



FEBRUARY 2022 THURSFORD TABLET

Report from the January Parish Council Meeting

Notes from the Parish Council Meeting

Exception Housing Scheme

The Parish Council Chair updated the meeting with the latest on the Exception Housing site.

A site visit took place on 12th January between members of the Parish Council, NNDC Cllrs Fredericks and Kershaw and the NNDC Community Housing Enabler. All present reviewed the current condition of the field and the Highway junction with the A148 (report below).

Memorial Arch

This needs an additional coat of paint, and once the weather has improved to allow outdoor welding to take place, will be sited on the Village Green

Bank Accounts and Governance

Paperwork for the Barclays current account has all been completed and the Parish Council is awaiting confirmation that the additional signatories have been accepted. All changes for the NS&I deposit account have come into effect. Standing Orders and Financial Regulations, which regulate the running of the Parish Council were reviewed and updated.

North Norfolk District Council update

The NNDC Local Plan is now open for consultation until 28th February. Comments can be made on the interactive page of the website and hard copies are available by contacting NNDC and are located in libraries

Norfolk County Council Update

The County Council is planning a support kit to help parishes to identify circular walks in their area.

The Parish Council was reminded that, from 31st December 2025 all landlines in Britain will only continue to operate if they

are connected to the Internet. Due to concerns about internet coverage, particularly in rural areas, NCC Councillors are seeking a delay to this date.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

All agreed that it is important to mark the occasion in the village and a tea party on the Green has been agreed (please see further information below).

The Parish Council are also considering planting a tree on the Green as a longer lasting tribute, but as a diseased tree was recently cut down, a Councillor is checking whether this is possible at this time.

Noticeboard in Station Road

A resident had responded to the request for a volunteer to repair the Noticeboard and the repair was underway.

Litterbin on the Green

The Parish Council agreed that attempts should be made to repair the Bin as the cost of replacement is so high.

Date for Spring Litter Pick

The Spring collection of litter from around the village has been set for Sunday 13th March. See below for full information

Date of next Parish Council meeting

Monday 4th April 2022, 7pm at St Andrew's Church.
All are welcome

ADORNING DOORS!

A Wreath Making Master Class was arranged at St Andrews at the beginning of December. "Often we have the desire to make the wreath but just don't set aside the time to do so" said organiser Di Dann. This workshop provided not only the opportunity to make a wreath with support from a tutor, but all the necessary natural materials to do so. A good day was had by all. Refreshments were enjoyed by all. In addition, quite a lot of money was raised for the next Church project.



The Heritage Lottery, (who are the main funder for the recent improvements to St. Andrews), need evidence of ongoing community use in the church so it's really



important we use it for events like this as much as possible going forward. So, this was a worthwhile thing to do for a number of reasons – including skill sharing and providing some much-needed socialisation.

Natural wreaths can be made from a variety of materials sourced from the hedgerow and garden. Here is one example of a wreath made at the workshop where the colours of the materials used compliment the colour of the door (*apologies: the photo is in black and white – ed.*).

There are hopes to run the event again next year.

Photos provided by workshop participants

After the workshop Di continued with the wreath making to raise funds for Tapping House, The Norfolk Hospice at Hillington. £70 in all was made for this worthy cause. Hospices only receive 25% of their funding from NHS and the rest they have to find for themselves. So, the donation was very welcome.

Booking the Church for events

Now we have kitchen and toilet facilities, if you would like to use the church for an event, please call the Churchwarden - Steve Yerby - on 878823 to make the arrangements and to make sure there are no double bookings!

Exception Housing Scheme – Station Road/Brick Kiln Road

Parish Councillors held a site meeting to show the location of the Exception Housing Scheme site to councillors and an officer from North Norfolk District Council. Members of the Parish Council wanted the District Council to understand that their concerns were in respect of traffic movements, visibility and safety at the junction and the current state of flooding in the field specified for the site.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee

We are looking forward to marking this wonderful occasion in Thursford and are planning an afternoon tea on the Green on **Sunday 5th June**.

If you are willing to help or have any other ideas, please get in touch with Sherri Eckworth (sherrieckworth@outlook.com or 01328 878054) who is acting as point of contact along with Cara Ross. They very much look forward to hearing from you.

Station Road Noticeboard

The Parish Council would like to extend a huge thank you to Barbara and Roy of Station Road who have very kindly agreed to take this project on.

Mobile Library Dates and Times

25th February, 25th March, 22nd April, 20th May

1.50pm – 2.05pm at Station Road; 3.35pm – 3.55pm at the Methodist Church and
4pm – 4.15pm by the Post Box in Heath Lane (Route number EDE508)

Services at St. Andrews, 11am

Services are held at 11am on the Sundays listed below (usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month:

February 20th Eucharist 11am

March 20th Eucharist 11am

April 10th Eucharist 11am

Services at Thursford Methodist Chapel

Services are currently not taking place due to COVID but are usually held every second Sunday at 6.30pm.

Thursford Parish Council

March Litter Pick



Let's get rid of it!

Sunday 13th March 2022

10.00 – 11.00

Wear suitable protective clothing

Equipment provided – please contact the number below

Rubbish collection points - Junctions of Church Lane and North Lane;
Hindringham Road and North Lane; Briston Road and A148

In the event of inclement weather then please do an hour of litter
picking around this date. Items to be collected should be at the
collection points by 16th March.

Tel 01382 878196



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to Kerry – telephone and email below **before 11th April**.

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