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## From the Editor's Desk

Professor Regi Alexander

Last month saw the coronation of King Charles III as king of the United Kingdom and sixteen other commonwealth realms. The coronation tea party was a good opportunity for the whole community to come together and celebrate that special event (page 10). My thanks to Rev Rosie Bunn and Belton All Saints Church for all the effort that went into making that event a fun filled occasion. Last month also saw the results of the Great Yarmouth borough council elections being announced. Many readers would have seen in the news that Great Yarmouth Borough Council is now under the 'no overall control'. Like many of you, I look forward to our elected leaders making this an opportunity to come together around local issues without a primary focus on party political jostling. On behalf of Village Voice, I offer a warm welcome to the two new Lotheringland borough councillors, Graham Carpenter (page 6) and Ivan Murray-Smith. A warm word of thanks too to Adrian Myers for his sterling service over the last 9-10 years and the graciousness with which he steps away (page 6).

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# Your Parish Council Reports

## Belton with Browston Parish Council

### ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

The annual meeting of Belton with Browston Parish Council was held on May 16th with all six Parish Councillors present following recent elections along with new Borough Councillor Graham Carpenter, three members of the public and the Parish Clerk Kate Ruddock. The other new Borough Councillor, Ivan Murray-Smith had tendered his apologies. Ken Botwright was unanimously re-elected as chairman and similarly Nigel Light as vice chair. The Council is registered for up to 13 members and spaces will be filled by co-option starting at the June meeting, it was decided to abolish the councillor's individual portfolio holding system and to elect members to serve on the various working parties at the June or July Council meetings following the co-



depending on pitch size, with one genuine charity stall being accepted free at each session, gates are scheduled to open at 9am for stallholders with sales from 10am.

In planning there were no objections to plans for solar panels on the old touring block, pool building, live lounge and Merry Mallard, all at the Wild Duck Holiday Park, a two storey rear extension at Decoy House, Browston Lane, removal of a conservatory and an extension at Woodlands Rise, also on Browston Lane or tree works at Belton Old Hall on Station Road South, all subject to neighbours comments. Members

options. The Parish Councils accounts and all related documents for 2022/23 were agreed and signed off with no adverse comments raised by the internal auditor.

Members confirmed plans to hold up to 14 midweek (Wednesday) car boots on the New Road sports field charging sellers either £5 or £10 per pitch

agreed to object to retrospective plans for an extension at 6 Station Road South, with concerns on grounds of fire safety in relation to it being constructed so close to the new bungalow being built on the next-door plot.

The Borough Council has approved the following, Pipistrelle Barn, Hall Farm, Beccles Road (new outbuilding for gym, swimming pool and associated plant room), Borrowdale, Sandy Lane (variation of conditions in building a timber garage to replace a brick garage) and The Pines, Beccles Road, Belton (demolition of a garden room to build a new residential annex). The Borough council has refused to give outline permission for three four bedroomed properties on land south of Manor Farm Cottage on Browston Lane, Browston. There is a new Tree Preservation order on trees at Moorlands Church of England Primary Academy

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at the New Road Centre on Tuesday June 6th (7.30pm), details are available from the Parish Clerk, Kate Ruddock on 01493 602960 or email beltonparish@yahoo.co.uk. There are also currently a number of vacancies on the Parish Council that will be filled by co-option, details of the procedure are also available from the Parish Clerk as above.

### ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This year's annual meeting was held at New Road Centre on May 9th with six Parish Councillors, the Parish Clerk Kate Ruddock, Borough Councillor Graham Carpenter, the Rev Rosie Bunn and six further members of the public attending.

In his report as Chairman of the Parish Council Ken Botwright covered this year's loss of funding towards Council Tax with further cuts expected, the ongoing issues of parking at Moorlands School and the news that a defibrillator will be installed between Dashwood Close and Berry Close.

He reported on the three local 'Lothingland' councils working together to produce a Neighbourhood Plan which will bear 'weight' on planning application decisions and listed the reports that have been produced to date and emphasised the costs are Government funded.

Having attended a presentation about grants from the Hornsea Three

Windfarms project he indicated that funding might be applied for to fit solar panels at the New Road Centre.

All requests for hedge cutting are met with 'no funds' however after five years of trying he did report on funding for the successful clearing of Back Lane which is part of Angles Way. No response has been received from the County Council over the condition of New Road and while more green space is required he indicated that the Borough Council in a report has proposed the removal of play equipment from Nursery Close and a focus on Bell Lane where goal posts have been installed by the Parish Council.

Councillor Botwright also reported that funds received from the sale of Belton Pit land off the A143 had been 'ringfenced' for future allotment provision in the village and in closing thanked Councillors, the caretakers, The Parish Clerk and outgoing Borough Councillors Adrian Myers and Tracy Cameron for their help and support.

Further reports were presented and filed for the New Road Centre, Village Voice, Community Choir, Moorlands Trust, Church, History Society, scouts, JGI and the JGI Wednesday drop-in Sessions.

In the public comments there was a request for Bell Lane to be cleared and maintained in the same way that Back Lane has just been cleared. The overgrown state of Belton cross roads was brought up, the chairman stated that routine cutting was imminent. It was agreed that something needs to be done about the safety of the entrance to Cherry Lane Garden Centre, Borough Councillor Carpenter (also a County Councillor for another area) said he would be happy to look into things such as this. Mr Richmond thanked Rev Bunn for allowing the church to be used for community events such as the coronation celebration. And Mr Graystone was assured that funds are available for plants at the village sign.

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# Burgh Castle Parish Council

There were six members of the Parish Council plus County Councillor Carl Smith, Borough Councillor Graham Carpenter, two members of the public and the Parish Clerk at the Annual Meeting of Burgh Castle Parish Council at the Village Hall on Monday May 15th.

Brian Swan was re-elected chairman and Bob Grimmer vice-chair for the coming year and all other positions were confirmed, it was agreed to defer the item of co-option of one further councillor to return the Council to full strength till the June meeting. The accounts for the financial year were all confirmed with no queries raised by the Auditor and the Parish Clerk was thanked for her work preparing them.

