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**There were two council meetings held in May - the Annual Parish Meeting (the electors meeting), and the Annual Parish Council Meeting.**

Notes from the Annual Parish Meeting. The Chairman gave his report

**Defibrillator** A report had been given by Karen Drake on the Defibrillator. A new battery, pads and an electrical inspection would need to take place within a year. It was agreed to arrange further Defibrillator training sessions in the parish. The Parish Clerk would approach First Communities Responders in Holt.

**Definitive Footpath Modification** The Parish Council had obtained evidence forms for a modification of the Definitive Footpath Map and a request had been submitted to NCC. A report would be written by the Community and Environmental Services Case Officer and then forwarded to the Chief Legal Officer. It was expected to take many more months.

**Church Events** The Parish Council had supported various events, including Open Gardens

**Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations** A Royal Tea had been arranged by the Clerk and Steph Jenkinson. Over thirty people had attended from across the generations. A Beacon Bonfire event had been arranged by the Allotment Committee, with Nigel making an impressive bonfire.

**Clarks Lane** The Chairman had met Wm Moorfoot's Engineer on site with local

landowners to discuss the possibilities for drainage improvements. A decision had been made not to progress any improvements. It was noted that the lane had recently been levelled.

**NCC Highways** The Parish Council had secured a Parish Partnership 50% grant for Thursford Green sign on North Lane. It had also secured a similar grant for a sign to be installed on the Walsingham Road.

**Litter Picks** Two litter picks had taken place in October and March. Both had been well supported events.

**Brick Kiln Road** The Parish Council had encouraged NCC Highways to make improvements to the signage either end of this road.

**Cemetery** A very successful working party had taken place in early March and a great deal of the growth in brambles and shrub had been removed. Further work would be needed.

**Receive other Reports** District Councillor A Green advised that NNDC would be rebuilding the Splash at Sheringham. Members were sorry to learn that David Ramsbotham had not been re-elected and a letter of thanks would be sent.

**Other Reports** Parish Fuel Charity. It was noted that the Charity had donated £1228.50 in cash donations and £546 in coal purchases. Bank Balance at 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017 was £1344.87

Allotment Committee. The Allotment plots were all taken up, but room could always

be found for a further allotment holder. The bank balance carried forward at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 had been £189.84. The balance on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017 was £194.84. A second hand mower had been purchased during the year. Donations had been given from allotment holders for this.

St Andrews Church project. Cllr Yerby advised that the PCC was responsible for services in the church and the general management of the building. Chris Rheinberg, Bill Carter, himself and his wife and Rev James Muggleton were on the PCC. The PCC had to give £1800 per annum to the Diocesan House. In the year 2016 income for the Church had been £4055 with expenses at £4025. There was a separate Fabric Fund which benefited from the efforts of the Friends. It was hoped to raise £1700 from events in the Church during this year. A faculty was currently awaited for improvements in the Church to include the kitchen installation, toilet installation in the vestry, repairs to the windows in the south side of the church and moving the medieval window in the vestry into the chapel.

#### **Notes from the Annual Parish Council Meeting held in May**

##### **Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman**

On a proposal by Cllr Ross, Cllr Bolam was elected Chairman and he signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

On a proposal by Cllr Plumbly, Cllr Yerby was elected Vice-Chairman.

**Outstanding matters** The Clerk was asked to see if the drain jetting in the Street had taken place. It was noted that Carrilion had now completed the repair work following installation of the Dudgeon electrical cabling.

**Planning matters** The following planning decisions were noted:

Ref PF/17/0314 Aveling Lodge. It was noted that this application was

showing up as withdrawn on the NNDC planning portal.

Ref PF/17/0410 Clover Cottage Heath Lane – permission

PF/17/0390 Station Farm Barns - permission

PF/17/0446 Station Farms Barns Alteration of window to doors had been returned to

NNDC (under Clerk's authority of delegation) with no objections.

Permission had now been granted.

#### **The site of Linden, the Street**

It was agreed that a letter should be sent to NNDC expressing concern at the site.

**Annual Return and Accounts for the y/e 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.** Members had been presented with a copy of the Accounts and the Annual Return and these were agreed. Members **agreed** to the Earmarked Reserve Fund for the Lychgate of £7500 and for the Defibrillator of £250 leaving a working balance of £572.

