

# High Kelling Parish Chronicle

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An information newsletter by the High Kelling Parish Council and  
Trustees of the Village Hall for all villagers of High Kelling

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## Editorial Note

No complaints about last month's weather, which will have nicely topped-up our Vitamin D levels before battening down for the coming winter months.



Many thanks to Chris Bleasby of Bernard Close for this wonderful picture taken of the footpath linking Vale Road to Bridge Road. A far more pleasant pedestrian route than walking along the busy and noisy A148.

If only we could find some way of completing it by linking Vale Road to Avenue Road! Something to think about if we receive some community funding from the Hornsea 3 Windfarm extension and/or a NNDC grant, perhaps. (See the Parish Council article in last month's Chronicle for further information.)

It was good to see so many villagers and friends at the MacMillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning held on the 29<sup>th</sup> September at the Village Hall, courtesy of the Trustees. Congratulations to Lyn Morgan of Avenue Road for organising such a successful event, which raised the incredible amount of £1,129.50. Lyn's report on it appears on page 12.

Accompanying this issue is a Gift Aid envelope for the All Saints' Church Gift Day that will take place on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> November. Fr Howard's article on page 11 provides full details. Whether or not you are an attender, this historic and iconic building sits in the heart of our community, exuding an air of peacefulness in the woods just a step or two away from the bedlam of the A148. So please consider giving what you can afford, or perhaps even more than you can afford, to help balance the books and keep the church open to all.

Finally, thanks to Robin Johnson of Pineheath Road for our Halloween-themed front cover photograph.

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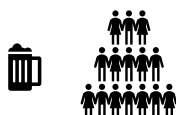


## Village Hall Committee Events for High Kelling Residents and Friends

COFFEE MORNINGS



PUB NIGHTS



BINGO



These regular events offer the residents of High Kelling the opportunity to meet socially at the village hall. Whether you are new to the village or an established resident, we hope you will join friends and neighbours at one or more of these events to mix and mingle.



PUB NIGHTS are held each month. Wine, beer, soft drinks, pub games and good company all available. Doors open 7pm



**Pub Night dates for October: Friday 13<sup>th</sup> and Friday 27<sup>th</sup>**



BINGO is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday afternoon each month – eyes down, prizes to win and new friends to make?

**Make a date for Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October, start time 2pm**

COFFEE MORNINGS are held approximately every 5<sup>th</sup> week. An entrance fee of £1.50 covers a relaxed time, tea, coffee and cake, a quiz and a raffle, regularly enjoyed by many villagers. If you prefer an individual cafetière of coffee, this is available for a small supplement of 50p.



**Our next Coffee morning is from 10 am on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

# From your Parish Council

## Clerk and Councillors

The Parish Council Meeting took place on 19<sup>th</sup> September. The Parish Clerk Jane Wisson has recently decided to resign having reconsidered the requirements of the role and did not attend the Meeting. We have been able to appoint a locum clerk for the remaining 3 months of the year. Gemma Harrison, who was previously the Parish Clerk at High Kelling and is now the Town Clerk at Holt, has kindly agreed to assist until we are able to appoint a new Clerk. We are very grateful to Gemma who has agreed to help at such short notice. An advert for the Clerk's role appears in this edition of the Parish Chronicle.



In due course we will be looking to co-opt up to an additional three Parish Councillors to bring the numbers up to nine. If any villagers would be interested in applying to be a Parish Councillor, then please let me know. I would be very happy to discuss this with you. It is not an onerous role, no previous experience is needed but it is a great way to contribute ideas as part of a positive and friendly team.

We were pleased that our District Councillors Eric Vardy and Martin Batey were able to join us at our recent meeting and very helpfully contributed their thoughts and ideas to assist High Kelling.

## Highways matters

Members of the Parish Council will be meeting later this month with Steve White, Highways Engineer at Norfolk County Council, to discuss speed reduction and road safety on the A148 in High Kelling. The Speedwatch team are also looking to increase their presence by using different locations and carrying out the speed checks at different times of the day.

During August I attended a SNAP Meeting, and although there were no police issues affecting this village, I took the opportunity to request further police presence in respect of speeding. I was assured this would continue to happen.

## Autumn village litter-pick and tidy-up

On Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October we are asking for volunteers for the half yearly litter pick and path clearance. I am grateful to David Carter and Patrick Kelly for agreeing to organise this again. Although we will be trying to clear some of the footpaths where there is an accumulation of debris, we do also need to rely on individual householders to cut back overgrown hedges and clear the footpaths particularly in situations where

the footpath is narrow. If anyone with a property on the A148 is unable to keep the footpath clear or needs help then please let me know.

### Full Fibre Broadband

Last month I raised the issue of residents registering their interest in Full Fibre Broadband. We are currently waiting to hear back from both Openreach and Upp as to their intentions for extending Full Fibre Broadband to High Kelling. Anyone who is interested in obtaining an improved Broadband service is urged to register their interest with both Openreach and Upp if they have not already done so.

### Remembering Gordon Lane

Following the sad death of Gordon Lane, there will be an informal gathering to remember him on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October between 2-5pm at the Village Hall. A memories book will be available to sign and anyone is welcome to say a few words if they wish. There will also be refreshments. Joy Lane and the family hope that those who knew Gordon will be able to pop in.

### The next meeting of the Parish Council . . .

. . . will take place on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023 at 7pm in the Village Hall. If any villager would like to speak to me on any issue of concern, I would be pleased to do so and will be at the Village Hall from 6.15pm on that day.

### **Peter Rutherford**

Chair, High Kelling Parish Council

Email: [Peter@rutherford.world](mailto:Peter@rutherford.world)

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## **Autumn Village Litter-Pick and Tidy-Up**

If you'd like to take part in the autumn village litter-pick and tidy-up, please come to the Village Hall at 10am on **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October**. The Parish Council provides the pickers, hoops and bags. You will need appropriate clothing, boots and gardening-type gloves, plus a Hi-Vis jacket if you have one. (If not, we can loan you a vest). If you want to help with the more heavy-duty stuff, you might want to bring along shovels, secateurs and perhaps even a wheel-barrow.

Refreshments are available afterwards.

It's a great opportunity to meet fellow villagers as well as tidying up our village! The Parish Council looks forward to seeing you there.

## **JOB VACANCY**

### **HIGH KELLING PARISH COUNCIL**

#### **PARISH CLERK & RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER**

High Kelling Parish Council is looking for an enthusiastic and self-motivated person to take on the role of Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer.

The post is for four hours per week and includes attendance at all Parish Council meetings and responsibility for the finances, funding and the Council's risk management. Candidates should have book-keeping skills, communication, IT and organisational skills. Pay will be in line with SCP10 (£12.28) – SCP15 (£13.45) depending on experience and qualifications. Support and training will be provided as appropriate.

Applications by CV with a covering letter to the Chair, [Peter@rutherford.world](mailto:Peter@rutherford.world).

**The closing date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023.**

This advertisement is underpinned by the following Job Description:

#### **High Kelling Parish Council Parish Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer**

##### Overall Responsibilities

The Clerk is the Proper Officer of the Council and as such is under a statutory duty to carry out all functions, and in particular, to serve or issue all notifications required by law. The Clerk will be responsible for ensuring that the instructions of the Council in connection with its function as a Local Authority are carried out. The Clerk is expected to advise the Council on, assist in the formation of, overall policies to be followed in respect of the Authority's activities and in particular to produce all information required for making effective decisions and to implement constructively all decisions. The Clerk is also the Responsible Officer for the Council.

##### Specific Responsibilities

The specific responsibilities of the role are:

- To ensure that legal, statutory and other provisions governing or affecting the running of the council are observed.
- To prepare in consultation with the Chairman, agendas for meetings of the Council and ad hoc committee meetings as required; to attend such meetings as required; to prepare minutes for approval.
- To receive correspondence and documents on behalf of the Council and to deal with correspondence or documents or bring such items to the attention of the Council.
- To issue correspondence on the instructions of, or in accordance with the known policy of, the Council.
- To issue notices and prepare agendas and minutes for the parish meeting and to implement the decisions made at the assemblies.
- To attend all meetings of the council and its committees. (Meetings of the Council are held monthly.)
- To ensure that all financial activities of the council are conducted and maintained according to “proper practices” as identified in Governance and Accountability March 2018 and as required by the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015.
- To ensure that the Council’s obligation to ensure its property etc. are properly met.
- To study reports and other data on activities of the Council and on matters bearing those activities. Where appropriate, to discuss such matters with administrators and specialists in particular fields.
- To draw up both on his/her initiative and as a result of suggestions by councillors’ proposals for consideration by the Council and to advise on practicability and the likely effects of specific courses of action.
- To manage all functions of the Council on those activities.
- To monitor the implemented policies of the Council to ensure they are achieving the desired result and where appropriate suggest modifications.
- To have delegated power from the Council to act as the Data Protection Officer for the Council.
- To act as a representative of the Council as required.
- To prepare, in consultation with the Chair, press releases about activities or decisions of the Council.
- To maintain records and the Website of the Council.
- To attend training courses on the work and role of the Clerk as required by the Council.

## News from Your Village Hall Committee



### Hall usage

We are pleased to report use of the Village Hall by activity groups has returned to pre-Covid levels and we have hosted several private group events, including a children's birthday party and a wedding reception. Hosts have expressed their appreciation of the facilities, as well as both the cooperation and support afforded by members and supporters of the Hall Management Committee.

