Hempton Parish News



HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II 1926—2022

October 2022

Next meeting will be held on Wed 12th October at 7pm, in the Memorial Hall, (please note change to previously advertised date and venue)

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Welcome

Welcome to our October newsletter...Hope you are keeping well and dealing with the 'slings and arrows of outrageous fortune' with as much fortitude and humour as you can muster. Have to say I feel we are now in the middle of a perfect storm...guess the clouds have been gathering for a while and I believe we have a tough and rough journey ahead of us...but ever the optimist and half glass full type believe we will ride it out and come through it all, perhaps with a few knocks and grazes but with nothing that wont mend in due course.

Have also felt very saddened at the relative sudden passing of HM Queen Elizabeth II, our Monarch, and Head of State for over 70 years. A little further on in this article is a poem written by Simon Armitage Poet Laurate marking her death...it is very beautiful and I hope you enjoy reading it as much as I do.

There are few updates too:

Parish Council Merger

The solicitor at NNDC has reported back to us that the current legislation only permits mergers to happen in April each calendar year. This bomb shell has come out of the blue and is very disappointing but there is nothing to be done except go with it. We have a further meeting scheduled for early this month and we hope to have something positive to report next time. Letters concerning the impact on the respective precepts have been prepared and will be going out from NNDC within the next few weeks to all households.

<u>Duck Pond</u>

Works have been underway and quite a lot of progress has been made. A swift decision was taken to carry out an unplanned dredging of the pond while it was so dry, to help further reduce future flooding issues. It is now good to have some water back in the pond and if the rain keeps falling as it has done over the past couple of weeks then I guess we should be back to water levels that are pretty close to normal very soon.

Bus Shelter Bench

Highways have confirmed by way of written authorisation for the bench to be installed on the site of the previous shelter. We are chasing for a current bus schedule and still await this details from NCC...it will be published as soon as we receive it.

<u>Memorial Hall</u>

The hand rail at the entrance to the hall will be getting a make over from AOT within the coming weeks...weather conditions are critical for the application of the coating being used so the timetable sits in the gift of Mother Nature.

Welcome

<u>Play Area</u>

We have received some information about further damage to the trim trail. It is saddening me to report that the area and some of the equipment has been subject to mindless vandalism. The incidents have been reported to the police and are being treated as criminal damage. It is very likely that we will have to camera the area...again we will update you on progress once we have received advice from the community policing team.

A further meeting will be held with Cadent Gas this month to discuss the possible plans to reposition some items of the play equipment which were highlighted during a previous site visit with a representative of Cadent. The items that are expected to be repositioned include the climbing frame, parallel bars, balance beam and one of the trees to the edge of the play area will sadly have to be removed, as these are now too close to underground gas mains pipes that were unbeknown to the Parish Council. This work will be undertaken by Cadent.

Please feel free to contact the Clerk with any issues you would like to raise for discussion and decision, and we would love to see you at our meeting on 30th November at 7pm in the Church Rooms (Please note this change of date from 16th November).

Take care and stay safe Vivien Woods, Chair

Floral Tribute—SIMON ARMITAGE, Poet laureate

Evening will come, however determined the late afternoon, Limes and oaks in their last green flush, pearled in September mist. I have conjured a lily to light these hours, a token of thanks, Zones and auras of soft glare framing the brilliant globes. A promise made and kept for life – that was your gift – Because of which, here is a gift in return, glovewort to some, Each shining bonnet guarded by stern lance-like leaves. The country loaded its whole self into your slender hands, Hands that can rest, now, relieved of a century's weight.

Evening has come. Rain on the black lochs and dark Munros. Lily of the Valley, a namesake almost, a favourite flower Interlaced with your famous bouquets, the restrained Zeal and forceful grace of its lanterns, each inflorescence A silent bell disguising a singular voice. A blurred new day Breaks uncrowned on remote peaks and public parks, and Everything turns on these luminous petals and deep roots, This lily that thrives between spire and tree, whose brightness Holds and glows beyond the life and border of its bloom.

