

# Little Snoring Parish Newsletter

## January 2024



Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year. It seems that we are in for a cold snap weatherwise, but at least we have a respite from the rain!

January is always a good time to consider tidying cupboards etc. so if you live in the village and have items that you wish to sell or give to a new home do contact the editor on:  
*[littlestsnoringnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:littlestsnoringnewsletter@gmail.com)*

### Newsletter submissions

| Date for submission of items | Delivery – week beginning   |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2024  | 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2024    | 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2024   |

### News from the Parish Council

The Parish Council was pleased to welcome a new member, Sophie Kill, who was co-opted at the meeting in January. If you are interested in being a part of local government, there is still one vacancy. Do contact the Parish Clerk or councillors if you would like to be considered for co-option.

The Parish Council is still awaiting feedback from Broadland Housing Developers regarding the site at the junction of Kettlestone Road and Thursford Road. A planning application for the proposed develop is expected to be submitted to the District Council early this year, so do look out for the signs at the site if you wish to make comments on the proposal.

### Light Pollution

The Parish Council is aware of issues concerning light pollution at various locations around the village. If you have outside lights please show consideration for your neighbours (and for wildlife) by minimising light-spill. Please ensure that all outside lights are downward facing, movement-sensitive and turned off as much as possible after 10 pm.

## **Keeping the Village Clean, Tidy and Safe Hedges**

It was noted at the recent meeting that there are a few hedges around the village which are encroaching on pavements and roads. Residents with hedges please could ensure that they are properly cut back and kept trim so that the roads and pavements are wide enough for vehicles and pedestrians (including families, people using mobility scooters etc) to use safely.

## **Litter**

The Parish Council appreciates those in the village who take the time to litter pick and help to keep the village clean and tidy. It would be even better if there was no litter to collect! Please ensure that you take all you litter home with you and dispose of it in the appropriate bins – this includes beer cans, bottles, food wrappers etc.

## **Dog fouling**

Over the last few months the problem with dog fouling in the village has been increasing. It is probably only a few careless dog walkers, but the Parish Council has received a number of complaints. The District Council, as the enforcing authority, has been informed and site visits have been arranged. The particular areas of concern are Kettlestone and Thursford Roads and the playing field. All these locations are well-used, so leaving dog mess puts many people at risk from the serious illness toxocariasis (causing visual impairment and blindness). Please ensure that all mess is cleared away from pavements and verges, and from the playing field especially at the recreation ground and around the pre-school compound.

The Parish Council has provided six red dog bins and pays for these to be emptied. There are two bins on The Street, two on Thursford Road, and two on the playing field. Please use these bins or take the poo home and put it in your own bin for general household rubbish.

### **SAM Report**

The SAM2 unit was Holt Road near Crossways December monitoring traffic speed and the volume of vehicles travelling from Fakenham towards Holt. From 20 November 2023 to 8 January 2024:

- Total vehicles 290,234
- An average of 5,818 vehicles were recorded coming into the village per day
- The peak times of travel were 8 am to 9 am (average of 409 vehicles); and 12 pm to 1 pm (average of 546 vehicles)
- The maximum speed was 85 mph at 1:45 am on 26 December.
- The majority of vehicles were travelling below the speed limit which is 40 mph. The 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed (i.e. of 246,699 vehicles) was 40.3 mph; and the average speed was 33.6 mph.



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### Church News

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who helped raise £355 by supporting the Christmas coffee morning in aid of repairs to the church roof. £355 was raised which is a wonderful start to the appeal.

### CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 28 th January at 11.15

Sunday 25 th February at 11.15

Sunday 25 th March at 10.30

Palm Sunday 24 th March at 11.15

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### Recipe Corner: Broccoli and Stilton Soup (Olive Magazine)

#### Ingredients:

- olive oil
- 1 onion, diced
- 1 medium potato, diced
- 2 stalks celery, diced
- 1 head broccoli, stems finely diced
- 750ml vegetable stock
- 50g stilton
- 8 small  
slices sourdough, toasted
- snipped to serve chives
- 2 tbsp chopped cashews to  
serve

Heat 1 tbsp oil in a large pan and fry the onion, potato and celery for 10 minutes until soft. Add the broccoli and cook for another 5 minutes before adding the stock. Simmer for 20 minutes, or until the potato is tender, and season well, then using a stick blender, whizz the soup until smooth and thick. Spread the stilton over the toasts, pour the soup into warmed bowls, and top with the toasts, chives and cashews.

