

the norton messenger

March 2023



EDITORIAL

This month we have some more pets starring in the Messenger, as well as the return of Down our Street with some more village history.

This month's cover photo is of Black Bourn water meadows sent in by Pete Nash

Please send any contributions for the Messenger to the address below by the 15th of the previous month.

Best wishes, Diana



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NORTON VILLAGE HALL CLASSES

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MONDAY	9.00am - 10.00am	Ren Yoga
	6.00pm - 8.30pm	Jo's Fit4All
TUESDAY	9.30am - 10.30am	Serenity Yoga
WEDNESDAY	6.30pm - 7.30pm	Zumba
FRIDAY	9.15am - 10.15am	Zumba
	10.45am - 11.45am	Yvonne's Body Work Class



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DOWN OUR STREET

Tithes were payments made from early times, for the support of the parish church and its clergy. Tithes formed a major part of a rural clergyman's income and were often referred to as his 'living'.

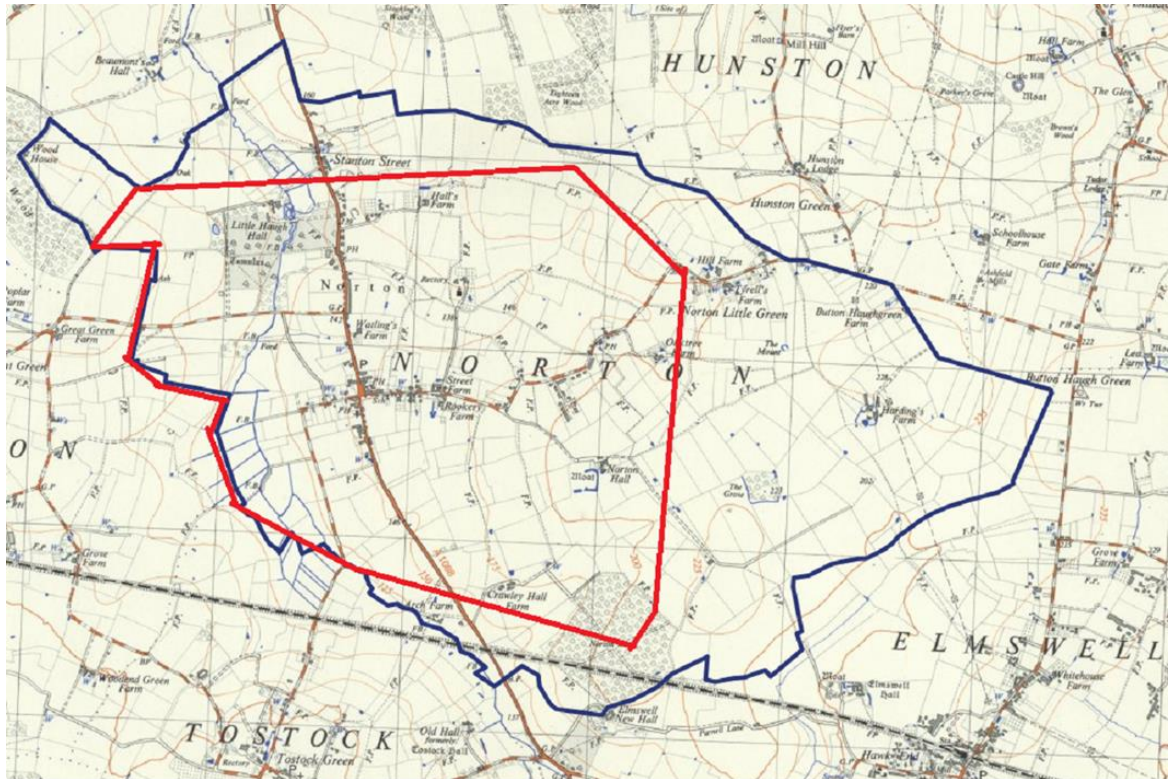
Originally these payments were made in kind (crops, wool, milk, young stock, etc.) and usually represented a tenth (tithe) of the yearly production of cultivation or stock rearing. It was intended to link pastors with the farmers of their parishes: with a good harvest, farmer and clergyman gained; in a bad year, both suffered together.

The clergyman was responsible for collecting his own tithe, going into the fields and assessing crops, inspecting orchards, counting cattle, sheep or even beehives. He had to know the source and amount of each farmer's income in order to know how much he could expect to collect as tithe. However, this became over complicated, so in the early years of Victoria's reign (between 1837 and the mid-1850s) the government undertook a vast land survey of England and Wales, covering the majority of these two countries.

The authorities used the information to create apportionment books which detailed the plots of land owned and occupied by all levels of society and the amount of the tithe payable, as a monetary value.

These schedules were then linked to very detailed maps to identify where the plot was.

The Norton Tithe Map



Rev. A Dicken D.D. Rector of Norton in 1841.

I had been to the Records Office where I originally studied Norton's tithe map which was in poor condition and only covered the part of the parish outlined in red. I would think it had perhaps been originally kept in damp conditions and part had rotted. In November 2018 an amazing find was made in the loft of a Norton house, namely, a virtually intact copy of the map covering the whole parish.

This 1841 map has the field numbers used at the time, and together with the Apportionment Book of the same date, gives me the ability to research individual farms and locate the homes of individuals. I have used these in conjunction with the National Census of 1841 which gives the names and approximate ages of adults (within 5 years) and accurate ages of those under 21.

The Apportionment Book shows :-

The land-owners.

Occupiers (owners or tenants).

Acreages given in ARP (acres, roods and perches) where 1 acre = 4 roods and 1 rood = 40 perches. 1 acre is 22 yds x 220 yds (1 chain x 1 furlong) or 4840 sq. yds. A rod, pole or perch was 5.5 yards.

Number and name of each field in the village. Type of building (cottage, mill, barn etc.).

Type of cultivation (arable, meadow, pasture, common, wood, plantation, orchard).

Annual rent-charge due in £. s. d.

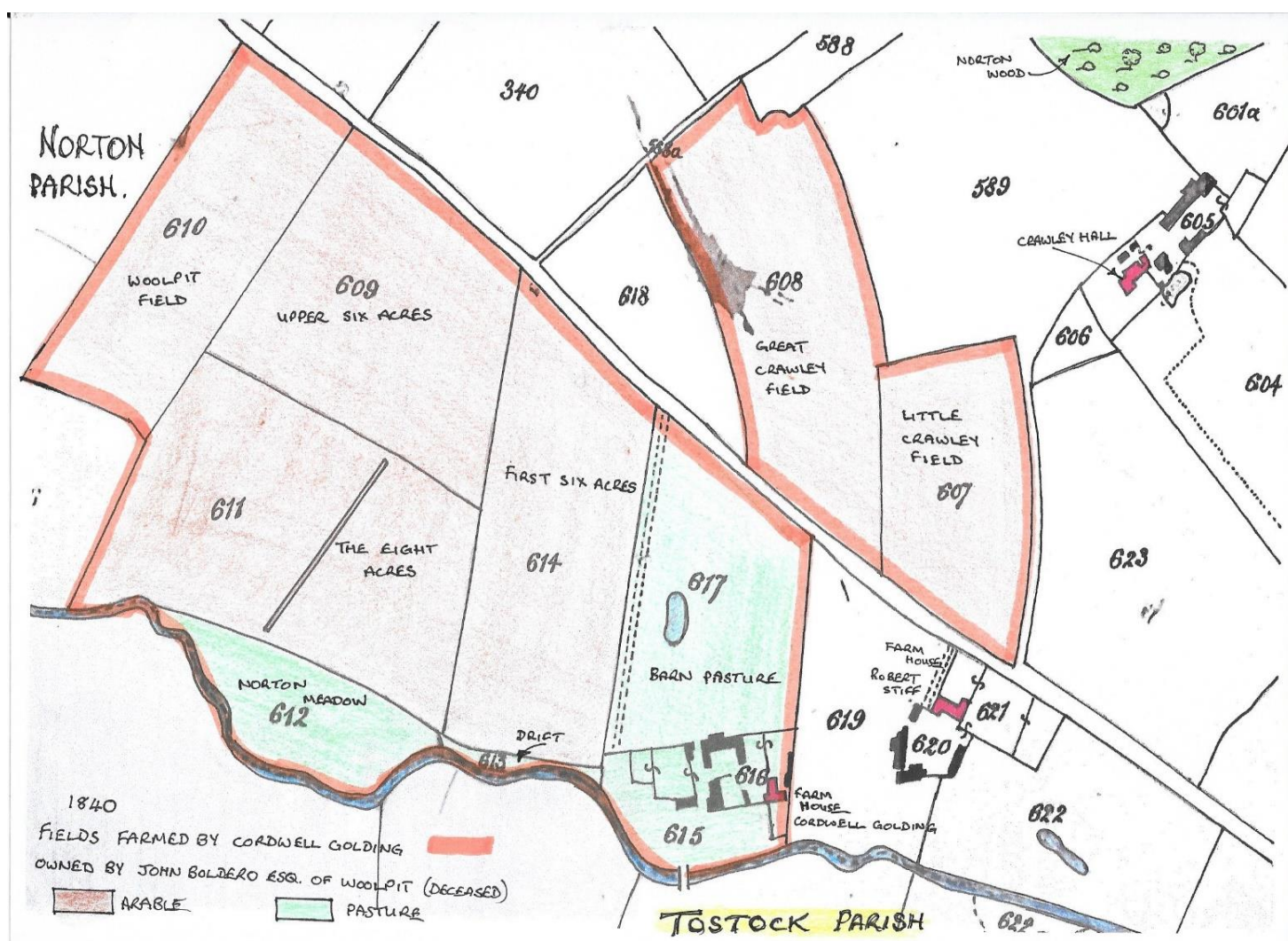


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LANDOWNERS.	OCCUPIERS.	Number referring to the Plan.	NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF LANDS AND PREMISES.	STATE OF CULTIVATION.	QUANTITIES IN STATUTE MEASURE.	Amount of Rent-Charge appropriated upon the several Lands, and Payable to the Incumbent.
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Aldenon Robert	Hisself	257	House Blacksmiths			
		258	Ship Garden &c		2	1 6
Bedeman James	Jakes Robert	267	House and Garden		1 5 6	3
	Gipps Thomas	533	Bear House Yard		1 17	
		534	and Premises		1 2 12	
		535	Pelash Meadow	Pasture	2 2 2	
		536	Pelash Field	Arable	2 6	
Beldere John Esq. Exors of		730	Allotment	Arable	1 5 5 1/2	1 8 2
Golding Cordwell	Cockedge Thomas	290	Two Acre Meadow & Drift	Pasture	1 3 25	
		291	Low Meadow	Pasture	3 3 2 1/2	
					5 3 12	1 2
		607	Little Crawley Field	Arable	3 3 4	
		608	Great Crawley Field	Arable	6 1	
		609	Upper Six Acres	Arable	7 9	
		610	Woolpit Field	Arable	5 1 5	
		611	The Eight Acres	Arable	8 1 32	
		612	Norton Meadow	Pasture	2 1 30	
		613	Drift	Pasture	1 7	
		614	First Six Acres	Arable	7 32	
		615	Farm House Yard		1 3 12	
		616	and Premises	Pasture	14 2	
		617	Barn Pasture	Pasture	14 2	
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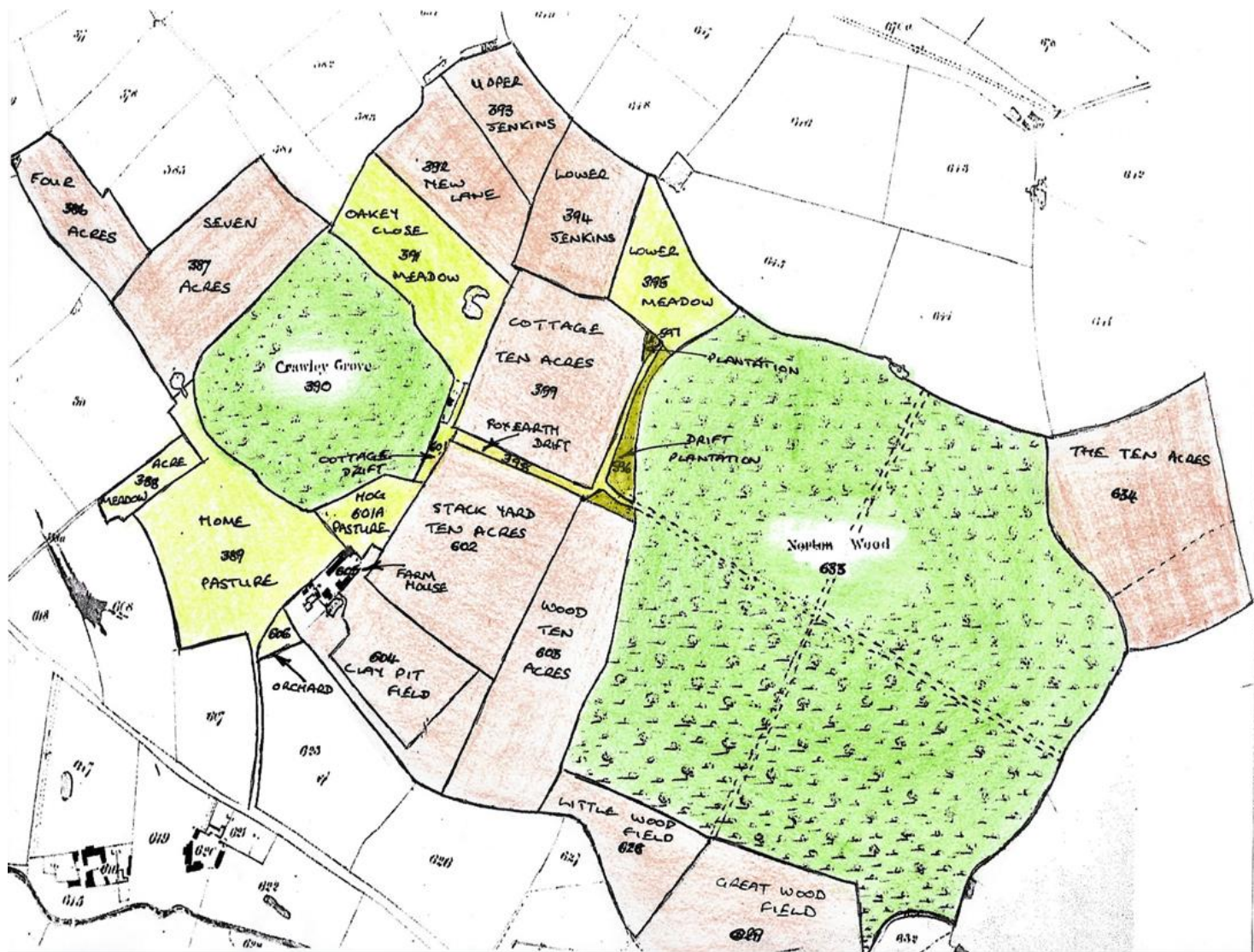
I have used the information to start building a picture of some of the farms which existed in 1841.



The fields of Arch Farm, as farmed by Cordwell Golding. Robert Stiff lived in Arch Farm Cottages.

Cordwell was born 5 October 1769 in Stansfield, Suffolk. He married Sarah Pearson Castle in Great Barton, on 27 June 1800. Cordwell was 30, Sarah 21. They lived in Ixworth and then moved to Norton (1827) where they farmed and employed two servants (1841). Both died in Norton, Cordwell on 11th January 1847, aged 77, and Sarah on 25 February 1854, aged 73. Both were buried in Great Barton.

Robert Stiff was a carrier from Norton to Bury St Edmunds. He died in December 1889.



Crawley Hall Farm as owned by Sarah Sparke and farmed by John Osborne Howlett.

John Osborne Howlett was born in Elmswell in about 1800 and married my 2x Gt grand aunt, Frances Jane Burt at Norton in 1835. Their daughter Emma married Cordwell Golding's grandson, Alfred Golding and they lived in Crawley Hall where they raised eight children.

I hope to continue looking at other farms in future editions of The Messenger.

If anyone has any old photos of Norton, past Norton residents or other historical information about the village, I would be grateful if they would contact me, David Burt, Suffolk Local History Council's Recorder for Norton. Email bg55599@hotmail.com

Has anyone got any early photos of Norton's twinning with Muids which they would be prepared to share? Finally I have around 1000 photos relating to Norton's history on Facebook. If you are interested and have not looked it is free to view on Facebook. [Norton Suffolk History and Photos](#). 5



I am writing this article during February half term and on reflection it has certainly been a busy and full packed one. There have had many highlights and the school environment and classrooms certainly reflect what the children have been learning.

In Star Class the children have enjoyed their topic on 'Toys'. They have been really interested in learning about toys from the past by listening carefully to adults who have shared with them their memories of playing with their toys when they were younger. The children have also been very creative when designing and making their own toys with recyclable materials.

In Galaxy Class the children have been learning about Florence Nightingale, researching when she lived, what she did, how she became famous and how she improved nursing practices. In Planet Class, the children have been learning about farming and there is no better way than first hand experience and so the class enjoyed a trip to Jimmy's Farm where they had the opportunity to apply knowledge already learnt.

In Key Stage 2, the children in Comet Class visited The Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge as part of their topic on 'Tomb Raiders'. At the museum the children looked at a range of Ancient Egyptian objects and were encouraged to share what it could tell them about what life was like for ancient Egyptian people. In art the children also had a go at making their own papyrus paper using brown paper and a mix of water and glue. The comments from the children ranged from "Oh my goodness this is the best thing ever!" to "This is soooo disgusting!" We are looking forward to seeing how they turn. In Rocket Class, the children had a fabulous day when History Off The Page visited the school and changed the school hall into Athenian Agora (market place) as part of their Ancient Greek topic. The children had the opportunity to be wax tablet makers, pottery painters, mosaic makers, fresco painters and jewellers. The children have now moved on to look at the Romans and a trip to Colchester Castle has been planned. Meteor Class have been enjoying science investigations, with the children completing a series of experiments to explore balanced and unbalanced forces. In Supernova Class you could quite literally have heard a pin drop when the children started to make their novelty phone cases which they had carefully designed. To complete the task, the children enlisted the help of many volunteers who assisted in threading needles and untangling knots. The results were very impressive and the cases are now proudly on display. This half term we have also had the pleasure of watching Year 3 and Year 5 perform their class assemblies. It always amazes me how confidently the children share the information but also the amount of work which they have covered considering we are only mid way through the year. As a school we have also celebrated Children's Mental Health Week, with the theme for this year being 'Let's Connect'. The children were able to share and recognise the importance of being there for each other as well as celebrating the fact that we are all different and unique. The children completed a range of activities in class, one was completing a jigsaw piece, with the hope being that we can make a 210 jigsaw puzzle with all the pieces to show that we all belong to the Norton School Community.

