



Fincham Parish Council Newsletter

Autumn / Winter
2023

What we do & how we can help

These are just some of the things the Parish Council deal with:-

- Allotments
- Planning
- Rights of way
- Streetlights
- Dog waste bins
- Footpaths
- Practical solutions to village problems
- Local government or democracy matters

If you have something affecting village life, please get in touch (contact information overleaf) we might be able to help!

ALLOTMENTS

One vacant plot will soon be available at our allotment site on Marham Road.

Please contact the Clerk on
finchampc@gmail.com
if interested



YOUR COUNCILLORS

Your Parish Councillors & their specific responsibilities this term:-

- Cathy O'Brien - Chairman**
- Shaun Blackmur**
- Abigail Desborough - Footpaths**
- Richard Desborough - SAM2 (Speed Sign)**
- Janice Lunan - Allotments**
- Barbara Ponder**
- Dave Stringer - Nature Reserve / Noticeboard**
- Rodney Underhill - Defibrillator**

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

Due to a lack of volunteers Community Speed Watch has been temporarily paused until a new team is formed. We would like to thank Barbara Ponder and the team for their many efforts over the past few years. If you would like to volunteer to join the new team, please contact the Clerk

We Need Your Help



SOCIAL MEDIA

Fincham Parish Council Facebook page

Like or follow us to keep up to date with key Parish Council or related information.

Scan the QR code using your phone camera for a quick link.

Fincham Parish Council does not respond using Facebook, so to contact us please use the 'Send Email' button



DEFIBRILLATOR

In an emergency the defibrillator is located at the Memorial Hall. The access code is provided by 999 call handlers



FINCHAM CHARITIES TRUST

Fincham Charities Trust would like to remind everyone that any household in the village with a widow / widower or with at least one occupant aged 70 or over qualifies for a Christmas payment.

If you fit into one of these categories or have someone in your household who should be added to the list of recipients, please contact us on 01366 347406.

Maximum of one payment per household

WASTE BINS / DOG WASTE

It's been confirmed that waste bins in the village can also be used to dispose of dog waste. Please bag and tie it appropriately.

PLEASE be a responsible dog owner and clean up after your dog.

Dog fouling can be reported at
<https://www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/>
(search: dog fouling)



PARKING ON PAVEMENTS

We've received some comments about people experiencing difficulty using pavements in some areas due to parked cars on pavements.

Please consider pedestrians, especially those with pushchairs and wheelchairs when parking on pavements. Thank you



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES

The Parish Council meet bi-monthly at Fincham Memorial Hall.

The next two scheduled meetings are:-

Wednesday 22 November 2023

Wednesday 24 January 2024 (TBC)

at 7.00pm

Public & press are invited to attend.

Please come along & see how your Parish Council help make Fincham a better place to live.

The agenda for each meeting is placed on the notice board & website about 5 days before the meeting.

Residents are able to address the Council near the start of the meeting but may only speak thereafter with the permission of the Chairman.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Clerk (Locum)

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Parish Council Chairman

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Rodney Underhill 07464 614256
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Borough Councillors

Jim Moriarty 07917 591668
Pallavi Devulapalli 07833 531378

County Councillor

Brian Long 01945 430169

REPORTING HIGHWAYS ISSUES

Issues affecting roads & footpaths can easily be reported to the Highways Department using the link: <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem>

It can be done without registering/logging on. Providing photo/s will assist in locating it & help give an idea of the scale of the problem.

Alternatively e-mail: highways@norfolk.gov.uk or call: **0344 800 8020**

BUS TIMETABLE

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

Leaves Fincham Church at 10:42am, returns from Hollies Car Park, Downham Market at 13:15pm back to Fincham via Shouldham.

****For continued service please keep using the buses****

CHURCH NEWS

The service rota is:-

2nd Sunday - 11:00am Morning Prayer

4th Sunday - 9:30am Holy Communion

12th November - 10:45am Remembrance Service

24th December - 11:30pm Midnight Mass



The church is open 9.30am - 4:00pm daily & has a selection of books & puzzles available.

There is also a food bank box which would gratefully receive any donations.

The bell ringers practice on Tuesdays when numbers permit. They are looking for new members. Contact Pam Wakeling on 01366 500429 for details.

MOBILE POST OFFICE

Situated at the Memorial Hall car park on:-

Monday & Thursday - 11:30 to 11:55

Tuesday & Wednesday - 9:15 to 9:45

MOBILE LIBRARY

Route number EDE 208 calls at Fincham on Tuesdays, 4 weekly.

Visits are scheduled for **31st October, 28th November, 23rd January 2024 & 20th February 2024** at the following locations & times:-

Stop 32 - Memorial Hall car park - 16:45 to 17:00

Stop 34 - Churchill Crescent - 17:05 to 17:15.

****This information is subject to change or amendment****

For all enquiries please call 01603 222303.

MEMORIAL HALL

The Memorial Hall is available for hire.

For information or to make a booking please contact

Barbara Ponder on 01366 348021

Website: finchamparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk