

# CANTLEY PARISH NEWSLETTER

Newsletter for Cantley, Limpenhoe and Southwood May 2018

## **CALENDAR OF MEETINGS 2018/19**

All dates are Thursdays at 7pm in Cantley Village

Hall unless stated otherwise.

17<sup>th</sup> May 2018 (Annual Parish Council Meeting)

21<sup>st</sup> June 2018

19<sup>th</sup> July 2018

20<sup>th</sup> September 2018

18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 – Limpenhoe Village Hall

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## **PARISH COUNCIL REPORT**

The Parish Council has been looking at its grass cutting agreement for Cantley Pond for the ensuing year. Having received a renewal quote from its current contractor at a cost of £250 the Parish Council looked at alternative contractors. One contractor visited the site and suggested that the site be left as a wild area for the wildlife and felt that it did not warrant a grass cutting contract. The Parish Council would like to seek your views on the matter. Would you like to see the site kept cut and tidy or would you like to see it as a haven for wildlife? Please let us know your thoughts by contacting the Clerk.

The Parish Council is seeking a volunteer Tree Warden for the Parish following the resignation of our current tree warden. The Parish has three trees listed with Tree Preservation Orders. Tree Wardens are volunteers who gather information about their local trees, get involved in local tree matters and encourage local practical projects related to the trees and woods. If you are interested in this role then please contact the Clerk. Please also note that if you think there is a risk to a tree in the Parish then you can report it to Conservation at Broadland District Council on 01603 430560.

The Parish Council has been advised that Network Rail will be undertaking significant engineering works on the Norwich-Yarmouth-Lowestoft lines between October 2017 and March 2019. Crossing keeper operated level crossing gates will be replaced with a modern barriers, which will be controlled by the Signaller using CCTV. Due to the nature of the work some disturbance is unavoidable.

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. If you are unable to make a meeting, you could instead email the Parish Clerk on [cantleyparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:cantleyparishcouncil@gmail.com).

## **CANTLEY FLOWER SHOW 2018**

This year's Show is on Saturday 1st September at 2.00pm in Cantley Village Hall. Can you grow a bean, take a photo or paint a picture? Are you into craft, baking or jam making? Whatever your interests there is a class for you to enter. We would love you to enter this year.

Last year was our 80th Anniversary and over 100 people attended. If you were one of them please come again this year and also take the opportunity to enter. The schedules will be delivered as usual at the end of July but you can view the full range of what you can enter and print an entry form at

[www.cantley.org/flowershow](http://www.cantley.org/flowershow) or have a look on Cantley Station.

## **Cantley Fun Day 2018**

The Annual Cantley Fun Day will take place on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2018 between 11.00am and 3.00pm at Cantley Social Club, Station Road, Cantley. A fun day for all the family!

### **News from St. Margaret's Church, Cantley**

During 2017 the long-planned transfer of the church building to the Diocese of Norwich Churches Trust took place. As previously advised, this doesn't change our ability to use the church, but does lift the maintenance responsibility from what is now the Parochial Church Council of Limpenhoe, Southwood and Cantley. We are grateful to the Trust for arranging last autumn's complete cut of the churchyard, supplementing the increasingly effective and welcome voluntary input and the monthly partial cut funded by the Parish Council. The church has also been fitted with a remotely-monitored roof alarm, to deter metal thieves.

The church continues to be used by Cantley Primary School for their significant services. A Christmas Carol Service with Broadland Band was held; this year we may look to do something incorporating some carol singing in the village. Despite low attendance in 2017, a series of summer Sunday services is again being arranged: 9.30am on 24th June; 6.00pm on 15th July and 12th August. The church remains available for baptisms (it was wonderful to hold one in 2017), weddings and funerals (with or without burial in the churchyard).

### **St. Botolph Church, Limpenhoe**

With services twice a month, this is now the main parish church for the whole of the Parish of Limpenhoe, Southwood & Cantley. We are entering a period of experimentation with forms and times of services – so please keep an eye on *Outlook* magazine or [www.abychurches.co.uk](http://www.abychurches.co.uk) (and please let the Rector know your thoughts). The church (and sometimes the Village Hall) also plays its part in hosting services and events for the whole of our group of parishes (including a Lent visit last month from the Bishop of Norwich). The annual highlight continues to be the Christmas Carol Service, with children's tableau and music from our talented local singers.

### **Limpenhoe War Memorial**

Back in January of this year the Parish Council was contacted by Historic England stating that it was considering adding Limpenhoe War Memorial to the List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest, as part of its response to the centenary of the First World War.