A reply had been received from the Environment Agency who claimed that they had not received a complaint against Anglian Water about sewage flooding from the Porters Loke pumping station although Councillor Grimmer assured members that he had reported this, there has since been another incident at the same location which has been reported by the Parish Councillor moving forward Borough Councillor Carpenter offered any assistance in resolving the issues for which the Council had previously had help from former Borough Councillor Adrian Myers. Anglian Water have now assured Councillor Grimmer that their response time for incidents at Porters Loke has been reduced from 'within 24 hours' to 'within 2 hours'.

Members agreed unanimously to write to First Bus to request a cessation of the special schools route on two of the afternoon bus trips to enable Belton children to return home from Lynn Grove High School as the service had not been taken up by the pupils, at the same time it was agreed to report the lack of timetables at bus stops and the lack of service update notices being displayed when roadworks force temporary changes.

In planning there were no objections to an extension at Marsh House off High Road provided materials are in keeping with the existing. The Borough have refused to give permission for a garage behind 6 Coronation Terrace to be used for residential purposes for a family member, they have approved two applications at Burghwell Lodge on High Road (conversion of three buildings to residential properties and extensions to the actual house), conditions at Hilldrop Farmhouse (Former post office) and sensor lighting changes at Welcome Pit. County Councillor Smith reported that as a Borough Councillor, he and two colleagues had all objected to development on any of the Market Road

sites put forward for consideration in the updated Boroughwide Plan.

The condition of the High Road corner as again discussed, there were no updates from the County Council, after a discussion on what to do to tidy up the bank outside the Fort car park this was adjourned till next meeting to see if the County Councillor could fund either this or improvements to the surface of Church Loke from his 'personal' County Council budget, he had indicated that he would be willing to help if he could. The County Highways Engineer has asked contractors to return to the work near the village sign to do an improved job but they have yet to visit the site.

Members agreed to get the problem of moles in the Burial Ground attended to and agreed a contractor to get the compound gate at the site repaired.

The chairman said he was trying to arrange a site meeting with 'Heart to Heart' to find a suitable location in the centre of the village for the defibrillator that was formerly situated on the Kingfisher Holiday Park.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday June 12th commencing at 7.30pm at the Village Hall on Church Road. For details contact Kate Ruddock, the Parish Clerk, on 07948705218, e-mail burghcastleclerk@gmail.com.

## LITTER IN BURGH CASTLE

Your Parish Council is concerned about the amount of litter in the village (mainly deposited by 'outsiders' we feel).

We have considered a resident's litter pick but due to Health & Safety concerns we do not think that is possible. We have however asked the Borough Council if they could undertake a 'clean up' (litter pick) of our main three roads.

Moving forward, and being sensible we know that this cannot happen on a regular enough basis and are therefore asking **ALL** residents who are able to please keep the areas outside their own properties tidy as this would go a long way towards keeping OUR village looking neat and tidy.



## BURGH CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL Burgh Castle Roman Fort & Car Park

The Parish Council would like it to be known that they have no responsibility for the Roman Fort site or the associated Pay & Display car park, any complaints or comments should be directed to Norfolk Archeological Trust ([info@norfarchtrust.org.uk](mailto:info@norfarchtrust.org.uk)) or, for the car park, to Napier Parking Ltd ([services@napierparking.co.uk](mailto:services@napierparking.co.uk))

## BURGH CASTLE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

There five members of the Parish Council plus County Councillor Carl Smith, Borough Councillor Graham Carpenter, just two members of the public and the Parish Clerk at the Burgh Castle Annual Parish Meeting at the Village Hall on Monday May 15th.

In his annual report, Brian Swan, chair of the Parish Council, described highway matters as a 'nightmare' with little or nothing getting done and the need for the County to recall contractions to the works near the village sign due to the bad quality of the work. He also described relations with the Norfolk Archeological Trust as 'sour' due to issues over the site entrance and the car parking situation.

He indicated that he hoped the Parish

Council would back him in asking first Bus to stop the special afternoon service diversion for Lynn Grove High School pupils as there had been almost zero uptake by Belton pupils.

He commented on Progress with the three local parishes working together on a neighbourhood plan which will bear 'weight' in future planning decisions and especially thanked Ken Botwright chair of Belton with Browston Parish Council for the massive amount of work he has put into this, (the plans progress has been halted for the moment pending the government taking a decision on its funding in 2023/4 as this can only be applied for one year at a time).

Councillor Swan made the usual comment on planning, we had objected to some applications and had been backed by the Borough in some cases but not all although we all realise that they do have strict

guidelines to comply with when taking decisions.

In closing he thanked outgoing Borough Councillor Adrian Myers, County Councillor Carl Smith, Kate Ruddock (the Parish clerk) fellow Councillors and Garden Guardian the Councils contactors at the churchyard and burial ground and welcomed the two new Borough Councillors, Graham Carpenter and Ivan Murray-Smith saying the Council looked forward to working with them both.

The meeting went on to consider and unanimously approve a resolution which needed villagers support to make the Village Hall into a 'Charitable Incorporated Organisation', whilst this will not affect day to day running of the hall it will have a bearing on its management and legal status, Councillor Greenacre stated that this is a stage towards combining the Village Hall and the Playing field into one registered charity.



# Fritton with St. Olaves Parish Council

## ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Annual Parish Council meeting was held at Fritton Village Hall on May 18th, Mrs Hayley Carruthers and Nigel Barnes were co-opted on the council to join Stannas Bellaby (who was re-elected as chairman), Catherine Richards (elected as the new Vice-chair), Peter Storey, Rowland Dunn, John Burton, Bob Betts and John Stephens, all were present along with the Parish Clerk and one member of the public. The final place on the council will be filled by co-option probably at the July meeting. Apologies had been received from all County and Borough Councillors due to a clash of meeting dates.

The Parish Councils accounts for the 2022/23 financial year were approved, with no points raised by the councils Auditor and the necessary paperwork signed.

Former Councillor Johnson had reported that he had now had a reply from the Broads Authority apologising for their delays and saying that due to a change of policy the proposed Jubilee Bench could not now be sited at St. Olaves moorings, this correction had taken a year to come through, the clerk and Councillor Johnson had replied expressing their disappointment at the decision and members agreed to ask the villages Borough Councillors if they could do the same. It was further agreed to see if the seat could now be located at either on land at 'The Belle Inn' or the boat shop opposite.

There was still no news from County Highways on the possibility of posts around the Fritton village sign, while it was agreed to ask County councillor Annison what could be done to improve safety in the vicinity of the Cherry Lane Garden Centre after the latest and fatal accident and what had happened in relation to an offer of funding from the 'Cherry Lane' owners for this purpose. In Fritton an increased police presence has helped with the speeding issue however there are still some motorists driving at 60mph in the '30mph' limit.

Three planning applications all had the same comment from the Parish Council 'no objections subject to the views of neighbours', Fir House, Priory Road, St. Olaves (reduce three Oak trees in height by 1.5metres), Thatched Cottage, Priory Farm, St. Olaves (single storey rear extension) and St. Olaves Service Station (reduce tree crowns by up to 30% for safety reasons). The Borough Council have approved the work on the Oak Trees at Fir House and to discharge one of the conditions on the works on conversion of barns at Caldicott Hall Estate into six holiday lets. The Borough Council have refused permission for subdivision of the plot at Forestry Cottage, New Road, Fritton for one detached self-build property. There had been no news from the planning inspectorate concerning a decision on the planning application at the Decoy Tavern.

The next meeting of the Council will be at St Olaves Village Hall during July however the date is yet to be confirmed due to trying to avoid the current clash with Borough Council meeting times, it will be published in the July Village Voice, full details from Kate Ruddock, Parish Clerk on 07899 846148, e-mail fritton.stolaves.clerk@outlook.com



## Fritton Bingo

June Bingo at Fritton Village Hall is to be held on **Friday 16th** starting at 7.15pm. All are welcome to join us for an enjoyable evening, quality prizes, all proceeds go towards up keep of the Hall.

Many thanks Roy



## DOGS AND FIREWORKS

By Clinical Animal Behaviourist  
Katey Aldred MSc, RVN, ABTC-CAB

You are probably thinking now is a strange time to be talking about dogs and fireworks, they aren't happening for ages. Now is the perfect time to talk about it for that exact reason. Planning and prevention for dogs without issues or trying to treat dogs with issues should be already underway so you have enough time.

### FIREWORKS GOOD STUFF HAPPENS

This is what you can be working on now and you will need to do some homework before you can begin. You will need a playlist of lots of different firework noises that can be played through a device and ideally your television as well. You will also need lots of great rewards such as snuffle mats, Kong's stuffed with food, lick mats, novel toys, puzzle games, chews etc. You will also need a haven, more on that below.

Once you have all these things in place and ready you will play the noises on your play list at a low volume for approximately 10-minutes per day whilst you provide some of the items listed about. The idea is to play it very low, so your dog doesn't notice (even if they appear fine). You will only turn the volume up every 4 days (more if needed) if your dog isn't taking notice. Over a period of weeks (or months for dogs with sensitivities) you will gradually increase the volume. Once you have play it loudly you are ready to begin playing through a TV and sound system to try and replicate the environmental boom that is felt with some fireworks. Please note, if your dog already has noise sensitivities there are many more steps and other elements you will need to implement.

### BUILD A HAVEN

In the middle, inner most part of your house create a haven for your dog and train them to lay inside. A crate makes a great haven as blankets and towels can be draped over to make it feel like a den. Place a really comfy bed inside and even a t-shirt you have worn so your scent is there for your dog to lay on.

### PREVENTION TIPS

There are a few things you can do to try and prevent issues with fireworks occurring. Exercise your dog well during the day of fireworks night and fireworks season so they have burnt off extra energy. This also avoids walking at dusk or night when they will happen. Walking dogs when fireworks are going off will not help them get used to it and the sudden bangs, whooshes and pops can be so startling it might affect them for life. Reduce noise during fireworks season by closing all windows and curtains. Keep the television on high and aim to have music or white noise on in as many rooms as possible to drown out the fireworks. If all this still doesn't help your dog reach out to a professional for extra guidance.

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# A word from your Local MP & Councillor



**BRANDON  
LEWIS** MP writes



When I was first elected to Parliament the new Chancellor of Exchequer had to make difficult decisions to restore economic stability following the last disastrous years of Gordon Brown's premiership. In last month's Budget a new Chancellor, making his first Budget statement, outlined how our country had avoided recession. And how growth is set to return following the hard decisions the Government took to restore economic stability following the uncertainties of the pandemic and Putin's illegal war in Ukraine.

I'm delighted to see the Government focussing on economic growth, by providing further child care support for working families and boosting business investment to create new jobs. These are just some of the measures announced in the Budget. It's impossible to detail all the minutiae in this column but I have highlighted some of the most important announcements from a Great Yarmouth point-of-view.

## Help for parents with young children

Many constituents tell me about the challenges of juggling a growing family with work commitments and how the availability and cost of childcare is a barrier for parents, particularly mothers, returning to work. The most important announcement in the Budget was the package to help families in that position. Extending 30 hours of childcare a week to working parents of children aged 9 months to 4 years is a big move that will make an enormous difference. And helping those on Universal Credit with upfront childcare payments direct to providers rather than payment in arrears will help with household budgets and cost of living pressures.

## Help with household energy bills

The Energy Price Guarantee has provided vital support for households as they faced even higher energy bills in the aftermath of Putin's invasion of Ukraine. Many were worried that despite the prospect of reducing bills later in the year, following the reduction in wholesale energy prices, the end of the guarantee in April would have left people facing higher bills in the short term. Extending the guarantee for a further three months is a sensible move that will protect households until energy bills do start to fall in the summer.

## Continued help for pensioners

Many assumed the Government would ditch the Triple Lock Guarantee, which has protected the state pension for over a decade. The Chancellor confirmed that the guarantee remains in place meaning the state pension will increase by 10.1% in line with inflation. It's the biggest increase in the state pension ever. And because we continue to take tough decisions when it comes to economic policy, other pensioner benefits – winter fuel payments, free bus passes and free prescriptions – remain in place.



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I write as a newly elected Borough Councillor for the Lothingland Ward along with fellow Councillor Ivan Murray-Smith. I live in Stepshort on the Belton side and have been a Borough Councillor for the last 5 years. My wife Penny is also a Councillor for Caister.