### Summer Barbecue

The Hall Committee and villagers have expressed their thanks to those involved in putting on the Village Hall Summer Barbecue on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, notably Sean and Nikki Doran who provided and prepared all the food. The event was attended by about 60 people who enjoyed the social event in a convivial al fresco environment. Yes, we were indeed fortunate that the weather changed for the better on the day.

Subsequently, the Committee considered some ideas to help improve future such events. Of note, one justifiable complaint about the level of publicity for the Barbecue had been received by email from a villager who only became aware of it after the event. The problem was acknowledged and discussed at length at our subsequent committee meeting. Noting data protection issues to be addressed, it was agreed that we should seek to use the existing Pub Night e-mail circulation list as a base for improving communications with villagers. This could be achieved by either:

- (a) Informing recipients of the existing mailing list that we intend to widen the scope of these communications to inform them of Trustee-led events at the Hall, and for them to inform us if they want to opt out of continuing to receive e-mails; or
- (b) Setting up a new dedicated HKVH-styled email account for this purpose, preferably as a no-repl account, if possible. Setting up such an account would provide resilience around the ability of other Trustees to send out communications if required, with password-protected access.

The Committee will set out to expand the mailing list by drawing attention to the existing list and inviting others to join it.



## Christmas Fair

Sadly, even though the event was successful last year, the Committee reluctantly agreed not to hold a Christmas Fair in 2023. This decision was reached after considering the list of the tasks and workstreams involved and it was felt that there being fewer trustees than in previous years, all with other commitments, and bearing in mind the overall nature of the task, we had to be realistic about our capacity to organize and run the event. This decision was communicated to those potential stallholders who had made enquiries.

## Seventies Club

The results for September 2023 were:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize £25.00 – Janet Johnson

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £15.00 – Lynne Henderson

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £10.00 – Jane Thomas

## Forthcoming Social Events

The Village Hall Committee intend to hold several social events in the near future, as follows:

- a. A Folk Music Evening involving two acts, to be held on the Pub Night of 24<sup>th</sup> November.
- b. A Christmas Get-together in the Village Hall.
- c. A Wine-tasting event.

These events will be publicised as widely as possible when arrangements are confirmed.

## Trustees and Volunteers

Our Christmas Fair debate and the decision made highlighted the need for more trustees, as well as volunteers for future events to be organised by the Village Hall Committee. Perhaps you wish to act as a trustee or register as a volunteer who can spare some time to help out with future events over the next year. If so, in either case, please notify me by email at [chairhkvh@gmail.com](mailto:chairhkvh@gmail.com), including your telephone number and I will get in touch with you. Thankyou.

**Colin Kemp**

Chair, High Kelling Village Hall Committee

## Village Hall Programme for October 2023

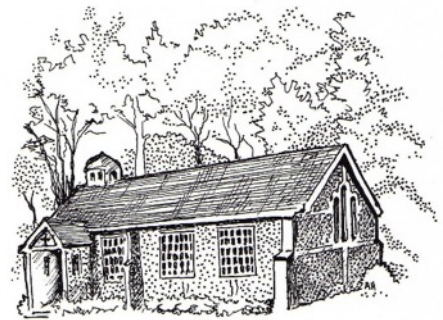
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## **THE PARISH OF HOLT WITH HIGH KELLING**

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**Deputy Churchwarden:** Ann Alborough Tel. 01263 712954



### **Services at All Saints:**

Thursday 10.00am Said Eucharist

Sunday 9.15am Said Eucharist

For services at the Parish Church please see the church notice board or visit [www.holtchurch.org](http://www.holtchurch.org)

For Live Streaming search YouTube St Andrew the Apostle, Holt

Dear Friends,

### **All Saints, Gift Day Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

All Saints Church remains open every day for private prayer and to welcome visitors, and there are two public acts of worship each week. The church is also available for the occasional offices of baptism, holy matrimony, and funerals. It is home to a small but committed community of faith who attend church regularly and are keen to serve their neighbour and maintain the church's presence in the village. But they need help to do so and especially financial help to keep the church in good repair and open to all.

We all feel the effects of the ongoing rise in the cost of the living, even the Church. Last year our church collections and donations were down by 15% on the previous year, and after meeting our financial commitments for the year (£11,976) we ended the year with a deficit of just over £1,500.

We were able to carry this deficit because of our reserves. But this cannot continue and at present our weekly income does not meet our weekly expenditure. We are spending our reserves each week. Therefore, once again, I appeal to the wider community in High Kelling to help us maintain the Church's presence. We receive no direct funding from the Church commissioners and are dependent on the generosity of individual-giving. Would you please be able to help us to keep All Saints Church open to all?

