaiting the ruling on whether or not the kissing gate will be added to the definitive map. Thank you to those who responded.

Playground for Gurney's Ground



Swings at Gurney's Ground

The playground is almost complete, but is currently out of bounds as we are waiting for a post-installation inspection report. This also gives the turf a few weeks to bed-in.

Thank you to Andrew MClaren (Walsingham Estate) who organised the installation by Carben Construction. The playground equipment and design layout were supplied by Kompan. The wood is Robinia acacia, the most durable wood found in Europe and has high weather resistance. The project has been paid for by generous grants including from North Norfolk District Council's Sustainable Community Fund.



Slide at Gurney's Ground

Look out for information for a formal opening event which we hope will take place this month!

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Top Farm

The village was shocked and dismayed by the sad news that Avian Flu had struck at Top Farm at the beginning of November. Our thoughts and best wishes are sent to them all in what must be a devastating time. We wish them all the best with their future plans.

St Mary's Church

Churchyard Clean Up Helpers wanted to sweep leaves and tidy the churchyard on Saturday 3



December from 9.30 am. Please bring your own rake. If you would like to help but cannot come on the day, the trailer will be available from Wed 30 November. **Cleaning the church** All welcome to dust pews and sweep the floor on Sunday 18 December from 10 am prior to decorating the church for Christmas.

CHRISTMAS DAY SUNDAY 25th DECEMBER 9.30 am CAROL SERVICE



Collection in aid of Fakenham Food Bank

We are delighted that Revd Robin Stapleford will continue to give services in Great Snoring next year. There will be a service of Communion on Sunday 15 January 2023 at 9.45 am.

Revd Robin can be contacted on 01328 853226. PCC of St Mary's Great Snoring

Gt Snoring Social Club presents

'A Christmas Concert Party' 29th December 8.00 pm

Come along and enjoy an evening of song, laughter and all round traditional entertainment, featuring our version of Goldilocks & the 3 Bears and other local talent.

Entrance free. Retiring collection. Proceeds to Fakenham food bank & East Anglian Air Ambulance All very welcome.

Old Year's Night 31st December

See in the New Year at the Social Club with festive music and games. Nibbles appreciated.

All very welcome

For details on any of the above please contact Dawn or Dave on 01328 820612

Cost of Living Crisis

Find Help

Details of the government schemes to help with rising energy costs can be accessed via North Norfolk District Council's website: <u>https://www.north-</u> <u>norfolk.gov.uk/projects/advice-and-support/</u> or telephone customer services on 01263 513811.

Keep Warm and Well this Winter

Norfolk Libraries are here to help. From Monday 10 October until the end of March 2023, bags of essential

items and hot drinks will be available to take for **FREE** from all Norfolk Libraries.

They will be providing 'Warm And Well':

- Adult and Child Bags containing: a scarf, a hat, gloves, a blanket, socks and a hot water bottle.
- Toiletries To Go (Adult bags) containing: shampoo, bodywash, deodorant and toothpaste.
- Toiletries To Go (Children's bag) containing: shampoo, bodywash, bubble bath & toothpaste.
- Tricky Period To Go: Two packs of sanitary pads (1 normal, 1 super/night or long in the case of some supplies).
- Vests and toothbrushes will also be available on request.

Hot drinks will be available during staffed library hours: tea, coffee, instant soup, hot chocolate and biscuits.

Please help yourself, no questions asked.

Fakenham Library Staffed Opening times Mon, Tues, Thurs: 10am to 7pm Friday: 2pm to 7pm Saturday and Sunday: 10am to 4pm Telephone number: 01328 862715.

Would you rather make a donation to help others in need?

All Norfolk Libraries are accepting donations of regular, super and night sanitary pads to support our Tricky Period service. They also accept donations of menstrual cups and washable pads.

Food Bank

If you are in financial difficulties you might be eligible for help from the local Food Bank. The Food Bank works using a voucher referral system. In order to get help from the Food Bank you will need a voucher issued by local agencies. For information telephone 07542 106107.

More information about Mid Norfolk Food Bank (to register or to make donations) can be found on the website: <u>https://midnorfolk.foodbank.org.uk/</u>

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North Norfolk District Council 01263 513811 or <u>https://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/</u> Environment and Emergencies tab to report fly-tipping, littering and dog fouling.

Norfolk County Council: 0344 800 8020 Road and footpath defects: <u>https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-</u> transport/roads/report-a-problem .