

BURNHAM THORPE PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2023

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Monday 4th September** at 6.30 pm in the Nelson Memorial Hall. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

CO-OPTION

William James has been co-opted onto the Parish Council. There are still two vacant seats on the Parish Council. If anyone is interested and qualifies to stand as a parish councillor, please contact the Clerk for an application form or this can be downloaded from the website. Any applications will be considered at the meeting on Monday 4th September.

Please do contact the Clerk for an informal chat about the process or being a Councillor.

FROM THE CHAIR – CLLR CHRIS YARDLEY

The news that the gritting from Burnham Market to Thorpe has been reinstated by Highways is a positive resolution to what was a pretty unpleasant shock last year when it was announced that Thorpe would lose the gritting entirely. A diplomatic persistence aided by our County Councillor and co-ordinated and constantly pursued by Sarah our Parish Clerk has paid off, and as you will see below, this means that the (probably pretty useless last-ditch effort to give some traction at the junction of Blacksmiths Lane / Walsingham Road and Lowes Lane isn't needed – at least at present).

We have recently had the current bio feed harvest (rye) to the Egmore biodigester going through the village and the company have put up signs to indicate that drivers should stick to a low speed limit below the 30mph allowed in the village. It would be good to have any feedback from Parishioners experiences and observations (send them to the PC via our Clerk Sarah Raven please and then this will help to inform the Parish Council of how successful this has been).

PROPOSED NEW DWELLING ADJACENT TO 6 WALSINGHAM ROAD

A site meeting took place with Holkham and the Parish Council to discuss the plans for a new dwelling next to 6 Walsingham Road. Comments have been given to Holkham Estate regarding the plans. At the Parish Council meeting on 3rd July the Architect gave a presentation regarding the revised plans. The Parish Council have made comments on these for Holkham's consideration regarding looking at lowering the ground level at the front of the property, consideration of a hip roof if possible and to ensure that all paved areas are permeable to prevent run off onto the road.

DOG BIN

The Lord Nelson has purchased a new dog bin for the Parish Council. The location will be considered at the next parish council meeting.

PARISH PARTNERSHIP SCHEME

Norfolk County Council are again offering grants to parishes for highways infrastructure. The Parish Council would pay 50% of the price and the Norfolk County Council grant would cover 50%. If anyone has any thoughts on highways infrastructure needed please contact the Clerk.

GRIT BOX

As the gritting route has been reinstated this is not now needed.

VILLAGE SIGN

It was agreed to have the village sign post painted and the metal work. The quote was agreed. It will be completed over the next few weeks.

TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

The Parish Council has been liaising with the Borough Council for a number of years to try and place a tree preservation order (TPO) on the trees at the Goodricks and a cherry tree at Millennium Piece. The new Officer for the Borough Council has been on site to look at the trees but does not feel they are under immediate treat to place a TPO on them. However, he did state they were an amenity to the parish.

NEW WEBSITE

The Parish Council has a new website which will be live in the next few weeks. The new website link is www.burnhamthorpepc.info. Please do bear with us during the changeover of websites.

NEWSLETTERS

If anyone would like to receive Newsletters and other information from the Parish Council via email, please subscribe using the Parish Council website located under Newsletter tab or contact the Clerk.

MINUTES

The minutes to all parish meetings are on the website and the Noticeboard near the bus shelter. If parishioners with no internet access would like copies of the minutes or other documents, then please contact the Clerk.

CONTACT

Any issues please contact the Clerk – Sarah Raven on email: clerkburnhamthorpe@gmail.com or telephone 01328 738512 / 07788516733.

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