Your donation no matter how small is very much appreciated and is gratefully received. If you can, please return the enclosed gift day envelope c/o Ann Alborough, 4 Pineheath Road, High Kelling Nr25 6QF or else return it in person on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 10am – 12noon when, together with Ann, I will be sitting outside the Village Hall in Avenue Road in anticipation of your generosity. Thank you.

Warmest regards,

Fr. Howard

**COFFEE AND CHAT:** Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> October 10.30am at No 4 Pineheath Road, courtesy of Ann Alborough.

**THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE** at 4 Pineheath Road following the 10am Eucharist at All Saints.

**OPEN THE CHURCH: JESUS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD**  
**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2.00pm – 4.00pm.**

**A FREE FAMILY EVENT at Holt Parish Church:** Pumpkin-carving, painting, messy play, paper craft, edible sparklers, and much more. All ages welcome. Children should be accompanied by a parent/carer.

**ALL SOULS DAY: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023**  
**10am Requiem Mass at All Saints, High Kelling**  
**7.00pm Sung Requiem Mass at St Andrew's, Holt**

Come along and remember a departed loved one by name, light a candle in their memory and give thanks for the memories you treasure of them.

**HOME VISITING:** If you would welcome a visit from the parish clergy or a lay member of our pastoral team please contact the Rector, Fr. Howard.

## **MacMillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning**

Lyn Morgan writes:

*“Our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September raised a magnificent **£1,129.50.**”*

*I would personally like to thank everyone who made a delicious cake or supplied a superb raffle prize. They were all absolutely amazing.*

*I couldn't have managed the morning without the help of so many villagers. The ladies in the kitchen, those collecting donations, those on cake-cutting duty and, of course, the raffle organisers. Also to Oscar and Annie Haynes for donating the **£180** raised from their fruit/vegetable sales to the Macmillan event. Lastly, a huge thank you to Lloyd Durhams for their very generous donation.*

*Finally, can I thank you all for attending and making it a very special morning and for being so generous for this wonderful charity.”*

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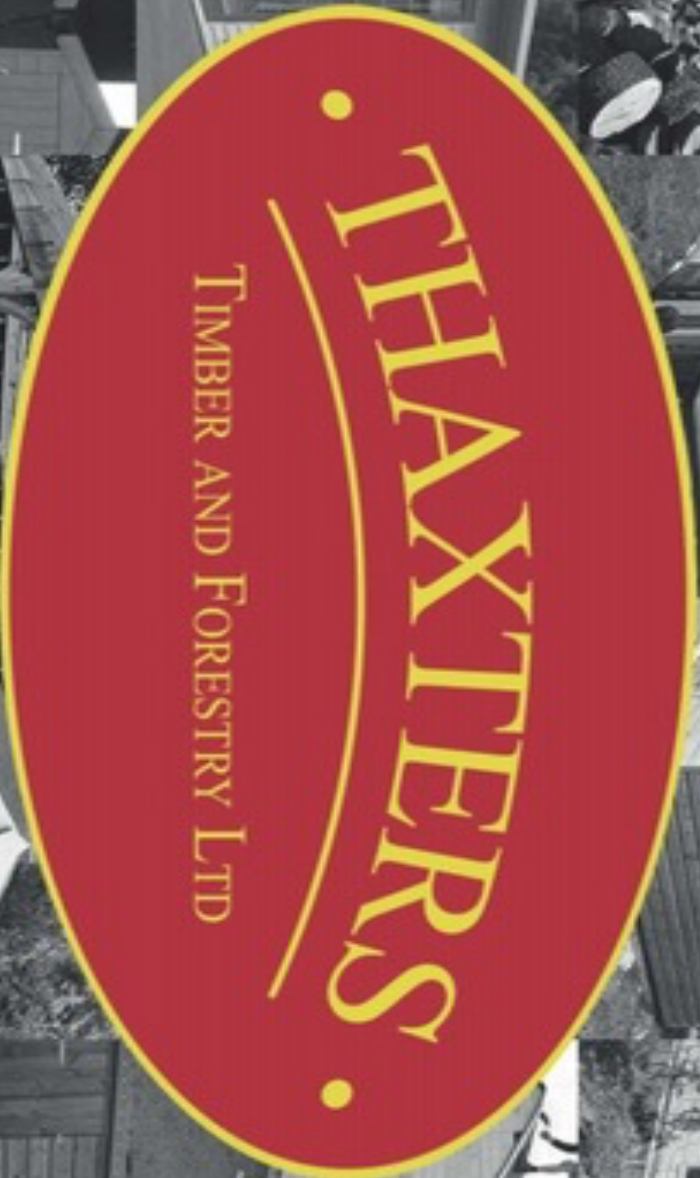
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