We finished Spring 1 with a Valentine's disco, which was kindly organised by FAPONS. It was lovely to see the children enjoying themselves and sharing dance moves. As a school, we sadly said a fond farewell to Ms Henderson who is returning up north to be with her family. Ms Henderson has been at Norton for 15 years and so it was important that we gave her a good send-off with the children sharing memories and the whole school singing 'Reach for the Stars' with actions!

Mrs Sparkes



ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

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March 2023 Church Services and Opening times

Our beautiful and ancient church is open every day for visitors and private prayer.

5 th	2nd Sunday of Lent	8am Holy Communion 10am Family@Church – Lent – KAGERA!	Walsham-le-Willows Pakenham
12 th	3rd Sunday of Lent	9.30am Holy Communion (BCP) 9.30am Morning Worship CMS 11am Family Communion	Tostock Great Ashfield Pakenham
19 th	4th Sunday of Lent	9.30am Mothering Sunday Service 10am Mothering Sunday Service 11am Mothering Sunday Service 11am Mothering Sunday Family Communion	Pakenham Tostock Norton Great Ashfield
26 th	5th Sunday of Lent	9.30am TOAST 9.30am Family Communion 11am Morning Worship 11am Morning Worship	Great Ashfield Norton Hunston Tostock

ALL THINGS KAGERA!

Family@Church 5th March - 9.30am for 10am start - St Mary's Pakenham

Come and learn about the people and school in our twin Diocese of Kagera in Tanzania, engage in their local skills and crafts and see how we can help with our prayers and in other practical ways. This year the Bishops' Lent Appeal is for the Diocese of Kagera, and our Lenten support will be launched at this service.

MOTHERING SUNDAY - LOVE YOUR MUM! (AND GRANDMA!) and bring them to church to celebrate on 19TH MARCH 11AM ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

This is a lovely family occasion for all ages, when however young or old we are we can say thank you to God for our Mums, Grandmas, and for anyone who has shown us a mother's love. Posies will be given out at all our services on this day.

All ages and families of any shapes or sizes welcome!

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH LIGHTS



If you would like to see the church lit up in the evenings please consider sponsoring the lights (£20 a week) to celebrate an event or remember a loved one. Please contact: Philippa Wilding email pfwilding@btinternet.com Telephone 07776443004

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

NORTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9th January 2023

PRESENT:

In the Chair: Mr. D. Etchells-Butler
Mr. B. Aket, Mrs. S. Hill, Mr. R. Lenko, Mrs. T. Long, Mr. G. Walton,
Mrs. J. Rowland (Clerk) LGA 1972 s12 para 40
County Councillor A. Mellen
District Councillor A. Davies
One member of the public.

APOLOGIES: Mr. J. Morgan, Mr. T. Walker. The Council consented to accept the apology and reasons received, which will be recorded in the attendance register.

District Councillor H. Richardson

1.	Mr. Etchells-Butler reminded of the meeting protocol	
2.	Declarations of pecuniary and local non-pecuniary interests a) Declarations of pecuniary, local non-pecuniary interest(s) and personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature inc. gifts of hospitality exceeding £25 - none b)Declarations of lobbying for planning matters on the agenda - none c) Requests for dispensations - none	
3.	PUBLIC FORUM —to receive reports for information - Members of the public—to receive questions and matters of concern from those in attendance - none - Members of the public – to receive comments submitted via email Request received from Beverley Smith for a salt bin at the Horseshoes. The Council agreed in principle to this request, but will obtain price of a bin and installation cost before making a final decision. Members of the public – to receive questions submitted via Facebook - none	Clerk
4.	REPORTS FOR INFORMATION –to receive written reports for information only - Report from County Councillor Andy Mellen. Mr. Etchells-Butler enquired about electric buses. Councillor Mellen stated these were still being investigated and it was likely to be at least one year away before any decision. - Report from District Councillors Harry Richardson, Austin Davies - noted. Mr. Aket asked Councillor Davies about Norton information as most of his report appeared Thurston based. He also asked about the number of full council meetings of MSDC in 2022. Councillor Davies agreed to check but stated sub-committees do meet regularly. He further commented there was no formal link between MSDC and SALC. Councillor Davies stated he still has some of his locality budget available and he needed requests as soon as possible.	
5.	MINUTES	
	To note and approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 5 th December 2022. Mrs. Long proposed acceptance, Mrs. Hill seconded. Minutes approved for signature.	
6.	MATTERS ARISING	
	6.1 Parish Council assistance with drainage problem in Church Lane. Due to the weather the work is still pending	Mr. Walton
	6.2 Welcome Pack - pending	Mr. Walton
	6.3 Parish Trees, Hedgerows and Wildflowers Scheme 2022. Mrs. Hill stated she had taken delivery of 300 very small shrubs for this area. She asked for Mr. and Mrs. Adams to be thanked for help to plant these taking around 3 hours. The rest of the area requires marking out to stop people walking on it, and the grass not to be cut.	Mrs. Hill Clerk

