

Coronavirus Outbreak - Parish Council Update

The response to the Coronavirus outbreak is being managed by central government but will be reliant on local government to ensure appropriate action is taken at a local level. Both **South Norfolk District Council** and **Norfolk County Council** have plans in place and those plans include contact with **Parish Councils**, when necessary, who are seen as the main contact able to say what is happening in their villages.

As a **Parish Council** we will ensure any information we receive is communicated via our website, our noticeboards and by post as appropriate. If you wish to receive any information by email or phone you need to let the parish clerk know and provide your contact details.

Both **Norfolk County Council** and **South Norfolk Council** provide detailed information, which is regularly updated, on the response to the Coronavirus outbreak on their websites; www.norfolk.gov.uk and www.south-norfolk.gov.uk. We have included some of the **Norfolk County Council** advice for communities overleaf.

If you have any information or questions on this subject, or require help, please contact one of your local councillors or the parish clerk – contact details are given below.

It is important that everyone follows government advice and also that everyone looks out for the wellbeing of friends and neighbours.

The situation is constantly changing but the communication structure via District, County and Parish councils will remain important.

Contact details for Parish, District and County Councillors

Parish Clerk	Bev Long	01362 850162 or best contact is clerk@bpcrwparishcouncil.info
Chairman	Simon Guest (Brandon Parva)	07543 645351 simonguest1959@btinternet.com
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Councillor	Clare Kay (Runhall)	01603 757860 clare@thekays.biz
Councillor	Clare Miller (Runhall)	01362 850203 clare@cmiller.org.uk
Councillor	Mike Webb (Welborne)	01362 850327 welbornemike@btinternet.com
Councillor	Peter Wood (Welborne)	01362 850405 peter.welborne@btinternet.com
County Councillor	Margaret Dewsbury (Norfolk)	01603 759693
District Councillor	Richard Elliott (South Norfolk)	07733 002897

Annual Parish Meeting and Annual General Meeting CANCELLED

The Annual Parish meeting due to be held on April 22nd and the Annual General Meeting due to be held on May 20th have been cancelled due to the Coronavirus outbreak. Current legislation requires these meetings to be held before 1st June, however this requirement is currently being looked at by the government. These meetings will be re-arranged, if necessary, once government advice has been received.

Parish Council Meetings 2020

The planned dates of the remaining 2020 Parish Council meetings are as follows: 15th July, 16th September, and 18th November. Details of if and how these meetings can take place given the Coronavirus outbreak are being worked through – information on the remaining meetings will be posted on the noticeboards and website once decided.

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Coronavirus Actions for your community (Advice from Norfolk County Council)

Think of others and be kind

People in every community will face the challenges of Coronavirus in some way – from needing basic provisions to help while they are unwell.

Connect and reach out to your neighbours

As self-isolation increases, we need to find new ways to stay connected and check in on one another for our physical and mental wellbeing. Share phone numbers or connect online and stay in touch. Download our 'Here to Help' postcard at www.norfolk.gov.uk/coronavirus

Make the most of local online groups

Keep up to date, share information and be a positive part of your local community conversations.

Support vulnerable or isolated people

Different groups in our communities are at increased risk and social isolation and loneliness are key concerns for all ages. There are things you can do like volunteering for local support services or donating to food banks to help.

Share accurate information and advice

Support anyone who may be anxious about Coronavirus. Sign post them to the correct advice from Public Health England or the NHS, and encourage people to follow the correct hygiene practices.

Behave responsibly

Help to protect others in your community by following advice around practicing good hand hygiene and staying home if you are unwell.