

Trowse with Newton



Parish Council News

October/November 2024

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.

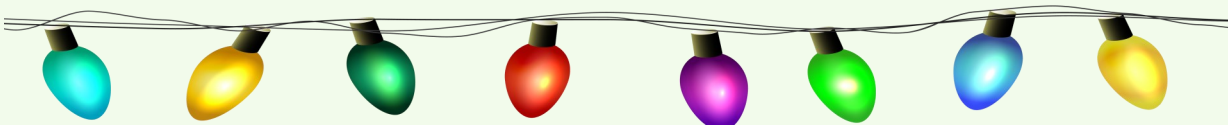


Deck the Halls!!

Don't forget to join in with the village Christmas Light Switch On event on Friday 6th December from 5pm. You are invited to decorate your house, garden, railings, doorways, (basically anything you can fix can lights to) and join in with the Christmas Light Trail around Trowse. Our new MP, Ben Goldsborough, will be coming to the village for this event.

There is also going to be a Christmas Craft Fair organised by the Manor Rooms Management Committee, where you can pick up some lovely handmade Christmas gifts, have a warming drink and a mince pie. So please pop into the Manor Rooms and have a little look at what is on offer. There promises to be some lovely little pressies available for those hard to buy for relatives! If you are interested in having a stall please contact Nicky Barnes: njhbarnes@gmail.com

Finally, the BIG news for the night is Father Christmas has made himself available and he will be joining Ben to turn on the bus shelter/grotto lights at 5pm! He is very much looking forward to seeing you all. He hopes you have all been good and have your lists ready. Our special thanks go to Father Christmas for taking time out of his busy schedule to come and see us.



Manor Rooms info

In the new year the Manor Rooms Management Committee will be holding a public consultation about how best to move the charity forward. This will involve discussions on what to do with the building, how best to raise funds and what to do with the bowling green, now that it is no longer in use.

This is all in the interest of transparency and seeking the opinions of residents about the Manor Rooms and how it is used. With rising maintenance costs, and the ever increasing cost of utilities the Charity needs to develop a strategy for future proofing the building and its availability to the public and residents of Trowse so they will be seeking your thoughts and ideas about how this can be achieved.

Your Neighbourhood Plan

The referendum for the Trowse Neighbourhood Plan took place on the 14th November. We are pleased to announce that the Plan was approved by the residents. This means that the NP will form part of the decision making processes of not only the Parish Council but also the District and County Councils. The plan's policies will have to be considered when making decisions about planning, biodiversity, transport and highways issues to name but a few. It will also have to be considered by any potential developers.

Setting our Budgets

We are at the time of year where the Council considers it's budget for the next financial year. Each committee of the PC has responsibility for their own budget; producing a set of costs that is then referred to the finance committee for scrutiny before going to Full Council for ratification. This informs the Council what it will need to request in terms of a precept from South Norfolk Council. The precept is the element of your Council Tax which comes directly to the Parish, for local services. More information will be made available about this soon.

Stig of the Dump

As we were reminded by our County Councillor Vic Thomson, at the October PC meeting, the changes to how we recycle waste at the County tips have come into force. You will now be required to book a slot for both household recycling and commercial waste. This can be done on the County Council website: www.norfolk.gov.uk

We also thought it prudent to include information about your general household recycling, that goes into your wheely bin. Unfortunately some people put batteries in the bin which can cause fires. Sadly trucks have been lost due to batteries igniting, so please do not put these in general waste. Most supermarkets have recycling bins for batteries. Also other recycling should be Clean, Dry and Loose. Please make sure you wash out plastic containers, milk cartons etc and dry them before placing them in the recycling. If they are not clean and dry they can contaminate a whole trucks' worth of recycling meaning that that waste has to go into landfill and not be recycled.



Biodiversity Corner

As we get towards the winter months biodiversity seems a little bit of an odd topic. Compared to the blooming flowers and the buzzing of newly hatch insects of the spring and summer months, winter might be seen as bit of a non entity. However, life ticks on in the darkness as hedgehogs go into hibernation and bats begin to roost for the winter. Trowse's Green Team are also still working hard. The Cemetery works are ongoing, as we try to keep the pathways clear and ensure the new wildlife corridor hedge is protected over the frosty months. There are plans to replant the trees that sadly didn't make it through the heatwave of a couple of summers ago. Plans are also afoot for some new fruit trees to be planted on the Dell Community allotment. This will be considered a community orchard with apples, pears and maybe even some plums for residents in the coming years.

Calendars



There is still time to purchase your Trowse 2025 Calendar, as produced by the new Trowse Historical Society. They are £9.95 and funds raised are going towards the society for future events. These can be purchased from Wayside, The Street and from Easter Cottage, The Street.

"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.