	6.4 Water pump for allotments. Mr. Walton stated he has a small submersible pump at home that he will trial.	Mr. Walton
	6.5 Norton & District Twinning Association. Mrs. Hill stated the Twinning Association would be very grateful for a donation of £1000 and agreed to open the reception to all the village. Mr. Aket formally proposed the donation of £1000, Mr. Lenko seconded with all in agreement.	
	6.6 Hedging at Village Hall/Preschool – coppicing and ditch clearance. Mr. Walton highlighted the rodent problem at the Hall and Pre-school due to the overgrown ditch. He requested that the Council clear the ditch, reduce the brambles and pollard the hedge stating SWT were in support of this action. Mr. Honeywood owns the ditch and has agreed to this work plus the possibility of piping the ditch. The hedge is the responsibility of the Council. Mr. Walton will obtain quotes for the work.	Mr. Walton
	6.7 Housing provision in Norton particularly of 2 bed houses. Mr. Walton commented on the lack of availability of small houses being detrimental to the village as first time buyers could not afford to buy in Norton. He felt pressure should be put on Mid Suffolk planning to allow this type of development. Councillor Mellen advised speaking with Councillor Richardson, and Councillor Davies.	Clerk
	6.8 Coronation arrangements. As this is a one day event on 6 th May, Mr. Aket proposed villagers watched the event at home and then came together on the playing field for a communal tea party, with children's sports. Mr. Walton is enquiring about the cost of a band for an evening dance. Coronation mugs are now available costing £4.55 + VAT. Mr. Aket suggested the purchase of 450 mugs, costing £2500, giving one to each village child, leaving a few remaining to sell. There could also be a best decorated house competition. Mr. Walton agreed to book the hall.	Mr. Aket Mr. Walton
	6.9 Messenger. Mr. Aket commented on the Bardwell article at the beginning of the Messenger with the Norton School article being relegated to the last page. Mr. Aket felt perhaps more information from Norton would help fill the pages.	
	6.10 Update on street light replacements. SCC replied that dates are still awaited from the contractor to undertake the works. Their G39 team will also need to arrange dates for cutting electricity to replace the lights. The Clerk received a request for the light outside Quarry House to be upgraded as it is beginning to fail. The Council agreed to this request. Mr. Etchells-Butler stated he had been approached about the light at the school being on the whole time. Mr. Aket stated this was a security light at the school and not Council responsibility. Mr. Walton stated he had been asked about the lights at the village hall being very bright. He informed that the lights were on a timer going off at midnight with a light sensor to turn on at dusk.	Clerk
	6.11 The Clerk was pleased to inform Councillors that the new street cleaner had commenced work. Although the cleaner had not found much dog excrement, Mr. Walton stated this was a problem along one footpath in Ashfield Road.	
7.	SPEEDWATCH	
	7.1 Update on Speedwatch. Mr. Stone presented a table showing data collected from the speedwatch sessions between June 2022 and December 2022. The team operate from 7 sites in the village, 5 along the A1088, 1 along The Street and 1 in Ashfield Road. Of the 108 sessions, there were 2132 vehicles travelling over 34mph. All recordings have been sent to the Police who write a letter to the owner. On the third letter the Police take action. He stated it clearly showed a problem at the Ixworth end of the village, for instance at Hollybank the average catch was 36 vehicles an hour with up to 60 an hour at times. Vehicles appeared to gather speed travelling out of the village once they pass The Gardens. He enquired how the Council would like to proceed with this data. Mr. Etchells-Butler felt providing data to the Police and being proactive had caused the Police to place their speed van at Hollybank a couple of times which caught over 40 vehicles. Councillor Mellen enquired whether additional 30mph signage was required, but Mr Stone felt there were enough repeater signs. Traffic calming was mentioned but as an 'A' road there were limits on what could be done.	9