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone of you who voted in the recent election and in electing me to serve in the Lothingland Ward which I will do to the best of my ability.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the sterling job that Councillors Tracie Cameron and Adrian Myers have done during their tenure, and it leaves me with some big boots to fill, but fill I will try.

I will endeavour to attend as many of the Parish Council meetings as possible where the public are more than welcome to attend of course and which might prove a good opportunity to meet you all in person.

I haven't got much to contribute this month as I'm still getting my feet under the table as it were, apart from saying that if you do have a problem or issue you think I can help with then please contact me.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who gave me their vote in the last council election. Unfortunately I lost by 39 votes to the second placed candidate and was only 49 behind the winner.

When I was elected in 2014, I made a promise that I would take your voice to the council and support anyone not only in my ward but in the borough of Great Yarmouth. I believe I have met that promise. I was again elected in 2019 and I made a commitment to serve the electorate not a political party as only an independent can. I have enjoyed immensely working with officers in the council in trying to resolve issues for residents.

I have met a great many decent and honest people in Lothingland, and the community spirit is very strong. This is indeed demonstrated by the amount of clubs and organisations that thrive in Lothingland. All run by volunteers who give their time freely for the benefit of others. Parish councils fall into this category. I have always felt, especially as an independent, honoured and privileged to be given the opportunity and trust to serve the constituent. It is one that I have always taken seriously and I believe that I have done my best to repay that trust.

I will remain the chair of the Village Voice and the Chair of the LCLT.

Should I say "Goodbye" or perhaps "Au Revoir".

**Who knows what the future holds?**

*Thank you again Adrian*



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# 1st Belton Scout Group

Our thanks to the Village Voice board who have kindly given us some money to set up a problem-solving box with things like mar balls, canes, string small bits of wood, blue tac, sheets of wood and so much more which we hope will give us a bigger selection of programme items to do. Thank you.

The Scouts joined the rest of the District at a St Georges Day event exploring what the Scout Association Ambassadors roles are and doing activities. The Scout Group has become custodians of the St Georges Flag for the next year. We were also presented with the Peter Batley Box as part of last years District Commissioner Challenge. The group helped look after the children's gardens at Roughton Primary School last summer, continued to look after rectory corner in Belton, did 2 random acts of kindness an idea from bouncy Beaver, decorating flower pots and planting a plant, Christmas decoration which were all delivered around the area.

## Beavers

The Beavers started the term by welcoming 4 new Beavers to the Colony. We started by making flower pots out of newspaper by rolling a length of paper around a mould and putting it in a press, filling it with peat free compost and planting a sunflower for a sunflower growing competition. Planted French marigold seed which have gone to grown in Gov's greenhouse with the hope that there will be enough to plant out in the flower beds on rectory corner.

We have planted seed potatoes in our bed at the HQ. Had a visit from one of our local Police Officers who showed the beavers around the Police car. Many thanks for a great and very interesting evening.

The beavers had a go at shooting foam balls at targets using catapults. Watched a volcano experiment using coke and Minto sweets.

If you have a young person 6 years or about to be 6 years and are interested in Beavers, please contact Brown Beaver (Jane) 07975 533572

## Cubs

The Cubs this month have enjoyed getting outside. We have played



with our slingshot activity and had a visit from the police to find out about what they do when on duty and what they keep in their car. We have started our environmental conservation activity badge and

discovered that we use far too much water, and we learnt about how we would do without electric and who we would turn electric on for first if we had a power cut. We have started the process and competition of growing the biggest sunflower too.

If you have a young person between 8 to 10 years old both boys and girls who would like to come and join the fun, please contact Peter (Akela) 07900 494344 or email peterclarke222.pc@gmail.com for more information. We play games, learn about the world, learn scouting skills like pioneering and building fires as well as camps and much more.



## Scouts

The Scouts have joined the Cubs at the beginning of May as there meeting clashed. They have looked at conservation the importance of bumble bees and working bees what we would not have fruit and vegetables we would not have without bees. Planted some wild flowers. Looked at which rubbish we can recycle.

Some of the Scouts joined in a have a go morning doing air rifle shooting, axe throwing and archery at Acle.

There are places at Scouts (10 years to 14 years) please contact Gov below.

Would you be interested in helping to support the Scout section, you don't need to help every week just when every you are able to help, we are looking for a team of people to support them. For

more information, please contact John (Gov) Group Scout Leader 07443 567326 or email john.clarke33@btinternet.com



## Group

Paper Collection next on Saturday 10th June 2023 please have your paper outside property by 8am (please note the change in start time this will be permeant) in Belton ready for collection, or can be dropped at 6 Station Rd North, Belton any time. We also collect leaflets, cardboard boxes, any clean cardboard. Please note we are unable to take card from commercial premises.

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# CORONATION TEA PARTY

**A**lthough the Sunday of the Coronation weekend was fine and sunny the heavy rain from the previous night stopped the tea party going ahead on the Rectory lawn as originally planned.

But this did not stop the party from happening as it was moved, at relative short notice, most successfully to All Saints Church. After clever planning of seating arrangements in the Church by Tim we saw over 140 people sit down to a Coronation Tea Party and entertainment.

The afternoon began with Tim Bunn testing all present with a Coronation quiz from information that was given out during the broadcasting of the Coronation on the Saturday.

Following this, a team of helpers then served to all a plate of party food that had been prepared that morning including a Coronation dessert. As well as the food there was coffee, tea and cold drinks available organised by Rev Viv Ridpath.

After the eats, entertainment was provided by Derek Mill, The Cats Pyjamas and John

Woodhouse. They provided a wide variety of singing and musical entertainment, which was enjoyed by all.

At the end of the afternoon the draw for the Coronation raffle took place with Rosie who also thanked all helpers of the event. She also thanked the Village Voice and the JGI, who contributed financial support towards this great community event. A small donation from the Parish Council had also been received following a majority vote by councillors.

As a finale to this most enjoyable and unique afternoon, all present stood to sing the National Anthem.

A big thanks goes to Rev Rosie Bunn for allowing this Tea Party to take place in our Church.



