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Merry Christmas
and Happy New Year



A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE from Councillor Peter Balcombe Chairman of Hellesdon Parish Council

Sporting a beard and old enough to attend the over 65's Parish Party as a participant rather than in my usual role of helper, it is probably inevitable that I find myself performing as Father Christmas at the Children's parties each year. The necessity of calm passivity so as not to frighten when engaging with the very young, the growing confidence of older siblings as they describe their varying hopes for Christmas Day, and the cynicism of the worldly wise including one bright soul who said to me before I dressed up, "I know who you are - you are the scam Father Christmas!"; together they form a familiar but always stimulating part of my Christmas scene. Christmas is about the future and judging from what this Father Christmas has seen of Hellesdon children we have good reason to be hopeful!

Christmas is also a time when we think of the past. The tape recorders of our minds play back the voices of family members and friends who are sadly no longer with us but who we go on missing. More widely, particularly in this year, the centenary of the start of the First World War, we think of the many sacrifices, including of life itself that our predecessors made in this and subsequent conflicts. We aspire that our legacy to the future will approach theirs.

Whether you have to work through the Christmas period, would like the opportunity to find suitable work, are studying, retired, healthy or struggling with ill health, lonely or desperate to find personal space, whatever your circumstances, I should like on behalf of Hellesdon Parish Council to wish you the very best Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Peter Balcombe

Parish Council Office Closure Christmas & New Year

**The Council Office will be closed
from 12.30pm Wednesday
24th December 2014 to reopen
9.30am Friday 2nd January 2015**


**January 2015 Parish Council Meeting:
The January Parish Council meeting
will take place on Tuesday 6th January
at 7pm in Diamond Jubilee Lodge.
Members of the public are welcome to
attend**



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5.15pm - 8.15pm

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The monthly Parish Council meeting is normally held in the Council Chamber Diamond Jubilee Lodge at 7pm on the first Tuesday of every month. Please check notice boards and website for confirmation. The agendas for these and any other meeting arranged will be advertised on the Parish Council notice boards and website at least 3 full working days before the meeting takes place.

KEEP IN TOUCH

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ASK THE ORACLE

Hello. I'm the Oracle and invite residents to ask questions on what to do and who to contact when assistance is needed on local matters.



How do I report faults in street lighting on my road?

The first thing you will need to do, is find out who the lighting column belongs to. All lighting columns have an identifying number on them and all Broadland District Council lights have an identifying sticker on them. All other lighting columns will belong to Norfolk County Council. Hellesdon Parish Council do not own or have responsibility for street lighting.

For Broadland Street Lights you need to call 01603 430534 or you can email environ.protection@broadland.gov.uk or use the Broadland District Council website via www.broadland.gov.uk/transport_and_streets and use the online reporting form.

For Norfolk County Council street lights you need to call 0344 800 8008 or use the Norfolk County Council website www.norfolkstreelighting.amey.co.uk and use the online reporting form

Information you need to report a fault?

You will need to provide the following details to report any streetlight fault: Column number, or location on street (e.g. a house number/ junction with another road etc.

Street name and in the Parish of Hellesdon.



I intend to make alterations to my property. Can I speak to someone face to face rather than on the telephone, to discuss what I may or may not do?

Broadland District Council has a duty planner on duty Monday to Friday from 08.30 to 13.00 who will meet with you at Thorpe Lodge and answer your queries and give general advice. You do not require an appointment to see the planning officer though please note that if the officer is currently with someone else, you will need to wait. You can still contact the Planning Administration Team who will answer general queries. Broadland District Council is located at Thorpe Lodge, 1 Yarmouth Road, Thorpe St Andrew, Norwich NR7 0DU and can be contacted on 01603 430509 or via email: planning.administration@broadland.gov.uk. Further information can be found at www.broadland.gov.uk/housing_and_planning



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Residents should note that all Parish Council full meetings and Committee meetings will take place in the Council Chamber, Diamond Jubilee Lodge, unless otherwise stated.

6 January 2015: Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting at 6.15pm

6 January 2015: Parish Council Meeting at 7pm

20 January 2015: Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting at 6.30pm

20 January 2015: Staffing Committee Meeting at 7pm

3 February 2015: Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting at 6.15pm

3 February 2015: Parish Council Meeting at 7pm

9 February 2015: Media & Communications Committee Meeting at 7pm

10 February 2015: Property, Policy & Resources Committee Meeting

17 February 2015: Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting at 6.30pm

17 February 2015: Playing Fields, Amenities & Allotments Committee Meeting at 7pm

3 March 2015: Parish Council Planning Meeting at 6.15pm

3 March 2015: Parish Council Meeting at 7pm

17 March 2015: Parish Council Planning Meeting at 6.15pm

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Enter into free draw for an iPad!



By the time you read this you should have received a questionnaire through your door concerning the **future options for Hellesdon Community Centre**.

To enter the free draw all you need to do is to complete the questionnaire and return it to the Parish Council office by **12 December 2014**.

One lucky entrant will be drawn at random and will win an iPad Air 2 16GB with retina display. Please see our website www.hellesdon-pc.gov.uk for full terms and conditions of the draw.

Questionnaires can also be downloaded from our website or picked up from the Parish Council office.

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| Wed | Hellesdon Community Centre (1.30-2.30pm) |
| Thu | Spixworth Methodist Church (10-11am)
Hellesdon Community Centre (1.30-2.30pm) |

Day classes £3.50 Evening classes £4.00

Please ring for more details

Glenda / Sheila (01603) 890708 / 279294



PLAYING FIELDS, AMENITIES & ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE

The main concern this year has been bringing our new allotments into operation. The newly acquired land has enabled the Council to more than double total allotment provision. Take up of the new allotments – which are only available to residents of Hellesdon- has been very strong, and we are rapidly reaching the point where they will all be occupied, so if you would like one get your request in quickly! It is all too likely we will return to having a waiting list during next year. Over the winter period work will be undertaken to plant new hedging which in due course will hopefully offset the inevitably harsh visual impact of the fencing necessary to the new allotments and neighbouring recreation space.

Preparation requirements for the recreational space are in hand and work should be commencing shortly with a view to opening during the coming year.

The planned transfer of Mountfield Park from Broadland District Council to Hellesdon Parish Council should be taking place shortly. It is pleasing that the park is well used and appreciated. Whilst many residents have expressed strong feelings that they like the park as it is the Council is open to suggestions for improvements where these can be accommodated without detriment to the present natural feeling of the area or neighbours.

An area of continuing challenge to the committee is the pressure on space at the Community Centre recreation ground. The committee wishes to press on with replacing the vandalised play equipment in the senior play area but the possibility of needing to tackle problems of drainage of the adjacent car park by soakaways under the play area has delayed progress. It is hoped this will be resolved shortly so that we can return again to having the standards of play equipment we would wish. In the meantime it is pleasing that the skateboard / basket ball area opened last year continues to be popular as does our conservation area although this is not the time of the year to see it at its' best!

Cllr Jane Wright, Chairman Playing Fields, Amenities and Allotments Committee.

GREEN AWARD



Pictured above left to right:
Mrs Patricia Kirby, Clerk to the Council,
Mr Kevin Sage Head Groundsman
Hellesdon Parish Council & Cllr Tony Adams
Chairman Broadland District Council

Each year Broadland District Council presents an Enhancement Award and every other year a Green Award for properties and developments that stand out as lead examples in the district.

As a member of Hellesdon Parish Council I was delighted to learn of Hellesdon Parish Council's third place in the Green Award and took great pleasure in being able to present the Certificates of Commendation awarded to my own council.

Mrs Patricia Kirby Clerk to the Council received the framed certificate for the Parish Council and Mr Kevin Sage, the Parish Council's head



Diamond Jubilee Garden
Hellesdon Recreation Ground

Grounds Man who had with his team turned this derelict area into a thriving area for wildlife, flora & fauna, received a certificate in recognition of this achievement.

Tony Adams, Chairman Broadland District Council



JOIN THE RECYCLING REVOLUTION

Broadland District Council are improving residents kerbside household recycling service.

From now on you are able to recycle more items in your grey bin.

As well as paper, cardboard, food and drink cans, plastic bottles and aerosol cans, you are also now able to recycle the following:

- ✓ Plastic food pots, tubs and trays including: yoghurt pots, margarine tubs and meat/fruit/vegetable trays
- ✓ Glass bottles and jars
- ✓ Food and drink cartons including: juice, soup, milk and smoothie containers
- ✓ Aluminium foils and trays
- ✓ Shredded paper and envelopes including those with windows

These changes came into effect on 1 October 2014.



Please do all you can to assist and help to ensure the new **RECYCLING REVOLUTION** regime is successful and contact Broadland District Council if you need any further help or advice about recycling in Broadland.

The Environmental Contracts Team
 Broadland District Council
 Thorpe Lodge
 1 Yarmouth Road
 Thorpe St Andrew
 Norwich
 Telephone 01603 430161
 email: environ.protection@broadland.gov.uk

HURRICANES Swim Club

Hurricanes Swimming Club (est. 1999) offer swimming lessons at Hellesdon High and Drayton Junior Schools for beginners and improvers from age 3 1/2 years upwards. All taught by qualified ASA teachers. Classes are kept to a limited number of swimmers.

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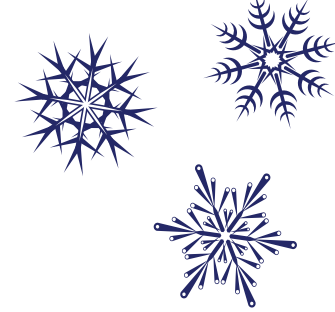
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The Accessible Britain Challenge



In case it escaped your notice, there's a new challenge on the block - one that doesn't involve getting soaked with ice! It's the **Accessible Britain Challenge** which the Government has set for six months to help improve accessibility for disabled people.

Local disabled resident Molly Barrett has got together with Councillor Shelagh Gurney to invite Hellesdon to **"Shoot it - Shove it - Share it!"** in other words, take a video that shows the disabled access to a public place in Hellesdon, or an activity, or a workplace; put it up on the



internet, and share a link to it on www.showmetheaccess.co.uk

a new website that Molly has been working on for the last year or so.

The site already has enough examples to demonstrate how it works. Disabled people will be able to assess what preparations to make before they set out for a certain venue. Professionals can see how usable a particular piece of equipment might be for a specific user. It also allows businesses to show off their accessible features and products to a targetted market, and gain valuable feedback and publicity.

So **"Shoot it - Shove it - Share it!"** today!

Molly Barrett, Hellesdon Resident

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Friday	10am-1pm, 2pm-5pm
Saturday	10am-1pm

The Library will be open throughout the Christmas and New Year period except for:

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OPENING & CLOSING OF RECREATION GROUND, MOUNTFIELD PARK & MEADOW WAY



As we are now leaving November behind residents are reminded that the **Recreation Ground and Mountfield Park close at 4pm, with Meadow Way closing this year from 3.45pm.** This closing is in line with the Winter schedule which applies from 1 November until 28 February. While most residents are appreciative of this, there have been occasions where Parish Council staff have been subject to abuse while undertaking unlocking and locking duties.

Whilst during the winter schedule Mountfield Park and Meadow Way is open and closed by the Grounds staff Monday to Friday, at weekends these duties are undertaken by Caretaking staff. The opening times of the areas adhere to staff employment times and have to be considered within other required duties

The Recreation Ground - to remind and clarify:

The gates at the Recreation Ground are opened by the Caretakers who are employed Monday to Saturday from 7.30am and Sundays from 8am. Upon entering the site the duty, providing there are no apparent unusual circumstances, is to open the vehicular access on Woodview Road. The remaining site gates are opened after the requirement to enter Hellesdon Community Centre to ensure there are no immediate issues to be dealt with.

On Sundays in order to accommodate requirements, the opening of the Community Centre takes precedence of opening Wood View Road and the remaining site gates. Any unusual circumstances could result in action being taken that would delay or prevent unlocking of the site and this would be the case until any such circumstance is resolved.

With the number of external gates needing to be opened, it takes 20 – 30 minutes to complete unlocking therefore providing there are no unusual circumstances, the parks should be fully opened by approximately 8am and 8.30am respectively. Thank you for your co-operation.


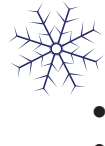



HELLEDSON PARISH COUNCIL MANAGEMENT OF OUTDOOR SURFACES IN SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS

Under the terms of the Occupiers' Liability Acts 1957 and 1984 the Parish Council is responsible for taking all reasonably practicable measures to ensure the safety of all visitors to its premises and land. This includes the need for suitable precautions during severe weather conditions.

The areas covered by this policy are hard surface car parks and hard surface footways to the main entrances of buildings, and the policy has been developed following a review of the existing risk assessment.

In order to comply with the legal requirement in a practical manner, the Parish Council's policy with regard to the management of surfaces which may become hazardous due to snow and ice is as follows:

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- We **will** ensure that areas are well-lit during times of poor visibility when the sites are open, so that obstructions and potential hazards can be seen.
 - We **will** inspect hard surface car parks and access ways to buildings daily during severe weather conditions. We will endeavour to clear snow and ice and spread salt/grit on the cleared area to provide a designated pathway to buildings. We may take other action deemed appropriate and this may be displaying suitable notices closing car parks or other measures that may be considered practicable.
 - We **will not** grit/salt the remainder of the parking areas or non-essential access routes.
 - We **will** keep a log of inspections carried out and any action taken.
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STAY WARM & WELL THIS WINTER

With Winter approaching it makes sense to prepare your home, your family and neighbours to 'Stay Warm and Well this Winter'. Many government organisations and other agencies including NHS, Norfolk County Council, Broadland District Council and Age Concern UK all provide excellent advice for staying healthy during the winter months:

Here are a few things you might wish to consider:

- How to fight flu
- *Fuel poverty facts*
- Keep your home warm
- *Eat well in winter*
- Wear warm clothes
- *Help your neighbours in winter*
- Cold weather benefits
- *Winter Fuel Payment*
- Cold Weather Payment
- *How to reduce your energy bills*

A 'Keep Warm and Well this winter' leaflet can be downloaded from Norfolk County Council website www.norfolk.gov.uk/warmandwell

Useful telephone numbers:

Norfolk County Council: 0344 800 8020

Broadland District Council: 01603 430627

Age UK Norwich: 01603 496333

NHS: 0300 311 22 33



PROVISION OF GRIT BINS

The Parish Council as is custom and practice during winter months, receives many requests for grit bins. Grit bins are purchased by the Parish Council and are then 'gifted' to County Highways who accept the responsibility for filling and refilling. Maintenance of the bin remains with the parish; however, approval from Norfolk County Council Highways has to be gained before the siting of any grit bin on the highway. There have been occasions when approval to fund a grit bin has been obtained, only to find the agreement from highways cannot be secured. The Parish Council will not therefore fund or purchase any grit bin until highways approval is secured.

Highways have criteria when considering the siting of grit bins as follows:

- Would it mainly be for road or footway use?
*Use on a footway is only agreed in exceptional circumstances:
e.g. outside a shopping centre or entrance to school on a sloping gradient or on an incline*
- Proximity of gradients
- Proximity to bends in road
- Proximity to footbridges
- Proximity to existing bins
- Number of premises served
- Community facilities within 200m of site
- Winter priority routes within vicinity of site.

Not all the above criteria needs to be met, however some of the above points would work against the siting of a bin (e.g. if a Priority 1 or 2 gritting route goes along the road)

The Parish Council policy in respect of addressing requests is as follows:

- Any request for a grit bin is first presented to Highways to ascertain if approval would be granted.
- A negative response would be relayed to the requester and subsequently would be made known to the Parish Council. The Parish Council would have the opportunity to challenge the Highways decision.
- A positive response would be relayed to the requester, with the request presented to the Parish Council for consideration of purchase.



OPENING OF CARROWBECK HOUSE

Recently as Chairman of Broadland District Council (BDC), I had the privilege of opening the new Broadland Council Training Services (BCTS) training centre for young people at Carrowbeck House, Hellesdon.



Pictured above left to right:

Mrs Patricia Kirby, Clerk to Hellesdon Parish Council,
Mr Tony Adams, Chairman Broadland District Council
Cllr Shelagh Gurney, District Councillor
Hellesdon North -West

All District Councillors were invited to attend the opening and I was delighted to see so many there. As Carrowbeck is in Hellesdon, the Clerk to the Council, Patricia Kirby, also attended as did the District Councillor for Hellesdon North-West, Cllr Shelagh Gurney.

Broadland District Council now has a training establishment that we are proud of and most importantly a set up that will increase opportunities for young people by helping them to achieve their potential.

Carrowbeck is a brand new facility providing training facilities for young people. Going towards Drayton it is located on the Drayton High Road on the left hand side about 200 yards from the traffic lights.

Carrowbeck House itself has been there for some considerable time and in 2008 Broadland District Council leased it and ran it as a construction training facility for young, long term unemployed trainees and ex-offenders. This offered young people the unique opportunity to learn new skills which hopefully would benefit them in obtaining a career in construction.

Initially Broadland District Council received Government funding for the project but when this was withdrawn in 2012, Broadland District Council decided to buy Carrowbeck and completely renovate it to a cost of £500,000.

What started out as a somewhat dilapidated building has now been transformed into an impressive training facility for 16 to 18 year olds to come and learn.

The building looks absolutely fantastic. Hamish Melville, the Head of Economic Development at Broadland District Council and his team gave guided tours to all the guests. It's light and airy and has succeeded in providing eco materials while retaining the look and feel of the old building. It allows young people to learn in a relaxed environment. The aim is to provide lots of young people across Norfolk with the training necessary to give them every opportunity of having a successful career from the training they receive. The fact it's located in Hellesdon is a marvellous advert for our Parish.

Tony Adams, District Councillor, Hellesdon South-East & Chairman, Broadland District Council



A BURNING ISSUE! - A GUIDE TO BONFIRES

Under the Environmental Protection Act 1990, it is an offence to cause a statutory nuisance. This includes smoke, fumes or gases “emitted from premises so as to be prejudicial to health or a nuisance”. This can include nuisance created by bonfires.

What constitutes a nuisance?