#### **Date of the next meeting**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept; 13<sup>th</sup> Nov (Budget Meeting)

#### **GARDENER NEEDED**

**Mainly grass cutting in small cottage**

**garden in Thursford**

Please contact Jo McKenzie on

02084494813 [jomckenzie@waitrose.com](mailto:jomckenzie@waitrose.com)

**The Felbrigg roundabout** The new Felbrigg roundabout on the A148 near Cromer is opening on 15th June. Money from 12 organisations and businesses made the build possible. It will make the use of the newly opened Cromer Crematorium, which is on the other side of the road, so much safer.

**Thursford, Barney and Fulmodeston Food Production Club**

The date of the 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Show is fast approaching! It is on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. Exhibits arrive in the morning, they are judged over lunch time and then the public can go along to see the exhibits.

It is really an exciting occasion for exhibitors and great fun to take part or just wander round to look at everything. It is not just fruit, vegetables and flowers but also wonderful home cooking and crafts.

The judges look round the exhibits with great care and compare them to the details on the Show Schedule. They carry a tape measure to ensure that sizes are adhered to, check all fresh produce for peak condition, and taste the baked produce. The comments below give you a flavour of some of the suggestions made by the judges at last year's show:

Class 2 - Schedule requires the arrangement to be NOT more than 8" high  
Classes 14 & 15 - Avoid over-skinning your onions

Class 19 - Lettuces should be shown with the roots attached, washed and enclosed in wet tissue or a plastic bag  
Class 21 - Don't cut all roots off your beetroot

Adding names of vegetable varieties may help exhibitors to choose a variety for next year

Class 35 - I prefer to see pies in a glass dish so I can see the bottom

Class 30 – herbal arrangement should be 75% parsley as this is mentioned in the schedule.

To become a member the cost for 2017 is **£5** per household. paid to the membership secretary:

Chris Heath Tel 878682, email: [heath991@btinternet.com](mailto:heath991@btinternet.com); cheques should be made payable to: Barney, Fulmodeston and Thursford Food Production Club

**NNDC reply re “Linden” The Street**

The Parish Council wrote to NNDC Leader Cllr T FitzPatrick to seek clarification about this property. It is a non standard construction which limits the options for occupation and renovation. It is the owner's intention to apply for planning permission to demolish the bungalow.

**Return to 3 local churches of the popular Purcell School of Music.**

Talented young musicians will be at St Andrews Church on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7.00 p.m. £10 on the door to include a glass of wine and canapes. The School will also perform at Fulmodeston and Bale Churches over the week end.

One of the School members is the BBC Young Jazz Musician of the year finalist in 2014, saxophone player Sean Payne.

Recent fund raising for the St. Andrews project has raised £450. This money will

go towards the much needed toilet and server.

## **Recycling**

The following can now go in to your green recycling bin (don't forget to rinse them out first): Food and drink cans, both aluminium and steel; Glass - all bottles and jars (no more trips to the bottle bank!); Aluminium foil and trays including takeaway and ready meal containers; Plastic pots including yoghurt pots, containers for gravies and fresh sauces; Plastic food tubs and trays including margarine tubs, meat and vegetable trays; Empty aerosol cans; Plastic bottles, such as milk, drinks, bleach, shampoo; Paper, including envelopes (including windowed), shredded paper and cardboard; Food and drink cartons including milk, juice, smoothie and soup containers; Bottle tops can be left on.

## **Defibrillator re -training**

The Parish Council is hoping to arrange this in September. More news in the next Tablet.

Note that the Double Octave Concert planned for 5<sup>th</sup> July has been cancelled. We looked forward to the return of this local group of singers soon.

## **Dates for the Diary**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Purcell School of Music 7.00 p.m. in St Andrews Church

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 11.00 Morning Prayer at St. Andrews

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2017 Nortons Farm, Balls Lane Cheese and Wine Evening in aid of Little Snoring and Thursford Parish Churches

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August – 6<sup>th</sup> August Wells Carnival with Carnival Day on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August 11.00 Eucharist at St. Andrews

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September North Norfolk Triathlon at Wells. Swim, Bike and 10k run

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September Pirate Festival at Wells

Thursday 21st September at 6.00 p.m. Harvest Festival followed by Supper

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 10.30 MacMillan Coffee Morning at Wisteria Cottage Heath Lane

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