# BURNHAM THORPE PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2022

## NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

This will be held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 6.30 pm in the Nelson Memorial Hall. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

# NOTE FROM THE CHAIR

We had a good meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October, and it was great to see a number of parishioners turning up and expressing views. The subject of Street Lighting was discussed as were the allotments – see below – and various planning issues, including the extent to which parking space should be taken into consideration when looking at houses that are being extended. Following discussions with the Norfolk County Council we have successfully lobbied to have Burnham Thorpe retained for gritting in "severe weather" and hope that this will ensure that the roads remain usable. The more we hear from parishioners the more effective we can be so please come along to the next meeting.

## STREET LIGHTING

Following concerns expressed by parishioners at the meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> October it was agreed to replace the fuses in all streetlights in the parish and suspend the trial of the switch off. The Parish Council will be discussing various options regarding timer systems at the next meeting. Either theses to be preprogrammed to be switched off at a certain time or whether there are timing systems that the Contractor can alter to different times. Once this has been discussed a grant can be applied for from Norfolk County Council.

## **GRITTING ON WALSINGHAM ROAD**

Norfolk County Council have terminated the gritting route through Burnham Thorpe. The map located below shows the dark blue line being terminated.



The Parish Council are asking for the Norfolk County Council to reconsider this. It would be helpful to have comments from parishioners or for them to contact Andrew Jamieson (Norfolk County Councillor) Email: <u>andrew.jamieson.cllr@norfolk.gov.uk</u> to ask directly for the gritting route to be re-established through the village. STOP PRESS: see above, gritting will now be retained for "severe weather".

# ALLOTMENTS

The Advisory Group are arranging a meeting with Holkham Estate to discuss the allotments. It would be very helpful to have an insight as to any parishioners who would like to have an allotment. At present plots are available but the Advisory Group realises they may be too big a plot for a beginner. Please do contact the Clerk to express an interest.

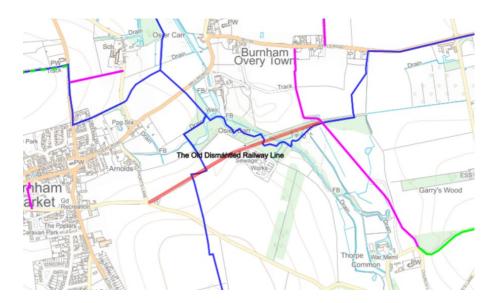
#### VILLAGE SIGN

The Parish Council are aware the village sign needs the post repaired, and the sign refreshed. The Nelson Society has been approached to consider this project.

## NORFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL - HIGHWAYS

Bridges on Footpath 9 and Footpath 10. The Norfolk County Council has provided two new bridges over the River Burn. These have been paid for by Norfolk County Council and not the Parish Council. The entrance gates to these footpaths have been requested they are replaced, and these will be replaced/repaired by Holkham in the next couple of months.

The Parish Council are trying to establish the Old Railway Line between Burnham Overy Town and Burnham Market to be a public right of way. At the present time this is not on the definitive map with Norfolk County Council. It would be greatly appreciated if anyone who has walked this route for a number of years could contact the Clerk for a form to be completed. Once a number of forms have been completed as evidence the Norfolk County Council will be approached. Below is a map of the route if anyone has walked this.



Please do contact the Clerk if there are any potholes or other issues within the parish. These can also be reported on the <u>Norfolk County Council website</u> or telephone number: 03448008020.

#### 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: <u>clerkburnhamthorpe@gmail.com</u> or telephone 01328 738512 / 07788516733.

Further information, including all previous Newsletters, are on the website for Burnham Thorpe Parish Council: <u>https://clerkburnhamthorpe.wixsite.com/btpc</u>