Trowse with Newton



Parish Council News

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Welcome to the Parish Council's News Letter. We aim to give up to date information to parishioners about what is going in in the village and beyond, how to get involved and where to go for advice.

East Norwich Regeneration

As mentioned in our last newsletter the May Gurney site is currently under a "reserved matters" planning application for the proposed development. In layman's terms this means that all the finer details are being discussed. The outline permission, granted in 2013, gave details on the number of homes etc but the reserved matters application talks about everything else: from building materials and drainage systems to landscaping and habitat retention. Trowse Parish Council has a small working group of Councillors, residents and a planning consultant that have spent time going over these planning applications and drafting comments which we hope reflect the views of the resident of Trowse. There were hundreds of documents associated with this application and it was a little overwhelming, so we tried to narrow the field by looking through things that we believe are most relevant to Trowse. Items such as the flooding risk assessments, traffic and transport details, and ecology/environmental impact all played a part in our review and subsequent comments/questions.

We have just submitted the response for the reserved matters application and this is available to view on our website as well as on the South Norfolk District Council planning pages. We hope you feel that this suitably represents the village and the concerns over the proposed development.



As we are sure you are aware the PC is responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the play/adult gym equipment on the common, and it is with sadness that we have to report that there have recently been acts of vandalism which has resulted in one of the items having a rope cut through and removed. This was no mean feat as the rope was covering a tensile wire which also had to be cut through. It is disturbing to think that someone had the equipment on hand to do this in the first place but to vandalise a children's play area only exacerbates the issue. We do think we know who the perpetrators are and we will be seeking the funds to repair. So, we are asking you to please be vigilant and report any anti-social behaviour either to us or the police using the 111 service. Thank you.

Household Waste Recycling

On the 9th and 10th September your local recycling centre will be open to collect hazardous household waste such as bleach, paint and weedkillers. If you have any of these items please do not put them in your general waste wheely bins as they need to be disposed of safely so as not to pose a risk to the public or the environment.





Cemetery Gates

If you walk down Whitlingham Lane at all you may have noticed some shiny new gates on the driveway of our cemetery. These have been very kindly donated by Arminghall Estate and made by Matthew Colman. The old gates served the village well for many years but were coming towards the end of their life. The new ones are an exact copy, made out of solid oak and should last for many years to come. Once installed they were given a protective oiling to help them last longer. We think they look marvellous and we will be placing a plaque on them to show who they were made by and when. We will be looking to repurpose the old gates somehow, so any suggestions are welcome.



Trowse Historical Society

Some of you may be aware of the newly formed Trowse Historical Society but did you know that they have their first village event coming up? There is a "Tales of Trowse" evening in the **Manor Rooms on Friday 15th September at 7.30pm.** This happens to be in Heritage Week and the new society thought it made perfect sense to hold their inaugural event that week. Tales of Trowse will bring together stories and photos of the village we know and love, all through the eyes of residents who both live and grew up in the village.

There will be people on hand to give information about how you can join the society and what to expect for future events. We are so lucky to live in a village with such a rich and diverse history and there are plans to put together a publication which will have historical walks and interactive information boards to share this unique heritage with village residents and visitors alike.

This is a free to attend event with tea/coffee available to buy on the night.

We look forward to seeing you.

Nothing...and then 3 come along at once.

Apple App store.

Now, we know that 3 are never going to come along at once, but we all know the frustrations of waiting for a bus that is late, or worse, doesn't arrive at all. However, First Bus do have an app which means that bus arrivals can be checked in real time and buses tracked so you can always see when one is coming. It also features an e-ticket system which means you never have to search for your ticket again. Just visit: www.firstbus.co.uk/first-bus-app and clink on the links to either the Google Play Store or the

Goal!!!!!

You may have spotted the new goal nets on the common. These were installed with the help of some residents a few weeks ago. Our thanks go to them for spending some time hooking them up.

We do ask that you not permit your child to climb on them. Unfortunately we have had to stop some youngsters from doing this. The nets are not strong enough to support the weight of a child(ren) and we would hate for someone to get hurt. Plus if they get damaged as a result of this we're afraid we currently don't have the funds to replace them.

Hedges on your boundary

We have had some issues recently with hedges on property boundaries causing issues for footpath users. Hedges are the responsibility of the property holder and these will not be cut back by Norfolk Highways. Overgrown hedges are a hazard to pedestrians, those with buggies or mobility aids and can stop drivers being able to see the road properly. We ask that if your hedge is encroaching on a public footpath, be that to the front, side, or rear of your property, that you ensure it is not causing any issues. Thank you.

"Is there anybody there?"

If you would like to get in touch with the Parish Council you can do so by emailing: trowsepc@outlook.com or calling 07899 798853.

Details of meeting dates etc are on our website: trowseparishcouncil@norfolkparishes.gov.uk

We look forward to hearing from you and appreciate feedback.