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Mick Graystone*







## Rev Rosie writes . . .

*... I wonder what you are looking forward to ...*

I do hope that you have something to look forward to. It doesn't have to be an enormous event or something expensive you are purchasing, but we all need something to look forward to, especially when times are hard. In the last few months, many have looked forward to the Coronation and the events that were organised in celebration of the crowning of King Charles III. I looked forward to the event that the church planned for Belton and what a great afternoon it was.

When I worked in an office, many of my colleagues looked forward to a weekend. Many people look forward to holidays; parents to the school holidays when they can spend more time with their children. Some people look forward to the time when they can enjoy a bit of peace and quiet, others to a time when family can gather together. We are all different and will have different hopes and dreams, desires and priorities and, of course, needs.

I must admit I look forward to holidays; time to read and time to enjoy quality time with Tim and the countryside around me, wherever we happen to be. And I look forward to times when I get to see my children, and especially my grandchildren. It's not often possible because they live in Malawi, but it is always in my hopes and dreams.

I also look forward to a time when there is no more sickness, no more

death, and no more tears and sorrow. It's a vision and a promise contained in the Bible, which is sometimes read or spoken about at funerals. It is one of the passages that the Christian belief of life after death in the Kingdom of God is based upon; that and the words from Jesus on the cross to the criminal on the cross who believed in him "Today you will be with me in paradise."

*Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."*

Revelation 21: verses 1-5

But before that time, I look forward to a time when there is less poverty than we currently have: with high interest rates, expensive fuel & gas & electricity prices, and the massive rise in the cost of living that is putting an enormous squeeze on everyone's budgets. I never thought I would see what I am seeing in my lifetime. We are beginning to get referrals to the Pantry Foodbank for people who have tried their hardest to get through this difficult time but sadly been unable to do so without some help.

Whatever it is that you are looking forward to – hold on to your hopes and dreams – they are so important. I heard someone say recently that their Bucket List dream was to see Beluga Whales in their natural environment, and although my hopes and dreams have a different focus, it was good to hear about it and encourage her in it.

My hope is that as a community, the churches and organisations in our area can work towards this world being a better place.... And it will be if only we care for it and one another as we work towards that hope and dream.

Rev Rosie Bunn

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Meanwhile, in line with King Charles' ambitions around climate change, the Union of Venture Students have started a gardening guild, and also helping with recycling the students have a new initiative to recycle and green waste for compost. This

also ties in with the work the Union of Venture Students are completing in regard to the ECO Schools Green Flag award.

The staff at Venture joined in with the celebrations by decorating the staffroom and a wellbeing buffet, supplied by the staff for all to enjoy at lunchtime!

**Louis, Head Boy at Ormiston Venture Academy said:**

*"It was great fun to celebrate with all the students an event that will make history."*

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To date he has completed over 32 challenges which have included riding a horse (for the first time ever), co-presenting the two hour Tuesday takeover on BBC Radio Norfolk, preparing fish and chips at L&H Fish and Chips in Belton by kind permission of Connie and her father, visiting East Norfolk sixth form College for a tour and talk to students, bell ringing (at Great Ryburgh), he has also attended a Norwich City Game (they lost!). Coming up, further challenges include appearing on Harbour Radio with Albert Cadmore (June 8th, 2.00-4.00pm), riding on the back of a Harley Davidson motorcycle, riding on the back of a tandem, visiting Lotus Cars and much more.

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coach Ryan recently entered the English Open at junior and senior level (although at 17 still only a first-year junior). In the junior event, after narrowly losing his first fight after going into golden score with a very tight decision, he strongly fought back by winning his next three fights by ippon winning a well deserved bronze medal. Ryan managed to get a fifth place in the senior event and won another fight by ippon so on the day he earned forty points towards his second dan grade.

We believe that the continuing success of our Judo club,

### UP4FITNESS & SALLYANN

Firstly Sallyann wants to apologise for not writing an article last month. No excuses, but time slipped away very quickly and she had missed the deadline date!

Members continue to attend regularly on Monday morning's exercise session at New Road, Belton between 10am and 11am.

On Bank holiday Monday 8th May for the Coronation we held a 'Right Royal' exercise session wearing red, white & blue with refreshments afterwards, we then donated any unopened items to 'The Pantry' at Belton Church along with money donations too.

Sallyann has an operation at JPH soon, although a date is not known yet. With the support of members she is planning to continue to run the classes in her absence. Therefore we will not be taking any new members until further notice.



Sallyann plans to run classes as normal herself until notice of admission then classes will be pre-recorded for present members only, to continue with their weekly routine. From May half term it is hoped sessions will run for 7 weeks until Monday 17th July 2023 when we break for the summer holidays, with a view

to Sallyann and members returning Monday September 11th 2023.

During this time Sallyann will continue to collect stamps for RNIB and can be saved until her return or posted through her letter box. Any food donations for 'The Pantry', please contact the Belton Church for more information. Thanks.

Sallyann and members send our thoughts and prayers to Dawn Cross and her family on the passing of Alan Cross who regularly attended Sallyanns classes both in Belton and Kessingland. Sallyann also thanks everyone who has supported her and the running of Belton Activity Morning since we opened many years ago.

If you would like more information on any of the above please contact Sallyann, by email [up4fitness@gmail.com](mailto:up4fitness@gmail.com) Text or ring on Mobile 07599 044806

### Belton Judo club latest update for June

We are continuing to bring improvements all the time to our Judo club with the latest development being a licence/membership system which includes insurance cover for all our members. This is adequate for the majority of our members but for those wishing to progress further, there is still the option of obtaining a licence from the national governing body.

Evie and Holly entered the Eastern Area development event at Thetford recently and both fought well. Holly went on to win gold but unfortunately on this occasion Evie failed to medal after a series of good wins. Good experience gained though and things to work on back at training. Club

DOMINIC KING JUDO & MMA ACADEMY, is mainly down to the fact that each and every member feels SPECIAL! From the moment they walk through the door, everyone is welcomed and put at ease. From day one each member is made to feel important and included and Dominic will never forget a name. The majority of our members are happy to come along to train and have fun but each individual is free to choose to grade and/or compete if they wish to do so.

