TETFORD & SALMONBY PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Dear Residents, a vacancy has arisen on Tetford & Salmonby PC, which can now be filled via co-option to the Parish Council.

If you would be interested in standing as a Parish Councillor and getting involved with your local community then please contact the Clerk for further information on the following email or telephone number:

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Tel: 01507 533575

A decision on co-option to the Parish Council will be taken at the next meeting to be held online on the 10th February 2021.

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

Thank you to the volunteers who have come forward and undertaken training for the Community Speed Watch Program. The team are now equipped and trained, and the program will be rolled out as soon as current lockdown restrictions permit.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I could not resist the connection today to the film Groundhog Day, a comedy where the lead person wakes up and finds himself repeating the same "day" for days, and only when he tries to improve things does he get to move on. I am sure many of us are finding the days have blurred like this, we seem to be repeating the same day again and again. But with the days lengthening now we are able to see a new day dawning.

We have much to be encouraged with, our neighbours have been neighbourly and helped each other, we have companies bringing us good local food produce regularly, and our postie does the rounds with a smile, alongside the other regular deliveries. I do take my measure of what is going on in part by walking our dog and meeting people and hearing how they are faring and do try to find out how people who cannot join one of the internet based "meetings" are too. But we need to hear more about how we can do even better at being a community and so via this newsletter we are inviting people to let us know what they think.

The Parish Council meetings, via Zoom, and it seems the various other organisations we have here are continuing similarly, although we are all looking forward to being able to meet again in some fashion. Some of these will include, as allowed, a further set of Councillor Surgeries, probably again outside in early Summer to let people come and share their thoughts and visions for our community. Also the Community Support, so well managed by Julia and Maddie and now with me helping more continues, so let us know how we can help you.

So, thank you, to the people of Tetford and Salmonby, for being who you are and pressing on. You may see other things improving, some roadworks, a speed monitoring group, and similar.

I will close with an appeal for ideas for the Phone Box on South Road. We have acquired it for $\pounds 1$ and want to find a good use for it, and many would like to raise the funds to replace it with a classic Red Box. If you have thoughts on fund raising and what we can best do with it, please contact me.

Tennyson has written words we can share over the last year "The quiet sense of something lost" but more importantly also "Come friends, it's not too late to seek a newer world." Let's work together as our community to retain our neighbourliness, our pastoral setting, and to improve the natural ecology we all enjoy, for our common future.

Yours

Cllr John-Henry Lonie, Chairman

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES



We have all experienced a very different life over the past year and at times probably thought that there was little to look forward to. Even in our small community regular pastimes and events have been cancelled. In 2020 there were big plans to celebrate VE and VJ day, and the annual terrier racing, a great fun night for us all, were all cancelled, so, looking forward we hope for brighter times to come. We are hoping that sometime in the summer we may be able to hold a community 'picnic in the park' and depending on the current restrictions, possibly games, races maybe music, just something to look forward to and time to spend, even at a distance, with friends and neighbours, and to welcome newcomers to the village who must have found these strange times even more difficult. As time moves on any suggestions would be gratefully received, in the meantime, Stay Safe and keep smiling.

Cllr Marlene Renshaw

EDWARD RICHARDSON TRUST

If you are under 26yrs old and either a student or an apprentice living in Tetford or Salmonby then you may be interested in learning more about the **Edward Richardson Trust**. This is a local charity offering grants typically between £200 and £300 for educational purposes such as towards books, laptops, upkeep at university, travel to college or training equipment like tools for an apprenticeship course. If you would like to know more about the Trust or to apply for a grant, then please contact the Parish Clerk on tetfordandsalmonbyparishclerk@outlook.com





TREE PLANTING INITIATIVE

With a focus on our environment the Parish Council would like to look at an initiative to plant more trees in the village. If any landowners or residents would like to get involved with this project, then please get in contact with Cllr Julia Larder for more details.



WINTER PREPARATION

With the frosty mornings now with us and the possible risk of icy roads refills of the local grit bins are taking place and the Parish Council have an additional supply of grit to make available should any residents require it. If you or your neighbours are concerned about any area prone to ice then please contact our Snow Warden – Cllr Stuart Kilby for assistance

TETFORD & SALMONBY NEW PARISH WEB SITE.

Stay in touch with your Parish Council and what's going on via our website at http://tetford.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk

Or link onto the Community Facebook page



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