

CANTLEY PARISH NEWSLETTER

Newsletter for Cantley, Limpenhoe and Southwood August 2014

Calendar of Meetings 2014

All dates are Thursdays at 7pm in Cantley Village Hall unless stated otherwise.

Thursday 18th September 2014

Thursday 16th October 2014 (Limpenhoe Village Hall)

Thursday 20th November 2014

Thursday 18th December 2014

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Parish Council Report

It has been a busy few months since the last newsletter. On 20th March the Parish Council hosted a successful meeting with our local MP, Keith Simpson. Numerous topics were discussed ranging from the emptying of bins at Cantley Staithe and VAT relief for village halls, to the Scottish independence referendum and the UK's reliance on energy from the Ukraine. A varied range of subjects indeed!

The Council continues to explore the land swap in Limpenhoe and plans to resubmit a planning application for change of use on the proposed new piece of land. In time, all residents with Commoners Rights will be consulted on the proposals to deregister the former village green, in favour of the new village green next to the village hall.

Work has begun at the affordable housing site on Station Road in Cantley and the Parish Council is working with the district council to ensure that all planning conditions relating to the site are met. The Parish Council has also been invited to submit proposals for the naming of the road – any suggestions would be welcome to cantleyparishcouncil@gmail.com by 31st August 2014.

The Parish Council has been successful in gaining funding for a new flashing sign which will warn drivers of the sharp corner at the junction of Manor Road and Burnt House Road. During the school term it will also flash a school warning sign to improve safety for our children. The Council has also met with Norfolk County Council to discuss proposals regarding improvements for the Manor Road junction, to be paid for with money from developments at the British Sugar factory. It is expected that the firm proposals will be received shortly, and the Council is keen that these are implemented before the 2014/15 sugar beet campaign.

In February the Parish Council considered its annual donations to local worthy causes. £50 was donated to each of the following: East Anglian Air Ambulance; Norfolk Lowland Search and Rescue; Freethorpe First Responders; Cantley Tots; Limpenhoe Village Hall Kitchen Fund.

Enclosed with this newsletter is a copy of the Council's Annual Report which was presented at the Annual Parish Meeting. This includes a summary of the past year, and a breakdown of the Council's finances from the previous year. If you would like any further information on council matters, this can be obtained from the Clerk.

The Parish Council continues to meet on the third Thursday of the month, dates are shown above. All residents are welcome to attend, and time is set aside at the beginning of the meeting for any issues that members of the public may wish to raise. Please do come and see us!

Volunteers Needed! At the recent Annual Parish Meeting, Councillors heard that there are opportunities for residents to become more involved with the village. Cantley is looking for an additional Tree Warden, and would welcome a Church Warden as presently there is not one. Limpenhoe would welcome volunteers to help plant hedging and trees in the village. If you are interested in any of these roles, please contact the Parish Clerk (details above).

The Parish Council occasionally has call for an 'odd-job' man (or woman!) to carry out small tasks around the village. Anyone undertaking work for the parish council must carry appropriate insurances etc, and would be paid for their work. If you are interested please make yourself known to the Parish Clerk.

Mobile Library

The mobile library calls at Cantley and Limpenhoe on Fridays on a 4-weekly rota. It stops at Limpenhoe Common at 11.25am for 25 minutes, moving to Cantley Church Road for 1.10pm for an hour, and School Lane at 2.15pm for 30 minutes. Forthcoming dates are 22nd July, 19th September, 17th October and 14th November.

Cantley Flower Show

This year's show will be held on Saturday 6th September 2014 at 2pm in Cantley Village Hall. You may have already received this year's schedule so please fill it in and take part. It is always fun on the day to see how well your entries have done. We are pleased to announce the introduction of the 'John Smeethe Cup' for the highest points in the vegetable section. There are nearly 100 classes to enter, each attracting a first prize of 50p. Full details are on our web page at www.cantley.org/flowershow or call Robert on 01493 703231.

Have you always dreamed about starting your own business but not sure where to start?

Maybe you want to turn your hobby into a business or just want to be your own boss?

A free programme is offered by Broadland District Council for all Broadland residents who want to find out more about self-employment.

The three hour Business Start-Up Workshop is designed to introduce you to the basic principles of starting a business, where you are also provided with a Business Start-Up Toolkit.

After attending, the follow-on Business Essentials Programme delves deeper into what to expect in starting and running your own business. The course shares knowledge and signposts you to additional resources. This is a three day course, with a gap between the second and third day to allow you to explore your ideas before attending the last day.

Throughout and after each course, you will receive on-going support and advice from the Council's Business Advisors as you decide whether running a business is right for you.

After completing the programme, you may have the option to take a series of further free courses as discussed with the Business Advisor.

A new programme begins every month and courses take place at the Council's training facility; the EcoCube, located at Rackheath, Norfolk. To view course dates and our range of other courses, please visit

www.broadland.gov.uk/training

Before you embark on the programme, we would welcome you to speak to a Broadland Business Adviser to discuss your ideas and find out what stage you are at with starting a business. Please call 01603 430449 to speak to Jane Bagley or Jo Kerrison from the Economic Development Team at Broadland District Council. Through this conversation, we can help tailor-make the best programme specifically for you.

2015 Elections

You are probably aware that May 2015 will see the next General Election, however did you know that your Parish Council will also be up for election?

Have you ever thought about becoming more involved in your community, and making a real difference to the area that you live in?

If so, you may be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor. The commitment is not onerous – meetings are held once a month on a Thursday evening and the Council employs a Clerk to take forward action arising from the meetings.

Interested? Why not have a chat with any of the current Parish Councillors (details overleaf)? Alternatively, information can be obtained from the Parish Clerk.

Commemorating the Centenary of the beginning of the First World War

Monday 4th August 2014: Half an hour of readings, prayer and silent reflection in local churches. **St. Margaret, Cantley, 11.00 – 11.30am.** Sunday 10th August 2014, St. Botolph, Limpenhoe, 3.00pm Rededication of the War Memorial. Information on those commemorated on war memorials / rolls of honour would be most welcome.

Proposals are being developed for the parishes of Cantley and Limpenhoe with Southwood to become part of a larger group, with clergy at Acle (the Rev'd Martin Greenland) and Reedham (part-time). Martin has already conducted services at Limpenhoe; he will be at Cantley on 4th August (see separate notice) and for the School Leavers Service on 23rd July (11.00am) and looks forward to meeting parishioners.

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