To be considered a nuisance a bonfire would have to be a regular problem and interfering substantially with your well-being, comfort or enjoyment of your property. Therefore if the fire is only occasionally it is unlikely to be considered a nuisance. Similarly if you are troubled by a series of bonfires from various sources this will not be considered a nuisance because no single individual could be held responsible.

If a neighbour is causing a nuisance then it is advisable to approach the person to try to resolve the matter as they may not be aware they are causing a problem and they may be more considerate in the future. However, if this approach fails the local council’s environmental health department should take reasonable steps to investigate a complaint. They have power to take action under the Environmental Protection Act and can issue an abatement notice. The Environmental Protection Act does also allow private action to be taken in the magistrates court.

What are the penalties?

Under the Highways (Amendment) Act 1986 anyone lighting a fire and allowing smoke to drift across the road faces a fine of £2000 if it endangers traffic. In rare instances there may be local bye-laws which restrict the times bonfires are allowed.

The following guidelines have been produced by the National Society of Allotment & Leisure Gardeners

Good Bonfire Guidelines

Let neighbours know when and where a bonfire is to be lit.

Avoid lighting in unsuitable weather conditions e.g. windy days or damp, still days when smoke will hang in the air.

Check the air quality and avoid burning when it is “poor” or “very poor”.

Only burn dry material.

Never burn household rubbish, rubber or anything containing plastic, foam or paint.

Never use old engine oil, metholated spirits or petrol to light or encourage a fire.

Avoid burning at weekends or on bank holidays when people are more likely to be in their garden.

Never leave the fire unattended or leave it to smoulder – douse it with water if necessary.

Remember to check for hibernating hedgehogs and sleeping pets!



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A series of support is available after the workshop.

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CHURCH SERVICES

ROMAN CATHOLIC

St Boniface, Brabazon Road

Sundays 8 am - Mass
Tuesdays 7 pm - Mass
Holy Days 7.30 pm - Mass

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

St Mary's, Low Road

1st & 3rd Sundays 11 am - Holy Communion
2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays 11 am –
Morning Worship
Wednesdays 10 am – Holy Communion

St Paul's, Hawthorne Avenue

Holy Communion
8am 1st & 3rd Sunday
Common Worship Morning Praise
9.30am 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Common Worship Holy Communion
9.30am 2nd & 4th Sunday
4th Sunday also has a Healing/Anointing time
10am Cafe Style Service at selected Services
(See Banner outside the week before)
Holy Communion 10am Wednesdays
Study 12.30/1pm Wednesdays
with Rev McGinley
Open Doors 10am Thursdays
Rock Solid (term time) 7pm Thursdays

METHODIST

Aylsham Road, Mile Cross

Sundays 10.45 am
Morning Service & Sunday School
Also occasional Sunday evenings 6.30 pm
Thursday mornings Drop-In from 10 till 12 &
a service at 12.15 to 12.45

SALVATION ARMY

Salvation Army, Boundary Road

Sundays 11 am – Holiness Meeting
Sundays 5 pm – Salvation Meeting
Sundays 9.45 am – “Kids Alive” Club

MEADOW WAY CHAPEL

Sundays 10.45 am – Family Worship
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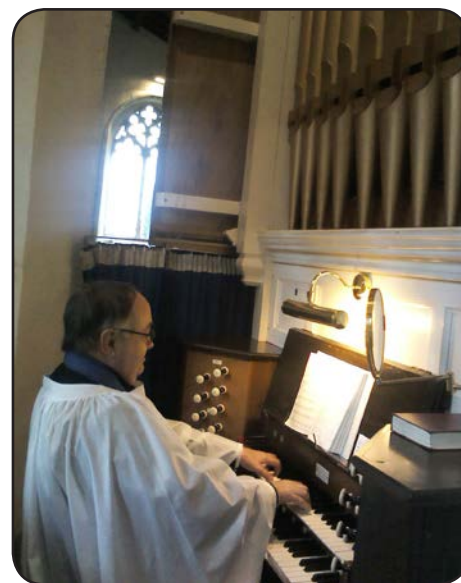
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“OVER 100 YEARS OLD AND STILL MAKING A JOYFUL NOISE!”

On Tuesday 21st October 2014 the rafters of St Mary's Church, Low Road rattled in their fixings as the children of Kinsale Infant School explored the power of the pipe organ during a morning's visit to the ancient church. But their enjoyment and surprise was only made possible because of the generosity of individuals and organisations, including the Parish Council, who had provided grants and donations for the refurbishment of the elderly organ during the summer.