King Charles Quiz

Every answer consists of or includes something to do with King Charles

| | QUESTION | ANSWER |
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| 1 | When was King Charles I born? | |
| 2 | How long did King Charles I reign? | |
| 3 | How old was King Charles I when he died? | |
| 4 | Where was King Charles II born? | |
| 5 | How long did King Charles II reign? | |
| 6 | When was King Charles III born? | |
| 7 | What is the full name of King Charles III? | |
| 8 | Where was King Charles III born? | |
| 9 | Where did King Charles III earn his Bachelor of Arts degree? | |
| 10 | What was King Charles III first car, purchased in 1968? | |
| 11 | When did King Charles III take his seat in the House of Lords? | |
| 12 | In what year did King Charles III marry Princess Diana? | |
| 13 | Who did King Charles III marry in 2005? | |
| 14 | What was the name of the youth charity that King Charles III founded in 1976? | |
| 15 | What traditional field sport did King Charles III compete in and raise money for charity? | |
| 16 | Which arm did King Charles III have operated on, following falls off horses? | |
| 17 | What kind of artist is King Charles III? | |
| 18 | How many of King Charles III paintings were exhibited at Hampton Court to commemorate his 50 th Birthday? | |
| 19 | How many grand-children does King Charles III have? | |
| 20 | Who is the eldest of King Charles III grand-children? | |
| 21 | Where will King Charles III and Queen Consort live? | |
| 22 | What is the name of King Charles III residence in Gloucestershire? | |
| 23 | What does King Charles III like in his tea? | |
| 24 | What is the name of the book that King Charles III wrote, based on stories he would tell his younger brothers when growing up? | |
| 25 | What is the name of King Charles III own brand of whisky? | |

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What's On

Nemorial Hall-For more info please contact Laura on 07532 690758 or

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Monday

Exercise Class, 10-11am, Line Dancing Beginners, 11-12noon, Pilates, 4.45, 6, 7.15pm,

Tuesday

Artists on the Green, 9.45am–12.45pm,

Fakenham Painters, 1.30-4.30pm, fortnightly

Line Dancing, Beginners 6-7pm , Improvers 7-8pm,

Wednesday

Lace Making, 7–9pm, fortnightly, Keep fit 9.45am-11.45am, Rainbows 4.30pm-6pm

Thursday

Yoga, 9.15–11.15am, Brownies 5-6.30pm, Dog Training, 7-10pm,

Saturday

Craft Club, Every 3rd Saturday of each month 9.30-2.00pm.

October

Wednesday 19th - Winter Gardening

Many gardens can be rather void of colour during the winter months just the time when we really do require a lift to the spirits. Believe it or not, there is a wealth of plants available that will transform your beds and borders bringing a glow to those short winter days and yourselves.

This talk will give a small example of what is available for planting around the garden.

Autumn talk by John Stirland (Vice Chair) Fakenham Cricket Club, Field Lane, Fakenham, NR21 9QR Refreshments at 7pm for a 7:30 start Entry £3

Church Rooms-Hire charge-£10 p/h. For more info please contact Christine on 01328 856147. Craft Club-1st Wednesday of each month, 6.30-9.30pm, Wood Carvers Tuesday mornings, The Sunflower Singers Coffee Morning's (and cake!) 10.30am on the first Wednesday of each month.

Information & Notices

Do you want to make a difference? Find out how to stand as a councillor for North Norfolk District Council at our Prospective Candidate Events

Wednesday 28 September 6pm to 8pm

Friday 7 October 10am to 12pm

Prospective candidates are able to attend either event in-person at the Council Chambers or remotely via Zoom.

Come and meet some of our current councillors and find out more about why they stood for election and what the role involves

The Event will include:

- An introduction from the Chief Executive.
- Presentations from existing Councillors on;
 - o Ward work
 - o Why become a Councillor
 - o Life at the District Council
- Key election information and Q&A session.
 Meet and greet session with refreshments for in-person attendees.



The in-person events will take place in the Council Chamber at the Council Offices, Holt Road, Cromer, NR27 9EN.

Any questions or to RSVP confirming which date and in-person/remote attendance, please contact on 01263 516047 or democraticservices@north-norfolk.gov.uk



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Become a

Parish Councillor...find out how to volunteer to join your Parish Council by contacting the Clerk.

OR...come along to a Parish Council meeting, meet the current Councillors and have chat to find out what's involved with standing as a Parish Councillorif you are interested in helping to look after the area you live in, be a voice for the people in your community, and make decisions for the good of the local community then get in touch...

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Household Hazardous Waste Days will take place on :-

7, 8 and 9 October 9am - 4pm at Hempton RC, Helhoughton Road

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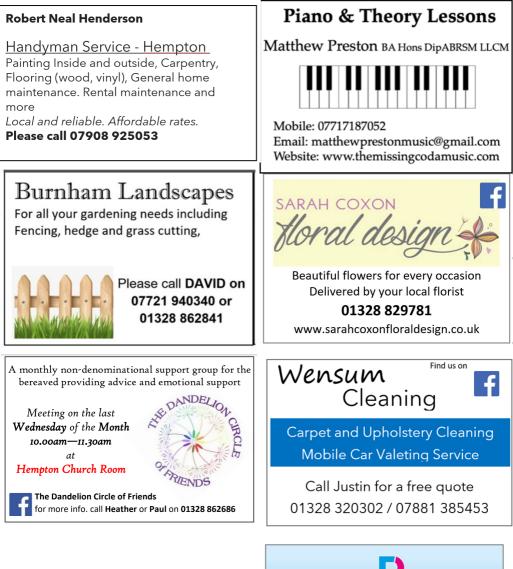
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