A good example of our members choosing their own levels is a 76 year old lady going for her black belt, who started at the age of 70. After bringing her grandson to our club, she thought that she would like to give Judo a try but as she had been refused entry to other clubs because of her age, she expected the same response from Dominic. When she asked if she could join, after checking that she was in good general health, she was delighted when Dominic said he was happy for her to join. She often says it was the best decision she ever made and continues to look younger and fitter each year.

This coming year, we are hoping to recruit many new members. We are currently offering club t-shirts, hoodies and judo suits to existing members who encourage their friends to join too. We have spaces for any beginners who wish to join and the first two sessions are FREE OF CHARGE. Our youngest member is currently 4 years old, but we usually judge each child on their maturity as opposed to their age. At the other end of the scale there is no age limit – if you believe you are fit enough then give it a go!

We train at Belton on Tuesday evenings, but if this isn't convenient, we have sessions at various venues throughout the week. Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control, we are no longer able to use our Wednesday venue so we are currently looking for a new venue but in the meantime we are able to accommodate our Wednesday group at any of our other venues. Present timetable is listed below:

#### TIMETABLE:

MONDAY: EAST ANGLIAN MARTIAL ARTS CENTRE, 163 BRIDGE ROAD, OULTON BROAD, NR33 9JX

5.00pm-6.00pm – MMA for children (6-15 years)

TUESDAY: BELTON NEW RD (NR31 9JW)

4.45pm-5.30pm – Judo for younger children (fundamentals/fun)

5.30pm-6.30pm – Judo for older children and adults (technique/theory/randori)

THURSDAY: EAST ANGLIAN MARTIAL ARTS CENTRE, 163 BRIDGE ROAD, OULTON BROAD, NR33 9JX

5.00pm-6.00pm – MMA for children (6-15 years)

THURSDAY: BUNGAY CHAUCER DOJO (NR35 1EB)

7.30pm-9.30pm – MMA for older children and adults (12 years +)

FRIDAY: EAST ANGLIAN MARTIAL ARTS CENTRE, 163 BRIDGE ROAD, OULTON BROAD, NR33 9JX

6.15pm-7pm – Judo for younger children (fundamentals/fun)

7.00pm-8pm – Judo for older children and adults (technique/theory/randori)

8.00pm-9.30pm – MMA for older children and adults (12 years+).

If you have any concerns about taking your child to judo, you may wish to consider this; UNESCO (world children's organisation) and the International Olympic Committee believes our sport is best suited for children and is the most complete for promoting friendship and mutual respect. Lastly, you can find DOMINIC KING JUDO & MMA ACADEMY on Facebook and Instagram, which will give you further information, training videos and general club news. Dominic also has a YouTube channel titled WORLD CLASS HAPPINESS, which is a spin-off from his book of the same name (available on Amazon) and well worth a look. You can subscribe in order to get regular positive messages to help with your mental health.

Anyone wanting further details of any future sessions can contact Dominic on 07977 432756 or email on [dominic@fightingfitjudo.co.uk](mailto:dominic@fightingfitjudo.co.uk) or contact him via Instagram, Facebook or WhatsApp



## Great Yarmouth Stroke Club

Our Coronation party with the volunteers who decorated the hall.

We had quizzes on royal family, a Royal toast and party food.

Brenda and Pam leading the singing. Lovely afternoon.



Get well wishes to Maisie and James. Sending our love to George and Grace. A big thank you to Bev and Mick and Beryl and Ann for leaving items for our Somerleyton Stall on 8th.



July if you would like to donate we would pick up or you can contact me.

Birthday wishes to David and Marg.

Our Meetings are on Thursdays 2.00-4.00pm at Sports Hall, New Road, Belton. We always welcome new stroke members.

Contact Sue Casey on 01493 781846



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## Greater Anglia Performance Levels

Greater Anglia's performance update issued on Friday 5th May, 2023 read as follows "It has been an excellent week for performance with punctuality averaging 98% - a very impressive result. Annual Greater Anglia performance continues to average around 93.5% - still at historically high levels, with the best performing routes, from Norwich to Great Yarmouth, Lowestoft and Sheringham, all averaging over 97%".

### ADDITIONAL SUMMER TRAINS

Between 21st May, 2023 until 10th September, Greater Anglia will run 8 additional Saturday trains running non-stop between Gt. Yarmouth and Norwich:-

From Great Yarmouth	0947	Arriving Norwich	1016
From Great Yarmouth	1041	Arriving Norwich	1112
From Great Yarmouth	1115	Arriving Norwich	1145
From Great Yarmouth	1157	Arriving Norwich	1224
From Great Yarmouth	1255	Arriving Norwich	1324
From Great Yarmouth	1355	Arriving Norwich	1424
From Great Yarmouth	1455	Arriving Norwich	1524
From Great Yarmouth	1555	Arriving Norwich	1623

In the opposite direction from Norwich – Great Yarmouth:-

From Norwich	0906	Arriving Great Yarmouth	0935
From Norwich	0955	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1024
From Norwich	1024	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1053
From Norwich	1120	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1149
From Norwich	1216	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1247
From Norwich	1318	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1347
From Norwich	1418	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1447
From Norwich	1518	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1543

For a short period between 17th July – 1st September, 2023 there are 4 additional trains each way on Mondays and Fridays only running non-stop, they are as follows:-

From Great Yarmouth	0952	Arriving Norwich	1021
From Great Yarmouth	1113	Arriving Norwich	1145
From Great Yarmouth	1352	Arriving Norwich	1421
From Great Yarmouth	1545	Arriving Norwich	1616
From Norwich	0906	Arriving Great Yarmouth	0935
From Norwich	1025	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1054
From Norwich	1318	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1347
From Norwich	1425	Arriving Great Yarmouth	1454

These additional trains are for an expected increase in Summer holiday passengers to Great Yarmouth.

### ENTUA – AGM – PUBLIC MEETING

ENTUA will be holding its Annual General Meeting and Public Meeting on Wednesday 16th August, 2023 at Christchurch, Deneside, Great Yarmouth. ENTUA AGM is at 1330 and Public Meeting at 1415 hours. Representatives from First Eastern Counties, Greater Anglia and Norfolk County Council have been invited to attend.



ENTUA always welcomes feedback on passengers' views and comments on public transport matters, either in writing to the address at the end of this article or on our website message page.

