

We can help!

- Report pot holes or damage to roads, footpaths or verges
- Streetlight problems or outages
- Planning issues
- Local government or democracy issues
- Put your name down for an allotment
- Suggest practical solutions to village problems
- Rights of Way issues
- Village events

These are just some of the things the Parish Council deal with every day but if you have any issues affecting life in the village, get in touch, we might be able to help!

NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

If you would like to receive future copies of our Newsletter by email, rather than a printed copy through your door, please contact the Clerk to opt-in to this service by providing your name, address and email details.

Newsletters are also available on

our website.

Fincham Parish Council Newsletter

PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON MARHAM ROAD

You may have heard about a proposed planning application at the allotment land on Marham Road. This land is owned by Norfolk County Council (NCC) and currently rented to the Parish Council as allotment land. The Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk (BC) are responsible for allocating areas as suitable for development and making decisions on planning applications submitted. Part of the road frontage at the allotment land had

been allocated in the BC's plan as suitable for development of 5 dwellings; however due to the fact that in 2015 the BC were found to not have the required five year supply of land for development NCC are considering making an application for development of 9 dwellings along the road frontage to cover the area from the telephone exchange up to the last dwelling on the opposite side of the road. Before the application can be made an archaeological

survey is needed and then NCC could submit a planning application. If an application is submitted all residents affected by the proposal, along with the Parish Council, will be informed by the BC and invited to send comments.

On 19 April 2016 the BC announced that it now believes that it does have a five year supply of land for development and this could affect NCC's decision to apply for permission on this land.

RAF MARHAM UPDATE

Building work has already commenced at RAF Marham, and will be continuing through to 2020. This is in preparation for the new Lightening II aircraft that will be arriving at the base in 2018.

Improvements will be made to some of the runways and additional buildings constructed. A temporary 40mph speed limit will be in place on part of the A1122 from 28 May to 16 December

RAF Marham held an information event for residents on 16 March and more of these events will be planned when further information is available to ensure that residents are kept updated.

YOUR MEMORIAL HALL NEEDS YOU!

Fincham Memorial Hall is managed by a committee of dedicated volunteers who are in need of additional help with many of the tasks involved in the running of the hall. They need your help to keep the Hall going for all residents to enjoy.

If you have any time available and would be willing to help in any capacity then please contact Janet Lynskey on 01366 347694

SPEED ACTIVATED MESSAGING (SAM2) SIGN FOR A1122

The Parish Council is still considering the purchase of a SAM2 sign.

These signs cost about £3000 and need to be moved to different locations within the area as they cannot be in one place for more than 4 weeks and cannot return to that location for 8 weeks. They are battery powered and these batteries need to be recharged every 5-7 days.

The Parish Council is considering options regarding funding and shared ownership for one of these signs. We are also looking for volunteers to help with moving and changing batteries. If you would be willing to help please contact the Clerk.

NEW PARISH COUNCILLORS

The Parish Council was pleased to co-opt two new Councillors to fill the vacancies that had been advertised.

The new Councillors are John Delderfield from Hill View and Jacqueline Anderson from High Street.

We are looking forward to working together to continue to help improve the village for all residents.

If you are interested in becoming a Councillor please contact the Clerk.



MEETING DATES

All meetings below take place at Fincham Memorial Hall from 7.30pm unless otherwise stated. The Press and Public are cordially invited to attend any meeting. Residents can address the Council at the start of the meeting but may only speak thereafter with the permission of the Chairman.

Wednesday 22nd June Wednesday 24th August Wednesday 26th October

Please come along and see how your Council helps to make Fincham a better place to live.

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

Councillors:

Jacqueline Anderson 01366 347240 Shaun Blackmur 01366 347345 **Tony Chivers** 01366 347577 John Delderfield 01366 348136 Roger Farmer 01366 347417 Cathy O'Brien 01366 347279 **Chris Perry** 01366 347692 Joe Underhill 01366 347406

Your Borough Councillor Is:

Sandra Squire 01945 773283

Your County Councillor Is:

Brian Long 01945 430169

Clerk:

Sarah Thorpe 01945 430930 Email: finchampc@gmail.com

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BUS TIMETABLE

Fincham Church Mondays to Thursdays, & Saturdays:

Leaves at 10:45am returns from Downham Market Morrisons Car Park 1:15pm bus station area, back to Fincham. Eagles Coaches provide **Tuesdays ONLY to King's Lynn** bus station, service number 18 from Fincham The Swan 10.00am. Returns from KL Bus Station at approx. 1:20pm stage number 2 bus stop.

Fridays ONLY from Marham:

Surgery bus stop 10:35am, calls at Shouldham, Fincham, Downham Market Bus Station, Morrisons car park. RETURNS from Downham Market Bus Station 12:35pm to Fincham followed on route to Marham then back to other villages as above.

Wednesdays ONLY Norwich Coach:

On 1st and 3rd of the month leaves Fincham 8:50am, through to Marham etc. and leaves Norwich at 13:25pm back to Marham, Fincham etc.

MOBILE LIBRARY

Route number DER 243 calls in the village on Tuesdays, normally every four weeks. The next visit is scheduled for <u>7th June</u> and will be in the following places for the times indicated:

- Outside the Methodist Church between 14:45 and 14:55
- Lay-by opposite the Memorial Hall between 15:00 and 15:15
- Churchill Crescent between 15:20 and 15:35.

MEMORIAL HALL DATES

WI meets second Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. For further details please contact Sue Westwood 01366 347305

Flower Club meets Thursday afternoons (24 sessions a year.) For further details call Wendy Bell 01366 347644

Jazzercise meets every Monday at 7pm. For further details contact 07909 282165 or jazzercisekingslynn@hotmail.co.uk

Local History Society. For further details contact Janet Lynskey on 01366 347694 or Anna Lynskey on 01366 347440.

Histrionics, drama group, no meetings at present but if you are interested in joining please contact either Roy Claydon 01366 347407 or Jan Trattle 01366 347304

Keep Fit meets every Tuesday evening 6.30pm - 7.30pm. For further details contact Debbie Brooks 01366 500944

Fincham Chorus meets every Thursday at 7pm. New members always welcome, especially tenors. For further details contact John Delderfield 01366 348136

Quiz night is the first Friday of each month at 7.30pm. £2 per person entry fee.

For further details about hiring the Memorial Hall, please contact Janet Lynskey 01366 347694

The Parish Council has a website, which can be found at: finchamparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk