# TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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### CORONA VIRUS

Public Health England have been advising the public regarding precautions to take to delay the spread of the Corona Virus. Updated posters and information will be available on the Parish Web Site and notice boards along with details of where to get further information. As a community however, we are also looking to create a Good Neighbour network for the village during this time to provide practical support for those most vulnerable or anyone having to self- isolate. This might include such things as getting shopping, picking up prescriptions or online shopping for those without computers.

If you find you need help from a Good Neighbour then please contact any of your Parish Councillors or the Clerk,

# **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

Dear Resident, our Annual Parish Meeting (APM) will be held in June this year due to the current concerns around Corona Virus, date to be confirmed. The APM is not a Council meeting; it is the residents meeting and gives you the opportunity of hearing from your Parish Council on what it has been doing during the previous 12-months. District & County Councillors are invited, along with the Police, and representatives from local groups so that they can also inform residents of what is happening in the local and wider community.

The Annual Parish Meeting is a platform for you as residents to inform your Council on the issues that are important to you and your community, so please attend and have your say.

## **Community Initiatives**

The Parish Council are looking to launch some new Community Initiatives in the forthcoming year with a view to encouraging positive community spirit and an improved village environment for all. The first steps are to engage with you the residents and we are seeking your opinions, suggestions and involvement with these projects or any others you might consider the Parish Council should be taking forward. A brief description of the projects are outlined below and these will be presented in more detail at the Annual Parish Meeting in June when we would like to hear from you.

We already have a very active Volunteer Group who undertake a fabulous job in keeping the village tidy and litter free. They have also undertaken additional hedge and trimming jobs and are always ready to welcome any other volunteers wanting to help.

April will see the launch of our Community Speed Watch Campaign which is in direct response to the speeding concerns raised by residents. A big thank you to all those who have volunteered to help with this campaign and if anyone has any time to spare then please volunteer and help make your village a safer place traffic wise for all.

Let your Parish Council know your ideas and suggestions on proposed community initiatives



### THE GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME & COMMUNITY EVENTS

Following on from the community repsonse to help those in need in the village during the Corona Virus outbreak the Parish Council is proposing to launch a general Good Neighbour Scheme, consisting of a network of volunteers who can offer help and support to their neighbours. This could include shopping, car share, transport to appointments or just putting out and taking in someone's bin for them. The focus is to create a strong community spirit where neighbours help neighbours. We would also like to consider community events such as a summer fete or BBQ or such like for the village. Let us know if this is something you would like to see happen in your village and if you would want to be a part of the 'Friends of Tetford & Salmonby'



### **COMMUNITY WILDLIFE PROJECTS**

There are community wildlife funds available and the Parish Council want to hear from you if there are any projects that could be undertaken to improve the village environment and support our wildlife. This might include items such as bird/owl boxes, tree planting, wildflower verges and so on. The Parish Council will also look to approach the village school to see if any local wildlife projects could be run in conjunction with the children in the village.

### **COMMUNICATIONS - VILLAGE WEBSITE /NEWSLETTER**

L.C.C are launching new Parish Web Sites which will be going live from the 1st September. LCC will host the site but as a Parish Council we will have far more flexibility on the layout and look as we shall be creating it. Therefore if

residents have any good local shots of the village these would be welcome and local groups can have pages to represent their activities in the community on the Parish site. In addition, would you welcome a quaterly Parish Council Newsletter?



### THE LITTLE RED INFO BOX

The Parish Council have purchased the old BT Kiosk in South Road Tetford for £1, following the decommissioning of the public telephone there. It is proposed that the kiosk is replaced with a traditional K6 red telephone box and the new facility acts as a small information centre. This could include such items such as a suggestion box for ideas/comments for the Parish Council, a village map, the ability to share books or additional seeds/plant cuttings, message board for local events for sale items or possible provision of dog poo bags – the list can go on. We have already obtained a small grant from ELDC but the overall project will cost an estimated £2,500. So, we are seeking residents support and any donations, pledges to bring this bit of British heritage to South Road.

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