### EAST ANGLIA TRANSPORT MUSEUM

Advanced notice that the Museum will be holding a "Big Bus Bash" event on the

weekend of 8th & 9th July, 2023 between 11am – 5pm on both days. A whole selection of the Museum's own collection and invited buses and coaches of various ages to see and ride on as well as all of the Museum's usual activities.

As with all major events there will be no on-site parking as the car park is used to accommodate buses providing services to Beccles and Lowestoft; instead a free Park & Ride service (courtesy of First Eastern Counties) will be provided from the Co-op food store car park on Ashburnham Way.

If you do not drive and use public transport, travel by X11 to James Paget Hospital, then from JPH to Lowestoft Bus Station by Service 1,1A or X1. From Lowestoft Service X22 (1/2 hourly Sats. and 2 hourly Suns) stops right outside the Museum. Alternatively the Museum will be operating a free bus service from Lowestoft Bus Station to the Museum.

Please go to Museum's website for more details [eatransportmuseum.co.uk](http://eatransportmuseum.co.uk)

### BUS MATTERS

Nothing specific this month, but ENTUA would like feedback, especially from parents of students using the bus to and from Lynn Grove Academy, particularly on the diverted Service 5 in the afternoons as to how well this is being used.

ENTUA always welcomes new members, all we ask is a minimum £5.00 annual donation which helps with printing and postage costs of our very informative quarterly newsletter and the hiring of venues for public meetings. To join please write to ENTUA, 18 Wensum Way, Belton NR31 9NY

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# Local NEWS in Brief

## Slimming world members donate to Big Slimming World clothes "Throw"

Hopton and Belton Slimming World members have been having a sort out and collected over 40 bags of preloved clothes for cancer research UK. These bags were filled with clothes that were now too big for the super "Slimmers". Each of the bags filled is worth around £25 to Cancer Research. Since 2013, Slimming World members have donated more than £18 million worth of preloved items to Cancer Research UK.

The big clothes throw 2023 gives members a chance to celebrate the difference they have made to their health and the reduce risk of a range of health conditions including types of cancer, whether they have dropped one dress or waist size, or six.

We meet on a Tuesday evening at Hopton village hall or on a Wednesday evening at The John Green institute Belton. To find out more about Slimming World please contact Debbie on 07551 975800



## LOCAL BASED DYNAMIC PAWS AND TRAIN GETS A TWITTER BOOST

A Norfolk based one woman business has received a boost from Retail Entrepreneur Theo Paphitis. Debbie Betts owner of Dynamic Paws and Train, tweeted Theo about her business during 'Small Business Sunday' and was one of six weekly winners to gain a retweet or repost by Theo to his over half a million Twitter and Instagram followers. The weekly initiative, set up by Theo in 2010, now has over 3,500 #SBS winners and supports small businesses in the UK.



Debbie Betts said, "in an unregulated world of dog training, I am proud that my passion, years of study, knowledge, experience and underpinning value of 'do no harm' has been recognised, valued and applauded."

Small business champion and Ryman Stationery, Robert Dyas and Boux Avenue Chairman, Theo Paphitis, said: "We are thrilled to welcome new #SBS members every week and highlight just how important it is to support our small businesses here in the UK. My vision is that everyone who has ever won an #SBS re-tweet from me becomes part of a friendly club; like-minded individuals who can share successes and learnings. The website will also give a valuable profile to the winners chosen and I wish Dynamic Paws and Train every success."



## GREAT YARMOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS – LOTHINGLAND WARD

The result of the Borough Council election on May 4th for Lothingland Ward which covers Belton, Browston, Burgh Castle, Fritton and St Olaves was as follows:

Graham Carpenter	(Conservative) 518 votes (Elected)
Ivan Murray-Smith	(Conservative) 508 votes (Elected)
Adrian Myers	(Independent-retiring Councillor) 469 votes (Not Elected)
Christine Williamson	(Labour) 388 votes (Not Elected)
Euan Duffield	(Labour) 304 votes (Not Elected)

Turnout 29.0%

Overall, the Borough Council is now made up as follows:-

Labour	18
Conservative	19
Independent	2
Total	39

## A BELTON WALK

Now that Back Lane has been cleared and made walking passable it makes a great walk from the village onto the common and back



An enjoyable walk through Back Lane



via Sandy Lane. Spring has truly blossomed. The yellow from the Gorse and Broom on the Common are a wonderful sight at the moment. Thanks to the Parish Council for making it walkable again.



## BURGH CASTLE: Former pig pens to be converted into houses

A bid to convert three former barns in Burgh Castle into houses has been approved by planners.

(Image: Google Maps)



## Strawberry Tea



at Ashby Church  
(near Somerleyton NR32 5NB)

on

**Saturday 24 June**

Midday - 4.00 pm

and

**Sunday 25 June**

1.00pm - 4.00pm





# Down the Garden Path

with Elizabeth Myhill

Whilst traditionally shrubs were nearly always planted between November and March these days they are being cultivated in large pots they ready for transplanting straight into the border at most times of the year. This has several advantages for those who want an interesting garden but don't have the time or interest to look through endless gardening books to choose from. However, Books I would recommend the Dr. D.G.Hessayon series of books The Evergreen Expert, The Tree and Shrub Expert available on the internet for just a few pounds. Sadly Dr Hessayon has retired and will not be writing anymore gardening books. These are simple and straightforward and although many varieties have been improved over the years the basic information is sound and easily understood. (Other gardening books are available!)

## Advantages of buying now

- Generally speaking, not many of us spend time in the garden between November and March.
- In the Spring it is easier to see what has survived the winter and where space is available.
- Garden centres should be well stocked and have a wide choice of shrubs available.

Decide if your soil is acidic, neutral, or alkaline. If you don't know then look to see what kind of shrubs are growing in the surrounding gardens or you can buy a soil testing kit. If you want to grow an Azalea or Rhododendron then why not grow it in a large container using ericaceous compost.

I have chosen three easy to grow and suitable for the soil and situation locally the first being *Choisya Brica* which has fragrant white flowers and lime yellow evergreen leaves. Suitable for sun or light shade.

