

Trowse with Newton



Parish Council News

May 2023

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

Singing in the Rain



Well, the day may have been rather damp but that didn't dampen our mood. We had a great turn out for our Coronation Fun Day on the 6th May. There were so many games to choose from and boy, did you all seem to have fun! Our very own Cllr Morgan Haynes, who was manning the Crazy Golf, was run off his feet all afternoon by keen wannabe Tiger Woods' and Cllr Guy Owen was doing his best Robin Hood impression with the archery. The tombola was also going down a storm and was busy right up until we ran out of prizes! Our thanks must go to all those who donated prizes for the tombola, including our local businesses.

Hook-a-duck was also popular given that it was good weather for ducks and the children had a lot of fun trying to hook the King Duck, which many did.

It was also good to see the interest around our chosen charities this year, The Norfolk Rivers Trust and Norwich Farmshare. Both organisations have said how nice it was to be in the village for our celebrations, and how friendly everyone was.

Our food vendors did a great job in feeding you all, and it was nice to be able to welcome them to Trowse.



**The total sum raised for charity
was £684.17. So thanks to
everyone that came and donated.**



REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE.

At our most recent parish council meeting, County Councillor Vic Thomson talked about recycling and the problems faced by recycling centres. Most of the issues could be dealt with at home by proper cleaning and drying of recyclable materials such as bottles, before they are placed in the green bins. If one item in your recycling bin hasn't been clean properly it "contaminates" the bin and that whole bin has to be rejected. So please ensure that you clean and dry before disposing of.

There is also a great deal of recyclable material that is still being thrown into general waste. It is thought that 78% of what is being put into general waste can be recycled, so please check packaging before throwing away.

Don't forget that some food waste can also be put into your compost bin. Things like vegetable peelings, egg shells and coffee grounds can all help to make the soil more nutritious.

Parking

Following the most recent consultation for the parking scheme, we just wanted to let you know what happens next. As we are sure you are aware, the scheme has become a very emotive topic in the village. We now have to wait for information from Highways to come back to us with regards to comments that have been sent to them. Following our most recent PC meeting, district Cllr Lisa Neal stated that the final decision will come back to the PC for discussion. We are unable to give you a timeline of when this will happen at present.

May Gurney site

As we sadly all know, many trees were cut down on the former May Gurney site a few weeks ago, much to the outrage of Trowse residents. As soon as we knew what was happening we contacted South Norfolk District Council, the Environment Agency, Natural England, Whitlingham Trust and the landowner for answers. This (along with contacts made to the same agencies from concerned residents) prompted a visit to the site by police, SNDC and the Forestry Commission. The Forestry Commission put a stop notice on the removal on the 28th April and they are now visiting the site, grading the trees that were cut down, and they are likely to serve something called a re-stocking notice for what they want re-planted. The landowner will also have to now provide a new drainage scheme which has to be signed off by the Lead Local Flood Authority, a new transport scheme which has to be acceptable to Highways and a revised landscaping design to show where the replanting will go.

We will keep you up to date with what is happening on the site, so look out for information on the Facebook page and our **new twitter account @parishtrowse**.

Election Results

Following the most recent parish and district elections we can confirm that the 9 members of the parish council were duly re-elected in an uncontested election and Cllrs Neal and Overton are joined by Nicola Fowler at SN District Council.

Flooding

With the sudden heavy storms we have seen over the last couple of weeks, we thought it prudent to remind residents that we have access to Floodsax to help stop water from entering your homes. The Floodsax are stored in our cemetery lock up and can be accessed by contacting Cllrs Haynes, Long, and Bowers.

There is an emergency flood plan on the parish website with contact numbers. Alternatively you can call the clerk on the below mobile number and she will make arrangements for you.

If you are aware of someone who could be considered vulnerable, please do let us know and we will make sure that they are added (confidentially) to our list. This will ensure that they are taken care of in the event of an emergency situation.

Grounds person.

Following recent discussions at Parish Council meetings it has been decided to advertise for a grounds person to aid the council with the maintenance of our open spaces, allotments and cemetery. This will include things like grass cutting, hedge trimming, weeding, and light maintenance/repairs to council owned benches, fences etc.

This will be offered at 5 hours per week, subject to seasonal changes. For more information and full job description please contact the clerk.

"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.