

BURNHAM THORPE PARISH COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2022

LOWERING THE SPEED LIMIT

Results from the recent survey supporting lowering the village speed limit have been sent to County Councillor Andrew Jamieson. (Further updates will be provided, including information on a proposed Traffic Regulation Order for the North Norfolk Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

OFFSHORE WINDFARMS

Vattenfall's Norfolk Boreas Offshore Wind Farm has been approved as a stand-alone project, with its own power transmission connection, rather than have the latter incorporated in one Offshore Transmission Network (OTN). This is a setback, as the Norfolk Parish Movement's proposed OTN would be much less environmentally damaging, and cheaper for the taxpayer. The Parish Council continues to support the Norfolk Parish Movement's efforts.

FINANCES

The second draft of the budget/precept was discussed and will be updated and will be agreed at the January meeting (Tuesday 4th January). The budget/precept is online or please ask for a copy from the Clerk.

MILLENNIUM PIECE

The Tax Base rate has now been forwarded by the Borough Council so a draft survey for Millennium Piece is continuing. This will be discussed at the next meeting for the Parish Council in January. A survey will be sent to all houses in the village in the New Year.

HIGHWAYS

Please do contact the Clerk if there are any potholes or other issues within the parish.

FLOODING

The telephone number for flooding is 03448008013 or more information can be found on the Norfolk County Council website. "Community Parish engagement in respect of flooding and developing a local emergency plan" was a useful on-line event organised by the Norfolk Resilience Forum and Norfolk County Council. Presentations and links will be made available when received. Parishes were invited to request other events if needed, and to encourage residents with specialist knowledge and/or interest to attend. The presenters emphasised the need for communities to engage and be proactive, and to help protect themselves. <https://www.norfolkprepared.gov.uk/risks/flooding/>

ANGLIAN WATER

A priority service is being offered by Anglian Water:

- Help if there is an interruption to a customer's water supply
- Help protect customers against bogus callers
- Communicate in different languages, including British Sign Language
- Send bills in alternative formats, including large print, audio and braille
- Knock and wait, giving customers longer to get to the door

To sign up for the priority service email: anglianwater.co.uk/priority or telephone: 0800 232 1951
Financial help is available by emailing: anglianwater.co.uk/extra-care or telephone: 0800 011 3774

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next meeting date is **Tuesday 4th January 2022**. This meeting will be held in the Nelson Memorial Hall at 6.30 pm.

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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