Originally built in the mid nineteenth century, the pipe organ was given to St Mary's Church by the Bush family in 1949 and has been part of Sunday service, Easter morning, Remembrance Sunday and Christmas carols by candlelight ever since, not to mention all the weddings and Baptisms. "Using the organ at least weekly helps keep it in good condition" said Church Warden Ginny Smith, "But at well over 100 years old, occasional tender loving care is essential." The works were carried out by local pipe organ specialists Boggis and Sons during which time the whole of the north aisle pews were submerged in pipes and tarpaulins. "We were amazed that it all fitted back in." laughed Ginny.



Organist Peter Worby
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Bobby Smith chaired the Parochial Church Council grant finding team. "People have been so generous and supportive as have organisations including The Geoffrey Watling Trust, The Pennycrest Trust, The Allchurches Trust and Hellesdon Parish Council." He said "And of course the Friends of St Mary's Church were able to make an important contribution from the proceeds of their regular fundraising events"

The completion of works was celebrated with a special service on August 17th attended by Cllr Shelagh Gurney who was Chairman of the Parish Council at the time the grant was agreed and the Clerk to the Council as well as many parishioners. Organist Tim Patient said "The work on the organ has been a huge success and has ensured that it will be able to accompany services and enhance worship for many more years."

St Mary's pipe organ will be playing a key and melodious role in our services this Christmas. Everyone is most welcome.

Milee Brambleby, St Mary's Church, Low Road, Hellesdon

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Another great year for Hellesdon Youth Club...

This year kicked off with a very successful and fun filled Quiz and Chips evening at Hellesdon Community Centre. Amazingly, 120 people turned out on March 22nd to support the event which raised a wonderful total of £569.88. This sum is a massive help towards our annual running costs, and it also enables us to buy new equipment and to invest in exciting trips for our young members. So far, we have organised a fully funded bowling trip to see out the summer term and have also set aside enough to purchase giant bean bags to create a cosy seating area on Friday nights.



The support was overwhelming and the event obviously would never have succeeded without every person who contributed in some way or another, therefore we would love to take the opportunity to thank the Hellesdon

Community for their continuous support. Hopefully we will see you again at the next event.

On another note, this September, we have sadly said goodbye to some of our lovely young people who have attended club from the very first night we opened our doors. We wish them all the best as they move onto their further adventures whether it be studying for GCSEs or leaving Hellesdon High for the next chapter. On the other hand, we are welcoming new members every week and hope our numbers will continue to rise through this term and the course of the year. If you know of any young people studying at Hellesdon High, who may like to join us of a Friday evening, please get in touch.



In the coming weeks, we have lots of exciting events ahead of us including our annual Shoe Box Collection for Samaritan's Purse and taking our young people on another trip - this time to the Norfolk Snowsports Club for a tubing session at the beginning of December. This has very generously been supported by the Broadland YAB after we won a bid for a grant.

If you think you would like to get involved with Hellesdon Youth Club, please email us at hellesdonyouthclub@live.co.uk for more information. We are always looking for friendly volunteers to join our team and we would love to hear from you!

Ellie Richards, Youth Club Co-ordinator

This year, prepare for Christmas with Meadow Way Chapel...

Date	Time	Event and Location
Sat 6 th Dec	9:00am – 11:00am	Messy Christmas (<i>Meadow Way Chapel</i>)
Sun 7 th Dec	3:30pm	Combined Community Carol Service (<i>Hellesdon High School</i>)
Thu 11 th Dec	7:00pm – 9:30pm	Ladies craft and carols evening (<i>Meadow Way Chapel</i>)
Mon 15 th Dec	8:00pm	Orchestra concert in aid of Multiple Sclerosis (<i>Meadow Way Chapel</i>)
Sun 21 st Dec	10:45am	Christmas Family Worship and Nativity (<i>Hellesdon Community Centre</i>)
Sun 21 st Dec	5:30pm	Christmas Carol Service (<i>Hellesdon Community Centre</i>)
Tue 23 rd Dec	10:00am – 12:00noon	Family Film morning (<i>Meadow Way Chapel</i>)
Wed 24 th Dec	4:00pm – 4:45pm	Christingle Service (<i>Meadow Way Chapel</i>)
Christmas Day	10:45am	Christmas Day Praise (<i>Meadow Way Chapel</i>)



For more information visit us at...
www.meadow-way.org.uk



Telephone Problems at Diamond Jubilee Lodge

Residents may have experienced some difficulty recently in trying to contact the Parish Council Office by telephone.

Unfortunately the office is suffering from intermittent faults which gives callers an engaged/busy tone.



