

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.

In Loving Memory

Trowse Parish Council send their condolences to the family of Peter Crane who ran the village shop for five decades. As he said:

"A village without a shop isn't special"

For what makes our Trowse village special? - Is it its tight knit community, beautiful buildings and wonderful green spaces in which to play and explore? Or is it its proximity to the City whilst being insulated from it by the river and parkland?

And playing its part in this was the Trowse village shop where Peter was a familiar face to families over many years who shopped for milk, sweets and their newspapers; and a chat.

And special too was Peter's journey to Trowse. He was born in Austria and when the Russian army invaded during World War 2, the young Peter and his mother and sister were loaded onto a truck to be driven to Siberia. But due to the intervention of another lorry driver, they were driven back to Vienna. Peter's mother later married a British soldier named Crane which is how the family came to live in Norfolk where Peter took over the village shop in the 1960's; a time of great change in our village community.

He will be missed and held so dear by everyone who knew him.

Parking in Trowse, again!

If not already aware, it is proposed to introduce Pay and Display (P&D) Parking in Whitlingham Lane. If you responded (objected) to the original parking scheme consultation (May 2023) you were contacted to ask if you maintained that position (failure to respond resulted in objections being removed). Based on objections raised the changes below have been made:

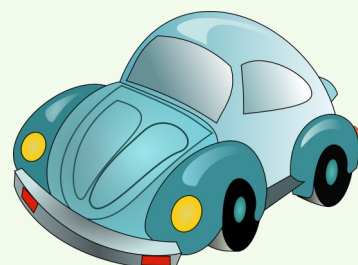
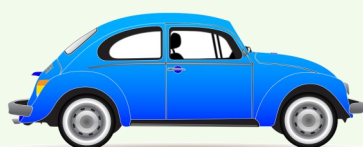
1 hours free parking to be increased to 2 hours (to provide more time for people to use amenities in the village)

Parking restrictions to be introduced on Newton Close, from 8am to 12pm, and 2pm to 4pm (to address the risk of long stay parking)

If you did not respond to the original consultation you will not have been invited to comment and may wish to do so now – contact Alexander Feaviour (Community & Environmental Services, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich, NR1 2SG) or e-mail trowsepms@norfolk.gov.uk

Parking is already a challenge for residents, visitors, and business users, particularly along The Street and White Horse Lane and concerns have been raised that an already difficult situation will be exacerbated by the introduction of P&D parking. Unlike Newton Close no protection can be made to those areas, and those who find themselves unable to park near their properties / business will have to find other places within the village to park, so this is likely to have a wider impact on parking in the village.

For full details please see the Parish Council website (and village notice boards)



New Year, New Calendar

Be on the look out for the publication of the year! Trowse's very own Historical Society have produced a fantastic calendar for 2025, with funds raised going towards the society. The front page has our newly renovated village sign has those that helped in its repair, including the grandsons of the original crafter, Ben and Tom Ewing.

Inside is a selection of historical photos and picture of the village through the ages and some of Peter Schindler's (Historical Society's Chairman) own amazing art work of buildings in our lovely village.

Cost is £9.95 and they can be purchased from Peter. They'll make a great stocking filler!



Winter is coming!

With the nights drawing in and the colder, wetter weather on the way, we wanted to remind residents that we do have Floodsax in case of flooding. The PC has an plan to distribute these to those in the most need in the event of an emergency rise in water levels, but they can be requested any time.

We also keep a close eye on the water levels on the common and should be able to act quickly if the need arises. Details on how to use Floodsax can be found on YouTube.



Beryl Bikes

Not only has the introduction of Beryl Bikes been a real success in the village but we also think, its fare to say, that we have the most attractive stands, and that's down to the planters that surround what would otherwise be a simple concrete pad and railings.

The Parish Council has taken responsibility for maintaining the planters and with the help of Christine (Ender) we have planted the tubs with wallflowers and pansies to take us through the winter and added some spring bulbs, so that we have something to look forward to. At the moment mother nature is taking care of the watering but should anyone like to assist her with this job next summer (or whenever we have a dry period) please let us know – help with this would be much appreciated.

Neighbourhood Plan Referendum

1. A referendum will be held on 14 November 2024 to decide on the question below:

'Do you want South Norfolk Council to use the Neighbourhood Plan for Trowse with Newton to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area?'

2. Applications to be included in the register of electors for this referendum must reach the Electoral Registration Officer, Horizon Centre, Peachman Way, Broadland Business Park, Norwich, NR7 0WF by midnight on Tuesday, 29 October 2024. Applications can be made online at: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>
3. Applications, amendments or cancellations of postal votes must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by 5pm on Wednesday, 30 October 2024 if they are to be effective for this election. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-postal-vote>
4. Applications for a Voter Authority Certificate or an Anonymous Elector's document valid for this referendum must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by 5pm on Wednesday, 6 November 2024. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-photo-id-voter-authority-certificate>
5. Applications for a proxy vote at this referendum must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by 5pm on Wednesday, 6 November 2024. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-proxy-vote>
6. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this referendum must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by not later than 5pm on Thursday, 14 November 2024. Note: there are specific criteria that apply to emergency proxy applications.

Jingle Bells....

Yes, the Christmas season is fast approaching and we have set the date for the village annual Christmas light switch on. This year Friday 6th December at 6pm the village lights will be illuminated with the usual festivities. We are hoping that Father Christmas might be able to pay us a visit but with a busy schedule who knows

If anyone has a direct line to Father Christmas and might be able to ask his availability please do let us know!

It's a lovely way to start the silly season so we hope you can be there.



"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.