CANTLEY PARISH NEWSLETTER

Newsletter for Cantley, Limpenhoe and Southwood April 2015

Calendar of Meetings 2015

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

Thursday 16th April 2015

Thursday 30th April 2015 (Annual Parish Meeting)

Thursday 21st May 2015 Thursday 18th June 2015 Thursday 16th July 2015

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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

It has been a busy few months again for the Parish Council. Discussions organised by Andy Guy (chair of the Cantley Staithe Charitable Association), have taken place with the Environment Agency and the Broads Authority regarding the Staithe, which has sunk by around 1 foot. It is hoped that remedial works can take place shortly.

The improvements to the Manor Road junction are expected to begin in April. This will include a drop in the speed limit to 40mph, and to 30mph just before the affordable housing development. The new traffic island outside the development on Station Road will be installed before the first house is occupied, which is expected to be in May.

A new seat has been installed on Langley Green, replacing the dilapidated one previously there. The Parish Council's thanks go to Broadland District Council who provided funding for this.

YOUR COUNCIL NEEDS YOU! Parish Council elections will take place on 7th May 2015, and all seats on Cantley Parish Council will be available for election. The Parish Council always welcomes new representatives, and this could be your chance to shape and influence the area you live in. Nominations must be handed in to Broadland District Council by **4pm 9th April 2015**. More information is available from the Parish Clerk.

VACANCY: The Parish Council is seeking to recruit a new Parish Clerk to begin on 1st June 2015. The role is home based for four hours per week, and includes servicing the Council's meetings on the third Thursday of the month. For further information and details of how to apply, please contact the outgoing Parish Clerk – details above.

CANTLEY CHURCH

A pastoral reorganisation is taking place, and Cantley and the surrounding area churches are planned to be within 'House for Duty' arrangements. Although there are no regular services at Cantley, special services do take place and the church is available for weddings and funerals. The Parochial Church Council would appreciate volunteers to help with maintenance work at the church, and anyone who would be willing to take up the post of churchwarden would be particularly welcomed. A public meeting will be taking place on Tuesday 24th March at 7.45pm at the church, with Holy Communion at 7pm – anyone is welcome to come along and join us.

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DOG FOULING

Dog fouling is increasing in the village. Please be respectful and pick up after your dog!

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED!

The Parish Council continues to progress with the Limpenhoe Land Swap. For those of you not familiar with the project, it seeks to swap the current common land for a piece of field next to the village hall. The project requires volunteers willing to form a Trust to drive the swap forward, and to be responsible for the land once the swap is completed. Anyone interested in offering assistance with this project should contact Norma Knight on 701590.

CANTLEY FETE

This year's fete will be held on Saturday 11th July from 11am till 3pm in the field next to the British Sugar Sports and Social Club. More details nearer the time. I am sure it will be another cracking day!!

SPRING TIDY UP

Now that winter is nearly over and spring is approaching we will be looking forward to getting out and about around our village to enjoy the scenery, birds and wildlife. Unfortunately, besides admiring the views we will have to be careful where we are walking because there appears to be an increasing amount of dog mess and litter around the village. This is more noticeable during spring before the grass grows and the hedges and verges come to life.

Please don't let a few individuals spoil the countryside for the rest of us. It is an offence to litter and not to pick up mess after your dog in a public place. There are dog and litter bins around the village, please use them or take your litter home with you.

If you feel we need more bins in the village please let one of the councillors know and we will see what we can do. An untidy village does not give a very good impression to visitors.

DON'T LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE

The majority of electors will by now have received confirmation that they have been successfully transferred onto the new register. Other electors may have received a different letter requesting them to provide other information in support of their registration – namely date of birth and National Insurance no. There may be other residents (new or existing), who are not registered on the electoral register and therefore will not be entitled to vote for the forthcoming elections in May 2015. It is important for you to register not only for voting purposes, but also if you intend to seek finance, mortgage, loan, phone contract etc. as checks are made against the electoral register – your application may be declined if you are not registered. For more information contact the electoral team on 01603 430417.

CANTLEY & DISTRICT FLOWER SHOW 2015

This year's show will be held on 5th September at 2pm at Cantley Village Hall. The photography subjects are Shadows, Village Signs, Countryside, Bridges, People and Dogs/Cats. For Children (0-6 yrs) My Family, (7-10yrs) On Wheels and (11-16yrs) Favourite Place. The novelty class in the Flower Arranging has changed to a film title. For children (7-10 yrs) the poster subject is now a zoo. Further details can be found at www.cantley.org/flowershow or call Robert on 701231.

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FREE Digital Safety Course for Parents

The online world is changing. If you want to learn some basic steps to best protect your child in this ever-changing environment, this handy-tips course is for you. This four-hour course is provided by Broadland District Council and is **FREE** for Broadland residents (£10 for non-Broadland residents). For more information and to book your place, please call the EcoCube Team on 01603 295021, www.broadland.gov.uk/training.

Is 2015 the year to start your own business?

A free programme is offered by Broadland District Council for all Broadland residents who want to find out more about self-employment. The programme consists of an introductory three hour Business Start-Up Workshop to introduce you to the basic principles of starting a business. This is followed by a three day Business Essentials Programme, to delve deeper into what to expect in starting and running your own business. The course shares knowledge and signposts you to additional resources. Throughout and after each course, you will receive ongoing support and advice from the Council's Business Advisors as you decide whether running a business is right for you.

Please call 01603 430449 to speak to Jane Bagley or Jo Kerrison from the Economic Development Team at Broadland District Council to discuss your ideas (in confidence) and find out what stage you are at with starting a business. Through this conversation, we can help tailor-make the best programme specifically for you. www.broadland.gov.uk/startup

Tots2Teens

Do you have children aged between 5 and 16? If so, Tots2Teens holiday activity sessions run by Broadland District Council could be for them. For more information call 01603 430525 or visit www.broadland.gov.uk/t2t. Discounts are available for families claiming council tax or housing benefit from Broadland District Council.