# BURNHAM THORPE PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER JUNE 2023

## NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023** at 6.30 pm in the Nelson Memorial Hall. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

Annual Parish Meeting took place on 18<sup>th</sup> May with reports from the Nelson Memorial Hall, Playing Field Committee, Friends of Burnham Thorpe and Cllr A Jamieson (Norfolk County Council). These will be on the website to read in due course.

At the Annual Parish Council Meeting, Councillors agreed to nominate Chris Yardley as Chair and Mima Garland as Vice-Chair.

## CO-OPTION

There are three 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. The deadline for applications to be received is Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 4pm. The applications will be considered at the meeting on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.

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

#### FROM THE CHAIR – CLLR CHRIS YARDLEY

Following Parish Council comments both to Highways directly and via the help of our County Councillor, we have heard from the County Council that the gritting of the route into Burnham Market will be resumed in cold weather (as necessary) by Highways.

The Parish Council are awaiting a meeting with Holkham where Holkham will hopefully present their proposals for the garden adjacent to No 6, Walsingham Road. We have already been involved in a preliminary response to their general plans to try to moderate and make more acceptable the proposed scheme, being very mindful of the impact of the development on both neighbours and the character of the village.

We continue to await responses to our queries over the Allotments and the Millennium Piece as well as the tree planting proposals which the Parish Council were working with Holkham and others over to replace roadside trees in the Parish. The number of roadside trees has significantly reduced over the past 50 years and we are concerned to try to retain the character of the village whilst also doing what we can to mitigate climate change and biodiversity loss

#### STREET LIGHTING

This was deferred to the next meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> July to give Councillors time to go through quotes and specifications of lighting systems.

#### ACCOUNTS FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR

It was agreed by Councillors to exempt the Parish Council from an external audit as the Council's expenditure is below the level whereby an external audit is required and the funds / projects expended on are simple and clearly set out both during the year at each meeting and in our yearly financial statement of account. The Notice Exercise of Public Rights is from 5<sup>th</sup> June until 14<sup>th</sup> July when accounts can be reviewed. The accounts will also be on the website.

# NEWSLETTERS

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#### 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.

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