

#### 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!

## ALLOTMENT PLOTS TO LET

We currently have several vacant plots at our allotment site on Marham Road. Each plot costs £21 per annum and is approximately 150 square yards but half plots are also available.

Water is on site.
Please contact the
Clerk on the details
overleaf if you
would like a plot.

# Fincham Parish Council Newsletter

#### **Community Speed Watch Scheme**

We are pleased to let you know that we now have enough volunteers to start the scheme. However, as we only have six volunteers, which is the minimum required, if any other residents would like to also volunteer we would be very pleased to include you.

As previously mentioned volunteers are trained and then issued with a speed radar gun, two

Community Speed Watch signs and reflective jackets. Volunteers then carry out speed checks in 30mph limits, working to Norfolk Constabulary's Community Speed Watch guidelines.

Returns are completed, logging various details. These are then sent into the Police Safety Camera Partnership team. Registered keepers, whose vehicles are observed break-

ing the speed limit, will have the details recorded, and receive a warning letter requesting them to keep their speed down. Those who persistently offend, and live in Norfolk, will be notified to the local Norfolk Engagement Officer for Police action.

If you are able to help please contact the Parish Clerk to volunteer, or for further information.

#### Speed Activated Messaging (SAM2) sign

Cllr. O'Brien produced a report at the last Parish Council meeting to provide feedback on the data collected by the SAM2 sign during the two periods it had been installed opposite the Memorial Hall

The data recorded on both occasions showed an average of more than 7000 vehicles travelling along the A1122 every day. As on the previous occasion, the volume of traffic showed peak times of between 7-9am from the west and 5-7pm from the

east; there were fewer vehicles over the weekend, as could be expected.

On the second occasion there was a slightly larger proportion of vehicles travelling speeds of more than 34mph (10.46% of total vehicles) and about 0.1% of traffic was recorded at speeds of more than 55mph. which was consistent with the first set of recordings.

The full report is on the Parish Council website under 'Reports.'

## RAF Marham Information update meeting

Hopefully anyone who was interested managed to attend the last RAF Marham information event on 2nd May, which we advertised on our notice board, at the Memorial Hall and on our website.

Another event will be taking place in the coming weeks and we will inform you of the date and time as soon as we are made aware. Please keep a look out for this information on our notice board, at the Memorial Hall, and on our website.

#### **REPORTING OF HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

As previously advised the Parish Council regularly reports issues affecting the roads and footpaths to the Highways Department of Norfolk County Council.

Residents can also report issues directly by contacting Highways.

Telephone: 0344 800 8020 Email: highways@norfolk.gov.uk

#### **FINCHAM CHARITIES TRUST**

We have been asked to inform you that all households, in which there is a resident of 70 years plus, are entitled to money each Christmas from the Fincham Charities Trust.

When you or a neighbour reach 70 years old please phone Joe Underhill on 01366 347406 to give him the details.

#### **DISPOSAL OF DOG WASTE**

The Parish Council would like to remind all residents to correctly disposal of dog waste by bagging it, and then placing it in a dog waste bin or a litter bin or taking it home and putting it in your black refuse bin.



#### **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.

The next three meetings are on:

Wednesday 25th July

Wednesday 26th September

Wednesday 28th November

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

### YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

**Chairman:** 

John Delderfield 01366 348136

**Councillors:** 

 David Bennett
 07979 693033

 Shaun Blackmur
 01366 347345

 Alan Foreman
 07492 091098

 Cathy O'Brien
 01366 347279

 Chris Perry
 01366 347692

 Barbara Ponder
 01366 348021

 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

88 Smeeth Road Marshland St James,

Wisbech PE14 8JF

#### **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 H 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of the month leaves Fincham 8:50am, through to Marham etc. and leaves Norwich at 13:25pm back to Marham, Fincham

#### **MOBILE POST OFFICE**

Situated in the lay-by opposite Fincham Memorial Hall on:
Monday and Thursday 11:30 to 11:55
Tuesday and Wednesday 9:15 to 9:45

#### **MOBILE LIBRARY**

Route number DER 243 calls in the village on Tuesdays, normally every four weeks. The next visit is scheduled for <u>3rd July</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 Barbara Ponder on 01366 348021.

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