	When asked about HGVs and the weight restriction on the bridge, Mr. Stone stated some were coming through and at times speeding and these are reported to the Police. Mrs. Long enquired about larger 30mph signs. Mr. Lenko stated the flashing sign at Woolpit end of the village appeared effective in slowing the traffic. Mr. Walton commented on the additional planning to be undertaken at this end of the village which should be highlighted to Highways but Mr. Etchells-Butler felt this may be referred to the Developer. When asked if speeding vehicles were local or passing through, Mr. Stone stated he was unable to ascertain this information. Mrs. Hill felt the 40mph leading to the 30mph does help to slow traffic, and she felt the section of road from Stowlangtoft to Norton should also be 40mph. It was felt that with the data available this should again be requested with Highways. Councillors asked for the team to be given thanks for their superb work.	
	7.2 Speed Kills signs. Mr. Lenko stated these are £13 each but was uncertain where they could be located. Mr. Stone stated he had taken delivery of 4 speedwatch signs so these could be put up. Mr. Walton offered to help when sites had been decided.	
8.	PLANNING	
	8.1 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/22/06050 Land to North of Honeywood Grove, Ashfield Road, Norton Planning Application - Retention of change of use of agricultural land to residential garden land and provision of surface water drainage attenuation basin (to serve adjacent development of 9no dwellings, previously approved under PP ref: DC/20/05106). The Council objected to the retention of change of use of agricultural land to residential garden and provision of surface water drainage basin. The Council felt this set a precedent for the adjacent development to increase their residential land and garden and should not become part of the garden land to the existing properties. The area in question is on agricultural land and currently collects the surface water. The Council stated it should be regarded as a wildlife haven and developed, retained and protected as such.	
	8.2 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/22/06158 Three Bridges, Ashfield Gardens, Norton Proposal: Erection of 1no detached dwelling with detached garage. Demolition of existing buildings (in lieu of that approved under planning permission DC/21/05985 for the erection of 1no dwelling and detached garage). The Council had no objection to this application.	
	8.3 GRANTED Land West Of, Ixworth Road, Norton Application Reference: DC/22/03881 Full Planning Application - Construction of access road to serve self-build dwellings approved under planning permissions DC/18/01239, DC/19/02021 and DC/20/02990.	
	8.4 DISCHARGE OF CONDITION(S) Halls Farm, Halls Lane, Norton Discharge of Conditions Application for DC/21/05831 Conditions 5 (Great Crested Newt Method Statement) 6 (Biodiversity Enhancement Layout) 14 (Construction Management Plan) 16 (Access Surface Treatment) 19 (Surface Water) 20 (Refuse Bins and Collection Areas) and 22 (Heat Pump Screening)	
	8.5 REFUSAL OF NON-MATERIAL AMENDMENT Land at The Rear of The Salvation Army Hall, Woolpit Road, Norton, DC/22/05824 Application for a Non-Material Amendment relating to DC/21/01170 - Reduction in height of single storey dwellings (Plots 1, 2 & 5) together with amendment in external finishes as shown on drawings.	
	8.6 REFUSAL OF OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION Land West of Suffolk House, Ixworth Road, Norton - DC/22/01941 Erection of 9No self-build/custom build dwellings. Application for Outline Planning Permission (Access points to be considered, Appearance, Layout, Landscaping and Scale reserved) Town and Country Planning Act 1990	10

	8.7 Manor Barn Lodge, Norton Little Green. Mr. Lenko informed the Council of issues regarding Building work at Norton Little Green. The house was higher than the approval and there was dispute over the access road. Councillor Richardson had been informed and enforcement was being investigated.	
9.	PRECEPT 9.1 The Clerk provided a suggested budget of £33,000 stating this would allow a gradual build-up of funds to support the village hall project if the Public Works Loan did not materialize. Mr. Aket proposed the figure is reduced to £29,000 having concern for the current financial crisis. After discussion, the Councillors agreed to the precept for 2023-2024 being set at £29,000.	Clerk
10.	FINANCE	
	10.1 To approve the accounts awaiting payment: Clerk's salary £227.26, Cheque no 522411 LGA1972 s112 HMRC £56.60. Cheque no 522412 LGA1972 s112 Citizens Advice Bureau £50.00. Cheque no 522413 LGA1972 s137 Village Hall upkeep and WIFI £1900.00 Cheque no 522414 Local Government Act 1972 s133 Glasdon, dog bin, £153.82. Cheque no 522415 Litter Act 1983,ss5,6 Vertas £296.40. Cheque no. 522416 Public Health Act 1875 s164 Amazon, speedwatch battery £36.87. Cheque no 522417 Highways Act 1980 s274A Mr. J. Adams, £18.31 cheque no 522418 and £13.98 Cheque no 522419 LGA1972 s112 Norton & District Twinning Association £1000.00. Cheque no 522420 LGA1972 s137	
	10.2 SCC - Unit 10 Ixworth Rd Norton Quotation. This Unit is damaged and obsolete and a quote of £848.11 + VAT to replace. The Council approved this work to be added to the list of lights requiring upgrade.	Clerk
	10.3 To receive budget statement – noted and approved	
	10.4 Update on Bus shelter. Mr. Etchells-Butler stated he had received an email from Highways. There is a discrepancy between the shelter and hard area so there needs to be land from the landowner, Mrs. Mathieson. She had agreed to the use of some land but this needs to be a formal written approval for Highways.	Mr. Etchells-Butler
11.	VILLAGE HALL	
	11.1 Update on Borrowing approval application. The Clerk stated the person she had been dealing with in respect of the additional form, queries on the form, and the Clerk's explanation, had been on holiday and was now off sick, so another person had been allocated to review the application. A reply was still awaited by the Clerk.	Clerk
	11.2 Update from Village Hall. Mr. Walton stated the planning permission needs to be re-applied for. Bookings continue to grow but heating was now expensive. Mr. Jefferson, as chairman, has stated he will resign from the Village Hall committee at the end of March. The Committee has had discussion on how to piece-meal different parts of the works required if the loan was not forthcoming. The Platinum Jubilee village hall fund has now opened with £75m to cover all the country, so an application will be submitted. DEFRA and CIL have offered funding but this is dependent on PWLB funding.	
12.	PLAY AREAS	
	12.1 Play area adjacent to Village Hall. Mr. Lenko stated the zip wire could be sited in a different area parallel to the main play area so this will be investigated. Concerning the cost, Mr Lenkos stated it had been felt there needed to be something for older children so he asked for clarification in principle if Councillors were in favour of the zip wire. It was felt that three quotes should be sought having regard to the cost, and the proposed alternative site was preferred by Councillors. Mrs. Long expressed concern about health and safety if the wire is used at night. Mr. Lenko confirmed that the play area inspector had stated a zip wire is no more dangerous than any other piece of equipment.	
	12.2 Mr. Lenko confirmed the two new gates for the play area have been ordered.	