Our contract communication engineers are working on the problem and hope to have it resolved in the near future

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Hellesdon, Horsford & Horsham St Faiths SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM CRIME SUMMARY

Overview from Broadland and North Norfolk Superintendent Stuart Gunn

We continue to see outboards being stolen from small boats in remote locations. To help prevent this, boat owners should ideally remove the engine completely. However, those who prefer to keep the engine on should remove the cover (cowling) and secure the engine with a cover. Norfolk Constabulary sells branded engine covers, which have been successful in deterring would-be thieves. Other tips include recording the serial number and keeping this in a safe place and marking property with a UV pen.

There have also been a number of bike thefts in the area, many of which have been stolen from gardens after being left unattended. We accept bikes will be left unattended momentarily from time to time, but please remember valuable looking bikes will attract unwanted attention of opportunist thieves. You can contact your local safer neighbourhood team to arrange getting your bike security marked.

I would urge van owners to make sure they are taking the necessary security measures following a number of recent break-ins. My advice is to make sure your van is locked and secure and that expensive items such as power tools are ideally removed overnight;

57204/14	Burglary in a Building other than a Dwelling	BLACKBERRY COURT NORWICH	Between 26 Oct 2014 19:19 and 26 Oct 2014 19:20	Property entered cash and items stolen.
57284/14	Burglary in a Building other than a Dwelling	MEADOW WAY NORWICH	Between 26 Oct 2014 06:30 and 26 Oct 2014 07:00	Shed entered and items stolen.
57078/14	Burglary in a Building other than a Dwelling with Intent	HAWTHORNE AVENUE NORWICH	Between 25 Oct 2014 21:30 and 26 Oct 2014 06:50	Shed entered nothing stolen.
57314/14	Other Criminal Damage	ALSTON ROAD HELLESDON PARK ROAD NORWICH	Between 24 Oct 2014 18:00 and 27 Oct 2014 07:00	Compound entered, nothing stolen.
57318/14	Other Criminal Damage	ALSTON ROAD HELLESDON PARK ROAD NORWICH	Between 26 Oct 2014 18:37 and 26 Oct 2014 19:25	Perimeter fence cut in two places.
57581/14	Other Criminal Damage	MANOR ROAD HORSHAM ST. FAITH NORWICH	Between 25 Oct 2014 09:00 and 28 Oct 2014 15:15	Gravestone and flowers damaged.
56565/14	Theft Of Pedal Cycle	CROMER ROAD NORWICH	Between 20 Oct 2014 08:00 and 20 Oct 2014 12:45	Bicycle stolen.
57405/14	Theft Of Pedal Cycle	ST. PAULS CLOSE NORWICH	Between 26 Oct 2014 09:00 and 27 Oct 2014 07:00	Bicycle stolen.



Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel (SNAP)

Date of next meeting:

Wednesday 4 February 2015 at 7pm

Parish Council Office, Diamond Jubilee Lodge, Wood View Road, Hellesdon NR6 5QB

"What's on in & around Hellesdon"

Does your club, society, organisation need help in promoting your activity? Do you need more members? Then the Parish Council would like to help. Send us your articles and we will do our best to publish in the forthcoming issues of The Grapevine.

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For further details contact:
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Short Mat Bowls Club

Short Mat Bowls is played at Hellesdon Community Centre on Monday mornings, Thursday and Friday evenings.

If you feel you are interested or feel like you would like to join the Club and you are available on Thursday and Friday evenings, please get in touch with Freda Lane on 01603 426529





REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

On Sunday 9th November, The Royal British Legion Service of Remembrance was held at St Mary's Church, Low Road, Hellesdon. The Service was attended by the Chairman of the Parish Council, Councillor Peter Balcombe, Councillors Sue Hiestand and Dorothy Attenborough, together with Mrs Patricia Kirby and Mr Ken Owen officers of the Council.

Prior to the Service of Remembrance conducted by Reverend Louise Alder, the Chairman laid a wreath on behalf of the Parish Council.



Cllr Balcombe (left) & Mr John Browning (former Clerk to Hellesdon Parish Council 1984- 2000)



CHRISTMAS CHURCH SERVICES

St Paul's, Hawthorne Avenue

Saturday 20 December at 6pm
The Christmas story in carol, song and readings with mulled wine & mince pies
Sunday 21 December at 9.30am
Christingle Café Church *
Thursday 25 December at 10am,
Holy Communion for all ages*

St Mary's, Low Road

Sunday 21 December at 6pm,
9 lessons & carols by candle light with mulled wine & mince pies after
Wednesday 24 December at 4pm
Crib Service & Christingle
a time for all the family on Christmas Eve
Wednesday 24 December at 11.30pm
Holy Communion for Christmas Eve