*Escalonia Pink Ellen* Not fussy about soil type sun or light shade. Flowers June to July, Evergreen. Makes a good hedge tolerates salt laden air.

*Photinia fraseri 'Red Robin'*, from New Zealand after World War II. Grows in any reasonable soil, thrives best in full sun. Can grow to 8ft. Newer varieties are Louise which has variegated leaves, new growth shows off pink and red. Very hardy and suitable to form a hedge.

*fraseri 'Magical Volcano'* is a new upright variety of photinia which has blood red growth on serrated edge leaves. Its intense colour and upright habit lends itself well to make an excellent hedging choice.

- Foliage turns orange red in autumn



*Choisya Brica*



*Escalonia Pink Ellen*



*Photinia fraseri 'Red Robin'*



*fraseri 'Magical Volcano'*

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# Events at the John Green Institute



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Bill Richmond	Treasurer	07950 039455
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Geoff Evenden	Bookings	07984 443808
Robert Goffin	Maintenance	07526 201088
Bridget Lawrence		01403 780160
Suzanna Craig	Hon Secretary	01493 789019

## Saturday Coffee Mornings at the JGI

There will be a coffee morning 10.00am -11.30am every 2nd Saturday of the Month

Raffles, Stalls, Displays. Come and see what the Village can offer plus Tea/Coffee Cake and Biscuits

**The next Saturday Coffee Morning will be on June 10th**

There will be the **BELTON SCOUTS** stall for your bargains If you or your group would like to have a stall contact Bill on 780822

## JGI Trustees

The main Hall has now been decorated so now is smart and clean again. Thanks to Adrian who did the painting and all others who helped with the other wall items and curtains.

There are still a few months free for any group to hold a fun-raising raffle or have a stall to promote their group on the coming Saturday Monthly Coffee mornings.

Even if you are not a user group at the hall you are still welcomed to hold a raffle or have a stall at these mornings. See above for more information.

The hall is in full use during each week but is available at weekends for hire for any other function or party. Contact Sheila or Geoff on 07984 44308 for times and charges.

## Wednesday Drop In

During the last month we were busy not just for coffee and cake but we also had the community nursing team from the James Paget Hospital visit us for a general health check up such as blood pressure but also for the spring COVID booster for those who were eligible. We always have something going on and welcome you to an enjoyable and informative morning. Contact Sue on 01493780822 for more details.

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## Fancy a game of Bingo?

Toni and Hazel, two lovely ladies organise the bingo session at the JGI every Monday come rain wind or shine. The only days that it does not take place are Christmas day and New years day. The night opens at 7.00pm for eyes down at 7.20pm.

As with many activities in our village, this is more of a social event than just simply bingo. It attracts a wide range of individuals from Great Yarmouth to Bradwell as well as those who live in the villages. It also attracts visitors from the Wild Duck holiday park. Being more of a social event there are quite a few single people who attend compared to couples.

Books start at 75 pence each or £4.50 for 5. Prizes range from £8.50 to £10.00 depending as always on the amount of books sold. There is also two flyers played during the evening.

Tea and coffee is provided and you are more than welcome to bring along your own snacks.

Local celebrity Alan will be your caller and there is a food raffle with prizes from a leg of lamb to a packet of biscuits. Any profits made are donated to the charity Local Rescue. At present there are between 20 and 25 regular players but there is room for 40. The evening finishes at 9pm.

So if you fancy a change from sitting at home, a great opportunity to meet people and have fun playing bingo with a chance to win CASH prizes, then just pop along to the JGI any Monday for a warm and friendly welcome.

Adrian Myers Chair Village Voice

## Contacts for Clubs and Groups at the JGI

To book the JGI Hall call Geoff or Shelia Evenden on 01493 298164

### MONDAY

10.15 – 11.45 am	Yoga	Julie	780121
2.00 – 16.00 pm	Short Mat Bowls	Mike	07754 503666
7.30 – 9.30 pm	Bingo	Toni	780748
		Hazel	781916

### TUESDAY

10.30 – 12.30	Belton Crafters	Linda	07721 599559
2.00 – 4.00 pm	Over 60's	Ann	780443
		Rose	780784
6.45 – 8.30 pm	Belton Guides	Louise	07826 919517

### WEDNESDAY

10.30 – 12.00 am	Drop-In	Sue	780822
2.00 – 4.00 pm	Art	Jan	488683
5.00 – 9.00 pm	Slimming World	Debra	07551 975800

### THURSDAY

10.30 – 12.00 am	Line Dancing	Jane	07788 408801
7.00 – 9.00 pm	Belton Crafters	Linda	07721 599559

### FRIDAY

10.30 – 12.00 am	Line Dancing	Jane	07788 408801
2.00 – 3.49pm	Camera Club (First Friday of each month)		
7.30 – 9.00 pm	Belton Singers	Mick	07795 422420
(Except last Friday in month)			
7.30 – 9.30 pm	Quiz Nite	Bill	780822
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## Dates for your Diary

### Sunday 4th June 2023 – Trinity Sunday Holy Communion

9.30am at St Peter & St Paul, Burgh Castle

### Morning Celebration – Café Style

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton

### Tuesday 6th June

#### Traditional Holy Communion

11am All Saints Church, Belton

(Coffee available from 10am onward)

### Friday 9th June

10am – 12 noon Women's Bible Chat

### Saturday 10th June

8.30-10am – Burgh Castle Breakfast at  
the Rectory

### Sunday 11th June

#### Morning Prayer

9.30am St Peter & St Paul Church

### Holy Communion

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton

### Evening Celebration

6.30pm All Saints Church Belton

### Sunday 18th June

#### Holy Communion

9.30am St Peter & St Paul Church

### Morning Celebration

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton

### Messy Muddy Church

4-5.30pm in The Rectory Garden and the  
stables including a Campfire

### Sunday 25th June

#### Morning Prayer

10.30am at St Peter & St Paul  
Burgh Castle

### Holy Communion

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton

### Sunday 2nd July

#### Holy Communion

9.30am St Peter & St Paul Church

### Morning Celebration – Café style

10.30am All Saints Church, Belton



## Strawberry Tea

at

### Ashby Church

(near Somerleyton NR32 5NB)

on

## Saturday 24 June

Midday - 4.00 pm

and

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