	12.3 Play area in Prospect Road. Mrs. Long stated she had obtained one quote for a sign for £219 which she considered too expensive. Mr. Walton stated he was still chasing his contact for a quote. Mr. Lenko will also ask Mr. Millyard for a quote. Mr. Walton agreed to get the paint and brushes for the swings. Mrs. Long asked for bright colours and it was agreed as red, white and blue for the Coronation year. The Council thanked Mrs. Polley for volunteering to undertake this task and for storing the football nets until Spring when they will be put back.	Clerk
13	CORRESPONDENCE	
	13.1 MSDC Formal Consultation of revisions to the Babergh & Mid Suffolk Planning Local Validation List (LVL) - noted	
	13.2 Laptops for Digital Inclusion from XMA Ltd - noted	
	13.3 Town & Parish Liaison Meetings - 1/2/23 and 7/2/23 - noted	
	13.4 Councils & Clerks Direct - noted	
14.	QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS AND SUGGESTIONS FOR THE NEXT MEETING.	
	14.1 Mr. Aket commented a new hedge is being put in along the Ixworth Road between Norton and Stowlangtoft Spinney.	
	14.2 Mr. Etchells-Butler stated he would be stepping down from the Council and not standing in May for election.	
15.	15.1 To confirm the date of next meeting: 6 th February 2023, 7.30pm	
16.	16.1 There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.33.	

NORTON PARISH COUNCIL

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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Monday 3rd April 2023 at 7.30pm

NORTON BAPTIST CHURCH

**ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE
WELCOME TO ATTEND**

It is hoped that the District Councillors and County Councillor will be in attendance. It will be your chance to question them and the Parish Council or comment on matters.
N.B. As this is the pre-election period the District Councillors and the Parish Council will only be able to comment in general.

THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

Voter ID requirement

From 4 May 2023, voters in England will need to show photo ID to vote at polling stations in some elections. This will apply to:

- Local elections
- Police and Crime Commissioner elections
- UK parliamentary by-elections
- Recall petitions

From October 2023 it will also apply to UK General elections.

If you don't have accepted photo ID, you can apply for a free voter ID document, which is known as a Voter Authority Certificate. Apply at voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk

When applying for a Voter Authority Certificate, you will need to provide your:

- name
- address
- date of birth
- National Insurance number

You should apply using the same name that you used to register to vote.



PETS OF NORTON

Dexter (1) and

Sandy (14)



NORTON AND DISTRICT TWINNING ASSOCIATION



Thank you so much to everyone who supported the Elvis Tribute Evening at the Village Hall last month. 'Harry Isaac Presley' and the Hip Operation Band certainly entertained us all.

We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to our next event:



Norton and District Twinning Association



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Quiz Night

Teams up to
8 people

Friday 3rd March 2023
At Norton Village Hall

Doors open 7pm, Quiz starts 7.30pm

Tickets include supper!

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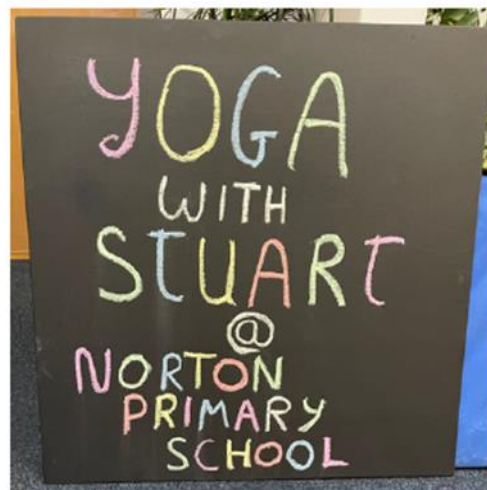
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