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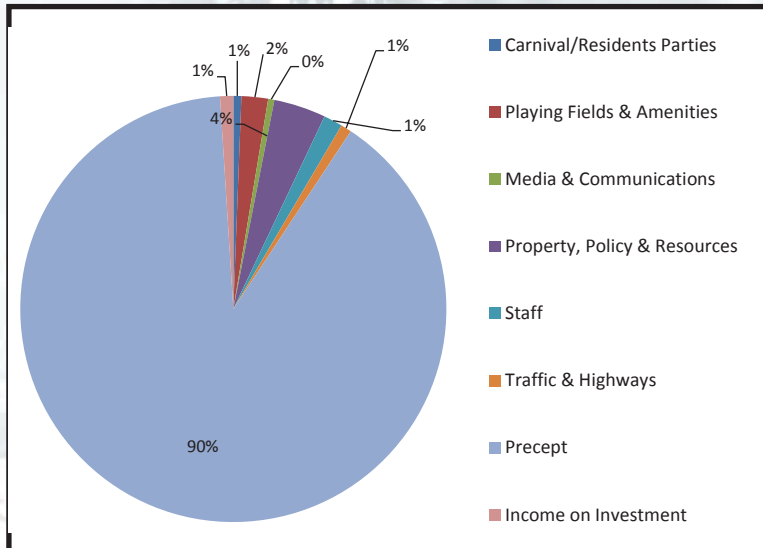
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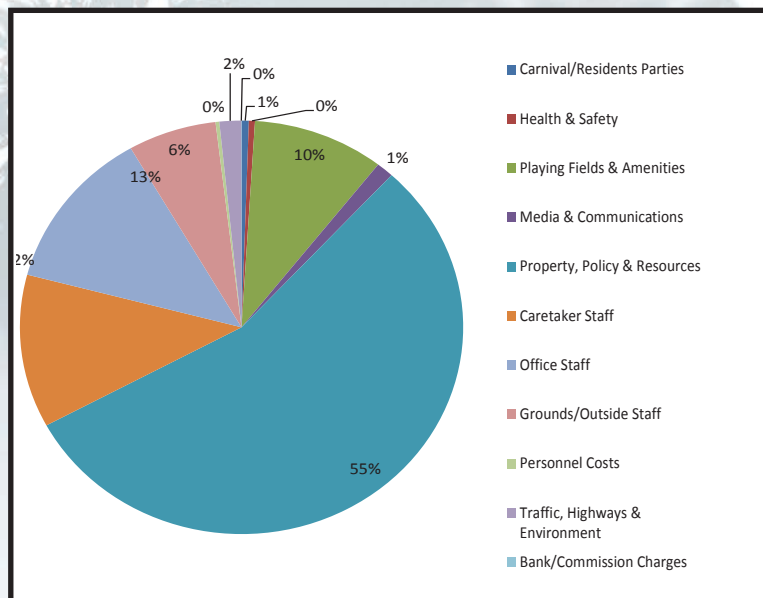
Precepts, grants, income and expenditure-council finances explained

Where the money comes from and where it goes, are set out in these two diagrams



Income 2013/14

Carnival/Residents Parties	£2,561
Playing Fields & Amenities	£8,476
Media & Communications	£1,992
Property, Policy & Resources	£16,636
Staff	£6,044
Traffic & Highways	£3,452
Precept	£377,840
Income on Investment	£4,207
Total	£421,208



Expenditure 2013/14

Carnival/Residents Parties	£3,895
Health & Safety	£3,253
Playing Fields & Amenities	£70,648
Media & Communications	£9,264
Property, Policy & Resources	£406,730
Caretaker Staff	£88,010
Office Staff	£92,450
Grounds/Outside Staff	£47,491
Personnel Costs	£2,017
Traffic, Highways & Environment	£11,617
Bank/Commission Charges	£157.00
Total	£735,532

All councils need to produce an annual revenue budget which sets out the financial requirements for the forthcoming year. This becomes the basis upon which spending policy is approved and how the amount of cash required in order to finance the spending plan is calculated.

The total expenditure shown above include payments for the build of the new office for which a loan was taken out in 2012. It also includes for the refurbishment of the skate park and the outside toilets. This expenditure is to be reimbursed by Broadland District Council having been made available and possible by money from S106 agreements

The above charts show where the money has come from and how it was spent for the financial year ended March 2014.

As is evident from the diagrams employment of staff impacts extremely high on council expenditure, with the high proportion needed for salaries and associated costs for our caretakers. The caretakers and are employed by the Parish Council to serve in the Community Centre which is managed by a group of volunteers known as Hellesdon Community Centre Board of Trustees and is registered as a charity.

The accounts for the financial year 2013/14 have now been approved by the appointed Auditors and a copy of the documentation can be viewed on our website under the heading of Council – sub section Annual Return.