



Parish Clock

Great Snoring Village Newsletter February 2024

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:

David Clifton, Averil Cooper, Steven Hall, Tom Norman (Chair), Dawn Spiteri (Vice-Chair), Joyce Tibbitts and one vacancy.

The minutes of Parish Council meetings and other information is available to view on the website:
<https://greatsnoringparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/> .

Do contact the Clerk (details above) if you wish to bring anything to the attention of the Parish Council.

The next meeting is on Thursday 14 March 2024 at 7 pm in the Social Club.

News from the Parish Council

At the recent meeting, the Parish Council discussed the budget for 2024 – 25. A request for a bus shelter for the school children waiting at the top of The Street was considered. Unfortunately there is no suitable place because the pavements are not wide enough to allow for the installation of a shelter and furthermore the cost could be at least £3,000. It was agreed to set the Precept at £6,600 an increase of £100 (or 1.5%).

The Parish Council appreciates those who take care of the appearance of the village by litter-picking, grass and hedge cutting and maintaining lovely wayside gardens. Thank you.

There is still one vacancy on the Parish Council. If you would like to be considered for co-option do contact the Clerk or speak to parish councillor.

Allotments

Ever fancied growing your own? The benefits of growing your own fruit and vegetables are many. you can enjoy the many rewards that they bring, including;

- a consistent source of year-round food
- knowledge of what goes into the soil & on your crops
- an ability to grow and eat crops to your taste
- social interaction with like-minded growers
- an excellent means of keeping fit

Allotments of variable sizes available. For further information contact the Parish Clerk (details above).

St Mary's Church



Services

- Sunday 11 February 9:45 am Communion
- Tuesday 20 February 10 am Communion
- Sunday 10 March 9:45 am Communion
- Tuesday 19 March 10.00 am Communion
- Good Friday 29 March Walk With the Cross
Devotional hour 1:20 pm Great Snoring to Little Snoring 2.00 pm

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Revd Robin Stapleford – now official

I have very much enjoyed serving as parish priest, a.k.a. vicar, in Great Snoring and the local group of six parishes (including Hindringham, Little Snoring, Thursford, Kettlestone with Pensthorpe, and Barney) since mid-2022. As is the way in modern life and not least in the church, my role is thinly spread as I also operate with a group of eight churches just south of Fakenham, including Colkirk where I live. But it is a pleasure to do what I can, and nice to know that from Colkirk I can pick out Great Snoring church tower on the horizon peeping through the grand horse chestnut.

The bishop has decided to recognise the fact that my dual-group ministry is set to be an ongoing situation, and so I will be formally licenced in a service at Hindringham Church on **Monday 4 March at 7.30 pm.**



There is an open invitation for anyone interested.

And suffice to say, please let me know if I can be of assistance with any church-related or spiritual matters.
RS revhindringhamgroup@btinternet.com

Great Snoring Singers

It is well known that group singing is excellent therapy for mental health and wellbeing. With that in mind, why not COME ALONG FOR A SINGALONG on Monday evenings 7.30 at the Social Club. You will be guaranteed a warm welcome and lots of fun.



PS You do not have to be a Pavarotti or Susan Boyle!
Further details from Dawn on 01328 820612

DARTS LEAGUE

Friday night Social Club open 7.00

2 February B team play Bircham club B

9 February A team play Townshend C

16 February B team play Bircham club B

23 February tbc

1 March A team play Bircham club A

8 March B team play Townshend B

15 March A team play Gressenhall

29 March B team play Wells club

5 April B team play Airman's Arms

12 April A team play Fakenham Football Club



Our Phone Box Library

The K6 Library remains very popular within the village and with visitors and holidaymakers.

There are hardly any rules, but a couple bear repeating:

- If the floor is wet please don't put books there. Donated books can be left in their bags or boxes and they will be sorted and put on the shelves within a few days.
- We cannot deal with hardback books.
- There is no need to be particular about returning books. There are always others waiting to go on display!

Happy Reading in 2024

Mary Edmunds (821631), Reed Bowden (821851),
Suzanne Pannell (820227)

Christmas Lights Display

on Thursford Road

For the last 2 years since we have moved to the village we have decorated our house on Thursford Road for charity. We would like to thank everyone who came for our switch on and made it a fantastic night despite the wet weather. We have raised £156.17 for East Anglia Air Ambulance. More lights have already appeared



ready for an even bigger display and plans are already being made for Christmas 2024.

Steven and Vanessa

New Beat Manager

You may have heard, Wells-next-the-Sea, Walsingham and Great Snoring have a new local bobby. PC Jonathan Kentfield joins us as Beat Manager for the area, after spending the last 5 years on the frontline as a response officer in Fakenham, dealing with the 999's. 'Jonny' moves into the position of Beat Manager, replacing PC Simon Blakeley, who will now concentrate fully on marine work along our coast and waterways for the county of Norfolk.

Norfolk Constabulary's Beat Managers are employed to have a focus and relationship with particular areas within the county, acting as a point of contact for locals, and someone who can really understand and tackle the policing problems in the neighbourhoods they look after. They work with other partner agencies and representatives within the community to try to resolve issues that members of the public report to the police. PC Kentfield has already been out introducing himself, attending the Christmas Tide Festival, holding a neighbourhood 'SNAP' meeting in Wells, and speaking with the town council clerk and parish councils.

Geographically the area offers unique, and enviable environments to work in, however from a policing perspective they also come with challenges around seasonal fluctuations in population, and managing both ends of the spectrum in terms of the lifestyle and the needs of residents.

Jonathan's intentions are to make himself known and be visible, engaging with community groups and services, while supporting local businesses and residents with any issues they may have, making the most of the positive spirit of 'everyone knowing everyone' that the district offers.

PC Kentfield says: "I want to make myself available so that people can approach me if they need to. I know some people don't like to reach out, but I'd encourage them to do so. Wells Police station, while not open to the public, is still manned by officers. We are here, and we can come out and speak to you if you need us."

Jonny lives near King's Lynn and has always lived in Norfolk so knows the area quite well. In his spare time he likes to stay active, taking his dog for walks, running, and playing football and badminton.

You can contact PC Jonathan Kentfield at jonathan.kentfield@norfolk.police.uk or via the Norfolk Constabulary telephone number 101.

Non-emergencies, including antisocial behaviour or suspicious activity can be reported to Norfolk Police via the website: <https://www.norfolk.police.uk/>

The website also has a live chat function if you need to speak to someone, as well as advice and more information. If you're on social media, you can also follow what the 'North Norfolk Police' team are up to on Facebook, X (previously Twitter), and Nextdoor.

Always dial 999 in an emergency.