## Puzzle Corner: A quiz about January

1. Which star sign is between January 20<sup>st</sup> and February 18<sup>th</sup>?
2. What is the common name for *Galanthus nivalis* with flowers between January and April?
3. When is Burns' Night?
4. Which monarch was crowned on the 15<sup>th</sup> January 1559?
5. The birthstone for January is?
6. 6. January is named after which Roman god?
7. Which American state was granted statehood in January 1959?
8. Which tennis tournament is held in January?



### Little Snoring Pre-school

We were recently inspected by Ofsted and are very proud to announce that we were graded as good! You can read our report here:

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/16/2633612>

You can find us on the playing field, off Stevens Rd. We have been here for nearly 25 years and before that were at the Primary School. We are open from 8.30 am to 4.00 pm Mon to Fri during term time, offering education and childcare for children aged from 2 up to school age. We are registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation and are managed by local Trustees.

If you, or someone that you know, are looking for a childcare place, please call us on 01328 822488 to find out what we do, to discuss your requirements and to arrange a visit. We are registered to accept funding for 2-, 3- and 4-year-olds and Tax-Free Childcare. More information can be found at: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>

### Defibrillator

Little Snoring's Public Access Defibrillator is located on the railings of the Primary School on Thursford Road NR21 0JN.

**In an emergency dial 999 or 112.** If the symptoms indicate cardiac arrest and there is a third person available, the operator will give you the code to open the defibrillator cabinet. You can then go to the cabinet on the railings at the Primary School, open the cabinet and take the defibrillator to the patient. **The defibrillator is designed to be used by anyone – it talks you through what needs to be done.** Please return the defibrillator after use.

You can see more information about defibrillators and how to use them on [www.youtube.com/watch?v=yuSmEsV1cwI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yuSmEsV1cwI)

The Parish Council is grateful to Little Snoring Charity for paying for the original cabinet and also for the new one which has recently been installed by Gary Youngs.

## CUPPA, CAKE & CHAT

.....in the Community

**Monday 5th Feb 12-2pm £2**

Note the change of time! No raffle.

For February 5th and March 4th we will meet for

SOUP / TOASTED SANDWICH and a natter.



We will make the room as cosy as we can and you'll be home before it starts to get dark!

Your hosts are: Sally&Steve and Jenny&Hans.

(Contact Sally 077925 48221 if you need details)

**How much do you know about  
your family history?**

**Would you like a family tree?**

Genealogist with more than 30 years' experience would be pleased to help anyone interested in exploring his or her family tree. I offer assistance particularly in respect of genealogical research in the UK (Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales), Eire, Isle of Man, Jersey Guernsey, Germany and Belgium. Other territories considered. Reasonable charges.

**Anthony Cooper MA**

(tonyr.cooper@googlemail.com)


## Would you like to try your hand at painting with Acrylics?

We are trying to organise a one off tutored workshop using acrylics. No experience necessary. Just come along and have fun.

Most of the cost will be covered from The Arts Grant but participants will be asked for a small contribution toward costs.



If interested contact Linda on 07393990459 or email [littlestnoringnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:littlestnoringnewsletter@gmail.com)



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2. Snowdrop
3. Elizabeth
4. January
5. 25th
6. Janus
7. Alaska
8. Australian Open.



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For more info: Visit the website [www.fakenhamprobus.org.uk](http://www.fakenhamprobus.org.uk) or email [memsec@fakenhamprobus.org.uk](mailto:memsec@fakenhamprobus.org.uk) or leave a message 01328 887466



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## **Your Parish Councillors:**

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There is currently one vacancy on the parish council – if you are interested in becoming a councillor please contact the clerk.

## **Parish Council Meetings:**

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7:30 pm in the Community Room. Village residents and members of the public are always welcome to attend the meeting. There is a space in the agenda for people to raise matters of concern. Do contact the Clerk (details above) if you wish to bring anything to the attention of the Parish Council.

Next meetings:

11<sup>th</sup> March 2024

13<sup>th</sup> May 2024

## **Parish Council Website**

<http://littlesnoringparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>