War memorials are among the most tangible and precious reminders of the sacrifices made by communities during the First World War, and the government is committed to seeing all the nation's memorials placed in a good state of repair by the end of 2018. As part of this, Historic England, acting on behalf of the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, has resolved that it will greatly increase the number of memorials which are listed.

As of 16<sup>th</sup> March we are pleased to confirm that the Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, has added Limpenhoe War Memorial to the List of Buildings of Special Architectural or Historic Interest. The memorial is now listed at Grade II.

### **Commonwealth War Graves Commission – St. Margaret's Church**

The Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) was established by Royal Charter in 1917 as the sole organisation charged with the care and commemoration of those Commonwealth Armed Forces who died during the two World Wars. It currently cares for the graves and commemorations of 1.7 million men and women worldwide and have war graves at over 12,000 locations in the UK alone.

As part of the centenary of the First World War, CWGC is working on a project to erect Commission signs at as many sites as possible that contain war graves. The aim of the initiative is to increase awareness of war graves in the United Kingdom and to remind the public that they need not travel abroad to find Commonwealth commemorations. This could also result in encouraging a greater interest in churchyards and church buildings in general and to increase visitor numbers to them.

St. Margaret's Church in Cantley, as part of this project, has a plaque erected at the entrance to the churchyard as it has two war graves. The graves concerned are: -

**Walter Thomas Frederick King**  
**Ernest Robert Browne**

### **Cantley Parish Council's response to the Greater Norwich Local Plan**

The Parish Council strongly objects to the Urban Concentration and Transport Corridor options.

Cantley Parish Council fully supports the Cambridge-Norwich Tech Corridor option. This option appears to put housing development where commercial development and employment growth is foreseen and would follow good communication links.

The Transport Corridor option will simply encourage over-development of villages along the main roads and the Urban Concentration risks sprawl and loss of separation between villages and between the city and villages.

Cantley has already seen a large number of developments built or approved in neighbouring parishes. The local infrastructure cannot cope with what is happening now and the council has specific concerns about:

- The capacity of the access to the A47. The existing planning consents have taken forecast flows to the limit of the capacity.
- The provision of essential local services including healthcare and schools. There is no capacity to cope with the impact of the housing which is being proposed. There are no credible proposals to improve the situation.
- The capacity of the Postwick Hub if large housing developments occur in the locality: were these housing proposals factored into the traffic flow forecasts when the junction was designed? We already have tailbacks onto the A47 from the slip road that are as bad as before the improvements to the 'hub'; significant additional flows through that junction as a result of housing growth and the NDR won't improve the problem.
- Loss of Grade 1 or 2 agricultural land at a time when there is concern post-Brexit about food security.
- The ability of the water supply and treatment infrastructure to service the proposed housing developments in and near the parishes.

Given the extent of development experienced under the current Local Plan in neighbouring parishes the Parish Council opposes all the proposed sites within the parish put forward in the GNLP: the parish needs time for the infrastructure issues to be addressed by bodies such as NCC.

### **The Mobile Library – A stop near you**

Was your new year's resolution to read more? Have you finished your 2018 reading already? Well look no further! Pop along with your library card, or sign up for free on the mobile to continue your 2018 the reading way.

With longer loan periods and no charges for overdue books, take full advantage of the mobile library by reserving, for a 60p charge, your books online, or on the library, and having them brought to you and your family. Snuggle up with a romance, or keep a light on with a thriller; there are plenty for you to choose from, such as: large print, audio tapes and children's books.

Visiting 4 weekly on a Tuesday, the current stops are:

- 14:40 – 15:30: Church Road
- 15:35 – 15:50: School Lane

Next visiting on the 10<sup>th</sup> April and thereafter: 8<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 31<sup>st</sup> July, 28<sup>th</sup> August and 25<sup>th</sup> September – where will your next adventure take you?

For more information please contact the mobile libraries on 01603 222267 or email [central.mobiles.lib@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:central.mobiles.lib@norfolk.gov.uk)

Thanks to the Beet factory for putting a platform up for the Peregrine Falcons. We are pleased to report that they are back, Mr and Mrs it seems, for the new season!

Last year they were here but failed to produce any young, so we are hopeful that that was a practice year, and this year they will get it right!...

Importantly for the community, The Beet Factory has fixed a camera on the nest site, and we can all watch what they are up to, and their progress by logging on to BSperegrines....so tune in and enjoy watching some very special birds here in Cantley.

### **Norfolk RSPB**

Latest news from Norfolk RSPB preservers report that rare fen spiders have spread to new areas of the Cantley Marshes, thanks to a partnership programme with British Archaeological Society (BAS), Suffolk Wildlife Trust and Natural England.

The project, working along the River Yare, will also translocate spiders to new areas in Mid Yare Valley in 2018. Last year 821 nursery webs were counted - up from 30 in 2013.