



Parish Clock

# Great Snoring Village Newsletter June 2022

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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 from 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 of the Parish Council** will be at 7pm on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July in the Church**. All welcome to attend.

### Vacancy for Parish Councillor

There is one vacancy on the Parish Council. If you are interested in contributing to the community and working as part of a team please contact the Clerk by email [greatsnoringpc@googlemail.com](mailto:greatsnoringpc@googlemail.com) alternatively speak to one of the Parish Councillors. As there is a significant amount of communication conducted electronically, it is advantageous to have access to the internet and email, however lack of this facility should not deter anyone with a keen interest in joining the Parish Council.

We look forward to hearing from you.

### What is a Parish Council?

The Parish Council is the local authority closest to the people and has a duty to serve all the disparate interests of the community it represents and to make decisions for the best results. In Great Snoring there are seven parish councillors (all unpaid volunteers). At the Annual Meeting in May the councillors elect one of the members as Chair. The most common topics with which we are involved are planning matters (we are statutory consultees), managing open spaces and village assets and campaigning for better services and facilities.

On our own, we have limited powers to make decisions. However, we do have the ability to negotiate with, and the power to influence, those other organisations that do make the final decisions. The Parish Council is funded by the precept with additional very small amounts from allotment rents and recycling. There have been cutbacks by the District and County Council over the years and we now have to pay for services that were once provided by the District and / or County Council (such as verge cutting)

or try to do them ourselves with the help of volunteers, (e.g. litter picks, sign cleaning etc). All goods and services for which we have to pay are funded by the precept which is part of everyone's Council Tax bill.

### Book Exchange Kiosk

The painting of the telephone box has now been completed and it is looking very smart. The book exchange is open again for use. Thank you to AB Texel for the goodwill gesture which was used to cover the cost of the materials and labour.

### Parish Clock

You have probably noticed that 'the chimes' on the clock are a bit 'funny'. Jonathan, who looks after the clock, thought that he had fixed chimes but they have gone wrong again. The Parish Council will be arranging for an annual service, which is overdue because of the problems with accessing the tower last year.

### Notice board

Please note that the notice board on The Street (opposite the church) will be removed for a short period as it needs to be repaired.

### Thank you

Thank you to Jonathan for looking after the parish clock; to Robert Perowne (village sign knoll) and John Dent (Top Farm knoll and hedge at Gurney's Ground) for cutting the grass on the knolls; and to those volunteers who look after the Book Exchange, litter pick and keep the village looking pleasant and welcoming. It is all very much appreciated.

### Public Spaces

Concern has been raised about the use of weed-killer in public spaces in the village. Information supplied by Highways confirms that the spray they use is Glyphosate based herbicide called Trustee Amenity, which is non-hazardous to humans or animals/insects. It is fully approved for use on hard surfaces on footways etc and has no hazard rating on the product label. The operatives are fully-trained and apply the product direct to green leaf only. There is an agent in the Glyphosate to minimise drift, if windy conditions the operative won't spray, if any sensitive areas the weed spray will be applied by hand lance close and direct to the weed only. Again, it is non-hazardous to human, animal, or insect. Please report problems with weeds and overgrowth to Norfolk County Council Highways: [www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem) or telephone 0344 800 8020 Thank you. Please note that members of the public should not be spraying weed killer or pesticide in public spaces unless qualified to do so.

## Great Snoring Village Archive

### Queen's Jubilee Celebration 4 & 5 June 2022

The Village Archive will be on display in St Mary's Church over the Jubilee weekend: 10 am to 4 pm.



All are welcome to take the opportunity to explore the village's past and gain a greater understanding and appreciation of rural life, which is an integral part of Norfolk's character

as a county. Free admission and carparking on Gurney's Ground.

In addition there will be refreshments served at the Social Club with audio visual material available which we hope will encourage attendees to stay longer and to sit and talk with new found friends.

For further details contact Vanessa 01328 821187.

### St Mary the Virgin, Great Snoring

At the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in April, Helen Perowne and Joyce Tibbitts were re-appointed Churchwardens and Nigel Savory continues as Treasurer. At this meeting the Rector, James Muggleton, said that he would be retiring at the end of June following eighteen years with the Snoring Benefice. So far as we know there will then be an interregnum and any queries should be addressed to either one of the Churchwardens or the Rural Dean, Rev Clive Wylie (07970 875052 or email [clive.wylie@dioceseofnorwich.org](mailto:clive.wylie@dioceseofnorwich.org)). We hope to arrange regular services in the meantime, including **Harvest Festival on Sat. 24<sup>th</sup> September at 6 pm.**

### Platinum Jubilee

We are all looking forward to celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. There will be some glorious flowers in the church following Lucy's wedding for everyone to enjoy at the Thanksgiving Service (2 June) and Archive Exhibition (4 & 5 June).

### Thursday 2nd June 6 pm Service of Thanksgiving for the Queen's

Platinum Jubilee followed by light refreshments in the church.

### The Wansey Bayly prize



The prize will be judged in June when the village should be looking its best, so make sure your wayside gardens are ready to welcome visitors to Great Snoring.



### Farewell to James

On **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June** there will be a group service at St Mary's Great Snoring of Sung Eucharist at 11am when we bid farewell to our Rector, James Muggleton, who has served the group so well for the last eighteen years. We wish James and Liz all the best for their retirement in Rutland.

PCC of St Mary's Great Snoring



### Introducing the Anne Robson Helpline

**- if you or someone close to you is dying, you can talk to us.**

At the Anne Robson Trust we aim to be there to listen to anyone who faces dying or the imminent death of someone they care about. We know that facing the end of life can leave you feeling isolated and alone. Being able to access support is so important. Gaining knowledge of what may happen towards the end of life and being prepared helps both the person dying and their loved ones to feel a sense of control.

Calls are free and confidential: **0808 801 0688 - we have time to talk.**

Please visit [www.annerobsontrust.org.uk/helpline-service](http://www.annerobsontrust.org.uk/helpline-service) to find out more.

### Norfolk Warm Homes.

Could you be eligible for a Warm Homes grant? The Norfolk Warm Homes Partnership is providing heating and insulation grants to our residents to help keep homes warm across Norfolk! If you want to keep your energy bills low and reduce your carbon emissions, installing insulation in your home is one of the best ways to keep the heat in, and the cold out. For more information: Enquire today to find out if you are eligible! To make an application contact Norfolk Warm Homes on 01603 430103 or visit [www.norfolkwarmhomes.org.uk](http://www.norfolkwarmhomes.org.uk) If you have any questions then please feel free to contact North Norfolk District Council [energy@north-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:energy@north-norfolk.gov.uk) or telephone 01263 513811.

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

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